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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, PRISONER OF WAR SPECIAL PROJECTS DIVISION

SUBJECT: "Field Service Report on Visit to Prisoner of War Camp, Leesburg, Florida, 13 February 1945, by Captain Robert L. Kunzig."

1. Nature of Camp: This camp is a branch camp of Prisoner of War Camp, Camp Blanding, Florida. Prisoner strength is 250 of which a great majority are enlisted men. A few noncommissioned officers work in a supervisory capacity.

2. Summary of Progress: Assistant Executive Officer First Lieutenant Alfred Corwin has just completed two visits to Leesburg to coordinate the activities of the Intellectual Diversion program. The camp is situated out in the Florida Pines some seven miles from Leesburg. Buildings were part of a former Army Air Forces Installation and offer many excellent facilities. A large hall is used to show motion pictures which are, at present, ordered by Lieutenant Corwin. Prisoners expressed preference for musicals, action films and historical films in that order and specifically asked that no cowboy films be shown. This camp has no director of studies but an attempt will be made to transfer prisoners with sufficient abilities and background from another branch camp. No orchestra is at present available because of a lack of musicians. The camp has one radio and phonograph. There is also a day room, study room, canteen, theater, and athletic field.

3. Recommendations: Captain Kunzig recommended:

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- a. That more sports equipment be ordered.
 - b. That correspondence courses and home study courses be instigated.
 - c. That the library be increased and books be rotated from camp to camp.
 - d. That periodicals be placed on sale in the canteens.
 - e. That a chorus be started (to provide some musical entertainment until an orchestra can be built up).

4. Summary: Captain Kunzig spoke at length with Captain Painter, Commanding Officer of Prisoner of War Camp, Leesburg, who promised full cooperation with the Intellectual Diversion

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Program. Captain Painter is seriously interested in this phase of prisoner of war work. His main request is for more equipment and facilities with which to work.

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