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MEMORANDUM FOR SENATORS WALLGREN, KILGORE

AND BREWSTER

I will not be able to attend the Brewster meeting at 2:00 today because Senator Truman requested that I substitute for him in a speech before the Takoma Park Women's Club.

Mr. Kaiser telephoned to say that the points that he thought ought to be covered specifically today are:

1. The status of the British contract and the Navy's information as to what adjustment the British propose to make and how and when.
2. The question as to whether the Navy definitely wants Kaiser to undertake the matter, so as to remove any possibility of contending that he is an interloper.
3. The Navy's opinion of its own management presently running the plant, particularly Reibel. (Mr. Kaiser would like to see on the official record a discussion of the fact that however troublesome labor might have been the Navy-selected management made a pretty poor showing.
4. The importance which the Navy attaches to the production of Corsairs, and the job which they have done or are expected to do on the fighting front.
5. Whether the Truman Committee desires to have Mr. Kaiser undertake the management of the company with the understanding that he is putting his entire reputation at stake and is determined to work out the problems of the plant.

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