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END OF U.S. S. LEXINGTON.

The U.S.Aircraft Carrier LEXINGTON was a price and sacrifice paid in the winning of the Battle of the Coral Sea. This is how the Carrier launched her planes to fly into a battle in which ships fought against each other with planes alone. LEXINGTON became the principle target of Japanese attack. In spite of skilful handling, the Flagship of Admiral Fitch was hit by at least two bombs and torpedoes. Still pictures tell the last few moments of the 33,000 ton Carrier which, shortly after the order to abandon ship was given, blew up with a fearful explosion after fire had reached the torpedo supply. Some weeks later another and greater defeat than the Coral Sea - engagement was inflicted on the Japanese, when action was joined off Midway Island. Out of some 54 Jap vessels employed four out of the enemy's five aircraft carriers were sunk with all their aircraft, and two heavy cruisers and three destroyers went down. In all, nearly a third of the force wiped out by the men who remembered PEARL HARBOUR.