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Aug 1938 Edgewood Arsenal
1938-39 Naval School Wash. D.C.
May 1939 Quantico Marine Barracks
Jul, Aug, Sep 4th Marines, Shanghai, China
1939
Sept 1939 U.S.S. GUAM
" WAKE (Name Changed)
Dec 1941 " Naval Hosp, Canacao P.I.
Dec 10th 41 " Marine Field Hosp
Shagley Point, P.I.
Dec 24th 41 To: Mariveles 4th Marines 1st Bat.
Jan 1st 42 To: Fort Mills Corregidor & Qn & Ser Co
then Batt Med. Off. 1st Batt USMC
May 6th 42 Fall of Corregidor and moved into Malinta Hosp
Tunnel. Ward Surgeon #6 lateral.
July 2nd 42 Moved to Bilibid Prison Manila & joined Staff
of Naval Hosp Unit established there Bldg #2
Orthopedic Surgery (C.M.W. E.R.N.)

HANKOW, CHINA

June 10th 1940

U.S.S. GUAM

U.S.S. WAKE

NAVAL HOSP CANACAO

FOURTH MARINES

BILIBID NAVAL HOSP UNIT

JUNE - 1940

10. Up at 4 A.M. Luzon & Oahu left for Shanghai. Were on our own now. Spent practically whole day org. Med. Dept. Dys. & Malaria etc. Food Handlers.

11. Talk on Health in gen at Hankow. Gave Symp. Injections. Treated Mr. Spikes c.g. for mild skin infection. EC anesthetic to save Richard in P.M. for tooth ext. Oriental g. & wrote letters to Lucy. (?)

12. Prof. call on Richard who has temp and diarrhea. Golf & Brook at 2 at Race Club. Tennis at 5:30 but opponents did not show up. To Spikers for Mist Jules & Officers. Dinner at J. Dovie & his girl autumn light arrived about

dessert. Brock fell out of chair. Long discussion later & aut. L. on medicine & herbs. Brock & S to o.g. & Del. Beer Beer Beer. CH - SAIGEN - See you tomorrow. How KAN SHANGCHIA - pretty little girl. How KAN SHANAIOZA - pretty little boy.

13. Called on Belt Chenko Portuguese consul about Russian Club. Called on Richard Spikes & all well. Show on board West Shanghai.

30th July, Thursday - (cont from back)

Surprise this A.M. Berley at a gift of two avocados from a Filipino. Vary tasty & new item in our diet. Finished "aftermath" by Jules Romain men of good will Series. Very good for most part. Appendectomy yesterday. T.H. Hayes & C.M. Smith, new Japanese officers watched & now maybe action on sterilizer & water etc. for operating area. Still a lot of Dengue (? not typical) & Malaria relapses. Nelson & I started physical exercise routine at 4 P.M. required drills. Cult is increasing daily - W. Wilson, C. LeConte, A. Barrett, F. Berby. Diet pretty good lately & addition of soup 2x daily & weekly ration of milk. Still plenty of wild rumors & latest is strategic evacuation of Singapore (Manila paper?).

2nd August 1942. Sunday. - Spanish paper had between lines by Ted Jacob & discovered exchange of newsmen & diplomats via Ellis Island - Laurence Marques.

14th August 42 - One by one we are getting Dengue-Berby latest victim evidently there are 4 or 5 forms. Short, long, mild & severe & many symptom variation.

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Boris Karloff. Nite call from Spikes again. This time nose bleed & OK by time I got there. Rost Beer & Mr & Mrs. Spikes & Richard & Son voyage. Played baseball at 5 PM and civ. beat Guam 7-4 Chiang Kai Shek star of game.

14 - Invite to party Sat night & dinner. CH. MING TIEN WHEY - See you tomorrow. CHING TIEN WHEY - See you today. Ni dau SOMA-MING-TZU - What's your name. SOMA - What's that (apply to anything). Low show "Midnight" for 4th time and started running fever & having headache.

15 - Inspection ship & Club & felt rotten, very lazy & wild headache. Guests for lunch on Palm Garden c.j. - Spikes, Epfe, King, Campbell & Officers. Went of OK. Started fever & headache again 102 all afternoon. This is beginning to look not so good. Turned down Hawkins party. Forgot to mention Salade Fr. Vice Consul. 2 AM Hell of a chill and then sleep easy. Called to Internations Hospital to sew up international girl Tonia. This result of a wedding.

5th August Wednesday - Truck driver from Camp #3 says conditions excellent there & feeding good. Camp #1 poorly run & sanitized. Guerrilla activity continues, Davao reported in U.S. hands, Philippines blockade supposedly strong, 2000 troops supposed to have left Manila via transport, Japanese bankers leaving Formosa & Luzon for South & returning shortly.

7th August. Friday - Blowing up a hell of a gale outside and alight driving rain - Typhoon? New regime in power here and we have been Banged SX since they took over 2 days ago. However they have requested lists for musical instruments,

shoes, underwear, pay grades of officers and have great plans in mind. An officer from 31st Inf Bataan was brought into camp today, taken prisoner for 1st time following his escape April 18th from Bataan. Started & 10 one died, two still free.

9th Aug Sunday - Well! Well! Finally we have come to it. Fish heads & rice. The long heard of food finally has become a reality and is not so bad as it sounds. Merely a tantalizing dish however for there is very little meat in a fish head. Damn good thing we still have mango, beans & sugar to fall back upon.

16th Sunday AM & sl. temp & headache all day. Hawkins down to ship for volunteers, 200 taken. Felt good after 7 P.M. Show on board Viv. Lady Gin. R. J. Stew. Reminded me of lot of my own folks.

17th. Inspected all food handlers on the Gunn. Sing Young Marines today & lot of em. Both German-Russian, but not my Lucy. Damn it!

18th. Quiet day after syp. injections. Late in P.M. Studiman get pains. Appendectomy at International Hospital at 2 A.M. - 19th.

19th. T. Hosp. AM - P & OK. Played 2nd Base in afternoon & Hankow Benchwarmers we played to win & won 4-1. Dinner at Nord Deuthhan Loyed Co. Rudluffs. Met new N.D.L. Manager, Looffter Dutch Asiatics Bank couple of German Consulate people. They were strangely quiet when I said I was Scotch, Irish, and Osborn part Hitler. Ceforme dee look like Hitler.

12 August, Wednesday - Days are really rolling around. Changing our guard to Japanese Civilians who are being issued Enfields rifles & P.A. Ammo belts & cases. All high ranking officers formerly sent to Tarlac are being sent to For-nosa in a couple of days. I don't envy them their trip if what we hear is true. Last few days we have been able to buy bananas at an exorbitant price 5¢ to 20¢ apiece, eggs 20¢, sugar 40¢ pound. A real treat but too expensive to keep up for long. Money! Money! Money! My War #2 lose all but two Filipinos and gained 12 Americanos all orthopedic cases Total 53. Operating about 4X week. All of us are getting Dengue but as yet it hasn't hit me. At one time there were only 6 watch officers when there should have been 16. I am waiting my turn. Finishing Von Posamine days of our Years" and don't believe every thing he says because he evidently is a little carried away & his topic, Pacificism!

14 Friday August - Haven't got it yet. Perhaps insanity from doubtful attack on Corregidor Topside. Ground some rice up yesterday for flour & tried to make pancakes today. Turned out to be a "corn bread" cake.

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20th. Nothing doing all day except dinner at P. Allans in P.M. Played bridge & had us cards. Lot of war talk.

21st Rain and all quiet in the Hankow front. Even th Jap bombers have stopped going out.

22nd Quiet again, more rain, to Inter. Hosps. patient OK. Out to Race Club &

Stephen and someone bought us a drink. Lots of British at the table & not much to say except King who was running off at the mouth. Dinner & Stephen and think he would like to go to U.S. to practice.

23rd Sunday A.M. Church at 10 and then dropped in to see Fr. Kirsch & Jim & Betty Hoop. Fr. wanted to talk in private about my work at International Hosp. Seems he heard about something that shouldn't be going on. Played tennis at M. Club in afternoon.

24th. Poison gas & Mask lecture and demonstration then to dentist Walsham. Lunch aboard & golf in P.M. Met Pikes who relieves Hansey.

16th August Sunday - Yesterday Mass in Ward #2. Fr. Cummings and again this AM German Priest from outside in to give sermon & deliver a few letters. Right now the Nips have the Staff lined up in the "arena" for general mugging. Picture undoubtedly to show happy smiling contented faces of their prisoner. News brings relief in December & large Jap losses in Solconon Is. battle (80 to 25 & 8000 prisoners. Check this GPP.) We were able to purchase 4 day small lines two days ago for 1 Pers & yesterday Berley reacted with a pie, in fact two & taste damn good. I could feel the old wit "C" surging & pulsating through my body & landing right up in the gums. Certainly saved use more fruit, eggs & meat. Finished "One Red Rose Forever" by Mildred Jordan. Henry W. Stiegel deeded property to Jim Evangelical Lutheran Church of Manheim in 1872 for yearly payment of one red rose. Dr. Stieling discovered the request in old Church Records. Ceremony infested on 2nd Sunday of every June. Stiegel House in Manheim Pa. is gone but George Ege Mansions at Charming Forge remains.

26 May 1941. My golly! What a persistent cuss. Here it is about 1 year later and a lot has happened. Seen to Hankow again, almost at war, Henderson taking Marines (some) out. We stay for (?) months? years? Wife back in Wanson & should see her in December. Won't forget last Hankow trip & all furs. Oh. Boy what excitement. Last week returned from Wichu lot of fun cutting on people in op. rus. made lot of anovies. Well will try to keep this thing going now & leave out nothing.

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June 6th out and Stud William & had Chinese show at his home. Maykoo Ma & A. Home or Skip at 4 A. Why I don't know.

21st August Friday - Got hold of a newspaper this evening and read that we have attempted our first landing on France from Britain but failed(?). Also diplomatic exchange from Laurence Marques has been completed. Issue of handful of fresh peanuts, 1 small green banana and 1 coconut for 4 men to-day. Laughable for such a small issue & caved easily be repeated 4X a week and not a strain in the world. We've been buying a good number of small strawberry tasting bananas at 5 centavos each. Tried cooking some in brown sugar but peculiarly they tasted like unripe persimmons. Issue of 1/2 ear fresh corn a couple of days ago (I got 1/4 ear) and it tasted mighty good & also margarine & salt. Jake & I walked down to inner compound this PM. & looked out over the city from 2nd floor. It made us feel like we were out for a minute seeing all the pedestrians.

calceas, caronatas, bicycle & few cars. Can see Far Eastern University just outside East Wall, Santo Tomas in distance, Avenue Hotel. Got a good view of entire Prison Compound. I did not know until today that the Japanese were interned here and allowed to send buying parties and to purchase food if desired.

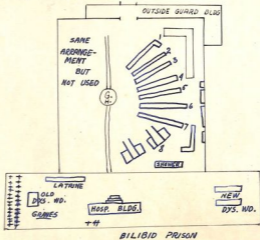
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June 8th. Lots of movies, dinners, places & people. American, Russian, Chinese. I am the Tailor two Suits & now I'm tired & going to bed.

June 9th. Monday & pretty busy for a change. Tried to call on H. Sakth but Hotel in Hangkow & USH not allowed there. Back to ship after drink at Park Hotel.

June 10th. Last nite Shanghai! Stud Williams & P.A. Jim & one Ciroc been & stayed over & Stud. Plenty mosquitoes & they formed in squadrons to dive on us. Back to ship & no sleep.

June 11th. Underway for Waku with me hell of a gale blowing on our bow. Consul Club destined to replace Foxton Hanking aboard & two Marine Hs. Hawkins & Van Ray. Plunging plenty & water were entire ship. 2" of water in my cabin & almost impossible to get in or out & not getting soaked. Lot of cargo wet throughly especially case of dressings destined for Gobby King Men. Hosp. Chin-kiang. Will try to salvage it for them.



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June 12th. Second day underway for Wuhsu & inter ports. Spent our AM at General Quarters & sorting out broken wet boxes of dressings which was result of yesterday, sea. Couldn't help but wonder how long it would be before I'd see more of these dressings & bandages than I had ever seen before. Guess is now two months. Spending PM writing in the sun. Forget something Tuesday PM about 3:30 went to meet Dr. Jouvies Tehas of Wuku Gen Hosp. at Auora University. Met Father German Regent & saw Med. School. Labs, library, auditorium, church etc. all very wise and morden surprise. Went around to St. Mary's Hosp. & very impressed with modernness of all equipment only 6 mos. old building. Met Drs.

27th August Thursday 1942. Yesterday the food situation improved when the store opened up & plenty of bananas, eggs, & even got 6 thin pork chops from a Philippine MO. So last nite we really splunged & two fried eggs, pies, 7 pancakes, sugar, butter, and rice. Rice we always have now. Nips requested we list all money we had in our possession so it could be collected pooled & use for community purchases. Balance to be pooled in local bank & issued to us all at regularly stated interval. This, if we cooperate, would be the 2nd time we were taken. The 1st on Corregidor. Col. Cooper collected all currency US, & turned it over to Japs at Bilibid. Coved have given it back. Dr. R.R. Greenman was taken to tubes of 1200 U.S. Simoleans. Now they expect a second cooperation in the Co Prosperity Sphere & I'm beginning to get the drift of it all, gradually!

28th Friday. Finished "Olive Wiswell" by Kenneth Roberto & thought it so good that it deserved an entry. Should be required reading in High School History classes. Made some tea and of green mango leaves & found it excellent. Contains enough sweet sap to make sugar unnecessary. The

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Georchenbo (Russian) and Siu Ping Pono, (Chinese) who have residency there. Very wise chaps & accomodating. Will have them to ship I believe. Dr. Tehas wife had baby last week & he is returning to Wuhu pretty soon. About 1,000 patients at hospital & saw large Amoebic liver abscess and multiple Sclerosis case. Forget to say Medical School has about 120 Students & whole University 1800. Med School graduates about 18 to 20.

Couple of interesting cases on board last day & so one by fertroply of left breast of seaman. Another gradual loss of muscle power in right hand in Radio man. Last looks like a Vit B deficiency will try Thiamin Hcl & see what happens. Bangue epidemics seems to be continuing over getting a few new officers after we thought it had run through. Characteristic features of lungs are (1) external depression (2) loss of desire for food, (3) severe backache & headache (4) fever & length of disease are variable from 3 to 10 days (5) not always a relapse on rash (6) immunity evidently very short (few weeks) because several cases SX in 2 months, but on other hand Lecante & I had it in Topside & have not yet acquired it inspite of repeated exposure. Over the wall comes an unsigned note today saying "The tide has turned, good luck." Well! Well! Well! What the Hell is going on out in that mad world outside these 4 walls.

30th August Sunday - Scrambled eggs this AM courtesy of Store not Japs. Rumor of mass to North & clearing out of civilians from Bilibid. 3000 planes over

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Germany & 2nd Solomon Battle cost Japs 14 ships & couple damaged. I wonder of all of this.

1st September Tuesday. Another business cleaned out this AM and now we have only one to go. Store got in a lot of fod we invested in mango beans, sugar (10 canteen cups) eggs, soya, sauce, salt & cigarettes.

June 13th Friday. Well, Well! Off for Nanking to dump cloth and furnish relief for Foxton Am. Consul there. Will pick him upon way back. Returned all of Webb's (British) Cargo about 6 tons after hauling it down to Shanghai once already. He blamed it on his wife the S.O.B! Man O'War what a laugh when all we do is run freight & passengers from Hankow to Shanghai. Yellow Funnel Fr. Leise would be more appropriate, and here I am the doctor on this thing, and have been since Sept 11, 1939 I'll never forget that date.

June 14th Saturday. Military inspection in AM & in Nanking at noon. Lunch & Al Show & Bell (Socoy) & Mr Foxton Am. Consul Marines out to see, the city & Club Am. Consul. Underway at 2:30 & Chiukiang that nite Thursday 3rd September 1942 approximately 65 men in from Corregidor this PM. Working parties have been kept pretty.

TUM BOM TOM - Pain or no Pain

Tum - Pain

Pawn Shop

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busy & wrecking of old cars & stacking of scrap iron & sheet for shipment. Two have been sent to Bataan to work on Maru, went in communication of Japanese movements. Reports of rest advances by Stillwell in China, Solomons & New Guinea, Russian front & English Hanking as severe in last 1 month. A city in Germany wiped out every night.

5th Saturday & Still September. Reported by KCSI (?) that Roosevelt predicts end of war in 1 month. He just got through warning against becoming too sure of an early victory but rather prepare for a long war. Two fried eggs & sausage plus rice, sugar & banan dessert. Wt. \$165 #. Whats four belly coming to Fugle.

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Miss Dunlop, Pexton & Smith for dinner & movie. Took a few nice photos & to bed, a little walk the city earlier & Dane Tedd & talked in general. Made landing on entering Chukuang via another motor boat. Not the way I'd do it.

June 15 Sunday. Underway fr Shanghai 5 AM. Mr Foxton told about Panay sinking as he was aboard where she was hauled. Very interesting. He is still carrying around to couple of pieces of steel & got a broken bull cap out of it. Lunch & entire was asking about Wool Academy. My golly how many times do I have to listen to these renunciation.

June 16. Monday AM. Luxon & O'Rourke, & Gerhard gone to see for gunnery at 4AM.

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I went ashore on Newfur lights for Thiamin 51 for window & gave him 25 mg. (7)

9th Wednesday September 1942. All news lately is good news and our hopes are up. November seems to be the promised time now & we are planing our first few days of release. Wow!!! Getting plenty of bananas, sugar & even had a small piece of steak today. Fred's birthday & he baked us a cake (Choc. & very good) Frany Josef Weissblott U.P. correspondent helped us eat & furnished coffee & licocin cigarettes. Dr. Sawyer (TAC) beg to come off in AM. & I'll stand by to donate some blood. I've been getting some pretty good food lately & actually fat - 164 #. E.R. Nelson ~~down~~ dengue today & another has hit the dust. Here's hoping, by the way, I can get Lucy to cooperate in some orthopedic training out of the Navy & get settled some-where. She shouldn't object if I remember right.

13th September Sunday. Rounds at 8:30 & mass at 9:00 Bldg. 10. Beautiful day and most of compound out walking around in sun. Reading at rate of one book on 3 days. Just finished "Berdun - Jules Kainin and starting London Diary by Reynolds. Latter contains quite a lot of B.S. secondary to alcohol at present we are moored alongside H.M.S. Peterel & Capt. Creer aboard. They have reduced crew to very few essential men.

June 17 Tuesday. Shot 8 syphilitics and all thro for the day. O'Rourke & Gerhard still out on Luzon obs. gunnery. 5 PM code message to meet Luzon at Woosung at once. Motors in midst of overhaul but what the hell they figure we can do anything, off at 6 & saw Flagship at 7 PM. Noted a "new" Jap Cruiser in port. Well we stay out here & Luzon goes in. Guess he got tired playing Chinese Checkers & bored & guests. Gerhard says he was sound asleep during gunnery.

June 18. Here we sit altho the weather is good it seems funny. Wire supposed to note all new arrivals & departures of. For several days I've been wanting to mention the Lugao we have been served every A.M. For about 6 consecutive mornings I've found at least one cockroach throughly cooked & drooping spreading wings. Less often a white worm $\frac{1}{2}$ " long. It was rather upsetting at first but getting used to making a search "ac" & wonderng "pc". Afraid I can't say much for the fishes and meat we have been getting all times because invariably it is over aged & nauseating to smell. I didn't realize what could be accomplished in the realm of adoptivity as prefaounded by Alexis Carrel.

17th Sept. Thursday. - Have about 7 case of Malarial relapses all Vivox type. Atabrine no good as a quick fever reduces & only effective on about 5th or 6th day. Big Hippones inspection this afternoon supposed to start at 2 P.M. but they finally showed up at 3:30. They wanted a bow & salute as recognition. There was quite a collision marching through Jap Ships & I'n to photograph them? Coolidge in a V sundown & sure as hell would like to be going home on her. She went in after clearing her 3 reds & we follow at 6:15 A.M. Goodnight.

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June 19. In early & got picture of all Jap men of war in port. This included new cruiser. Moored alongside Flagship & then slipped back after getting squared away. Made every one a little proud off. Ashore Ma-Koo men after

Chinese dinner at Chinese Rest. Ate live shrimp for first time. Had them take them out and change the color to red & fire. Paramount & Palais & Ship Side. Again Why!

June 20. Friday & Prep for Admiral Insp. Below deck in P.M. Stayed aboard & fixed a few things in Sick Bay Read Lucy's letter & got lonesome sturned in thinking about her. And we were supposed to rattle of each case to them. They asked about only 2 & merrily went on their way.

20th September, Sunday. Group of approx. 30 Colonel & few Generals who came in on 14th are leaving today for Japan so the local Nips say. In addition these is a group of 300 NA & M Corps from the North (Cabanatuan) leaving & then all the latter are specialists to a certain degree & evidently are to be kept out of the hands of returning Americans or to be put to work in Nippon. Heres hoping they don't run into trouble & Americano submarines who are supposed to be lurking "out there". The general feeling in Bilibid Camp seems to be that something will happen favorably by December but a few are persistently gloomy and believe it will be a year or more. (OH YES! 12/30/41 G.P.F.) I feel better by being slightly more optimistic. Heard today that Commander Harris died sometime in last two weeks from a hemorrhage (Cerebral - gastric I don't know but knowing him from letters). Sorry to hear this & his wife will take this very hard.

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June 21. Saturday. Well this is the day. Admiral due over at about 1 A.M. & glad to get it over. Meantime everyone is trying to keep clean. Me - I'm still thinking about Lucy, our car & future. All this is meaningless & silly to me profiting me nothing professionally but a lot morally (meaning discipline) I suppose. Personally I like the easy going life of a hospital where you work hard 24 a day because you like it. Maybe will have a war & maybe I'll get a bit more practice who can tell! Inspection easy ~~and~~ no strain. Wow! What a night Ciro - Lido - Ciro - Dai Luen S.P., Ciro & home. A.M.

June 22 Sunday. Slept late Bills & good egg & toast & coffee. Lazy all P.M. & talked about starting an island civilization. O'Rourke Williams & Ferguson & a Chinese Polynesian & Filipino. What a plan to get away from this.

24th. Thursday & still September 1942. Yesterday was Comr. Smith's Birthday & turned out to be quite a day much to his surprise. Berley played HBTY in his newly acquired fiddle and Jake & I plus few Corpans in opposite Ward sang. Trifle layer choc cake & one large central candle clinaxed the event. Now the menu prepared by Johnston:

1. Broiled Hash & tomatoes vsl. p. pepers (a la Bilibid).
2. Punelo salad & French (a la Bilibid) dressing.
3. Steamed rice (Courtesy H.I.M. Emp. Hirohito).
4. Chce. cake sprinkled with peanuts (a la Bilibid)
5. Peanuts (hand picked & hand roasted) (a la Bilibid).
6. Bananas (a la Bilibid).
7. Lincade (a la Bilibid).
8. Peanut Brittle (a la Bilibid).



Bilibid

Seal

Signed: 1. Chief Chief
2. Chief Dish & Bottle
Washer
3. Chief Bookkeeping &
Purch Agent

Some celebration & must say Fred did a good job in the cake. Sounds like this prison life is pretty easy doesn't it?

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sorey world. Jim & Bell & Auna & Princess to King Kongs for dinner, I back to ship for same & movie SS in Josette. Bed & log.

June 23rd Monday - Inspection of Luzon & Wake records very bright superficial. Early liberty and met Eger Heart Jr. & Jim at Paris for the Thief of Bagdad. Good Dinner at French Club. Washer & Margie, Tamora & Katie Ted Hairraie. What fools we mortals (male)be. Up to Paramount & saw swell fight amongst Chinese who ran each other all over the place. One fellow took his show off to get better action & used his head as a ram against his opponent's face. Nice battering in performed accompanied by much blood. An scared & back up to Moshu at 2 to Argentine, Nice open air & wet. Falsh & needless home at 4 A.M. & never again, oh yes!

Recently in the Orthopedic Ward we noticed a few early Pillogrs symptoms all in form of sore tongues & mouths. Responded at first to yeast tablets but we now have no more. Trying 2# of Tiki-Tiki and a few Corasine which supposed to be closely related to New town Obel of which we have none. Total of 7 case safe, Nutrichsidedema (Protein) seems a little less. This A.M. I operated a case of Intertrochantersisalsae left femoer. Pretty extensive but had to be done. Last Tuesday I operated an asteo of rightilius & previously an asteculeun. Quite a bit of casting but rather limited & plaster (still no crinoline). After the war there should be hospitals full of this sort of king and made it necessary to retain quite a large Army & Navy Staff for 2 or 3 years. La-test rumora Formosa has fallen & Hirohito given choice between Tokyo & Eva-custion of the Philippines. I wonder now!!!!

2nd October, Friday 1942. Yesterday Bill, William & Capt Brooke came into Bilibid from Cabanatuan and alone. Left at 2:30 P.M. for unknown destination but were told they would be back through in 10 days. Capt. Harris death confirmed. Heard Col. Biggs, Lt. Gilbert & on other officers attempted escape while the 10 for 1 retaliation law was in effect. The rats!

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June 24 Tuesday. Bright & Cheery. Gave Gerhard Bravo & 100 gr. coffien. Administered Neo and relaxed brother relaxed.

June 26th - Ordering liquor for Hankow. This time I'm going to get plenty as we've run out practically every previous trip and why in the hell we should I don't know. They've been running us crazy or this damn patrol, shooting us in & out of Shanghai at thewhine of the admiral while were trying to overhaul. Never in all my life have I seen such utter ignorance, stupidity, and disregard for necessity for overhaul. Luzon floats at her mooring north after month & refuse to get underway as we do the duty work. They tried to slip under fence by a latrine ditch which crossed it at right angle. They all (3) get into it awaiting best opportunity. American night guard strolled over to relieve himself & did so on Col. Biggs. Col get angry and jumped out beating the guard. All of them dragged up to officer Camp #1 and raised such a commotion that attracted Japanese sentry who came up and learned of attempted escape. All three were trussed up by thumbs and tortured (bayonet, club, cigarettes, ear off etc.) by Nips for 2 days then shot! Guess they deserved it but the torture not necessary. One man has got amny from Bilibid and result in we all are getting up at 6 A.M. to count patients. I rotate once in 4 & 3 others. Last time I got soaked in rain and didn't help cold a bit. Heard from Williams, Nardini Langdon & Herthreck are doing a bang up job and deserve real praise.

7 October Wednesday. New day the 8th was a large unique day at Bilibid starting off at 268 Army Air Corps coming in night before from Mindanao 4 were typhoid suspects and whole and fit, quarantined by Nip order. 10 A.M. we had a Memorial Service for the dead conducted by Fr. Cummings & attended by entire Ambulatory Personnel plus Dr. Nogi & one Nip officer. In fact the idea was Nogi & a very good one.

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June 28th. Ordered 70 case of beer 48 gals Coca-cola syp & \$434.00 worth of whiskey. That should hold us for awhile.

July 1st. Underway for Hankow & Admiral and three of his guests aboard. They had to have breakfast on our freight jammed Hollywood deck the SOB'S. Hauling 3 Marines Major Hamilton, Captain Long & Lt. Hoffett. Admirals staff giving us our military inspection. No sooner get to Woosung until we headed South instead of up river just so they ad. could show his guests that part of the river. We are scheduled to meet Jap at lower barrier for passage this & will have to run like hell now. Made it one hour late and all's well. We all thought. Two wreaths placed over graves (approx. 70 now). Following ceremony, we were all given a bag of rice cookies and 3 pieces of coconut froline candy and 4 bananas for man. Very nice not to say unusual & surprising. Volleyball tournament underway but our team is a trifle weak. Too much gawsting. Latest development seems to be the recent general exodus of America prisoners from Philippine to Japan (Island off Kobe). Approximately 2000 of our troops from Halibalai, Mindanao, Pampy, Iloilo, Cebu & Luzon (Cabanatuan) are now down at water front awaiting transportation. All this looks like all prisoners are being moved.

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Northward and maybe hospital remain intact. Also rumored we will get paid soon and permanently disabled going to States via Neutral country. Flash: By for the most important event of the day as a letter from Lucy addressed Corregidor P.I. International Red Cross Committee, Geneva, Switzerland. Boy, Ch., Boy what a thrill, she didn't say much but it was all good. Dated June 5th was opened 2X. Passed it around for a few to read. Very few people (only one other MD) get a letter and this is hard to understand. Hope we can get some more and answer them too.

July 2nd. Underway for Chiukiang. Overnight there. Picnics which I did not attend. Rained like hell and only thing to do was sleep. That I did.

July 3rd. Arrived Hanking after lunch. Al Shaw & Bell of Socony and Poxton down. Unloaded and arranged for large party 30 people for movies and Buffet lunch rather supper. Among those present all of us plus all of them foreigners. Shield of Int. Exp. Co. (Eggs). Solade of French Embassy, Smiths of British Embassy. Poxton Am. Embassy. Witchie, Price, Newman, Mollie Patterson, Red Anderson all locals of BST or APC etc. Movie pretty sorry & Sylvia Sidney & Geo Raft "You and Me". Over at 11 P.M. Thank God!

11th October 1942 Sunday. Death rate going up at Cabanatuan Camps. Reached 40 daily dropped to 8 and now probably dysentery plus all combination of deficiency diseases. 1000 men are coming down for transfer to Japan (400 GC) Amputation of fewer 9:00 A.M. this date for osteogenic Sarcoma following slight injury in March this year. The trip to Japan looks like it is still on and we are all wondering.

18th October 1942. Now very scarce but highlights are all conserved. Volleyball. "Anxious Marauders (My team) in last place bit all games plenty exciting and draw 1/2 the compounds. Last Sunday took off fellows right leg at mid thigh for osteogenic right leaves forever. PX Selling army copman & remembering initial not limited pain lugs following injury. Nelson & I thought fellow was putting on a little. Now needs X rays & was promised treatment at Philippine General. Afraid his goose is cooked however & these things early.

31st October 1942. Quite a good deal of shining about of Am. prisoners by Nipponese. Recently rid 480 A.M. & N officers from Camp #1 North in route to Davao(?). Cmdr. Smith, Eanign Gerhard (Min.) 200 enl men here now on way to Japan soon. 9 special prisoners in Sig here for attempting escape.

July 4th Bang! Independence & here we are on the verge of slavery to listen to some Nazi Propagandists. Slept in late breakfast & to Am. Embassy at 12:30 after waiting for Mollie. O'Rourke Captain Long & I late for lunch & in uniform to make the party picturesque. All Americans, about 25,000 present including missionaries, Filipinos couple of American born Chinese & Japanese. Had good lunch and then up 2nd deck stripped and relaxed for couple of hours seems like I'm doing a lot of relaxing. Played soft Ball ate middle School, gin-ling Branch and pick up team mostly British and Missionaries. I pitched and by golly we won 25 to 9 Captain Harris was offering pitcher. Hai Hai!

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From Cabanatuan, 3 engines & 6 enl men & all are being left on rice and water
 3X 8 May. Bilibid unit Fed.

Threehundred beds and mattresses 2 days ago and today expect Filipinos from O' Donnell, to stay for few days in outer compound and leave for Northern propaganda school. News in local paper says on Navy Day (27th) the Jap navy gave us a terrific licking around Solomon Is (Cruz Is.). Some paper (28th) says they are expecting a move of Am. forces in or all of 4 sectors (1) offensive in Burma from India (2) offensive from Solomon Islands (3) Egypt (4) Liberia in Africa. One article state that 1 p-40 was brought down when 5 B25s & 7 P-40 raided Hongkong for 3rd time. That indicates that P-40 raided Hongkong and are based at least 1 hr. flying time from Hongkong. Sounds good to me. This A.M. everyone seems very happy and chiffer & whistling (News Maybet) According to marine from the north the following procedures are being effectively carried out - Camp #1 will for patient being stolen by Army Corporal & sold, shoe and clothing dead patients being sold. Eggs & bananas and sugar issue stolen from patients and sold. Patients not taking quinine and selling it for tobacco.

3rd November 1942. Will another month has gone by rapidly and still waiting for Tanks & Tanks. Hear it will be soon now!!!! New volley ball season started yesterday & game between the M to A1 Shows on Socony Hill for cocktails out on moonlite lawn. Reception for J. Bell new Standard man. Again everyone in Hanking represented there. Finally J.H. Paxton proposed a toast to President of U.S.A. We downed our champagne gladly. I got three more and went over & sat on the stone over & Jim and couple of Brits. Pretty little British Embassy, girl came over and nestled her back in my knees until a couple of hours later I had her shift alongside. Back to Wake at midnight with Shields and Captain Harris. Delivered \$1810.00 to No. 1 in Pontoon for delivery to Shields Paxton and Fr. Kearny for Fr. Lipunan Shanghai. Hope the Chinaman doesn't find out what's in the package. Bed & Sleep oh boy! More relaxing. (11 A.M. to 12 P.M.) Tankees & Hunters jeep. Us 2 to 1. Last season we finished last under name of Hourande. We fight more fun this time. Dick getting rather gruesome because money running low. Rice 3X soup 2X few greens and little, sometimes crowded condition in some wards was alleviated. According to some report quite a number of these prisoners were fighting until 3 weeks ago in Mindanao and guerrilla foras.

7th November Saturday 1942. Hongkong has evacuated the rumors have it. Camp #3 consolidated to #1 and approx. 1000 more men port area today for trip to Japan. Reports that Col. More (Nip Comdr.) has really tried to help in north but regardless Beriberi, Malnutrition and Edema, Arihoflovinosis, and possibly some evidence of lack of "C". Two rumors about final disposition of prisoners. (1) All army med off to Mt Camp #1 and have two troop units (about 1000 pts left up there) (2) Move every thing to Bilibid. Well time will tell as usual. Couple of days ago "L" Bldg. was moved to the "Big House" and permanently disabled to "L".

11th November Wednesday. Same day 1940 Lucy left via Mariposa for U.S.A. Guess State Dept. knew what was ahat and actually at that time resigned Asiatic Fleet to its fate and also resolved to let MacArthur prove his statement "The Philippines can be successfully defended." F. Pratts "Total War and America." Everything adds.

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July 5th. Underway for Wuku. Arrived Wuku about noon and found APC lighter not ready to give oil, tried to such some out but used up 92 lbs getting 87 lbs. Mad as hell and fueled up to Socopy Pontoon. Saw Dr. Waters, Magan, & Bishop & Craig Bill. Unloaded a lot of boxes and Japs went thro everyone & hands, eyes, ears & noses. Very suspicious of couple of 8" pipes for Socopy maybe make gun, maybe. Left & saw good movie I think. To Anking & large pagoda. 6 Jap sea plane.

July 6. Seaplanes flew around ship in formation and had a lot of few diving on us all finally flew out of town in formation, off from Kiukiang. Arrived in front of about 25 pontoons all grining at us. Capt. Von Winchler stayed in beard the Wenchow and came over later. He still thinks I got up in retrospect but again the future is foggy. In the meantime we pick worms & dirt out of our rice 3X a day, refuse dirty water scup containing dirt encountered canned and green papaya. About all we can afford to add then days are sugar, oler, nongo beans and about 1 X 10 days meat stew. Strong rumor about getting paid ¥2/mp. starting last August 1st. Its short time and it would be interesting to know the litigation fro & con going on between Nippon & U.S. Two days ago 5 Army Medics from Cabanatuan and Comdr Sortin were taken to Manila Hotel for Malaria Conference. It was all a farce and only routine look question and answers involved. Fed well at MH & taken to Avenue Pent House for Ice Cream & papaya, few drinks, long walks and visit from Dr. Negi that long walks would be more frequent & enjoyable when we get to Japan. I wonder!!!! Late rumors has it that we lost Solomon Is. Ho! Hui! Has decided that the up & down type of propaganda is pretty trying on the human being.

19th November Thursday. Got our "Chaps" today and next thing in order in money. According to Nips they are going to credit us a certain amount in local postal savings & deduct ¥30 for room & ¥30 for board. What a lot of malarkey. Transferred to "L" Bldg. Wards from Wd II & now Charlie La Conte & I have a lot of malnutrition, Beriberi, Corned Ulcer etc. Married after last trip down from Hankow. Seems another Ferguson did it & C.C.GN. played it up in paper. Malcoln & Clark old Hands still there plus few new faces Doc Ferking & RAT Stone a man. Movie after Cocktails and off for HwangshiKong and San Siangkow.

July 7th. Ran between two thunder sterms and could plainly see both of them. River little narrower and couple of inn are stations seen on right bank. Swelting slant just below Hwangshi Kong still a silhouette of coed black steel. Chinese opened the kettle gates when Japs came in and let molten are run over the floor permanently of fixing things until their return. Called in Sisters at orphanage here because one reported ill. Sr. Joan & shy has Amibia Dysentery. Left here some C.T.O. & Carbons & will check by mail other sisters are to handle (about 65 pts, all recent transferred from Cabanatuan Camp #1) Recent Jap order called in all hot plate and prohibited all fires. Staff & Warrant quarters only allowed 4 & 3 plate respectively. Red. 2nd issue of flour but how we are expected to prepare it I don't know.

23rd Monday November. Transferred two days ago to Ward #10 where about 69 malnutrition case from Cabanatuan are located. I have 20 eye cases. Corneal ulceration & irido cyclitis all have opacities of varying degree and 2 hypopyon,

1 posterior synechid. All getting atropine, B. injections (1cc to 4 cc daily), yeast, Novitol (GLO), spec. diet (egg, bananas, livers, sugar, soup) all coming along fairly well but some will have opacities. Chinese taken out of Gellay & American mess cooks replaced them. Rice & old cleaner but still get our daily ration of 3 to 6 worms and pedent excreta. "Chops" issued for purposes 3 days ago but no fox. mine read 炸炸炸炸 ge yo. Fires allowed again & certain number of hot plate for Staff & SOQ.

25th November Wednesday. Payday, finally! Red ¥187.50 in Jap. gov. Pesos brand new and ¥180.00 deducted for room & board as three months pay (Aug, Sept, Oct.) Immediately after being paid we were told to stand in line. Agnetta, Paul, Mori Virginia all know Carn. & Sadie & from Cincinnati Ohio. Heard Jane has good voice. She gave me a bottle of beer. Fr. Sullivan and Jim also present. On to Sankiangko & few more C. Sisters out of an movie one for her first talkie.

July 8th. Arrived Hankow noon. Oahu gang still intact but at each others throat practically. All two long same ship. Took over Club in pieces & checked in my liquor & beer. Got note from Swedish Consul Mr. Bosselman saying he wanted to see me. Hankow still some old place only more So. Bought bike from Charlie Browning 250 Mex. hell back on return(?). At the Adjacent desk. Here we deposited (under duress) ¥187.00 in postal savings bank. This can be drawn at the conclusion of hostilities. Very peculiar arrangement. Pvt WSA Med Corps red ¥27.00 today, warrant ¥60.00, Comdrs 25.00 Navy Corpsmen ¥10.00. The part I can't understand is how I can draw any pay when I've allotted everything to Lucy. Well, who cares!! Finally have some expendable currency and that means more food thank God.

26th November. Thursday. Thanksgiving. Turkeys outside never got this. Rumored that 200 Turkeys courtesy P.R.C. were turned down by Japs. Seen our celebration instead consisted of scrambled eggs this A.M. lemon pie and stew at noon & clam (lunch) tonight I hope. We got our first lemons thro Dr. Cross yesterday and first lemonade today. What a treat Pvt. Salling MC, USA, had disertienlation h&p this A.M. Have found all earlier & sarcoman. Guess his only got & year at bat rats. Pretty tough but his pretty game bird. Con & all Sta team playing at 4 today & volley ball still take the prize for popularity. Going into 3rd season.

11 July - Oahu left for Shanghai and they loaded pretty happy sailing away. The departing ship always does. Escort moved down afterwards to catch up. Peace and quiet now prevails & of course will start organizing now leaving no loop hole for people who waded like to relax a bit. Just Navy discipline of which our present commander is a profound proponent and exponent. Ashore to Palace formerly Golden Gate for look see. Look saw and got the hell back to ship before I comitted may less to group of Japs in underwear. Nips are actually more democratic than the Democrat.

12 July. Quiet and busy and Club Acets & Stock & org&ising. Saw Cassus Bosselman and he wanted to know if I blame Carlson and said no but wait he seeing him this trip.

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15th December 1942. Tuesday. Not much change from the usual boring routine.

6:30 A.M. Bango outside has been started and another at 6:30 P.M. Then usually require standing for about 30 or 45 minutes. Bed patients only excepted. All very conducive to getting one off to a nice Cheery A.M. Paid for the 2nd time couple of weeks ago receiving 20.50 ₪. 10% donated for indigent sick and we have taken on RM 2/c Winder USN former Wake sailor as dish washer for shore in our mess & ₪1.00 spending money. This salary has really imposed our eating and routine now is meat 2X week & eggs once a twice. Papsaya, bananas, evap. milk, sugar, coffee, lemon, linis have become standard items. Store has improved 100% and things such as meat now available. Lt.(jg) Murray Glusman (MC) USN joined our mess about 6 days ago after coming in from Corregidor. Reports they performed 13 major operations. (D. Hewlett & himself) principally appendectomies and Hernia on both Americans and Japs. Recent paper reports Red Cross distribution in Hongkong and Japanto Am & British prisoners of war. There are some item in holes in Bilibid (uniform, kachhi, cotton, cigarettes etc.) for distribution here. Cases of Xerophthalmia on Ward #10 responding fairly well that is the opacities are bearing up (one post, sychia, one protusion eye ball, one hypopyon). Misticion acid and effective but atropine 200 and CLO internally doing the staff. Practically useless to attempt vitamin thropy and keep people on a diet of rice and this veg (?' soup. I recently joined a radio electrical engineering class being taught by Fergie (Marine Radioman) & Warrant Sweetzer. Very interesting class 8 to 9 A.M. daily. A good diversion and perhaps and interesting hobby. Studying a little German from Halbo-rough Self teacher and reading the Masarene by Asch right now. Volley ball still a daily means of sleeping in good condition and has developed into a very keenly competitive game in this old Bilibid. Jake Bookser trying to teach us the fines point of Bridge but having a hard time.

23rd December. Wednesday. Well!!! A big surprise today. Each man received a package containing 16 items of food and 1 bar of soap. Gift of the British Red Cross via Switzerland. Really increased the morale and you should see the smiling faces this P.M. Supposed to be some cigarettes and more food coming in. Couple of days ago quite a large supply of drugs were delivered to Bilibid. Plenty of Lulfa chugs & guansdine a new one to me.

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January 1st Friday. Surely did not expect to be a prisoner of War this date 1 year ago. 29 years old, married since May 20th 39 and have yet to spend a Xmas and new year and Lucy. There will come a day and I'll bet Lucy hopes so too. Xmas day pretty quiet but surprisingly pleasant Carol Chair directed by Ed Nelson starting at 10 P.M. Xmas eve. Traveled over compound and made a Xmas atmosphere. Midnight was in Hogan's Cathedral under the Mango tree and Protestant services in Old Hosp Bldg. Very impressive service by Fr. Cummings. Read Pope request for Xmas Dec 12 for just social reorganization post war and stated this was our last Xmas together. Nothing exciting except news seems to indicate a decided allied advantage in Africa and Europe. Plenty of fried fish lately, dried peas in lugac this A.M. & hope to get a US Red Cross package of food and comfort bit. More Red Cross supplies and drugs yesterday. A great help but we need.

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18 July - Below deck Inspec & rains more rain. Very qt evening.

19 July - Inspection and pingpong at Club and Captain Beat him. Toffin at Amer. Consul Gen. C. J. Spikes and Campbell Jones, Hawley, Eppes and officers. Good time, played finger game and g.c. and beat him and Cantonese SokLok much to amusement of assembly. Geo. very surprised. Golf and Grey at 4 P.M. & shot 89 gave him stroke hole and lost 1 hole on 3 ball match Dinner Heger & out to Cosonova. Termining Casanova fed up and have not drunk but saw plenty who were. Can't seem to get organized in this diary.

20 July. Sunday. Church at 9:00 have in rain & soaked relaxed at breakfast and here we sit the Irish & I.

23rd November 1941. For the past few weeks we have been expecting to return to Shanghai but in addition to this persistent rumors of our leaving suddenly & out relief by Oahu. General appearance is a disinternal discontinuous of the Yangtze patrol and withdrawal of Marines from Shanghai. Also tightening international situation. Have started cleaning out and destroying Hankow godown stock and making loadings of food and equipment daily. Have disposed of Hankow Naval Club practically intact. About \$580,00 USCT in stock and left property in hands of C.J. Spike Consul General. We are planning to leave 1 radio-man and portable radio and him and I don't believe any American are leaving & us altho they are gradually getting out. R.Y. Jarvis Consul has left and heading for Vancouver job. Hawley (Franklin) left and one consular clerk. This whole business in taking on a very serious atmosphere and certainly hope that Al Smith, Greenman and I get out in time. It's going to be close without a doubt. Last few days O'Rourke and I have been living a very high life flouting some rare canned goods and even bread (BIS) for Heger suppers and bottles of Martells Brandy and B. & W. whiskey. Made the rounds about 3 or 4 X every PM & rarely in bunk before 4 A.M. A rether strenman farewell to the good old city of Hankow. getting sleep in daytime when not playing golf.

Nov & December 1941

Friday Nov. 28th. Arrived Shanghai from Hankow from whence we ran like a Bat out of Hell on the U.S.S. Wake. Reported trouble brewing and we were in the interior Got in at 2:30 P.M. and as we pulled alongside Luzon they handed our orders to take passage on Pres. Harrison leaving at 3:00 P.M. avow. 30 minutes to pack, turn over Navy Club Ship Service, Educational, and half day other details. Made it & got everything into gig and headed down Whangkoo R. at 2:55 ship underway up ladder no clothes. Oh. Well! What the Hell!

Saturday Nov. 29th. Reported stafed by Jap Cruiser during night and moved on picking up 4 submarines of D type. Half (about 300 marines) were aboard & quiet trip first stop at Olongapo P.I. for dumping all hands. Stayed aboard until we hit Manila. Ran into Eric Priman & Hilda UP Man. Finally Avenue Hotel in Manila on Tues December 2nd. Not Hotels so I finally landed at Avenue H. which is only fair. This place called Manila is one busy little city full of taxis (nothing less than 40 MFP.H.).

December 3rd. Trying hard to get ship back to states for Christmas but seems futile at present. Show dinner & D. Boats PUNE.

Dec 4th. Saw Captain Lokman MC USN Fleet Med Officer and he says I am ordered back to USA via Pres Grant sailing Monday and am to report Pensacola Florida for Flight training (Av. Med) damn it. I'd like to fly but don't like the future also Lucy objects to the hazards. Out in P.M. & fooled around and a taxi cab etc.

Friday December 5th. Saw all hands in Luzon and Oahu which came in early A.M. O'Rourke McElrath. Tolley ordered to little 45 fouters for some sort of patrol and intelligence duty. Tolley already moved. Mac & Jim waiting. Lt. Cndr. Harris my old skipper is trying to get to US for duty as Navigator on U.S.S. Juneau.

Saturday Dec 6th. Played golf Capt. Harris at Calacuan (?). Shot terrible but good course. Guess very tricky. Damn good meal at noon and practically all I ate was salad fruit and things I've not been able to get in Hankow where we were for 4 1/2 months.

Sunday Dec. 7th. All quiet & not much excitement. Up late and out & Williams Exec Oahu and O'Rourke Luzon for dinner and little carousing B. Hut Santa Anna etc. Jai Alai.

(War declared 1:30 A.M. Monday Dec 8th, 1941.

Monday December 8th. Up at 11 A.M. and this is to the day I find out if we go home to US or not. I found out. In Boots PUNE dentist came in & informed me Japan had landed Honolulu, Guam, Wake, Baguio P.I. and we were now at war. Tried to get over to Canacao but found every car, taxi, caremata, in use by Army, Navy, or evacuating Civilians. Practically wasted a whole day and missed Cavite Boat. Well guess I am a POW now and damn it have 2 1/2 years of this damn place behind and indefinite time ahead. Ch. Hell! guess better not gripe too much.

Tuesday December 9th. Finally got all my clothes over to Canacao Hospital and unpacked. Find everyone still running around and gasmask helmets and brown uniform. Wish I had sent everything home except a few uniforms and odd and ends. An living and Lt. Cndr Welch and Lt(sg) Bruce Langdon (MC) USN. Both OK but plenty quick or trigger when air alarm goes off. They're right through.

Wednesday, December 10th. All OK until 1230 Air alarm and boy oh boy all hell out loose in Cavite. Plenty of Jap Bombers got the joint and set fire to everything then. Laid out in front yd and watched. Bombs hissed down and empty AA fragments dropped all around. Saw one fighter plane hit the Bay. Casualties found in so damn fast we filled Canacao Hosp. in couple of hours. Only words to describe it are "One Bloody Mess." Worked about 18 hours and wound up evacuating all casualties to Sternberg Hosp Manila. Me, Boone, Cohen, Morgan, detailed to Sangley point rest got hell out here.

Thursday December 11th. Tried to traighten out our field dressing station & made arrangements for handling all Sangley point casualties. First and assign- ment of these actually is anything to be handled. About 2:00 men here now & more pouring in. Why I don't know.

Friday, Dec. 12th. One hell of a detail Ordered by Ad. Rockwell Con-16 to go over to Cavite and dispose of dead. Took 3 PM. notes and truck. Met Comdr Strong USN & got to work. Cripe what a mess bodies all over the place bloated & gas, decay, guts, blood orenated, brains, pop eyes (?) & practically all are beyond identification. People handling practically all got sick and we passed liquor around and out hesitation. Comdr Strong pretty broken up & a little hard to handle altho glad to have him for last nite. Buried 125& identified 7. See report last page. Beek in PM & covered whole area. Estimated 500 most cremated. I burried 125 & cremated 42. Quite a few more were see n but could not reach them because of wreckage.

Saturday Dec 13th. Quiet until 12:27 PM when several waves of bombers appeared over Manila, Five Japs & they unloaded over Nichols Field. Sat in trench until they finished at 1:45 and apparently and us opposition AA not high enough.

Sunday, Dec. 14th. All quiet except for air raid alarm Manila 5 AM. Didn't hear' any planes so didn't climb in a trench. Good breakfast and back to quarters. Another air raid alarm in Manila and we moved out to trenches again and here we sit listening to some gunfire but see no bombers. About half AM Corpsmen are scared to death and half don't give a damn.

Monday, 15 Dec. Again all quiet until noon when the air raid siren went off. We saw 54 bombers fly over Manila and leisurely bomb the air field. They were reportedly broken up somewhat by a few of our fighters. Quiet again until next day. Few sick boy case.

Tuesday 16th. Daylight swing time and nothing exciting as yet. They are digging all kinds of bomb proof shelters and trenches. Around our locals, seem to have a fairly large numbers of men here until they clear out the gasoline and oil and ammunition. Spent yesterday at Cavite clearing away more dead 42 bodies in all states of destruction. Buried a few moist ones and cremated all the rest and oil and kerosene. Identified only two. This makes total 125 & 42 equals 167. Three under some timbers and unable to go to them. 9 more shopping days. Back to Cavite in PM & poured more oil and kerosene on two files of bodies and picked up pair of better shoes for me. Eating two meal a day but they're good and plenty, of it. So what the Hell!!! On Daylight saving ti me now but nights still pretty long.

Wednesday December 17th. Chaplin Quinn joined us last P.M. & this AM D. Roberts former exec of C. Hosp. came around to have a look. We've got to disperse he says the Admiral says. So far cases have included few dressings, go, buke, stye, blisters, diarrhea and 3 or 4 mental cases. One fellow surely developed a line after the Cavite Bombig. He really should have a medal and poor fellow perhaps he should. Another long quiet PM.

Thursday 18th. Japs reported having ceased all activity in Philippine area and seen to be concentrating on Malay (Spath) heading for Singapore no doubt. US Navy looking for Japanese Imperial Navy and can't locate it. Heard a good story yesterday and it was true. Patient operated on and dressed at Canacao hospital, pronounced dead and instintion given to haul him away to morgue. As they were opening the morgue door he sat up and asked "what ward are you taking me to." Another a few days ago we got a note saying there was a severely injured man out about 20 miles from Cavite on road to Manila. We shot an ambulance out there and after two and half hours returned. Patient was

Patient was sitting with driver & had a few scratches on his back. On the stretcher in rear was a large bunch of bananas requiring two men to carry then into sick bay. Oh! Well! Such is War! Always plenty of conflicting reports, orders & useless work, people wanting medical attention when they should be going about their business. Wonder what has happened to Mr. C. J. Spikes & F. Howley up in Hankow not to mention all USS Wake personnel. Understand that Wake has been rechristened by the Japs. Seven more shopping days. I. Morgan here in his bomb proof trench (?) with a shovel making it quite a bit deeper.

Friday December 19th. All quiet in AM & reports of decreased activity reported all over Philippines. About 12:15, Dr. B. Cohen and I walked over to to 215 inside the triangle formed by the 3 radio towers. At exactly 12:45 when Dr Bell came in with the news all hell out loose and the whistle of bombs was too damn close. One hit hose of radio tower and tore the rear of the house to pieces and bomb fragments. We scurried around like rats in a trap and the building shaking and all furniture dancing around crazily. After first wave we both heat it out looking for a bomb shelter. Lost Dr. Cohen but saw him go out side door I went out rear and something hit me in both knees, right one knocked out laterally at 45° angle and left over bleeding but didn't waste much time investigating. I limped out saw hose of radio tower on fire and hurried on down road to shelter. Passed lot of fallen trees and couple of apparently dead & one Pilipino leg shot off appealing to me and one arm to get me to help him but I am afraid I couldn't have helped anyone I was having trouble myself. Got in trench and waited but no more at time. Casualties poured in and began being awfully busy for a while. Looked like about 30 injured and 3 or 4 dead. We evacuated them all to hospital (Canacao) and from there down to Hospital Pier for evacuation on Mary Anne (Quezon Yatch) to Manila. About middle of all this a second alarm sounded and we all heat it under the hospital which is supposed to be earth quake proof. We rocked until the hospital cracked and the overhead beams looked like they might come down. We were all scurrying around like rats and I mean rats. Not a chance if it got your name on it. All clear and we got and finished up. All casualties on way to Manila and 13 estimated dead and 40 wounded. Several caught in fire and gasoline probably cremated them. Can't see why we stay around here meaning all marines but there must be a reason. Looked at my leg and found a very small shrapnel wound of left hull and right knee probably internal ligaments. Sandwich and coffee for dinner and no water. Hell of a headache and ringing in ears probably concussion and took 5 aspirine and slept on porch. Marine Pvt & Corp shot himself thro head last P.M. Couldn't take it.

Saturday Dec. 20th. All quiet this A.M. & tried to find some breakfast but line was so long I gave it up. Back to #25 and found some coffee, sh, wheat, art. wick & pineapple. Here we sit practically all on alert for planes. Evidently we can't rely on the air raid warning as it has failed us several times. Yesterday the bombs were falling before we knew plane were around. My motto seems to be the only one that holds. "At the sound of the musical bomb, jump in the nearest bomb shelter." G.T.F.

Saturday 20th. Another days and here we are again until we almost weren't an alarm at 12:30 and we high tailed it for the trench. In about 30 min. they came & seamen saw 5 Japs. They seemed to drop at Nichols field ans somewhere back on the peninsula West of res. AA fragments whistled all around and soared as hell, but ~~seem~~ ~~by~~ ~~the~~ ~~same~~ ~~time~~; beginning to wonder when they will end this

Sunday 21st December. Up at 7:00 and to Confession Mass & Communion. Fr. Areng from Manila held service at Langley Point or Canacao Chapel. I really feel a lot better now. Had breakfast at officer's Club which is running meals again after a 3 day lapse. No water except at hospital and that is 3 blocks away. Air Raid alarm at about 10:30 A.M. & 6 planes flew over bay turned and came directly down over the peninsula. Again scared as hell but nothing to do but lie in trench and wait. Nothing dropped but little earlier (few Mi-nates) it seemed that few fell at Nichols Field area. All quiet now and still here and according to latest dope here we stay. Partial evacuation has already taken place during last night.

Monday 22nd December. Up at 8:00 AM and just dressed when heard drones of plane, explosion of series of bombs some distance away and then lastly the air raid warning. We all piled in our trenches and heard a few more bombs dropped and later AA poppint from our rear. Planes were heard directly overhead but nothing dropped. Lord this business is nerve crackng this being the second time they circled over us & did some leisurely observing. Cooked own breakfast, after all clear, at officers mess. Shave & shower at S.O.Q. and thought I heard a plane all this that rapid shower. Cripes I guess two weeks of this is beginning to tell on me and about 20 other people here. That being our total outfit ME USN. Heard recently we are to stay here until N. Amm. Depot is cleaned out. Miraculously it escaped the Cavite bombing & seems to be the only reason we are staying. Calculated time 2 to 3 weeks. Hell! If only we could see a few of our own planes around here it would help. Orders to move on out North somewhere in A.M. Ready 9:30 tomorrow.

23rd Tuesday. Last night orders changed and I took 1 corpsman & truck and went to Union College now Navy (Canacao) Hoop. Reported to Capt. Roberts E. Davis shower, radio (30 transports off northern coast of Lingayen). A.M. after no sleep next to coughing Daniel Boone, breakfast damn good (too good) orders to Olongapo & Ritter (LS (19)) & 10 corpsmen. Met Comdr. Hayes, Mr Crews, Dr. Hurtneck on road rendezvous. Ordered to Mariveles Section Base & 2nd Bat. 4th Marines. First good looking spot I'm seen, showers, two meals a day, laundry & hole in rock for bomb protection.

24th Wednesday December. Day before Xmas, japs came over in small flight & bombed Quarantine Bay. Only hit was French freights we had taken over & placed 6 Marines aboard for guard. Two Marines killed, 2 severely injured. Nine or ten French men & native crew from Fr. Indo China injured. Moved them all into Camp, Dewey. Bookman busy at quar. dock where PT boat was bringing casualties in Hardine, JK, and I worked at Camp Dewey. Hayes & Hurt veak at Sect. Base Dispensary. (Opinion Here). I stayed and injured during nite and gave all that & some suef-anilamide. Arnoldy Marine pretty bad and gave him second 250 cc. Hurman plasma. Did OK there on. Next day try evacuate them.

25th December. Xmas day. Thursday. What a Christmas but glad I'm alive. Wounded all OK. Arnoldy going to Limay Base Hosp. 30 K.M. away. Turkey & Ham for dinner. Still two meals day. Back out to Camp Dewey for nite.

26th Friday. Saw Hayes & evacuation of wounded now in order. Ritter showed up from Olongapo and hear they are evacuating and blowing up as they go Chings getting hot in North.

27th Saturday. All casualties are on their way to Linau leaving only a couple of minor things to handle. Orders to go to hills and joined 1st Bat. 4th Marine. Took 7 Corpman and did. Glad of it. Found a good place near stream & set up a sick Bay. Found out later place was too good & had been picked for the Colonels quarters good sleep but cold as hell. Bats, birds & running stream all good sounds to sleep by.

28th Sunday. Three weeks of war and have attended 3 casualties that is bombings. Cavite 300 injured and 400 dead. Mostly natives. Canacao & Sangley point 35 injured and 15 dead, one suicide during P.M. Lathyr Fr. Ship in Quarantine dock at Mariveles and two Marine killed and several French & Indo China. The 1st Bat. ordered out this P.M. to Corregidor the Gibraltar of the orient. Told to go with them. Took corpman and load of Med. Supplies down to Quar. dock and built a plank road into lighter. Unloaded truck, drove it across to lighter and loaded her again. Then by all that holy I'm ordered to go up in hills again for duty with 1st Separate (desperate) Bat. (originally from Cavite & P.I. area). So damn mad I picked up a rock and heaved it out into the bay 3 miles filling several fish. Well they gave me a car and loaded her up and trebbed on back up to Camp One. AA unit staying for defense of air fields around here. Lost my Corpman. Saw Ferguson & Von Ray at dusk. Made camp away from group took wash in stream and hid the bay at 8:00 P.M. Had good sleep this time and two blankets.

29th Monday. Still December but not for long. Up bright and early and the bugle, took bath in stream and feel good but had to put on dirty stinking clothes again. Good breakfast and officers under Major Mops. Made plans for setting up sick Bay and finally found Mops but evacuated by natives. My golly won't this ever stop. I mean this moving. I just heard I'm supposed to evacuate and part of this outfit to Corregidor tonight. Oh, well I give up and I can't seep up. Bombers flying over here for the last two 1/2 hours and seem to be giving one of the air fields, and possibly Corregidor, Hell. All of 'em flying over here and pretty low and good formation. 2:30 and all clear. Now to see what happens tonight.

30 Tuesday. Last night Major tells me only small portion of outfit going over small portion of outfit going over to Rock and wants me to stay here. Took two patients in to Camp Dewey (go and orchitis and YAT. Reaction and stiff joints). Found 8 casualties from the Canopus. Already there one pretty bad burn and depressed skull fracture. Met Dr. Cohen and he gave me small shot whiskey which he said the Japs dropped by mistake. Well the Lord knows they are dropping everything they've got so its not so improbable that it did fall in his lap. Glad it wasn't a bomb. Lt. Van Ray says lookout on hill saw a squadron of Curtis, Tomahawks fly singly over Corregidor and dip wings. Guess they are getting them assembled and hiding out until they get enough to command the air. Then look out Japs. Our forces seem to be holding in North now and have been holding in South so things are looking up. Convoy supposed to be on the way and due in very soon. Good breakfast this A.M. and finished laundry feel 100% better. 75% of war is good food and keeping clean. A hard besides getting itchy does not fit in a gas mask very well. Some day. Well they flow over 2X day in small flights 12:30 and 2:30 1st tried for air field over hill and 2nd did get town of Mariveles. Stopped Communication for awhile. Lot of smoke and popping may be ammunition or even dried bamboo. I'm going to stay another day or two and see what happens. Oh well the foods damn good and

ration "D" helps a lot. Good wash in stream and turned in everything Q.T. Marines stopped from going on over to Corregidor because of fire in Mariveles and damage to road.

31 Wednesday December 1941. New Years Eve and I'll be 28 years old tomorrow. 1942 and didn't make it home to my little Lucy. Haven't had a Christ was or New Years and my wife since I've been married. Up at crack of dawn and another good breakfast. One lone plane flew directly overhead. Finished my laundry & decided to take to hills for better view in all directions and just in case camp was hit and I might be able to do some good if I were not hit. Any rate what ever they do I've got a good view and can see our AA in action on all sides. False alarm nothing happened. Back into camp and had a good shower. Marine Sergeant shaved a bottle of VFW Canadian Whiskey & another shared some old Taylor. Happy New Year.

1 January 1942. Thursday! Well can you beat it. New Years day in the hills of the Philippines and 1st desperate Battalion. Seek case lasted 3 hours and did a lot of minisurgery (incised buko, abscess, ungrown nail) and anesthetic. Fellows took it pretty well too. Air raid warning about half hour ago but no planes no bombs. There is a rumor going around that a squadron of our P-40's Curtis Pommies got that whole outfit that bombed Mariveles two days ago. Saw Mariveles last P.M. & not a building left standing. Very few casualties & 2 dead. Evidently trying for dock area but released too soon. Again hear we are all going over except "C" Battery, staying to man AA guns set up between section Base & former Mariveles. Air field this side of Mariveles ready in 14 days according to contractors. Oh Boy! Look out Japs! By the way I'm using sulf pyridine only for g.c. 4 gm. day for 5 days. That worked on River five even Neg. Prostate & no relapse. Just got word we are on our way to Corregidor tonight definite. We all got down to dock area and loaded and boarded after dark by good moon. Landed an island about 1 or 2 AM I don't remember and finally caught inside & Service Co. and wound up for PM in cut out in open again. Travel light and there isn't any strain.

2 January Friday. Fairly quiet in AM & was dressing a fellow leg, when without any warning a loud whistle or hissing started. We all knew what that was and hit the ground pronto. POW! It hit and then another must have both been several hundred yards away. We all got up and ran down 15 feet to a drainage ditch & waited. Sometime later a few hit some distance away. All clear and survived another one. Found a shower, good dinner and turned in and Capt. Shaeffer in the ditch. Another alarm but no soap. Good sleep.

3 January 1942 and Saturday. This used to mean Captain inaction but baby things have changed. Tried to shower but water ran out. Tried to eat but we ran out because of air raid alarm. All clear and tried again. Another and finally finished at 10:15. Walked back to Camp and read Time Nov 1941. Reading & pictures look good but where are all those planes, tanks, demolition bombs & soldier Boys. About 12:30 & we got it again. Man alive(?) & how we did get it. They flew over 3X supposedly two formation 6 & 9 apiece. AA opened up on all sides of & pretty soon bombs opened up a few things on all sides of us. Lord that was nerve wracking. Dirt & stones practically rained on our backs for a few minutes. One hit and demolished a small warden building 50 feet away from us. That was too late and so we hot footed it about a quarter mile away and got

under a thick concrete bridge. No casualties but why I don't know. Several dented helmets and I felt my back several times for blood where stones hit. Found out after it was all over we were right in center of the following. Two AA batteries, large storage house for ammunition, chemical warfare storage house, railway in two sides. That was enough & out we moved at 3 PM. Down in the Boardocks as they call the woods in Creole Trench in Haiti. Easy night & cool and good sleeping.

4 January 1942. Sunday. Shower, shave and breakfast near mess hall; Back & Ser. Co and waited transportation to 1st Bat. & 4th Marines to regain my "assigned" outfit and Dr. Gardini. Waited for onion truck which wasn't to be ready for some time so took another & Phew and J.P. Morgan. No sooner found 1st Bat than an air raid sounded and we waited for sound of planes and then scooted like a Bat out of hell for an entrance to the tunnel about 100 yds. down hill. Glad it down hill. Located op. rooms and few of the wards. Things seem pretty well organized here but Gardini and I are sitting on our respectable asses out on the side of a hill supposedly a 1st Aid Station behind the 1st two beach defense lines. Whole set up seems sorta foul to me and I'm fed up to it. Well after taking a pretty heavy bombing for a few days I guess I'm a little irritable. Quezon and his entourage (family) can be seen wandering around the tunnel. Also Gen. MacArthur walking around came in hand. Guess his a plenty worried man nowadays and can't blame him. Guess my shame will come some day he I'm surely tired of packing and running. Have slept in 14 different places since Dec. 8th. This noon time or shortly after some bombers concentrated on this end of the rock and first the city at the docks in flames and flat in about 3 hours. One bit just outside of tunnel and you could feel the blast all the way through. Several people bunched flat at entrance but none hurt. Very few casualties during whole raid but this is to be expected if people got flat. Back up to our aid station and found 5 bomb craters all within 50 yds. Camp all covered and dirt and stones. Good meal and turned in, out in open again.

5 January. Monday. Up in time to respond and alacrity to air raid warning. Seemed to have concentrated on Mariveles Sector but don't know what they got. Spent practically whole A.M. running down to tunnel and climbing back up hill. I'm beginning to know what survival of fittest means now. 1200 and so far quiet that is comparatively speaking. There at 1 PM a sudden drone over head and we made to tunnel. There was quite a pain there and easy to see size of opening not adequate for sudden ingress of people wanting to save their own precious skins. Pretty soon the whistling started and quite a number of people were knocked down. That was close again but damn it this is going to be a situation lasting for several weeks, months, years. Who in the hell knows.

6th Tuesday. Saw bombing of army forces across the Bay. (2X). Breakfast of hot dogs and rice. Sick call and sitting around camp waiting for next raid. It came and they rained bombs on top of tunnel and in dock area. Bomb shelter got direct hit on topside and approx. 35 people killed. One of our men was hit in back by falling rock after an explosion, extent of injury not determined. Quiet night.

7th January and Wednesday. Very quiet today and no bombing. Official reports says U.S. planes bombed Formosa. Today first day since I've been here that

there has been no reconnoissance in early A.M. & no bombing here or within earshot. Runner has it that we got about 100 of this planes on the ground yesterday. If true the most dangerous place for a plane is on the ground. Next thing in order is a hanger in side of a mountain and absolute protection. Add thousand submarines and silent waters and no evade torpedoes and explosives got a combination that will heat anything. Small army, large well trained reserve and 100% mobile equipment and small navy and good AA & self defense and there you have it. I am a doctor.

8 January Thursday. All quiet on Eastern front (Strangemon interpretation). Absolutely no bombing and only 3 air raid alarms. Why I don't know. Took 13 syphilitics to Navy Tunnel and Dr. Nelson (Wisconsin & knew Chet Blank). Had truck stolen, found culprit Navy Lieut. and bowled hell out of him. Swim in Lec and bed. What we need is salt water scap.

9 January Friday. Still quiet and nothing exciting to report. Hear that Luzon & Oahu are lurking around, come ashore during day re beach defense and back aboard at night.

10 January Saturday 1942. Heard a plane fooling around above cloudy sky and quite a commotion over in Mariveles. Didn't sound like AA or bombs but let of mashing gun fire and something louder. We took cover in roadside ditch but so far nothing has happened. Give 'em time. Rumored that Marines may go to front. (This out of 3rd Bat.)

11 January Sunday. Awake at 4 A.M. guess 7-8 is plenty of sleep. One gradually gets used to blackouts I suppose. Only thing to do in P.M. is turn in at dusk while you can still see your bed. Well A.M. quiet until they banished across the bay or Mainland and rained a cloud of dust. Several planes came over and lot of AA put up there with them. Hope they liked it and hope they weren't over planes. Nice Sunday and am afraid Chaplain Trump had his services broken up several times. Spent half afternoon running up to cp to watch planes and AA across bay. Army evidently getting hell.

12 Monday & still January. Nothing doing on this island but still artillery, planes and AA, active across, Bay. From Gardini and my point of view this war is getting to be a pretty monotonous affair. Thoughts of Latrines, flies, dysentery, mosquitoes predominating. Order out to administer at least gr. 10 of Quin to all personal daily. Can't see the rationale for this because the cases of Malaria we have had to date have probably all(?) come from Mariveles on the mainland. Don't believe there are any anopholes on the island. If so there can only be very few places for them to breed. This is just one large rock and no standing water and no rain for weeks. (Dryseason) Moved suggest waiting the incubation period at least and attempt now to eradicate what mosquitoes we have. Survey island for types and breeding places. All logical to me some quinine and information accurate. Mainland almost 1 mile away so don't believe they could be coming from there. Perhaps blown over by wind but I doubt it as they stick to place and underbrush. Question of salt water also comes up. Don't believe breeding can occur in it(?). Two days ago went out to Hookers Pt. and found Dr. Smith, Lt. O'Rourke, Kaye Gray (Po), Cook it Al. Tolley and Mo Edrath gone to Australia small soil boats and radio and duty unknown. Gunboats do patrol duty during nite. Smith & O'Rourke have holes dug in ridge large enough to sit up housekeeping. J.S.C.R. just inside his boat to Australia and independent duty. Pretty sad lad but I stripes now.

13 January Tuesday. Still 1942. Ran around island today and inspected Bombed craters and lowered buildings. Topside & middle side are practically will but you can't bomb a rock. Perhaps they have decided that too? 7th day of relative freedom from bombers. Out to Oahu and Luzon bivouac area on Hookers point and made ditches and switty and Jim for Coffee. All I furnish is a few sets of Kabbi house & shirts, its a deal. Going out tomorrow and make the sweep for a couple of hour sand wishes on the side. News report indicate an American bombing attack on Japs in Celebes island.

14 Wednesday/ All quiet and the same old war carry's on. Few planes flying around all day. We shot 2 down (1). Seeings believing.

15 January Thursday. Fourteen syphilitics taken to Navy tunnel for treatment. Dr. Nelson and Yndell there. Quiet day but pretty browy artillery fire heard across Bay around Bataan.

16 Friday. Examined 10 men 1st Bat. for new health records. One little "old" observation plane circled around all day probably taking pictures and estimating the situation. Don't know why we didn't get him. Dive bombed and strafed the Army on Bataan Peninsula and that seems to be the point of Jap. Came as far as P.I. is concerned. MacArthur says "1000's of planes and 1000's of men are on the way." Well damn it we better get going if we count on stopping the little brown bastards. Understand they have agreed to abide by Geneva Conference rules for Warfare. Sounds a little peculiar to me.

17th Saturday. Another 10 men for Px. Trip to middle side. None have mattress to sleep on. Went down to officers beach for swim and shower but ran for cover under ledge of rock when Jap bombers let loose in the vicinity. Sounded like it ran right on top of us, but we could see splashes across the bay and spout of dirt and dust. Caught speed BBrowmeyes washed.

18 Sunday. Everything q.t.

19 Monday. Out to Hookiners point and saw Saitty and O'Rourke again. Just missed a turkey Sandwich but had 2 cups coffee. Good news in form of a selection. Made Lieutenant but don't know about execution of oath or Px yet.

21 Wednesday. Examined a few more nan today and had Ensign Gerhard barge in Camp out of a clear sky. Hands in a pair of silver bars to wear and said I was to put 'em on. Haven't heard anything about o of o however. Gerhard still carrying camera and turning pictures in to Army for development and censor. Finally get into hands of Time Magazine. Rep. Wish I had my camera, especially during the Cavite Raid. Could have scooped the world. This is getting to a rather interesting life doing absolutely nothing. Will try to catch up in reading and should try a little medicine. Use Oahu and Luzon libraries for this purpose.

26 Monday. Still January but almost not. Situation has been so quiet that writing has been unnecessary to say the least. To say the most and be truthful a state of apathy has set in (temporary I'm sure) in which we have nothing to do after a short A.M. sick call (varying from 5 to 20 patients and mind complaints) except read and deliberate our fate or less pessimistically our future. Having contemplated all possibilities of existence and non-existence we are still waiting, and as could be expected at this time to know for what. There has been no

bombing activity by Japs except for sporadic dive bombing at Cabobean and Mari-veles. Our P-40's are fairly active and being down one or two stragglers a day. Artillery on the Bataan Peninsula has been very active and held and even pushed back stronger Jap forces. Reported 200,000 Japs landed at Lingayen in N. And next few days should decide plenty. No doubt that our Artillery is more potent and something that Japs have never come up against.

27 Tuesday. Several interesting reports. Trapped 200 Japs in canyon and few Marines are going to blast them out and mortars & M.G. PT Boats put aircraft carriers (Jap) out of action off West Coast of Bataan Pen. 24 ships of Jap Convoy sunk by USN in Malacca Straits in South. This evening at 6 P.M. heard some action at Coheahan and climbed top of hill in time to see 6 dive bombers attack air field in two groups. 9 bombs dropped and evidently something hit because a lot of black smoke was seen. AA fire close but no hits. Two P-40's took off shortly after so apparently not much damage to Air Corps set up. Last P.M. at about midnight it sounded as if war had come closer. When our 14" mortars opened up upon the enemy over on Peninsula. The aerial aspect of the war has changed a lot in last 2 days.

28 Wednesday, January. Last night our artillery really cut loose with a bonage which I should say would demoralize any troops on the receiving end. Things seem to be getting hot in Singapore we have sunk 44 ships to date in Southern islands and seem to be holding around this area. You could just about place our faces in Philippines under a pencil point on a globe map of world. Still here we sit cocky as ever and talking about going to Tokyo. I'm all for it but got my fingers crossed. We used help on all fronts out here and hope its principally in form of the air corps. Medically speaking Wardini and I are not practicing any more but have turned to sanitation. Busy installing latrines, conducting venereal inspections and trying (trying is right) to kill flies around the galley. Result of V.I. was well but at present have following under treatment. 26 syphilitics, 3 g.c. 2 chanoroid & 22 ped. pubis. One case g.c. found not to respond to sulfamide drug, (amide; ftyridine, thiasole) even & intensive therapy upon staining smear revealed and no g.c., many Frans and many Spermatozoa. Nos shown some improvement under Am. Cl. & Urotropine. May be seen. vis and even trichomonas inf. Discharge very profuse and light yellow color. Dysuria worked. Mosquitos are getting worse (since wind decreased) but no recent cases of Malaria. Guess it must all be coming from Mariveles or our Feminine. Prophylaxis is keeping them subclinical. I still wonder about this. Col. Howard & Col Curtiss coming around for dinner tonight. JH and I continue to enjoy or daily swim at 4 P.M. in the excellent salt water of the beach. Water oily at times from previous activity around here but is pretty clear most of time. It is quite a relief and change to relax in that bouyant water. We often contemplate a swim to Bataan Pen. or off other side in event of surrender of island. We shall see. I'm meantime I'll keep trying to master that Ans. crawl.

29 Thursday. Everything normal until they started testing 1.1 or 4 bar. AA gun over our heads. Surely could hear 'em whistle and when these tests are run we get a taste of what noise an invasion would provoke. News pretty good especially part about 100 Jap hips being bottled up in Macason St. P.M. dive bomb attack seen at Cabobean.

30 Friday. Bing Crosby and Madeline Carril big spot of the day. Came on at 7:00 P.M. for one hour & special broadcast to MacArthur magnificents. Good music and something new to change the monotony. Heloooo. Madeline Cl

31 Saturday. Last day month. Japs started out this A.M. and bombing, strafing attack on Bataan Pen. forces. Lot of shooting and sounded plenty close. This is getting to be a routine procedure ever there. Out to USS Oahu for lunch and Gerhard Williams Gunman Smith, Douglas. Had butter. Wow! Talked about 2 hours after lunch and I get a few medical and other books to keep Nardini and I from going stir crazy. Out and back in gig and seemed to be in another world.

6 February 1942. Quite a lapa but events were repetition and there was no change in aspect of war locally until today and then Muzumi Japanese artillery from the South opened up on Ferts Mills, Hugges, Drume and Frank. Johnny, Col. Buoke and I watched the fire which seemed concentrated on the U.S.S. Luzon. One shell hit very close forward starboard and several splinters went thro the WR & Admiral's quarters. None (?) aboard however and no casualties. All gun beats and others ship get underway and around to N. side of Corregidor. J and I went around to a more advantageous spot. We didn't stay there long however as two shells whistled uncomfortably close before we realized we were in range. Back to our sick Bay and listened to sporadic shelling. No damage and shell craters small, detonation loud.

7th. Started again this A.M. promptly at 9 and this time whistled over the whole island. Two deaths and several minor casualties. My first experience with shells going directly over head and it is not a pleasing one. All quiet by 11 A.M. and we started considering plan for self preservation.

7th Feb. Sunday. Mass and Comm at 7:00 A.M. and back to aid St. expecting a 90th shelling. Nothing happened except we shelled them and reportedly cleared out a few of their positions.

9th Feb. Radio Tokyo says we have today to consider surrender and if we no surrender Tues. we get bombed and shelled until we do. Some mere of Togos & Hirehites pipe dreams. Just the same we will continue to work on our shelter inside of hill (side away from the muzzle of the gun).

11th Wednesday. They didn't come thro!! We have pounded a few of their positions on South bank of Manila Bay instead. We have our shelter inside of the hill all set for a couple of sticks of dynamite and then dig! dig! dig! Well alright! Called down to tunnel to see D. Hayes and meet Col. Craig (MD) former head of army Hosp. Corregidor who informed me that I was to take over an Army Aid Station tomorrow when the present MD moved over to Ft. Frank. We evidently are doing alright on Bataan pushing Jap (200,000) back to San Fernando about a 3 km. advance. Singapore doing poorly and Japs landing tanks on West coast and taking one airfield. I don't know but it seems everyday means we are better off as far as reinforcements are concerned. I understand we all belong to USAFFE now. Peculiar eh! Commissioned in USN, assigned to USMC & wind up U.S.A. Oh! Well! what's the difference. Three dive bombers, 2 not tored, came over in early afternoon and headed in to Manila.

12th Thursday. Running as usual. Yesterday's plane did not materialize. This is sorts reminiscent of Mariveles and shift of duty of 4 hours. So here I stay.

13 Friday. Supposed to be unlucky for Irishmen. Six dive bombers came over Mariveles and near coast of Bataan, dropped some heavy bombs producing dense white smoke probably WP why I don't know. It would hide a landing pretty well however, and I hope the bigwigs noted that little item. Couple more sticks of dynamite in our holes and now we are going in some more.

14 Saturday. Blood typing about 40 men this A.M. Records were destroyed in Cavite. New Blood plasma method make this unnecessary for an emergency but I believe it's a good thing inspite of fast I would want a direct watch on the spot were I to transfere anyone. Good news from South where we are supposed to have established a supply line and base running to New Zealand. Dutchman is placed Adm. Hart and I believe it's a good move. Younger and more daring, a couple of the things we should have had several years ago.

15th Feb. Sunday. Fergot all about yesterday being St. Val. Day. Here also are a few odds and ends forgotten: Wake up other day and small lizard in bed and me. Cat mewing during night rgd. rook before be withdrew. Must have been a British Cat. Animal about 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet high and light skin approached the bed and slight movement on my part scared him away. Rat makes nightly trip across bough of tree overhead and is out lived clearly by the noon. That covers the nightly escapades of local animal. Monkeys, deer, Geeko, multi-colored birds aute and flies complete the picture. Dr. Kardini has taught me the game of chess and so far has abot 6 Victories to his credit. Last P.M. we started a game at 7:00 and played fer about 45 minutes in dark from memory and feel of pieces. This is one way of consuming the first hour of darkness which otherwise posse fairly unclesly. Also have been hitting the German and Spanish trying to get a conversational grasp of both. Japanese night(?) be more practical but I doubt it. Some studying and that covers all extra curricular activities. High Com. Sayre, wife and boy go by Aid St., every morning about 7:30 and usually catch on of us at side of read and buttens open. Requires an quick duck waddle into bushes or dextrous flip and nonchalant look followed by smiling good morning. Church this A.M. and holiday routine. We got another 35 for typing and have about 70 to go.

17th Tuesday. Started shelling us Sunday P.M. and all seemed to light on North side of Malinta Hill so Kardini and I went up in a little rise to see what we could see. OK for min. until a sudden loud hiss made us fall flat. Hit several hundred feet away but no explosion. Must have been a dud. Aprox. $\frac{1}{4}$ are NG. Excellent. Went on down to chow table and fell flat 2 X when they screamed overhead and plopped into our beach. Sat on protected side of hill and watched 15 explde in water all in area of 100 sq. yes. Ate, too bed and up again about 10 P.M. when they sailed one over in dark. The little rascals evidently wanted to harass us and did because we moved cats down to roadside ans slept and protection of overhanging hill. Shelled Monday and again today and seems to concentrate in Middleside and Topside no damage but 1 dead & 7 to 15 wounded. Kardini and I have decided to change our herthing and we now have an upper and lower on Bataan side of a cliff. We had a gig in but it is worth it, even bombs will slide past us and will be safe if we don't roal out of bed. If so it means a 100 foot drop into the ocean. We never thought we'd become cliff dwellers but that us. Family of monkeys sat on tree branches across read from our new tunnel and watched us dig. I guess they'll go off now and dig a bomb shelter. I am getting a little too close to nature lately. Last P.M. a small

lizard made a short excursion down my neck and out again. This afternoon ran into a nest of red ants on limbs of tree and got the entire nest caught between my helmet and collar. My golly in 1 min. I had red ants from head to feet and had to strip to waist to clear them. They sure as hell could bite & did. I'll swap for a room in the St. Francis any time. I wonder what its like to be free of all from fear of bombs, shells, invasion, lizards, ants and monks.

23rd February Monday. Several days ago the 4th Marines rec'd a couple hundred Filipino Air Corps & Army personnel from Bataan Area. Our Aid Station got a Lieut (Sdr) Gomez and two Corpse-men. Gomez graduated from Philippine School of Medicine in Manila about '36. Surprising by reported there was no malaria in Bataan but a peculiar fever which responded to aspirin and quinine. We finally discovered the fever was Malaria and about 5% of the troops coming over afflicted to it. Wire sending practically all into hospital and withholding any prophylaxis dosage. Guess it will all come under control pretty soon. There has been no shelling recently (last two days) but until then we took it daily AM & PM a rather disconcerting event to have take place at night. Got a call last Friday during shelling and found RM 1/c Miller dead from machine gun wound through chest. Evidently a bullet glanced off rock and went thru this RM standing inshore a little ways. We hear several groups of Navy, Air Corps and others have been sent to the South via ship and submarine to form a nucleus for Section Base at Navy Yard. Rather dangerous journey but sounds good. We have received several shipments of rice and other essential foods so evidently are doing Japanese are fusing WP bombs and for this reason we were issued bottles of Cooper Sulphate sal. 3 to 5% for spread amongst the troops in case of a bombing. Bataan troops doing OK. Gunfire reported on mainland to South of us but can get no reports on what it is.

25th February Wednesday. Still no shelling bombing or any indication of any activity. Sudden quiet is very unusual in middle of a war. Several planes 12 passed in each side of Corregidor and reported to be friendly. Sounds good. General morale is excellent but we all would like the US to get going. Realize this is quite a request and will give them a few more weeks. All in all the news "we hear" sounds good and things are looking up.

3 March 1942. Tuesday. Still no activity in this sector that is from a fighting aspect. Shortly after the arrival of Filipino troops from Bataan several days ago we realized we had a number of malaria cases to handle but nothing like what has developed. Approximately 35% of our assigned Filipino and Naval personnel had developed malaria regardless of Quinine prophylaxis. We attempted to weed out infected cases from the start and then administer prophylaxis. This number of "wedded out" grew to such alarming proportions that we got orders to administer 10 gr. daily and treat the malarial cases in field. From my observations there are only two things to do to a fighting army as far as malaria is concerned.

1. Feed it daily and continually to all troops in field in Malaria area. 10 gr daily ad infinitum.
2. Resting troops to get us prophylaxis in a situation such as we have here. (Malaria but no anopheles mos.) Rather wait for development and treat the case and therapeutic doses. Gr. XX daily for 2 weeks and short Plasmequine course.

I think prophylaxis is useless other than to keep in army or group of people working and sometimes this fails. Our malaria of course is a severe type and all forms are seen, cerebral gastro-intestinal etc. Something else hit our troops (1st Batt severely 2nd none and 3rd moderately). Severe gastro-enteritis started practically the day the new troops arrived from Bataan. Cramping abd. pain, nausea vomiting, draeha and tevesines, lasts about 1 or 2 days and is finished except for few cases. I would estimate that 50% of our men have been hit and some form of this same severe enough to req. hosp. We are treating it and Parequic, Opis and campha pills and tea and soup in Chaw line. Still running wild but may be all over soon (when every one has it). We believe it may be due to a spread of a bacillary dys. by herds of flies. What we have done:

1. All latrines siled burned and limed and repaired. All had been siled daily and crude which didn't seem to kill larvae.
 2. Water supply checked and supposedly OK & even low in mineral content. All Lyster Bays inspected and order issued about cleanliness. Chlorination checked but we do not foil. Principally because of fuel shortage and difficulty handling water distribution.
 3. Men Cooke checked and personal cleanliness stressed.
- In spite of all this our gas-ent. goes its merry way. And I few minutes ago a group of 46 bombers flew past the island herded toward Manila.

10 March 1942. All has been quiet. Java fallen and Rangoon evacuated for "better position." To go to Australia, New Guinea, India, China, Philippines. Here we sit and listen to daily taunting by William Winter and others. All being directed at Japan and flaunting their failure in PI. Hell! If they so desired they could shoot 200,000 troops in here and finish our proud chartling. Already Tokyo has predicted by end of March, Corregidor would be finished. I don't believe this however as they have made similar statements before.

On the other hand we are glad to hear KGEI & WW speak of an allied offensive at Japan via Australia, China, India, Siberia, Aleutians. You've got something there and plans should have been formulated sometimes ago (Perhaps they have).

Food question is a little doubtful as we can't seem to get a definite statement and fancy one. Few weeks supply is reported all available.

Hardini Strangeman and I have taken to study of Spanish, English grammar, Geography and odds and ends in our spare time.

Malaria cases have slowed down and 50 cases under treatment about 114 cases of Gastric interisti chow by Nausea vomiting cramps and diarrhea. Usually over in 4 day at most 5 days. This followed introduction of Filipino troops from Bataan. I believe it was conceived there and carried to our men by flies. Vigorous sanitary campaign around galleys, latrines, personnel, mess seemed to stop it just as suddenly as it started. Reservations here of course. We are bleed typing all Filipinos and next is tetanus toxoid and then iden. tags.

Our tunnel coming along slowly and going into solid rock. It will be bomb proof some day and enable us to treat cases under fire without much worry. Time, Fine Time that's what we used but damn it Japan will get stronger too. There is only one answer to that!!!!

14th Saturday. Yesterday seemed Friday 13th we have had recently. Lost a pair of britches. Well old man Teje has promised victory over Bataan in 10 more

days and fall of Corregidor by end of month. Gen. Yamashita has been moved from Singapore area to San Fernando outside of Manila. MacArthur and several other big shots have pulled out for points unknown. Odd their all up and what do you get. Japanese predictions have been made before, this area has been reinforced a couple of times and here we sit. Food items are about as usual and few items low or absent. Sugar, butter, meat low, potatoes, no fruit or fresh vegetables any time. Plenty of rice, bacon, has (canned) jam, bid-cuits, syrup, condensed and evap. milk. There has been reported one case of Beri-beri but did not confirm this and saw pt. after weeks or two of treatment. People are reacting differently to all these minor circumstances. Some are changed but many are worrying, irritable, defective judgement and few definite psycho-neurotics.

Two small barges approached island this P.M. & several guns opened up don't know actual outcome but looked like there were a few hits.

20th Friday March 1942. One day of heavy shelling (15) of Frank, Drum & Hughes but no reported damage, 1 casualty. Over 300 shells out of 1000 supposed to have hit Frank(?). We retaliated and 11 guns. If that represents Yamashita's drive he better get hot. Radio Manila told how in-effective our fire was and how we spent another sleepless night. This being very funny because we often didn't bother to get out of bed when the shells were actually coming over us. I'll admit we did the 1st night of shelling but not since. Sleeping has been wonderful because of the excellent weather.

An epidemic of Follicular tenicillitis has started and we've had about 14 Hosp Cases and 20 in field treated and sulpanilamide gr. 60 stat and ge XI & 1d 2 days. At best I guess this field sanitation is poor and lack of vit C and maybe A is a great factor in easy infection. Malaria seems under control but few relapses are showing up mainly because of insufficient treatment. Quinine supply is holding up fairly well but I don't know actual supply available.

Looks like our forces are going to sit here until rainy season starts and if there what is any ones guess. Still get a good swim every nite 4 P.M. & two pretty good meals a day. No butter, eggs, potatoes or steaks but plenty rice, cracked wheat, ecc. tomatoes, jam, molasses, cond and evap milk, English peas, bread, bacon, corn, salmon and AM coffee. Cigarettes and soap on ration.

Just shot 1 c.c. of Cholera Vac to all USMC & USN but PA not yet. Reported cholera epidemic in Manila???

22nd Sunday. Nice bright breezy day. Mass at 7:30 A.M. breakfast cracked wheat, bacon and fritters. 30 more cholera shots and that finishes them. About 56 more tetanus toxoid shots to go and then finished I hope. Yesterday they opened up on Frank and had a field day, planting one in the mouth of a tunnel killing between 15 and 25? and injuring between 23 and 48(?). Not much damage otherwise. Rumor of a counter-attack at Zambeanga yesterday. Could it be true????

Mrs. Rider came up from M. Tunnel couple days ago and Lt. Yates U.S.A. to our first woman visitor and us out shirts shaved haircuts and perspiring freely. Oh Well, guess this is weehhr! Spanish-German-Medicine-Surgery-still occupy spare time and daily swim to climax the day. Te Bruch!!!!!!

25 Wednesday. Tobrukh Hell! For the last two days we have had an intensive bombardment from air and speradic shells from mainland south. Yesterday there were 5 raids and several took place after dark. About 3 more. These latter were single planes and one bomb dropped. Purely harassing and finally we get tired jumping out of bed and didn't. Two or three casualties today (dead) several minor wounds. I developed a nice sore throat and T. This seems to be the rage around 1st Batt now days. Well I guess old Yamashita is going to concentrate on us for awhile but boy ah boy it's going to take a lot of time. It is damage is practically negligible but he did hit an ammunition dump and as let of 37m & 50 cal went up in smoke. We also spotted 9 boats or barge in Manila Bay, about 9 miles away and the USS Mindanae (gunboat) went after them and reportedly get a couple. Returned safely and did not see one enemy shell splash near her. Things in general have been rather tense but I guess you can get used to anything. There are a few other things I'd rather get used to than this. Yea Man!

31 March 1942. Six days of intense bombing and shelling and few deaths and fewer injuries. Japanese have lost about 10 planes and 50 men and have done no damage to Corregidor. Yesterday afternoon was extremely exciting and rejuvenating. Two metered silver Jap bombers came over at about 5 P.M. & were fired on by AA Bat "Denver". Both were hit and one had wing blown off. It was a most beautiful sight to see it spin into a 90° dive and plunge into the bay about 300 yds from U.S.S. Mindanae. The wing and other meter fellowed closely behind. The other plane exploded in mid-air and there was nothing left but a few fluttering pieces. Bombs were dropped in bay and hit nothing. The whole island gave vent to a chorus of cheers and yells and I am now hearing. If I get as much kick out of seeing a falling like this I know I would be more exuberant if it would be possible to get behind the controls of a fighter and account for a few more. Today after all this it is much quieter and bombers are flying a hell of a lot higher. One lead hit bay again, another hit topside. I'M afraid Yamashita the son of a bitch has a long way to go to get us but certainly hope we can get going around here and south. Yesterday Bunsley, C.E. Phn 2/o and Dr. Nardini went out during bombing and shelling to get casualty (arm shot off). Dangerous business and citation in order. Incidentally today was the day the Japs were to take us according to note dropped Gen Wainright couple weeks ago. Come on you yellow bastards!!!!

5th April 1942. Easter Sunday. Damned nice quiet hot day and up at 6:45 to Batt Kyser for mass and communion. M. Wilcox paid services. Last few days Mariveles Section Base really caught hell from dive bombers, high flying bombers while Corregidor went relatively free of attack. Frank and Drum also get a little taste of diving and strafing. Several days ago, I saw one and then two planes hit and smoke but did not see them fall. Reported shot down however. It seems that the whole situation seems up to an air ablack on fortified islands and in and land and attempted marine landings in bay as well under way. So far we have things under control but artillery is extremely heavy lately and even this A.M. you can hear small arms fire in Batasan. All we used is food and planes and we could hold them. Doing a damn good job so far I would say and here hoping.

6th April Monday. Syphilitic day. 13 inj. of mapherine out in field. Lt. Nardini being transferred from 1st Bn to Batasan Hosp #1 or #2. Leaving tonight 6 PM Dr. Langdon and Dr. Rose and Dr. Swanson and two Philippine doctors

plus 10 nurses. Evidently in the recent and now going on Japanese drive there have been quite a number of casualties to say nothing about Malaria, dysentery and improper feed. Dr. Hayes has spoken about me helping out in Medical Ward in tunnel and am going to see about this in P.M. Booming hell out of Bataan and lot of artillery. All reports indicate we are holding. We are just praying that Bataan will hold out while Bataan it is rumored is just praying we will hold out. If that's the way it is there's no worry. Just some a few U.S. PLANES SHIPS AND MEN ~~WOULD~~ look mighty good. Our Aid Station tunnel is coming along pretty well. About 3/4 completed.

10th April 1942. Well it has finally come to pass. Bataan has fallen and negotiations are underway for terms concerning the fortified islands. Rumored that Colonel was sent to arrange details and Yamashita but was returned to be replaced by one in higher authority. Gen. King 2nd in command followed and no word as yet.

Fall of Bataan was a rapid affair after it once started and followed only an intensive artillery barrage, dive bombing attack, bombing and strafing. Our men made a gallant stand but practically every one was suffering from Malaria, dysentery, malnutrition. I examined all of those who came over from Bataan and joined our Batt. and never saw a more evacuated looking outfit in my life. Some of their stories were nos amazing. One concerned two Filipino Scouts who attacked a Jap tank. One jumped on top of the turret and pulled the machine gun up so its fire was rendered ineffective and another utilized this opportunity to cram hand grenade through a port. (Sitting out an air raid in a partially completed tunnel).

I believe we are all a little disappointed in the help we received from U.S.A. but suppose there are reasons.ardini who was sent to #2 Hosp has not been heard from and I suppose was taken prisoner although there was ample opportunity for evacuation from what I hear.

Last night or rather late afternoon they ran two waves of planes over and really bombed area from RJ45 to Infantry point. Couple of casualties and air compressor hit and lot of us going to chow were caught night in middle of it. We were just lucky. Shortly after this they started shelling from Bataan and got two of our smaller boats. All gunboats safe and one casualty from one boat attempting to row into shore (Naval Officers). All this artillery fire was pretty damn close and overbusted and echoed in the cave.

17 April Friday. What a change of heart. Yes, Bataan fell but what of it. We (Port. islands) received several thousand AM & Pil. Army refugees and Boy oh Boy they were in bad shape, half starved (better omit the half) emaciated, malarial anemic, dysenteric, equipment abandoned and morale gone. For a few days it appeared that a surrender of Corregidor was in order but no we are going to defend the fortified islands and really are in a good position to do so. Already we have had help from Southern based Flying fortresses in bombings at Cebu, Davao and Manila. Planes, hangars, ships and installations have been hit severely. An entirely new attitude has been developed here and now defense and extermination of a few thousand Japanese looks easy. If it ever happens I'll give the 4th Marines the credit because they alone have installed the beach defense in this island. Since last writing we have been bombed several times daily by small formation and shelled day and nite. Only two days of real intensive shelling from Bataan and surprisingly small number of casualties in our area (Eastern Sector). One 155 mm Battery has had repeated large number were killed as the result of a landslide in an ~~incorrectly constructed~~ tunnel. Casualties and material damage have been very slight and ~~unsubstantial~~

very strange if not lucky to me. A large number of duds have been sent over and sorry to say a few shells examined are said to be ours. All in all our situation is not too bad although water shortage seems more acute than we would like to have it. I haven't had a bath in 5 days and want until a bucket can be found. Working in our aid station tunnel is pretty bad and a bath would really be a treat. Galley gong has switched to the official side, of the rock and now has quite a bit of protection against shelling. Breakfast in our area amounts to coffee and bacon sandwich on A.M. & can Vienna Sausage and coffee next. Still go over in P.M for dinner and feeding has greatly improved. More volume and variety. I guess the sudden loss of about 30 to 40 thousand mouths makes the feeding problem a great deal easier. Lot of rumors floating around about American convoys and planes and ammunition and food but my golly whi is to believe what. I like to think that things are looking up but time only will tell and so fr so god. Best news we have had around this area in that concerning those planes of ours. Get my fingers crossed and hoping for the best.

All day was externally quiet not a shot being fired from Bataan and only a couple leads of bombs. First day like that for some little time.

18 April Saturday. Moon and still quiet. The theory now being that our critical period is from 19th to 21st at which time tide, moon at al are night for the Jap attack on the fortified islands. Well we are all set and waiting. Rumors are flying thick and fast concerning allied forces being landed in Philippines. They have it they have hit Legaspi, Lingayen or further south. Even said t that the Japs have gone north to meet them. Oh well it all makes good supposition but confirmation would be appreciated. The flying fortress have been well received both by Am & Jap forces and official number used 13 and unofficial 64. What a difference. Sick call still runs about 30 to 40 a day and mostly Malaria and dysentery and few dressings. We are making a survey of cases of Malaria in field and I expect it to be around 60 to 75 as result of addition of new Bataan personnel to our Battalion. Very few do not respond to quinine and usually those are of a malignant type. Such as 5 which have been Cerebral in type and 1 death from them. The hospital Corpmen are performing extremely effeciently and in the field. Three having distinguished themselves by Meritor Acts. Actually they have become walking Aid Stations and are Johnny or the Spot when a casualty occurs. We have 12 Navy, 3 Army and 2 Filipino A. Corpmen in field and are spread about 500 yds. apart. Have 6 at aid Station and we and 4 at Aid St. RJ 43 and Dr. Gemes. Plans for completion of the tunnel are underway and survey is to be made to hit one of our laterals from the outside. Well a few days should reveal a whole lot of hings in this area. Hold on to your hat!

19th Sunday. Awake bright (?) early and the birdies and urgent case of dysentery. Felt very weak all day but let up soon. Unable to attend mass at 92nd at 6 AM. Tunnel workers came in during sick call and wanted to start work. We moved all our medicines and equipment over into for end of tunnel and let them get going. Some mess for awhile. At 2 PM they started let us have a few shells. Batteries of 4 guns opened up (perhaps 3 or 4 batteries) and concentrated on Bottomside, RJ-43 and ships between Mills and Hughes. 1st Bn. had no casualties inspite of number of shells that fell in our area. 50% at least were duds and really no military damage except one inter island ship sunk. Bombardment lasted until 5:30 PM & sporadic after that until 7 P.M. Several dive bombers entertained in for 45 minutes missing all their targets by several hundred yards. We got one. My opinio of Japanese dive bombers is o. Here is a picture of one in action.



Guess I'm getting childish but so is this whole war especially the Japanese aspirations for a greater EA & Cè prosperity Sphere and new order etc.

20th. Shot 10 syphilitics and mophorsen this AM and relatively quiet day. More malaria, few acute gastinteritis and the usual mologerers. Believe it or not had a few glasses of champagne this P.M. Better not reveal source. Interrupted in middle of forty by salvo of shells from Bataan. All landed near Battery point several hundred yards away. Spent nite on matters less bed and wake up and corrugated skin. Once during the night a hit and miss concrete mixer started up suddenly and I reflexly by rolled out of bed into the ground and waited for shells to hit. Took me several minutes to establish connection between for and aft brain cells and rationalize myself back to slumber.

23rd Thursday. Organization of an e 1st Bn, USMC now out to 12 Navy Corpmmen 6 Filipino and 3 army med. pers. Have only 3 and we at aid Station. Ran sick call this AM of 28 and 17 Bismath fliers. Malaria still continues to fêw in and we had about 95 cases under treatment last count. Should all clear up in 1 week. The the only worry will be gastro-interistis. Turned project very slowly moving along. Last couple of days have been very quiet from an artilleryman standpoint except for last night. Japs put about 30 shell over and we retaliated for about 3 hours. Must have hit a ammunition dump because several flashes followed by a good fire were seen on the Bataan shore. Got so tired last PM that I fell asleep and shells going in both direction overhead. Would not have been so good if they lowered the sights a mil or two. Lot of good rumors concerning our future but lest is "statement by KGEI that PDR will shake the hand of every man from P.I by July 4th, 1942. In meantime I'll forget it and pld along hoping a couple of years will pass quickly. Had a good rain last PM but was amply protected by a shelter half and several blankets. By the way I guess my life saving reflex is well developed now because 3 X I have rolled out of bed when shelling suddenly started and went flat on the ground. Heres hoping I outgrow this after the war. It would be rather annoying I think.

25th April. Saturday. Well yesterday was a dilly. At exactly 3 PM Bataan and Cavite shere opened up and about all they had. For 2½ hours shells rained all over the island hitting especially the points. We took quite a beating but can out fairly well considering our En last 1:30 Cal mg and 3 lb and ammunition to go and it. Several fires started, 14 killed, 8 casualties admitted 2 treated and released. There were numerous other injuries and death but proportionately not as great as ours. One AA gun and reportedly at 12" seaward gun. We received a call to attend a casualty at Engineers point but shelling was so intensive on both sides of our tunnel we couldn't get out until about 15 min later when it became more sporadic. We (Sensley Chin and I) dashed down the hill to enlisted men's back and saw a lot of destruction and tried to dig out the hill furiously. Andrews (Sgt) Res. Co. lead us to dugout where was casualty was

being kept until quieter outside. Two others had made their way to mg. at Engineers PJ by swimming, tide made it impossible to get there other than by rope from above or the method used by the two casualties. We were sitting on lips of dugout trying to ascertain location of etherpossible injuries when someone asked whether the hand grenades were still there. Upon looking around we saw a case of grenade burning about 5 feet away and wasted no time getting in that hole. Three swishes and 3 plops did it. Shortly there after (2min) a building full of 3 lb. ammo. started going off and regular explosions. This was only 40 feet away and everyone there thought it had been destroyed already. Treated one case in dugout for burns of feet and laceration scalp and multiple abrasions. Andrews diked out to check in Eng PJ injuries and managed to make it between explosions of amm. dump. Returned and reported two. One severely burned and one minor. Bamsley and I ~~left~~ left injury there for evacuation later when quieter and made our way (swimming) back to office and PJ behind Eng. Ft. Bamsley went to attend the two men there and Andrew leading the way over bluff by rope. Left them until dark when we evacuated them over but wire and across. Wet, oily, slick rocks through smouldering ruins of explosions dump and into Hospital lateral. Days work done.

26th Sunday, & still April down it. Went to Mess at 9:30 A.M Navy tunnel and get my 10 day ration of Soap & Cigarettes. 1 Bar laundry soap & 1 Carton Camels. I'd walk a mile for a bath. At present we are able to get a bucketful in AM and use it for bathing and laundrying. Quiet day and only sporadic shelling by us. Last night it was rather amusing after we had tunned in and Japs started shelling and us returning shots Dr. Strangman and I fell asleep and shells going both directions. Suddenly these was a terrific explosion and a showers of small rocks fell around us making us sit up wondering what was up. Very shortly after there was another flash 50 yds away and another shower of small rocks landed around. Someone yelled, "That's All"; and we realized they were blasting the galley tunnel. Man alive what a time a person has trying to sleep on this damn Bull's Eye as it is now called. You can't tell when a battery or two will open up and lay down a few shells. What a life!

Malaria gradually getting under control but now quinine running low again. Hospital ether laterals building turn of 3 beds on each side of available tunnels. Beds are at a premium now. Forget to mention the not so amusing result of last PM shelling. Eastern entrance main tunnel took a direct hit and 3 155 shells and caught a few hundred people "napping". Net result 14 dead and 68 injured many severely. More casualties than several days of intensive shelling have produced. People have been warned but that wasn't sufficient. Too many came out for air sit near entrance and then hope to be able to scramble in if necessary. It won't work and Japs know it.

29th April Wednesday. Well this day domed warn and clear. Emperor Hirohite's Birthday and a very special day to the Japanese. Last night we expected an attack of some sort but except for one of our gunshelling an abandoned ship in Bataan side all was quiet. At 8 AM several wave of dive bombers attacked and all the guns of Bataan opened up on us. A terrific barrage was laid down for 1 1/2 hours and it appeared that the celebration was on. Serg. Andrews of Res. Company brought in two casualties plus his own for treatment and told us of another shrapnel wound of abdomen which he left in a hole in South side of our hill. We went around and took a leak and evacuated him in a stretcher to Mal. Hosp and Pen. Obs. Hd. Couple waves of bombers flew overhead and dropped their load

near Mal Hill(?) and intermittent shelling continued. Bansley l/c and Dr Strangeman evacuated a casualty from Engineers Pt. again (This is a hellish place to attempt to even reach). Exposed at all times and required climbing over but wire XX and wading through water ankle or knee deep depending upon tide.

Another intensive bombardment started at aprox 10 AM and is continuing now and occasional bells. Dive bombers still worrying hell out of all hands. So far we haven't had ~~very~~ many casualties and how my fingers crossed. Well the rest of this day should be interesting to say nothing about exciting. It must take a lot of trucking to have all the steel they already have thrown at us. It would be very moralizing if we only knew the U.S. was doing something for us. Perhaps they are but it is rather discouraging just to sit and take it. All I have to say is that there is a punch of real heroes inhabiting this island forget of ours. What do you think of it Gen MacArthur and how do all of you Commanding Officers of USA feel about all this.

3rd May 1942 Sunday. Yesterday at 3 PM, the Japs started an intensive bombardment of Corregidor and kept it up for 4 hours. Our area took a terrific shelling but casualties in 1st Bn. were again low. 3 dead and about 12 minor injuries. Unable to start ambulance and used Army Command Car to pick up hurt from Denver Battery tunnel. Took them to East entrance Malinta tunnel because of fire this side of Hosp. entrance. Ate some Ration C & B at 9 PM and turned in on cot out on side of the hill just hoping everything would be quiet and too damn tired to care much one way or other. Good nights sleep and up this AM at 6:30 and abdominal pain and diarrhea. Few for sick call, some early dive bombers and at 8 everything started all over. It is now 11:00 and artillery has pounded in constantly for 4 hours. One heavy bombing raid and here we sit in our hole dirty, unshave, trying to subdue peristaltic wave and urinating in a gasoline tin. So far the mouth of our tunnel has been very lucky but may have come pretty close 20-25 feet. I would like to have a recorder here to sent this all back for re-broadcast to U.S. defense workers, pacifists, Army Navy and Marine Commanders, Congressman etc. Corregidor still stands but who can claim any credit especially since no attack has been made on any of the fortified islands directly. Bombers and artillery will not take an island even if every man was killed. So here we are wondering just what the hell is in the Japanese mind and war important the American mind. All quiet outside now and guess a few casualties will be waiting.

5th May Tuesday 1942. For two days we have been under heavy concentrated artillery fire and 2 or 3 X a day 5 dive bombers work us over. I hate to say it but the morale is about the lowest it ever has been and a fairly large number of men have refused to stay in their positions. Can't very well blame them when they practically have their guns blown out of their hands. Artillery barrage in certain areas makes it suicide to even stay there. On the 3rd Col, Howard stated that if we "held out for just two more days there would be a change. No other comment but we all are wondering. KIA yesterday were pretty heavy 3 in A CO & 7 in Res & B Co near RJ-45. Major Lang got his, poor fellow. WIA fairly low being mainly Rup. ear drums and severe Cerebral Concussion. Last evening during a lull I tried to get our ambulance going but discovered a hole in the crankcase and oil drawing out in road. Army ambulance and with 6 calls in Western Sector to make. Tried to get Navy Car but it was out also. Finally had to leave it up to our food truck which went out at about 9 PM to bring back anything. Grave Reg Ser. handled all the dead.

This AM all was quiet until about 8:30 then dive bombers started in and

shortly after an intensive (When I say that I mean 5 to 15 shells in air all the time) barrage of next ravine East. 803rd Eng. in there but have a good tunnel. We just took a good bombing and get rocked around but remain intact even to our camouflage at mouth of tunnel. When that goes we will probably catch hell from Bataan. Well to sum the situation. Things don't look very pleasant. Guns out, morale gone, positions not manned, unrestricted air activity, water hard to obtain and one meal a day.

6th May 1942. Wednesday. Well things really started happening last PM. Everything seemed quiet until about 10 PM when I wandered outside the tunnel for air and make my bed for nite. Saw several fast Jap motor boats and lot of tracer machinegun fire. Didn't take long to figure out the invasions had started. Well we started surveying around and made a couple of attempts to get out. Artillery barrage drove us in each time. A persistent large shell barrage was laid down at the mouths of Malinta and Hosp lateral tunnel (East). These evidently was for the purpose of keeping reinforcements in and casualties out. Very efficient. Well be opened a bottle of Champagne and toasted each other made a white red cross flag and sat tight. It was absolutely impossible for us to get out or people to get in. All of reserve company area had been cleared out and most moved up to front. At Hooker point or thereabouts. Rather restless night and entrance being surrounded by shellfire. Next AM we heard that several platoons of Japanese had landed but situation was well in hand. We could see at dawn the landing boats leaving Corregidor and not a one hit in that process. Pretty poor exhibition but still thought everything controlled. Wasn't long before we discovered a Jap machine gun and several snipers had been installed a couple hundred yards East of us (Officers Beach). At noon got word that Corregidor had surrendered. Packed a bag and took it into Hosp. and 3 Corporals. One bomb and two shells on the way in and had our doubts about the White flag. I'm afraid I was just so disappointed in the good old U.S.A. that I sat down and cried. Comdr. Hayes (Reg Surg) gave me a shot of Bourbon and set we a right. Pretty hectic the rest of afternoon because we weren't allowed to go back out to gather up the wounded or bury the dead. Japanese order apparently and absolutely impossible to change anyone's mind. Slept that night in Wd. 12 and wake up in AM and nurse trying to take my temperature. Guess I became a patient overnight. OK to me because all I wanted was a good sleep.

7th May Thursday. All quiet except for an ace, shelling due to a mistake by someone. Heard today that Ptn 3/c Crawford was stuck at Com. turned and about 35 patients and unable to get permission to get them in. This griped we a good deal because I was unable to get to them and especially so because it was my own area. Japanese treated us very well in the hospital tunnel and made no effort to think hinder us at all. I'm afraid some people showed the white feather the first 24 hours and their prolonged existence in the tunnel did nothing to improve their outlook. Some actions were really pitiful to behold and disgusting to me to see and such prostration before the feet of the captor. Hell fire!!!!

8th May Friday. Finally they get permission to send a doctor and couple of Corporals out to "radio tunnel. Turned out to be Dr. Glusman instead of me. I've been assigned Ward #6 which is full (40) beds of principally fractures, shrapnel and gunshot wounds and several eye cases. Daily dressings, required on about 1/2 and takes all AM Major Breslin USA (MC) was also on the ward and about 10 medical patients. All patients in from Hooker point and other points on about 10 medical

9th Saturday. Heard that Dr. Wade, Hageshire, Smith, Greenman, Leconite, White, Barrett, Manson, Knight had all wound up at 92nd garage area where they had established a first aid St. and sick Bay. Conditions pretty poor because of lack of sufficient water, latrines, shade and small area for large number prisoners (14,000?).

10th Sunday. Mass and Communion at 6 AM. Fr. Brown, McMarnes, and Baurman are the Catholic priests attached to the outfit and all are very nice fellows. Dr. Brown has quite a reputation around here for his zealous activity, inspite of war activity. It was he who started the clean up drive outside our own hospital laterál. Result was a place to air, sun, sleep, wash and cook outside of this poorly ventilated tunnel. One minus casualty. We raked a lot of small branches, together for burning and unknowingly raked a lot of unexploded small arms ammunitions in too. Some commotion for a few minutes much to the amusement of the Japanese sentry and consternation of Commanding Colonel. Well anyway we started the clean up drive.

18th May Monday. Well here we still are and approximately 660 patients and a rotating service established at 92nd Garage Prisoners Camp. Some are having a hard time and Heat Strain and relapsing Malaria and shortage of food (does not seem to be divided properly). Japanese still respecting the Red Cross and treating us and a great deal of courtesy but insisting. That we respect their officer. Fair enough.

24th May 1942. The rains have come, for the last two nites there has been a heavy windy waterfall getting me 2X, 1000%. Big event yesterday was the loading of all troops in there large freighter or transports refusal of all medical personnel attached to them. This practically cleared the island of prisoners and Philippine situation doubtful. A group of about 20 doctors and large group of Corpamen were assigned to go and then in AM AND after marching behind the entire group all day, were told at deck they were not to go. None have sailed unless they already have left this morning Pentecost Sunday.

Incidentally I managed to fist up on excellent case of Amebic Dysentery which responded a treatment promptly. All rather ironicã in view of the fact I have just returned from 2½ years in China and on your type at that where dysentery is really rampant and care needed at all times to help from being shipped home via wooden box route. Well Emotive and Anchiarside should do the trick. Several days ago the Japanese Med. Dept, from Manila visited us bringing greeting and good cheer from Manila (USN, MC) in form of Viero de Quines de Curac.

25 May 1942. Well there is always and equal and opposite reaction. Developed a good gastro-enteritis but by AM was feeling good but weak. Same old daily routine rounds, lunch (sometime) fool around in afternoon, dinner.

29th. Few people released and at least one group left the island via Hipenese transportation. Also asked for a group of Army and Navy Corpamen for transfer to ? Later found hem attacked to prison camp and waiting disposition. Not a particularly enjoyable job. The Japanese have been treating us and a great deal of consideration and very surprising too. Our hospital census is not very high, 353 plus personnel and about 100 more leaving will out it to rock bottom and from there in we will be stobi. Patients will be permanently disabled or requiring more than 8 months treatment. Food situation has been somewhat better the

last few days in a s much as we have suddenly been served doughnut, cooffee, corn and tea. Very peculiar!!!! Absolutely impossible to discover our destiny and too many people have decided that our return to the states in the near future.

31st May 1942. Sunday. Well we have been bearing the usual rumors about leaving. Yesterday they did take 25 Corporals A & N plus few MD & Dentist. Where to we don't know. Last nite Jagnese listed of a more today. Well seeing is believing again. Moved my bunk to lateral one and had a good sleep, and fair ventilation. Bed good dleep, until we get some sick officers and that not likely. Extremely meager breakfast of rice and diluted corn beef. I would give anything to get established in some sort of a normal life again but guess this mass living is compulsory. It really gets annoying to have every smallest action witnessed and even questioned by a few. Well people has more fun than anybody and boy we are really having fun. Allowed noon to go outside tunnel from 6 PM to 10 PM. Got slapped by an officer on 29th for not a_npping to attention faster.

3rd June Wednesday 1942. Still in Hospital tunnel and more medical corp than patient approx. 260 to 300. Prison Camp still running at Bottenside in old market Bldg. Runners thick and fast about moving to Topside, Manila States a what have you. Food improving (slightly) principally by manner of cooking. Still rice and cerned willy. Cooffee made out of toasted or roasted cracked wheat. Doughnut 2X since 5/8 and biscuits (1) daily. Total Caloric intake daily not over 2000 Cal. Berley Bookman Glusman Smith and I have been supplanting this by working the seconds racket (very difficult) and other. Tea appearing lately and tomatoes canned rather frequently. Cracked wheat cereal in AM has really been a life saver and we noticed the sacks were marked "a gift of the American People" and Red Cross. This evidently was destined for China as I can see now no reason why or how US could or would send this to the defenders of the Philippines. Patients and Medical Corp getting rather impatient to be moved some place. Hours now 6 AM to 10 PM for men and 6 AM to 7 PM for nurses to go out for sun and air. It was 6 PM to 10 PM for men only and this was pretty rugged.

7th June Sunday. Up at 6:00 AM & to Mess Fr. Brown in Mess Hall. Communion also. About middle of mass a Japanese Sentry passed stopped faced the altar bowed and walked on. Se you are! Peculiar how one small act, a minor incident too, can influence one small mind, a nation too. Meral right, trade night,? future!!!! Last night I had an interesting talk and Fr. Brown who has had a very personal contact and all phases and organizations in the P. theatre of war. He met the PA (5-6 day old recruits) heading South from Lingayen. Questioned by officer. Where are you ging? Japanese have landed many troops at San Jose and we are fleeing or we will be killed. Oh! but you are many and they are few. An entire division, routéd and out engagement become of a rumor. Radio and MacArthur later heard to explain 1100 Japanese have been swept into the sea in the North. Little did you people realize as you saw them march through etc.... Casualty check reveals no engagement no casualties. Some of the people some of the time. Recall at this point humorous Japanese skit about tunnel characters in which Wainright is left holding the bag. Recall 200th Reg. headed by Colonel who can and will when this is over. Look for continued story in U.S. should be good (and embarrassing).

10 June Wednesday. Reported moving to Topside Hosp. tomorrow and at least we get out into air but rain protection is doubtful especially of typhoon. Evening rain almost daily now and freq, daytime ppt. Food was main topic of conversations until displaced by stories(?) of Midway, Aleutian etc. MacArthur sentiment anti in New York and about time. Wonder what vit accuse content of worms in cracked wheat is. Personally, I don't waste a worm and perhaps they are why we are getting plenty of c.w. Prisoners reported at Tarlac and near by camp. Rice and onions 3X day but plenty, 14% deaths (700) mainly of dysentery, doctor but no medical supplies. As passing note it might be interesting to mention that large % of American have save fern of prickly heat, everything from simple itching local and diffuse to generalized infected vesicles. Best internal therapy. Sed. Bicork and Col Gámoamate (Dr. Bose Balt) and external 2% Sol Acid and Alc. followed by neutral powder. Ag Ne 3 may be good don't know except one case. Asochleramide excellent keeping wounds clean and as applic. to same trop. ulcers and Guam blisters. A.L.Smith and I have just completed 3 years out of U.S.A. and are starting year 4 in the Orient. Smithy celebrated the occasion by 2 good stiff jolts of scotch in Wd. #6 (me too). No other comment needed. Dr. Hayes told me some Japanese Naval Med. Off. were visiting Malinta Hosp. tunnel and asked for me. This is second time I wonder just what is up. Made a lot of friends on Yangtze in 2 1/2 years on USS Guam (Wake)????

23rd June Tuesday. Just about moved up to Topside Hospital. Wd. #6 (mine) next on list for this PM or early AM. Move should be better all around more air and light but rain protection will have to be devised as overhead still a hit holey. 6/19 recall Peors and Chicken Soup and F. Heblitt. Read book "Challenge" by Upton Close. Compilation of recipes name Corregidor Hite snacks. Last PM it was Cinnamon Peucabes and cond. milk and brown sugar. Manalive what a meal and how appreciated. Had our 1st lunch on 6/19 rice and gravy. Food situation has improved by addition of soup or rice at noon but main itams in fact only itams are cracked wheat and milk (?) AM and rice gravy, Cr. W. & hash PM and sometimes canned tomatoes A.M.

Last night had a peculiar a s well as very interesting medical case. Sudden dyspnea, mucous and blood fra mouth, entire body spastic and tendency to episthemus, edema of legs marked. Several possibilities (1) Asthma (2) Beriberi Otetany. Adrenelin and Morphine and O₂ and patient had entirely recovered in 45 min. Chest full of moist roles during attack and perfectly clear following. Tetanics state of muscle of legs add hands during and weakness and numbness following. News at this stage sounds a little pessimistic. Shelling Vancave island and NW Coast. German break this Russian line and British defeat in Africa and loss of 40,000 troops in France Landing(?) transports or what(?). Rainy season not yet in full swing but nightly rains are almost clocklike in frequency. I have acquired a foot leekes some underwear, socks, extra pair shoes (9 & 9 1/2 D & C) and bucket. Picked up some tomatoes for span Vt C ration if needed later on in this affair. Also few can of corn beef hash for Protein decrease. There is a lot of ankle edema in all people around here but unlikely that a Vt B def. is present because of cracked wheat and unmilled rice. However our Protein intake is very limited and possibly there is some change in Plasma Proteins and resulting water balance disturbance.

June 25th Thursday. Well here we are all moved up but a lot of repair work and straightening up to be done. Nice cool breezes practically all the time and blanket required at night. Heat rash cleared up over night. Yesterday AM I sud-

dealy started running and fever 10² to 103. Don't know just what it is but there are 3 other cases just like scurvy. This Topside Hospital is really one war torn mess of concrete, steel, splinters wood, and broken windows. The men from Bottomside prison Camp started scotins ago to fix it up and have done a pretty good job considering they had no materials and few tools. All in all this place is 1,000% better than that damn tunnel. I don't see how the Army Medical Corps stood it for 6 mes. Glad I'm in the Navy Medical Corps and lived outside.

3rd July Friday. A big surprise at our newly established Topside Hosp. Get word on July 1st that we were moving entire group to Manila. Started loaded trucks floating down to dock and had all but nurses loaded by 11 PM. Nurses aboard early next AM and off we started. Our quarters were down in the forward hold packed like sardines and only a mat to sleep on. Too hot to stay there and I went up on deck about 6-7X and finally fell asleep wrapped around a capstan on the steel deck. Into Manila at Pier 3 and frantic unloading. I followed the last group of ambulatory patients and stood out in line awaiting next noon. Everyone ahead of us walked in out to where we didn't know. At last the Japanese called for every available hand to unload bed patients, gear and clean up ship. We worked like mad for rest of PM and finally Japs knocked off and we were told to get in truck. Mad scramble and found ourselves in a truck convoy going the street of Manila. Still saw some J for victory fingers and very little return to normal activity. Stores except for small shops were closed. We finally wound up in the Old Bilibid Prison Hospital (1903) and into a dirty filthy mess of humanity. Got some white rice and a green soup and some pieces of carabao meat in it. We added some of Rat "C" brought along from Corregidor. Asleep on porch roof on an old window pane. All but MD and Corpsman and Colonel and two DOS we up at 4 AM and left 6 AM for noeth prison camp at Cabantuan. Rest of us had white rice and brown sugar (purchased by us) for breakfast. We have been mustered in the yard 4X since arrival and can expect it 2X daily from here on in. We have large group of Filipinos and us and can't understand why they don't jjust release the. Well I wonder what is in store for us from here on in. There is a Navy Group running a Hospital here and we hope to try some connection and them. Saw c.c. welch, Ksein, George and few other from Canacao Hosp. All look good and have been here 1 months.

7th July Tuesday. Well about 5 days at or in Bilibid Prison and it looks like we are here to stay(?). We all (Navy) have moved into Brigade or Cell B lock #8 and built wooden hunks varying from 1 foot to 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ in height. We salvaged some old dirty mattresses and have a fairly comfortable at up now. If it were only permanent. Nelson, Wade, and I have been assigned to Surgery and Ward #8 principally a lot of orthopedic case in very poor state of nutrition and healing. Equipment has arrived from Corregidor and in about a week we should be well set up for some work. At present I am taking things very easily because of a A. dys relapse. 2nd course of amelionsame. Food has been rice, rice and more rice and vegetable soup on 3 occasions and a great surprise this AM one can milk for 2 people. Having been able to buy Bron sugar and mangle beans our dish has been greatly supplemented. Evidently Bilibid prison is a clearing station before movement of prisoners to a North or South Camp. Also a Navy (Canacao) Unit has established a hosp. galley and sanitary condition very excellent and about a 800 patient hosp. being run. Practically all the sick and injured of Bataan and Corregidor battles have been sent here and there that are well sent on to a camp. Actually it is very amazing when you think of the

small number of casualties. We have Bungo (muster) 7 AM & 7 PM and physical drill both times also but latter is optional and officers. Luckily we (Smith, Bookman Berley and I) were able to get some food thro from Corregidor and are pretty well fixed for 1 mo. Canned corned beef hash, tomatoes, evap. and cond. milk, Vienna sausage and flour. Make our own Baking powder and Tartaric Acid and Sod. Bearb. So for all in well except and the dysentery patients who are isolated and look extremely emaciated. Only medication is charcoal and average about 1 death to 3 a day. Quite a little graveyard established. Beard two days ago that Lt. Chromiste formerly of 1st Bn Corregidor 4th Reg USMC had been shot by guerrillas in ambush when he came down from Camp Cabanatuan on a truck. Mistaken for Japanese. Guerrillas reported fairly active. Forget to mention that the Filipino Nurse from Corregidor are being kept in same Brigade #3 separated from us by only a partition. Bilibid supposed to be scene of great deal of investigative work on Dysentery and diet. It looks like same thing is underway again but different procedure. "Voice of Freedom" died this PM of severe dysentery. He was a living skeleton and nothing to do about him but feed him charcoal. Evidently there is a severe Ch. B. Dys. which kills slowly. Lord, what a sight some of these poor fellows are. There was a meeting this PM Army Navy and Japanese, but what about I don't know. Tried to contact Dr. Boots today for pees as that is a very important item here for sugar, tobacco and mango beans.

9th July Thursday. All quiet but last PM my gut started playing tricks again. Distension and diarrhea 10X. Stopped carbosone temporarily. Berley tried baking some pilosust and Brown sugar and cinamon. Good! Some fellows being Lt some bananas from outside working party 5 for 1 peso best price 8 for 1 peso). Had a good vegetable (spinach, eggplant, squash) soup today and supplemented that and Bean sprout and tomatoes (canned) dooked practically not at all for maximum benefit of B, factor (7)

10th July Friday. A medicine rainy day but still haven't seen any real tropical dampneur. K.C. has the rainy season here heat in so far but I have no doubt that P.I. will get going pretty soon. Until then you've get to show me. This afternoon at about 4:30 I saw something to make one's blood boil and go emotionally besuk. Should have been a movie made of the scene and circulated this every US city and then I'll bet you couldn't stop the current until-----wiped out to the man. Three truck loads of prisoners came in from the south personally Legaspi where a road is under construction. Everyone of them to the man was a living skeleton and just about able to drag themselves along. Some couldn't do that but collapsed upon sliding off the truck. All but one was a dysentery case. Not a --- hand was lifted to help a one of them. Someday there will be a just retribution for all this and I certainly hope it's soon. Actually living up and shooting would be more humane than that forced living death.

12th July Sunday. Mass at 6:30 outside Cell block Fr. Cummings. Routine breakfast rice sugar and condensed milk and coconut the last 3 items being supplied by us. Made rounds 1st time in 5 days and Dr. Wade but can't do much yet, no plaster. Routine lunch rice and mango beans, latter being supplied by us. Laundry in PM and evening meal of rice, mango beans, toma-

tees, pancakes, and oleomargarine and sugar is all items but rice supplied by us. So you see we can enjoy this confinement if we are lucky enough to have money. Here is a price list of a few items. Sugar 12¢ canteen cup. Mango beans 28¢ canteen cup. Salt ₱1.02 small bag. Peanuts (200 gms.) 55¢, Canned Meat, sardine 50¢ & 35¢. Coffee 1.1 ₱1.85. Oleomargarine .65¢. Eggs (duck) .10¢. Cigarettes. 30¢ per 30. Milk ₱1.00 per can. All good staple items and most important to us are sugar, salt, mung bean and milk. We have a supply of flours from Cerrigider which required a great deal of risk, loss of sleep and "finogeeling." Also acquired tomatoes, milk, hash. Still grew our own Vit B, in form of bean sprouts and are excellent cooked and a small amount of Brown sugar. Rumor of fall of Singapore and bombing of Cavite. Supposed already to have retaken Guinay, Java, Borneo and landed Mindanao. A lot of hot stepping of true but after what we've been this it is impossible to believe and it's still "golden gate in 48." Sorry but that's the way we feel about it. Heard of several deaths from dysentery in officers in N. Camp. 35-40 total per day. No treatment except charcoal.

14th July Tues. Soft boiled duck eggs this A.M. 1st eggs since Dec 8th 1941. Roasted 1st batch of peanuts last night. Imputed former death cell now being used for dysentery cases. Sell block next to it looked like it might be used for solitary, life or pre-execution. Both have long front yard and high side walls. Started exercises yesterday under Wade Morgan. Man alive those eggs I can feel them surging around in the blood stream just glickeying for position on the Vitamin Scale. Startling discovery this PM. Father Cummings who made trip to Japan on Pres Garfield and ns is now sleeping 3 beds down in my cell Block Bilibid Prison. He returned from Japan and then came to Manila last year to teach and then joined Army because they were about of help. Seven electrical storm and lightning hit next building to us.

17th July 1942. Friday. We've applied several casts. War #2 in last few days. Seems to be an epidemic of Dengue in the Ward. Not typical, fevers extremely high and chill common, diarrhea in one case, one and a rash. Malaria relapses make diagnosis difficult. We've been eating very good lately and additions of our own. Last PM rice, soup and pancake and eggs and syrup. Large intake of rice in some leads to extreme and painful abdominal distension. Thirty three cases of dysentery brought up from Legaspi yesterday and 100 more expected from, in a few days. Evidently the entire working party has developed an illness from eating manchy rice and poor water and sleeping and no protection what so ever. Still 30-40 dying daily in North. At this rate a few years will deplete the Americans in these here parts. Thank you again Uncle Sam.

17 Saturday. Rain! Rain! Rain! about 48 hrs. steady! Stopped our casting need dryer and more crinoline. Rumor all Filipinos going out, have taken very few. Another Army (Corpsmen) group went North this AM including Col. Duck worth and his sofas and bed, roll, chest, trunks, suit cases etc. He refused to go to Tarlac the "Old Colonel's Home," but instead on going to Cabanatuan. Several truck drivers came in from #1 this PM and report 1500 Amer. and 2400 Philip. died of dysentery. Returning in AM AND think I'll get a letter off to J.E. Wardini. Thought Settles and didn't (rule against it). Had two mangoes. First fruit for long time.

19 July Sunday. Pt who had overdose of Quinine (960 grams in two days) about 6 days ago died last PM. He developed to a toxin amblyopia and at time was barely able to see light and best he could do was count fingers at 8".12". Rain and more rain all nite. This AM about 1 1/2 feet outside Brigade. Our cell block still pretty dry via roof Mass Fr. Cummings 900 AM Old Hospital Bldg. a German Padre Brutenbruck came in and preached sermon and explained parts of Mass. Promised help in way of food and mosquito nets. Have 3 bodies for burial but no arch not insulated by water Padre trying to get permission to go out to Army Burial Plot. German Padre reports 30-40 dying daily at Camp O'Donnell. Also 400 Japanese dysentery cases in 1 bldg and 1 man to take care of them (not an MD) no sanitary facilities whatsoever. Guess it's to be expected.

22nd July Wednesday. Filipino nuns left this PM and we moved into their quarters. SOQ ambulatory joining us and got a clean mattress out of the deal. Adding peanut to our diet more and more.

24 July Friday. Second salt issue and 1st real good soup issue (mango beans, tomatoes, veg and pork fat.) Berleys Chocolate pie for supper last PM and lunch today. Dong How! Lot of wild rumors again. Ecuador. H Cruise sunk San Bernardino St., Tokyo bombed 3 days, landing Formosa, Borneo, Prisoner exchange most interesting and due August 27. We shall see, meantime I am laughing but can't help think about Lucy ad home. Al Smith pretty sick possibly Dengue but Chest? Jerscheffs USMC Amputation left again AM (Fracture, damage circulation, and infection, now wit gangrene). Principal fracture in the war is Camp prac tikia fit and usually occminuted.

26 Sunday and still July. Yesterday PM rounds lot of fevers. Dengue Malaria! This AM ostrating and cast under war. Cam. Smith Anniversary today and celebrating by trying boiled mango beans. A success.

27th Several (12) of working party returned because of poor health. Evidently going South for work in air field and Nipponese don't want any in bad health or history of Malaria. 340 left here two days ago ad reported loading concrete mixers etc. and are going via Jap ship to South of Cullion.

Citations to be Awarded

1. Lt. W. L. Strangeman (DC) USN on Jan 1st 1942 at Ft. Mills, Corregidor, P.I. without regard for personal safety and during the course of repeated enemy bombing attacks of the island, made repeated trips from Topside Middleisle & Bottomside with casualties and in search of casualties.
2. Lt. J. E. Nardini answered ambulance call to Denver Battery Area and Corpsman D.E. Bamsley on 3/30/42 driving into an area under shellfire and evacuating casualty to St. Hosp. aided on the scene by Major Lang and R. L. McKinnon Phu3/c.
3. & 4. G. T. Ferguson and D. E. Bamsley on 4 26/42 answered call for aid to casualties at Engineers Point. Required exposure to Magazine of unexploded but burning 3lb. ammunition and ease of burning hand grenades and intense heat. Am did explode while attending one casualty at Enlisted Men's Beach. Bamsley prouced over barb wire to Eng Pt & attended 2 burn cases there. Evacuated at dusk by D.E.B. & G.T.F. (2nd Citation for Bamsley).

5. R. L. McKinnon Pfm 3/c on 3/30/42 attended Marine Casualty war Denver Batt. during shellfire. This required his leaving his shelter during active shelling. Later assisted evacuation when Dr. Nardini and Pfm Bansley arrived and ambulance. Fr. Brown also on scene actively assisting.

6. E. L. Payne Pfm 3/c on 4/14/42 during active shelling of Officers Beach & 1st Bn Bivouac Area left his shelter and rendered first aid and carried Escoeds Mattl/c and camp frac Jaw out of area and later into Malinta Hosp. tunnel. Active shelling of area during entire act.

7. R. C. Crawford Pfm 3/c on 5/8/42 during artillery fire and bombing attack left place of safety to obtain 1st Aid material to treat a Cprp. Strickland at Navy Beach Area. Crawford evacuated casualty unassisted during subsequent bombing attack to Malinta Hosp tunnel witnessed by 2nd Lt. M. S. MacDowell 192nd Tank Bn (Attached Fourth Marines).

8. R. D. Chamberlain Pfm 3/c on 14 or 15th (?) April assisted in evacuation of numerous casualties following a direct hit on Batt. Kyser and treated all serious. Not in his area but responded to call for help during shellfire. Also on 4th May when a hit was reported on a Machine gun Nest on Infantry Point also out of Chamberlain is over he responded during shellfire and assisted one casualty out of area. Later helped remove buried dead in M.G. Nest. Exposed at all times Capt. Brown USMC 1st Bn has knowledge of both instances. Date Med checking.

9. Bansley, D. E. Pfm 1/c.
(a) One citation 3/30/42 given and promotion 2/c to 1/c.
(b) 2nd citation 4/25/42 not yet awarded.
(c) 3rd citation 4/29/42 not yet awarded for answering call for help at Eng. Pt. during extremely intensive shelling. Engineer's Birthday. Written and forwarded by Col. Beecher (lost)
(d) 4th Citation 5/4 not even written. Witness Capt Yates USA (CA) (1st Bn. attached) R. E. Lynch Pfm 2/c. Bansley and I out during shelling of Res. Co. Bivouac Area tried to locate reported () casualty in foxhole. Supposed to be bleeding severely. Unable to locate him and returned to aid station.

Headquarters, USAFFE
 Fort Mills, P.I.

Jan 15/1942

SUBJECT: Message from Gen. MacArthur.

TO : All Unit Comdrs.

The following message will be read and explained to all troops. Every Company Comdr. is charged and personal responsibility for the delivery of this message. Each Hdqts will follow up to insure reception by every Company a similar Unit.

"Help is on the way from the United States. Thousands of troops and hundreds of planes are being dispatched. The exact time of arrival of reinforcements is unknown as they will have to fight their way thro Jap attempts against them. It is imperative that our troops hold until these reinforcements arrive. No further retreat is possible. We have more troops in Bataan than the Japanese have thrown against us; our supplies are ample; a determined defense will defeat the enemy's attack. It is a question now of courage, determination. Men who run will merely be destroyed but men who fight will save themselves and their country. I call upon every soldier in Bataan to fight in his assigned position, resisting attack. This is the only road to salvation. If we will fight we will win, if we retreat we will be destroyed."

"MacArthur"

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By Command of Gen. MacArthur

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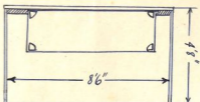
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13. Medicine has a long ways to go to assure the line officers of at least 95% full strength at all times regardless of weather, disease, defeciencies, mental conditans I would like to predict, 100 tablets 100 days of efficien-
 cy." It could be done.

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7. One year course for Hosp. Corpsmen and out out the Bull such as Chemistry, Mat. Med. Food values etc. streamline the whole thing but emphasize the right things.
 8. Cut out red tape such as is now required for award purple heart silver leaf etc., but make awards at end of war. Fight now, glory later.
 9. Standardisation of trucks and supplies and repair parts, drugs, guns, ammunition, and I imagine just about 2000 other items.
 10. Better (f) espionage and organized guerrilla activity. There is no army in existence which can completely "nap up."
 11. Get some young, practical, experienced men and imagination in some positions of responsibility. Promotion direct result of what you've got in the Ball.
 12. Compulsory, thorough, practical, reserve corp training for all males reaching the draft age.

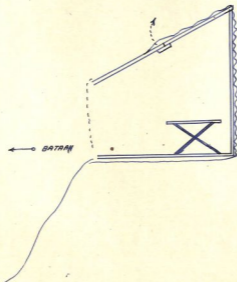
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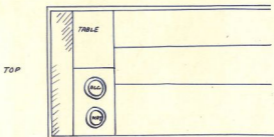
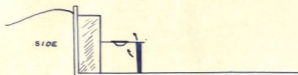
1. Army or USMC volunteer should be a self sustaining unit and drastic change in equipment. (Concentrated food, water, pur., drug for fever, malaria, and dysentery, res. amm. to be carried all time) (Vitamin).
2. Communications terrible, only remedy in plenty of small sturdy 2 way radios or at least a prev. prep. trench system.
3. Small fast armored cars (guess we've got these back in U.S.A.). Better ambulance service (ours has been out of action 4X now). Probably could be equiped as a small field hospital as well. Hemostats, silk suture, knife, scissors, plenty of battle dressings, few field plasma units and morphine syrettes all that needed.
4. Unified Command (One fighting force of USA) USAF United Sts Arm Forces in control of Navy, Army Marine Corp, Air Corp and one uniform and no inter unit quibbling or favoritism. One QM.
5. Large Air Corp & large submarine fleet.
6. One Physical standard for entry to fighting forces. (Res off walking around here with very poor vision & broken glasses make them useless.)



Hillside Waterproof

7/18/42 Well here we are in middle of July & rains really starting to
come down.





Dressing and Op. Cabinet for rear of ambulance. Possibility if space available to make 4 to 6 beds temp. or field hosp. unit.