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Pette was the only officer I had on "the Beck"
 that I had to personally address on one
 occasion. Even so, he did a swell job. He put
 up with human frailties as long as they are
 positive in nature. I do feel with the "Usser"
 guys. They give real trouble, not annoyances.
 This morning, inspection of present Red Cross Supplies
 indicates that I now have a med. supply depot
 base of about \$250,000 (medicine alone). Equipment
 will have value much, maybe \$1000.00. By our
 standards practically all of our gear would come
 under "Scrap no value" class. There was a bid
 in the place we'd keep, no mention we would
 collect a minute. In Red Cross Supplies other
 than medicine (sheets clothing shoes etc.) I've
 estimate \$70,000 will cover it. More radio messages
 turned over to Madlung today. Response is very
 poor. What few messages are turned in are very
 brief. Busy today analyzing med. supplies for
 budgeting. We have decided to scrap the contents
 of this 1112 cases as a 2 yr. supply. Actually we
 expect it to be a 1 yr. supply. Places 6 w/o. in
 reserve. Vitamine supply budgeted so as to
 provide therapeutic dosage for cases under Rx
 but we believe prophylaxis just as necessary
 now as treatment. We still labor under the difficuty
 of not being tried enough by the Japanese to in-
 telligently provide. Nogi told me what a lot of
 medical supplies he handled when he sent a
 whole train load to Cabacatran. And yet I continue
 to get word that Cabacatran has received none.
 There is still the probability that Cabacatran
 is to be supplied out of this place as a depot
 of crates, that is ok. With us. We have trained
 supply personnel and can handle the job but the
 need of American liaison is evident for best interest
 of the whole but the Japs won't allow that. Raining
 off and on all day. Wind is even up a little.
 We spent a week repairing Bldg 13 in order to make
 it half way livable for the ACWP arriving from
 Cabacatran. A Jap inspector from headquarters is
 expected, so in order to justify a request for more
 lumber, the Japs yelled for 70 men this afternoon
 and ordered them to knock down all repairs, knock
 out the windows etc. with sledgehammers. The place,
 apparently lived for good. The boys had an enter-
 tainment tonight in the Belvid Bowl. Another

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December 1, 1943.

Halguin Jap. Mts. Pris. C.

On this date, assumed duty as Senior Med. officer of the Prison Hospital at Bilbid. It is having the responsibility of command within the full prerogatives of Command. The Japs retain much of their. The staff: Rined about 6 mos. ago, we have been "in the dog house" with our captors, and the squeeze has been on us. On Sept. 25, all officers were ordered to assemble at the Jap Four office. Dr. Noji, (J.G.A.) and Makasigi read off an order whereby Sautin & Jones were relieved of their duty. Sautin as head of the Hospital and I was directed to take charge. It was a bombshell but we had been expecting some radical changes, preferably a clean out. I went into conference with the Japs at once and was directed to set up an organization of 177 med. personnel and 23 non-medical technical staff. Of the 177, 15 were to be Med. officers, 7 dentists, the rest various officers & Corporals. I was directed to submit a draft list of all personnel not chosen by me as a part of my reorganization. I was given to understand, however, that Sautin and Jones would be on the draft. But of respect to Sautin, I had asked to retain him. They would not hear of it. I chose Marion Wade as my Exec. We went to work at once, worked all night, and at 3pm. of the following day, Sun Sept 26/43, Wade and I met Noji & Makasigi again, submitted a reorganization and personnel list. We asked for 2 more medical officers than they originally allowed and added an additional non-medical warrant. The entire plan was accepted on the spot and we immediately began to ease our personnel into their respective jobs and relieving those leaving on the draft for observation. As usual, there were many good officers I hated to let go. Many were among those I have enjoyed most in this war. My selection of personnel was based chiefly on my needs at the moment, to best administer this hospital and carry on our medical mission. Loyalty, competency, and physical condition were considered. Elsewhere in this book is the organization as it existed on this date and began operation.

We certainly got away to a flying start when one of our Americans was found in possession of stolen sugar and several Corporals found guilty by the Japs of giving away medicine without authorization. This all happened before we had taken over completely and the Japs refused to hold us responsible altho Wade and I had interjected ourselves into the investigation as soon as we learned of it. Dr.

has as much trouble with his own people as he does with the Japanese. That has been the experience of some American whoes but it has been to lead any group of American Prisoners, and try to guide them safely thru the rigors of prisoner routine. It is a constant fight against personal selfishness, a battle against the individuals who, for their own personal advantage, would sacrifice the masses. It's a job for a son-of-a-bitch; My policy and rule is, and always will be — the best of a bad bargain for the greatest number. Our mission is to keep, and to take back alive as many of our Americans as we can — and make that number big despite our ~~the~~ imposed limitations. The final outcome of the Jap investigation regarding the sugar + medicine resulted in one man going to the brig for 10 days (ration = rice bowl + salt daily) and warnings in other cases. In this instance, the punishment was limited to the offender. The camp did not suffer any general odium as usual, this looked like a favorable demonstration toward the new regime. Reported formally in writing that the new regime had taken over. Wade and I in office all day, going like hell weeding out "Rat" stuff and bringing it under control. Have always considered Galloway most important Dept. here. Preferred at once and put Pine on depts. Sent Lewis up there to give the place a "new deal." Crews is honest, loyal, and competent. Instituted drug conservation measures on all wards, system for equitable distribution of food on wards, got Jundell busy on an active Sanitation + Prev. Med. Campaign, sent in the first accounting of the store to the Japanese, moved Copeman into #4 + made a word out of #3. Big improvements for both patients and Copeman. Established new routine of reporting to this office by Record office. Pleased to bring in Special Diet Kitchen (a food + vit. chem. of expensive) and doubled his ^{luck} money allowance from the in-digest fund. (Eggs now at 40¢ a piece). The new regime functioning with no perceptible head in routine.

Oct 24th. Revival at 4:am. still dark. Sigs miss feeling. Draft getting under way. 84 medical + Dental officers and men, both Army + Navy departed for Cabanatuan. My last words to Sattin were: "I want you to always feel that we are running this place for you. It is still yours. If this thing

steads, you get back here as fast as you can and stand ready to turn it over to you." I told Jones I use his influence to get him back here. Wade both mean that. This belongs to the "old man." It has been his war-baby from the beginning. Wade and I will prefer to break loose and get into a more active field. This is a casual robot, Wade & I have plans for medical activities here and hope to play a more active part than this place has ever offered or ever will offer. Moreover, the "old man" will like to keep his old gangs. I am sure and he has earned it, God knows, First conference with Negi & Yasuaki. Their directives very lucid. This is to be a 600-bed hospital with a total pop. of 1000. To serve the Prison level Camps of Mamba Area. When patients have completed Rx & become emaciated, transfer to Cabanatuan. Our staff to be 23, a med. personnel of 177 and a non-med. staff of 73. This is based on Japanese plan of 1 med. off. to every 40 patients and 1 corpsman to every 4 patients. 177 allows a reserve of 20. The medical personnel now on sick list to be transferred when recovered. First day. Shifted my bunk to Jones' old board sleeping platform. Wade moved into the Bullpen with Cecil and me.

Oct 3/43

another free day. Diphtheria case developed in #6. Isolated, and ward quarantined. Our new Dept. of San. & Pre. Med. took immediate charge. An excellent Dept. to have. Consider it quite an innovation. Held a staff conference tonight and acquainted the boys with the situation in general. Formally impressed with their attitude. First staff conference ever held here. The rains hang on.

Oct 4/43

Factory functioning well. Big improvement noted already. Served "ham crockleup & rice" today. Fat very much needed in our diet. It was very welcome. Now have crews working on relative vs. content of our available funds in relation to our available money and buying power. Turned Peter loose on one eye case useless to vs. deficiency. Cod liver oil present in case smell out, unable to give any case enough to do any good. Our B₁ medication limited if used in proper dosage. Have Peter working our experimental case with big B₁ dosage. Big dosage really cured me. I took 17000 V by needle for 10 days. Then 10 mgm by mouth daily for a month. However, my food improved a little then also. Food is really better than the B₁.
Have discussed Dr Barrett's additional job of

keeping current a classified
their mobility - stater cases, beds, washers, in
with baggage and ask to assist, just looking
ahead to any future possibilities. I want to
be able to move this outfit on a minute's notice.
Never can tell. Also reclassified all patients today
as to degree of illness, "Heavy sick," "Light sick,"
"Convalescents," "Well," "Well crippled." We received
a new "heavy pressure" tonight. Just captured in
Aug. in Mountain Province. Placed in solitary. The
patients were not here over no doubt. Revivited
the O.D. duties and issued out their parcels. The
O.D. from now on is more than a figure head & is
an important part in our back up.

Oct 5/43.

General routine is now well established and we
can consider our days - now routine. Major issues
under control. Few odds & ends still wanted. Dental
needed for example. Started Soudon on a survey of
the hospital to locate and round up all supplies
and standardize some treatment for them. We
were able to quarantine anti leishmania & see during
hospital in the field and there is no reason to let
it lag here. Consider this of great importance.
Received a soap issue today of 1 bar each per
man. This is our first regular issue of soap since
Aug 18. Yesterday however, the collected men received
an extra "gift" of a piece of soap while officers
received a tooth brush and some tooth powder,
much needed. I've been using a piece of gauze
on my finger in order to wash my teeth for
over two months. I sent a letter of appreciation to
the Japanese. Our hospital laundry consists of a small
hand washing machine, (3.E) and one Copeman. Only
the major hospital stuff is washed - O.K. sheets &
the few sheets we have on the ward. Certain bed
patients who are subjects have their clothes washed
there. No hot water. Wood is so scarce we can hardly
get fire enough to cook over. Soap allowance to "laundry"
is 4 bars per week. Hot washing machine has entirely
broken. Two of these were with us on Compadre &
during the last weeks of intense shelling &
during the machine's stop running constantly
standing on the side of a hill with shells
cracking all around them. Some shrapnel
passed them but they kept right on going

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and steel one. ~~This is a~~ ~~high~~ ~~pressure~~ ~~part~~ ~~of~~ ~~the~~
~~the~~ ~~new~~ ~~line~~. ~~a~~ ~~ship~~ ~~by~~ ~~our~~ ~~own~~ ~~firm~~.

The store opened today and for the first time in months we lined up a barrel cup of sugar, 20 bananas and a few peanuts. Peanuts have been our one single greatest help as an article of diet. Now, however, so few are available. Two three bananas is all a person could get today. Fresh stuff is practically out.

Oct. 6/43

Started to compute on a recapitulation of all diseases and diagnostic entities handled here. Figures should be ready for reporting the minute this thing breaks. Overcast but not raining. However, the ever present is still hanging on. Read the riot act to SO2 (the worst offender) on trying to beat the store game by "prearranged gifts." Saved estimation. That the practice would stop or I would stop it. And I mean it. Bounced the WO's food into place where they belong. They have run this racket long enough. I arranged the galley crew and gave a "pep" talk. Only two possibilities for them! They are either with me or against me. Sanitation Dept doing good work. Their main problem today is a busted water line - lying en-tirely to sewer line. Our one electric refrigerator taking our biologicals broken down. Repair in progress. Dependents upon Jap as a to furnish us 717 gas. Census today: 535 patients, 176 med. staff, 80 non medical staff, 110 others. Total 847. Rice ration too low. Attempting to get increase. Sakahara reports to Hoase that Suro. + Assistant do not have to take exercise. Postapo active less several days working over our "heavy prisoners". Smino case admitted from lounge for last night. A shocked Japanese from Calocan today. Conference with Nogi. Yalacchi did not come in. Today was the first time Nogi had done business with the Amer-icans alone, without an interpreter present, for six months - since he got mad at Cortin. Our doctor today was not unpleasant and while there were some items shelled to visit for Yalacchi, much was accomplished. However, Cebanathan transfer are certainly liked. The order of the day. Managed to get one med. O.D. designated with an arm band so the Jap guards won't molest him in his duties as night. Nogi agreed to publish a sign in Despatchary in Japanese saying Jap soldiers not to be treated for G. 6, or syphilis. Supply requests were favorably treated. Big store of toilet paper. Instead of the

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two sheets per day stuff, served up a whole bag of the stuff. Goodness! These bo-peepity spine boys would appreciate Elmer Dons - the two - sheet - machine man. Draft of 15 men from wood camp at Las Puñas. One totally blind - retrobulbar neuritis from Ford Refractory Disease.

Oct. 7/43. Thurs.

It is plainly evident that the Japanese intend to clear this place of every body except staff and absolutely sick personnel. Their entirely expressed intention of keeping this "a Hospital" in true sense of the word becomes more of a reality by the hour. Protonemia becomes more of a reality with frequent, copious developing anurages as again with frequent, copious urination. Our decrease in protein hence proteinuria and edema could have been denied or quashed but is no doubt responsible. During today. Season breeding. Next few days of 17. Near that more will be in soon. Appears as tho they are concentrating the sick. Routine details today. Trying to find some place for myr's exposure to sleep during day. Managed to get 3 days beds in yesterday's exposure. Big stem. Proximately all words and quarters in detail. Conference with Nelson + Lambert on the Sa Victoria case. Malingering got pure and simple up to our ears in late afternoon involving a system to report our cases + cases to the Japs in accordance with their idea of a sick classification. A Japanese puzzle is much more intricate than a Chinese puzzle. Held a staff conference tonight to get across the new system involved. Eyes to Collaboration in progress, already being recalled by candidates to "get off the dogs." In order to maintain control of the choosing of those to go, and thus prevent arbitrary removal of my newly sick people, it is my duty to railroad the need and those better able to travel. Set the chips fall where they may. It is a cold blooded business but I feel equal to the occasion. I am not a politician and neither is Wade. Our honest judgement of patients will be made. How the reports from the Philippines will get independence on 14th this month (one week hence). Jap. ambrosia already appointed, Japanese are apparently concentrating on their sick prisoners. Expecting every body but the sick + wounded to be out by here

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in a very short time. An interesting period just now. Makasi informed me today of Broadcasting program beginning on 9th. Every day 10 persons to have a personal broadcast sent to states. Am arranging regular submission of 100 word broadcasts. Weiss & Nelson have been assigned to run their detail. Granted permission to exchange Corporan from dogs list to my staff in place of some already with me. I gain Wilson by this exchange. He has been with me all during the war and glad to get him back.

Oct 8/43 Friday. Japanese declared today a holiday. The only difference between holidays and any other day as far as we are concerned is only that we do no business with the Japanese. However, the working parties benefit. They do not go out on these holidays. Sunny today. Frogs like the rains are over. News announces Phil. Independence on Oct 14. They will probably declare war at once. Our situation could suddenly become very precarious. Probably is already. Emergency case (Fracture) from Passy last night. Feeling that damn stove room in the upper compound cleared out and arranged with some degree of order and shipshape condition. Providing an office space for Mr. Lewis in the gallery. Am requiring a lot from him and he is really producing. Proud of food improvements in spite of our lack and needs. Reduction of personnel continues. Only the outlying ice are destined to remain here. Hong difficulty retaining enough convalescent personnel to carry on routine work. Very deep hate to lose their personnel but they are responding and entering into the spirit of the thing with me. Busy all afternoon dictating and composing messages for broadcasting. Found time to get in an hour of Spanish with Chambers in the middle of the day. He has now recovered sufficiently to begin his study again. Usually have hot for an hour in the evening in a conversational course. Stated he'll on a ~~the~~ survey of all important drugs and our estimated supply of each in terms of months. Made suggestions outside to how to shake up the maintenance

Oct. 9/43. William Baird Green, Sgt., U.S.A. died
this morning. Tuberculosis. Admitted from
Passy. Buried at Bilidid. Routine accomplished.
First message for broadcasting sent off today.
Bright & sunny day. The fair season is low.
Feeling the foot this morning. Believing the day
near when all will be no one here to run this
place but Caspauer and Crepper, (the permanent
ly disabled) due formulating a "rock bottom or-
ganization, stream lining all Caspauer and
not medical details to the rock bottom low
and considering no one else available for
permanent hospitalization cases, might as well
for the leave and be ready to keep the plant
working in spite of the Saboteurian cases,
my neuritic syndrome returning in my feet
and legs. Both of us considerably less high
Peanut, fear stuff in diet and wear is not
obtained so seldom that we notice our
deficiency disease syndromes more & more.
I can assure proper distribution of food around
us, but getting proper kind of food is hopeless.
However, we keep trying. The caloric value of the
allowance is too low - the excessive continues damaging.
and low prot. & fat relations continue to some degree but
we can lessen the much needed fats, protein &
cannot supply the little energy, anyway. They
vitamins. I remain a little hungry, but I
say it's good for you. Finally I don't like it.
Met McCallister & Nogi at 2:30 pm. Managed to
clear up the status of shock, Hoos, Sweezer,
Byers, and Fitch. Our personnel are now reduced
all accounted for but my personnel is reduced
by 1 - now numbering 176. Sweezer & Byers
all "technicians". I opened up the status of
"well cripples" and bought myself something
"now here to report to them" all permanently
wiped & sick" and prognosis as to time of
recovery on see others in Hospital. Howard
it is apparent that they intend to leave the
"well cripple" group here. That developed in today's
confab. It was a long session. Got 10 3gm ampules
of insulin (Jap product). With two cases using
60 U daily, it is a very effective supply.
I am very hot, tired and dirty. Renewed &
changed the administration office. They need
a shade up. Condon needed nine room.

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Oct 10/43 Sunday

Overcast. Divine Services, Chaplain Wilcox held protestant services in the Big Building. Wilcox is an Army Chaplain of retirement age, a Bear mauler and just recovering from Dengue. We sometimes wonder if we are doing to get him thru this. Duffie Ricks Bath. Mabo took downing. Began survey of hospital for "Permanently disabled," Rock bottom organization in process of formation, Board appointed to survey see 202. Cases. That rats nest is a sad commentary on our American officers and must be cleaned out. Cussing of messages continues. Began raining about 11:am. - Nogi's Makoyi inspected today. The place really looked like a million birds. The Japanese frankly commented upon the place. Wode + I threw it at em and put our best stuff to the fore. However, a set of determined interest in Convalscens patients was evident thruout. Got out a memo to the entire command on the excellent condition of the camp as presented today. Got up matter of "more rice while we were in the galley." There was the usual bargaining and discussion. Nothing definite decided. We will take it up again probably tomorrow. No decision is better than a refusal. It is the oriental way.

Oct 11/43.

The day begins routinely. Up at 6:am (attee dark). Bango and Jendo, exercises (?) and a dough of the black bitter watery stuff supposed to be Btanga's eggs. Then lugao, and - up and at it. Nogi flatly refused this date to allow us to use the 700 P's zetta, requesting firm purchases from Jap Commissary, and also refused to let us use the 200 P's carried forward from last mo. as profits in our own store. As a result, our average meat with the Food Control to get us 80 Kilo of meat three times weekly instead of twice weekly, puts us in a position of being unable to take the meat 3 times weekly without exceeding our 7 P's per man per month, because we are losing personnel by deaths all the time. Nogi is determined we are not going to be allowed to spend more than 23 C. per day per man. In our arguments over rice yesterday I brought up the

argument that one reason we needed more rice was
was because of the very great amount of food
we are able to obtain under the present trading
relations. It would appear that Nogi & the Paymaster
wonder are in an agreement. The Paymaster
says "I'm paying them their rice money." Nogi
says: "I'm not an spend it etc." The leader
of this ludicrous situation is that when next
of this ludicrous situation is that when next
pay day comes I will be given 40 P's to keep.
I am allowed to have 50. I will have 10 left
over. I must turn that back to the Japs.
If I can get enough rice money like this I can
be able to support them with the ludicrous
ness of it all. Yalauji shows is already
Confidence with Hanaon regarding what to do
about meat job. He is to see Yalauji this after
noon and try to get a ruling to allow us to "do"
under 7000 P's per mo. but disregard the 7 P's
per man stuff. I have little hopes of Nogi agree
ing even to that. The only other thing to do is
to re distribute individual buying power close
and stick to individual surplus enough to handle
that will give us extra 80 kilos of meat per
week. I see that on extra 800 or 1000 people
is better for us than the pitiful few pounds
and the tubs or three bananas we could get by
individual purchase. There is no doubt that we
are in the tightest denial period in the British
islands of the war, and certainly the most iso-
lated from ~~and~~ outside contact. Last night, a
patient bitten by a definitely sick cat. Trying
to get rabies vaccine from Jap headquarters.
The patient is one of those taking care of the pigs.
The Japs keep 10 sows and a boar here and we
and has the boar put to the sows. Veterinary
relating. Photographic records of pig fornication, a
close up. First drops for bathmatador sold for
Hoy. Last run and reported "ready" sheets.
Our withdrawal because of sickness & otherwise
repeated to date. The Jap Paymaster interested.
Rumored into Hanaon's conference with Yalauji
this afternoon and as a result we can only
get stable food twice a week - that goes for meat
also. Yalauji, Paymaster, Hanaon & Nogi in
a confused squabble and we are in the
middle, a hell of a situation, a show down
of rain today and then sunny. Wrote my radio
message today. Censoring these messages tells
me that everybody is running a hell of a hard
heads under a stiff

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outer four. These messages all show one thing -
to head from home. Many of us are nearly
two years without a word. Some read mail
or some good and from home mixed with a
big difference. A few have received assuring
messages but only a scant dozen among
us. This is a living hell we live through. I am
surprised that most of us aren't "other crazy"
maybe we are. Evidence of "Battered Wife Psychology"
among most of us to some degree. Some of them
try for events. Ruggs came in to see me tonight
about food for his men. Ford! Ford! Ford! The
eternal fight for food! It's working party
of 52 men are doing physical labor, losing us,
and at present rate they can't last long. We
are already showing signs of every ration in camp
in order to feed them a few more extra guns.
He can buy beans & bananas outside for them
if he can get money for them. I am trying to
get money for them tomorrow if I can get
hope to crash them with at least an inch
for the working party. Some men only get 10¢ a
day. Japanese give us a movie show tonight.
I never attend. Somehow, this giving us movies
when we need food so vitally, always reminds
me of the Peason Administration in the Virgin
Islands. The natives were crying for work, wages
and an existence, and Peason introduced
picnics, operas, and other catalogue features.
The people finally cried out that they couldn't eat
operas.

Dec 11/43 - Tuesday. The day dawned clear and bright.
"Busy all day canceling 'Permanently Disabled'
Report. South like made and I will be still as it
tonight. "I can see now that this report will give cause
for discussion". "Less of over 200 came in from
San Pedro, M.O. with them. Does me that are
people with a history of Acute Dysentery.
They are here for tonight only and to labor tomorrow
in morning. Discharged in upper campound.
Dr. Braun from Calleson submitted today so patient
and feature. Some a little on the "about To
bread" side. Termites are in the cotton. Trying
to rid them by sulphur candle treatment to
some hours on my steeleyer in O.K.
Recently had to run all my fingers thru the

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delivered for the still better. Heavy work on
the electric elements and when this one is turned
out I have seen well I won't get anymore.
Conference with Crews to learn if I can give the
working party any more rice without dis-
turbing the rest "too much." Can't be done, Tom
to Jones now. Would metal creep on the "Dis-
abled Report." The office gang wheel type see
night. It will be ready by tomorrow's conference
the novelty of prison life has worn off. Again
I am tired tonight.

Oct 13/43 - Wednesday. Clear & Sunny. Wet season
definitely off. It seems to me that the Burma
season just about parallels ours, thirty five
page report on 234 permanently disabled
patients typed and ready for Nogi. By page "I
mean one the size of a newspaper sheet. Its
a good old Oriental custom. First difficulty to
with our today is to get the gap guards untangle
from our hospital routines. Good last night
made them cut off "has water sterilized at
night" and leave off. They have a method of
endophthalma. Toward the end of your burn
down a solid concrete and iron building? Will
try to get over to them that a hospital and
at night same as day - Rood's compresses et
just as necessary at night etc. Elementary
but necessary to go thru it. Had rumor
last night late and definite confirmation the
morning that I have been granted an increase
of 150 gms. of rice per man for Pudge's working
party. O.K. At help. Pudge will be paid
temporarily - until he finds that his men
will still love us - which they will, doing
moment labor on little more than rice.
Word 2 crying for more rice last night. They
are getting 20 gms more per man than the
staff - every body is. The staff is taking a dis-
adv in this fight for food. But that is how it
should be. Indeed seems to reduce our staff
quarters to a new low of 350 gms per man. The
200 from the bus goes under way about 4: am
this morning for Bakanatuan. Beginning a
survey this morning of ragged crew for needs
as to shoes and clothes. Some have no shoes but
wooden clogs. Some have nothing but ragged &
patched shorts or dungarees or make shift clothes.
Most of us have gone naked except for a "9"
string in order to conserve one one or two

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shirts and pants. However, there are an appreciable number who have enough clothes that can make them appear neat, clean, civilized and respectable and I think it is better for the morale to give them up to the best of our available supply. When I had the Surgeon Service I tried to keep a lot to give our long-term always looking better than the patients and the general run of prisoners. As soon as I got my command to take some care with their appearance, the patients and patients began to do so. I have hopes of carrying that out for the entire command now. Shoes in number and size at 30-50 P's a pair. However, I believe I can acquire a certain number of shoes and odd pieces of clothes even if I have to "redistribute" the clothes available among the "well heeled" of the camp. I have one agency working against me in this respect. When a word drops of some one of here, if the gang does not have shoes, shoes & clothes "are borrowed" from those remaining here. Of course, that is the more humane thing to do, but it also illustrates how inelastic any condition will be even tho I "redistribute". But Papa will do something - somehow.

Made inspection - reg. weekly. Gen. Mironets arrived on scene with Nizi, Yakushiji et al. Broke into the routine somewhat. Delayed me in the gallery for a while, after looking over patients personal. Extended the clothes & shoes survey to patients also. Think I can get so far handling the whole business at one time as I can piece them. Put Kline to work checking into and ways losses among our Company. Draft of 14 patients arrived from Liza. Not in two foot shape. Now learn that all this running around of guards this morning and shoes with my us into building was an air raid since my Mironets directing the job himself. Rather interesting only I don't like to be shot-ed into any dam cell there. Ate three during an air raid. I sweated out two of the longer hours of the war in such a damn lark up at Sec 29/41 on Kowloon. For hole for this Joe if I can make it. Luyden reported his lecture survey. 64 cases, with history of loss, 14 requiring P.M.S. 2 Neurosyphilitic. Several asymptomatic processes. Patient made second report on mobility of case. Sketches case now doubled. Conference with Yakushiji. Submitted report, apparently accepted. Turned over to him to

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Understand that everybody on this has now
considered as Refined Personnel. Those with
staff and technicians number; 234 P.D. 176
med staff, 25 tech; total 435 Refined People.
All others to be mailed as belonging to Isolation-
station. You do not need pushing chairs on
others. That's a help. Finished that job. It
could not be scientifically done and unless
be worth the paper it was written on. Much
hard playing and air activity yesterday
today preparing for Independence Day tomorrow.
Expecting the new Philippine Port to declare
war against U.S. at once. Will probably first
war for my iron hat after all.

Oct 14/43. Noqi to review all permanent disabled
tomorrow morning at 8:30 am. Show

quest story conference for preparing the logbook
for him. Not expecting a lot of trouble but when
can tell. Independence Day. I don't see the
least emancipated. Bands played mass of
nights and early this morning. One band played
like playing "America the Beautiful". Have been
notified that today is true holiday & tomorrow
half holiday. Holiday activities doesn't mean
much to me but it keeps others, looking into
matter of acquiring enough rice flour to make
a glory for use instead of white rice and
a growing tendency of the populace of Manila to
throw away their spending power into the gen-
eral mess. This is a vote of confidence. Will
go into the matter today. Also must figure on
future emergencies and have some plans ready
to handle this going which ever way the wind blows.
Rec'd 51 chemical bottles, a load of plectrum and
long box, whole weeks, and 7 baskets of cornets.
Had 4 tubs of salt for tomorrow and vice
vice a mass of greens from our own garden for
tomorrow - radish tops, Cabbage, brussels, sunny day.
Big bulbasar worms. This morning we stored
bags with the more steel hanging low in the area
filled a monstrous garden sound chess box. Con-
tinue only to make me pessimistic for Indonesia
Ve and Berlin. The world moved forward last
night. Granted permission for me to receive Capt
Madden from the "heavy prisoner brig" and admit
him to my "prisoner camp" for medical treatment
Chronic malaria, big spleen, anemia. Just captured
in Sept. 2 young mining engineer who was out here
for 10 yrs. pair to use. Wife returned in San Tomas.
Just learned that I had been awarded 500 gms.

dry rice additional for all workers in Jungs to
be added keep. This is in addition to Pabge's gals,
also notified that vegetables not available in
Maula. In future all vegetables will come
from Cabanatuan. This ought to give us a haul,
beans and rice will continue from Maula.
This means that there is no immediate intention
of giving us any fresh meat in the near
future - if ever. Japanese has not supplied any
fresh meat since Dec 6 wks. ago. Don't put
down one Kung's figures on relative food values
and costs and ed to evidence that the meat -
canned - canned meal mixture for speire
diet is better than egg as 40¢ a piece -
when available. If we are allowed to continue
to buy meat twice weekly for indigents we can
improve the speire meat considerably. It
has been so ordered. Meat speire preparation
twice weekly - egg the rest - when possible.
Kung's food value & cost table which he has
submitted to me is a masterpiece of practicality
worked out a way to give a grov meal. For
parison to use a rice guide and can
squeeze out enough rice to waste the flour.
Another Lpa draft of 10. Fair shape. Repts
and from Cabanatuan accounts to for Pab
Repts from Soc Pitas are unanimously good.
Jungpa's reported his survey today of
head, shower and laundry spaces. O.K. we
from camps 90. Love the go ahead sign
for beans & Kung To run a mess & combat
special diet to the heavy sick. Conference
with Hanson. Mess device wrap and means
to lay in another advance cache of mungo
beans even as the expense of reducing in-
dividual buying power next month. Feel
that this is justified to protect the interest
of the indigents. It won't be popular with
the paid personnel but to hell with them.
The gaster's good to the gaster's number I
saw. My examining board reported ten
more officers fit for transfer. There will be
much groaning and moaning but it is an
honest survey. There is no reason why the
stuffed shirts shouldn't take their part

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of the Japs. It is the unfortunate fortune
of war. All of us must take our turn.
The little Japs were not captives on the
week end. I seemed destined for the
job of son-of-a-bitch thru this entire
war. I am lively that my happiness is now
dependent upon a "word leader's popularity".
Wets is to be transferred. Asked Wap Gorbail
to take charge of the front leg. He has
agreed. will take it up with the Japanese
Honour. Being one of the permanently
disabled officers he will be here indefinitely
according to the present plan. Wap was vice
of the Camp. He has come a long way. He
was wounded on my birthday, Feb 8/42. I
operated him about 4 pm. of that date.
His last request before I started on him was
"Don't amputate my leg." The steel bar is
and doing very well - much to my surprise.
Kogi came thru the Prison Hospital with
Huska and a Jap Mrs. officer this afternoon.
Japs another "rotating program" extensive.
Memo from Fritz. Ruled bar, O.K. Working
in fields every day barefooted or building
roads or cutting grass with hoes. Chow O.K.
Field off. not on work details. Bath: O.K.
Bookmen, ~~Program~~, Greenman, Wagner on
Carpenter detail - building a chic sales for
the Japs. Everybody taking as well as Mother.
He moved your a silly. The Knight on the 2
workouts we've had thru out. There was a
1 us day casualty - sun burned nose. Only field
officer allowed to keep their mittens. I
understand that idea had its origin among
the Americans originally, as well as we can
learn in here. Independence day passed very
quietly in the city. No undue noise of re-
joicing or otherwise in evidence. Disruptive
as far as we can learn. Secured that Beecher is
still in charge as Capt. Is quite satisfactory to
Japs and will probably be less one to have their
new Japan days under way which will clean
our probably all well people. Still all men
in a manner that he is not exactly popular

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The eternal problem of feeding! However, the Camp
admits, as a whole, that the food is miserably
improved. Grocers' menus from 1922 as they
earn of laborer's eligibility. "Measuring
(the Boy) of course could to me. There
me a long song of some. Politician stuff.
He will go. There are no frontiers in this
League. His record however, Frank
Gerry Stubbs likewise. Dragged out, Frank
Adams out of his skin on the permanent
described has had put him to work today as
statistician. He was glad to do it and I am
sure it will keep him, too. A regular gentleman
is Adams and has been a good shipmate
from the beginning. This change was relieve
Ratten to apply himself more avidly to his
eye campaign. At 11: and testified by Japs they
today is a Tuesday. OK. There are seeds of Japs
flying around here. Some of the boys should be
a couple and make a stew. I tasted it today,
after 2 days of cooking it was tender and really
tasty. I'm afraid it goes too bad for Japs
from now on. I consider them legitimate game
under circumstances. Two eyes of Mame's paper
in. Independence going strong. Laurel sells reg-
nition at once by U.S. - "near auspicious relations
etc." Jap ambassador as he side during the
speech. Laurel wearing his Jap decoration. In
order to maintain discipline in this place it is
necessary that punishment be re-
turned to Americans to some degree. An all-
out to put it up to the "landlord" as the earlier
possible moments. Unless I do have some "big stick"
it means that every day time I have a matter of
discipline to settle I have to turn them over to the
Japs. I prefer to handle it myself. It is a prerogative
that was taken away from the Amer. Administration
here because the Amer. Administration wouldn't use it.
It is a terrible power and must be diplo-
matically measured. However, it's gotta be done
somehow. Just load of vegetables find Cabastron
toughs. Good credits. Peckay, chickens,
radishes and tops, cornets. Not as many
cornets as we used like but of good quality
and clean. Received Westcott - written. U.S.
correspondents to the Sibary Detail. Sibley by
title, everybody goes to work.

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Sunday Oct. 17/43. Generally overcast. Newspapers
bring in show Phil. Republic
to seek recognition by U.S. - uncaste relations -
exchange of diplomats, respect of national
etc. Much conjecture here as to how status.
Pearson believes U.S. will refuse recognition as
a matter of sheerly comitted policy and then
Philippine declares war on U.S. The possibilities
are myriad. She prohibits - status quo.
Now interested in freeing civilians. Particularly
those old senile fellows who have no love
here in prison. La Viete wrote me a letter this
morning setting forth his tale of woe and
claiming much disability, and unable to leave
here. Her son Bronx Indian is the biggest
simulator next to Manning - I like this folk -
they are atoms need & need - they've seen in
the theatre of the war. Again notified at 11: am
that today is a holiday. They certainly are
making this independence a big affair. Paper
states that in honor of Independence they
will be given a case of tailor soap!
Givious! Ruggie is again and moaning.
Seems as tho 54 yr. old ^{senior} can't
stand the gap of labor and Ruggie wants
replacement. Ruggie is our ^{number} #1.
Brings out our grumpy meal tonight. A little
on the scorch'd side but rich and palatable.
Votes a welcome change.

Monday Oct 18/43. Scudroids in early. Got
infantry conference. Granted privileges of ^{many}
punishments. Matters of routine moved out.
Given a better space in a crew's library. Days
still not leaving at any known date. Kaban-
work to handle. Consolidation of camp up
there has crowded them. Looks like a Japan
Days will go before this group will travel. Exchange
Curtis for the word detail. For the library
activities well organized. Weisblatt now as
well and a crew of 4 permanently disabled
men. Putting these one legged guys into a
job is a good thing. Having the library table
on the Red wooden shut in cases for
repair of books. A good psycho and occupational
therapy racket. Helps us - helps them. Everybody

works. Volunteers for jobs coming in everyday now.
Wade sick today. Had a Pennamond turned
over. Three companions and one army par
sentenced to big for negligence of duty &
improper attitude. I know now how George
Washington never gave feet when he defeat
our necessary punishments at Valley Forge.
This afternoon I leave the dogs were here
here Oct 20th. Another list submitted tonight.
Gary Stevens wrote me a long memo about
his health, the Board failed to find him a
pennamonds disability. I see no reason for
changing it. Two cases from Concord tonight.
One of them Slipsover, the one remaining Chap-
man on Concord. Late news of course.
Los of ex. all good, long talk with him. He is
to return operated other case. Not suating night

Tues. Oct. 19/43.

Dam out on my bed didn't let me get much
sleep last night. More vegetable just Catana-
man including "Carnate vines" and "green
leaves." I guess "grass" were the rest. The dry
season getting under way. One spends his
time in one season making it some dry up &
preparing for rain than the next. Put natives
to work today. Personality clashes among pe-
small, always live there with us. Am trying
to settle it in this instance without either
I think being free. I have at least one of mine
I can not trust. He is not in the spirit of ~~the~~ my
policy of absolute equitable distribution of
commodities available. If he cannot see that light
I fear I will have to swing the axe. Mosquito
control being seriously worked at. Whittle up
Slipsover read this morning. Receiving messages.
Wrote up a Jimmie therapy for Nipi on an 870
intramuscular quinine prep. of Bond made constitution.
N.F. - Moved library into new quarters. Vic came
in. It took but 2 min to tell him he was
going. Prog of patients from Post Area, moved
the Jews library into better quarters today.

Wednesday Oct. 20/43

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By Inspection entire compound. Weedsy intense
I took the outside today. Wade took the
inside. General condition good. Improving.

Head unappreciated. The Japs are discarding their Caban-Belind card system and probably will never to old system. Probably due to their inability to handle more prisoners ad let as Babanetuan, was probably hear of as today. - Tough afternoon, weary, Long leave with the Japanese. The instructions we were promised came today. The General apparently wrote them, well, we jumped the gun on them a few say ago when we engineered them into the palm-overs Disability stuff. The present instruction involves very little more reporting than we are already doing except in one respect and tonight worked out a plan of taking care of that. Am putting D. Fox to work, another cripple from SO2, handling the intricate maze of the new reports. That will take care of that and duty Fox had into the self respecting position of a doctor again. Hadn't got very far trying to hook some well men here for labor. Was told to use my hospital cooperation in that purpose. Expected that, however I was prepared for it. 10 - my personal opinion is too much of a departure in the field of every new issue that comes up. ~~That's~~ In the afternoon we our first efforts to get this new reporting system in effect, the reaction of the Personnel Office, as usual, was so fast. Hughes, Kenna, Wade & I went over the problem with Byrdling & Kintner and the boys tore down and approached the plan and so in 100% manner. Either of these boys emed in that personnel office. It is something to remember.

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Oct. 21/43. Ran off at 4: am. Babanetuan Japs got underway without anybody pulling a shilly. I had had expected something of the kind from several of the gents in #40. Vanderzager came in to see me this morning. The col. is the senior? No. Lee at this time on the roll list. Spoke in reference to M's record. I know that that man - has been spending

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Army Med Dept. funds for his own benefit. Cooper
left the funds with him when he went to
Japan. Mau - passed on money to Joss +
Saitou and then stated that he would not
be moved. Until Joss got out of here that
was true. Mau - was plotted as long as
the old regime held. Mau - has repeatedly
stated that his one idea was to get "mis."
Mau - will be home safely. A malingerer
of the first water. Glen also left. Another
plot of Joss and retained here "as a gun."
La Victoire, the other simulator, among the
great exodus. Report of 10 from Passay today.
Bad shape. Ambitious but there no better.
Received a "heavy prison" from across the wire.
This morning. After 11 ms. Distantly conspicuous,
no much for skin + bones and looks like
advanced dysentery. Another case admitted
from Passay this afternoon. Another case in a
mud's field. Unnecessary hazard. Compromised
fracture, deep leg - multiple injuries.
Stop conference at 1 pm. to set up mechanism
for new Jap reports and begin survey of
cases expected to be here during than 3 mos.
Crew's library now open at night. Cecil
offer to take one occupational therapy
activity on wards. Excellent idea. Clouding
up considerably - the new meat counts.
Special ration for heavy sick begun today.
It looks damn good. Tang + Cibus now
making a head down and analysis of
general mess over a week's run. Round
will be made. Casey just reported to me
that the Passay case badly injured - both
legs badly crushed, bad groin injury,
and facial wounds. Rained like a hell
for a while this afternoon. Summer shower.
Steel increases today. Typhoons do come
in this tail end season.

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Oct. 22, 1943 Friday. Guess we're in the bad
part of a severe typhoon aligns. This morning

There was no dawn. Nights continued with her
rain fell from about 7:am. a little wind
with it and it continued till now - about 9:am.
and looks like a severe drop affair. Handed
capped all over camp on these dark days.
Sights are necessary and the few lights
available do not permit even the routine.
Found a temporary detail, at least, for
Lindsay & Darcy last night, working with
Adams. Brown volunteered for a job. His
physical condition means something for
great activity - his was just something for
him. This "every body work" plan is going
over OK. At 10:30 am. Japanese declared
a holiday. Made rounds. Horre SO2. in a
clean up process prior to white washing.
Going well. Col. Dueslunck mentally up-
set as usual. He was talking this situation
very gracefully. Failed to shoot at him
think we can locate him some. Japs
killed in a dead soldier at 4 pm. Reig-
nized as a man named Fugate ~~Fugate~~,
Coast Artilleryman - from Peabody - reported
to us as having been killed by another
American now held in custody of Japs.
American doctors said to look details and
a report would follow. We examined him,
took mounds & scars and finger prints.
Buried in our plot. Both feet & both
Chaplains officiated. He was bleeding from
eyes - could there be a fracture? and from brain
injury? No other evidence of violence. Pleased
that our old sarge looks on the "Is for
Transfer" less today. I hate to lose these
two excellent boys but it is in sleeping
with our policy of "no favorites". Rained
proceeds all day. Still occurs tonight.
Reminds on our "Specimen Bier" more
than we can supply. Conference in A.M.
to adopt criteria for dies indication.
we have so little but what we have
can be and must be scientifically
applied. It comes back to the same
old creed. Handed procedure - devote
our best to those who have a chance

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for recovery. It is the rule of military medicine and surgery.

Oct. 23/43. Saturday.

Continues overcast and will continue rain today. "Yasume" day again. all day. In honor of war dead. "Joeson Yasume". Took on an invalid undernourished emphysema from wd. 2 named King, with no visible means of support, to do my laundry & look after my trunk etc @ 5 pesos a month. This will let him buy a few lines and peanuts which he needs very much and have a little over for tobacco. "Share the wealth" continues. It is easy to do, however, for everybody has more P.M. than he can spend. There is enough money paid here ~~now~~ and the spending limit so low that everybody now drawing money should be able to have as much as the low allows him. Conference with Chinese herbs today to shake up the "special diet" list. Keep it on a paying basis. Waded & spent most of morning going thru the baggage stored in our storeroom. Officers & men who have been taken to Japan and Cebu. Trying to obtain clothes for the personnel here who are in dire need. Found a reasonable amount of usable material but disappointed in few pairs of shoes. My plan is to place in each trunk, a memo of what I have removed and as it is issued I will get a receipt for every piece. Surprising (to some) how much medical Department material we found in the personal belongings. Raining all afternoon and tonight. Cummings, Ellis Weidman, por USA, a recent Passy case admitted to serious list tonight. Pneumonia. From Electric Kansas. These pneumonias are usually terminal ones in cases of malnutrition, malnutrition.

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berri beri and yellow. Have usually been
seen a long time before we get them.
They don't do well.

Continue to bear prices for the new
quack crew. The show handling has
greatly improved greatly. But as time
goes on they will grow tired of it and
pitch like hell. After all we have still
dealing with human beings. Many times
daily I am waited upon by officers and men
alike, to hear their complaints and continue
among themselves some trifles - just
like children. Somebody doesn't wear a mattress
put in a spine near his head; somebody has
assumed too much penitence over a stove fault
tripped by a jump; somebody has done this or
that to me. Et. None of the problems amount
to a Goddam. Jail term, Prison psychosis,
mental deterioration under long confinement,
some of the other ones going more remote, altho
it has been my observation that the older
fellows have done better than many of the
relatively younger ones. The ones ages 40
handle all around 40-45. I hear their gripes
and usually settle them. However, I am
gradually developing the same custom -
they must take their problems to their im-
mediate superior - nor run to the "old man".
This is not their own desire on my part to
evade the issues. But it is the only way to
maintain the proper status of "the old man".
It is a basic principle of leadership & command.

Oct. 24 / 83 Sunday. Religious Services, both
Cath. & protestant as usual. Bright and sunny.
Pat. D. Brown to work today on the Transcrip-
tion Classification of patents, then re-
ceiving Barrett. Another cripple on the
contracting list. I have come to feel a
certain alation every time I drag another
one out of his shell and restore him
to the economic used to some degree.

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Wade & I surveyed the Hospital today to review
all cases with a Hospital expectancy of more
than 3 mo. Total 169. This, along with a
total disability group of 236, which the
latter tending to increase, our bed space
is going to be seriously lessened for
active transient war cases. A steady
turnover will be necessary. It is the
momentary problem of the day. Sgt. Rett, pfc.
U.S.A. released from brig after serving 5 da.
Saw Col. Boelk and have taken steps
to keep him happy and as tension-
free as possible. Began the clothing issue
today and issuing of supplies to OR.
and other activities, begun from the
interior baggage. It turns out to be well
timed. The Japs brought us in a new
sewing machine today and our mainten-
ance men will be able to keep us out
considerably in our re-clothing efforts.
But we still need shoes. Desperately so.
Worked out a diagnosis criteria for
reporting diseases here so that the Japs
will be satisfied and so they will
send our purples shoes. First attempt
at standardization here. Previous statistics
are no good because lack of it. Am trying
to authenticate the system as much as
possible. A star had shower this
afternoon. Late afternoon conference with
Wade over "Blow" organization. Definite action
indicated. Hope to develop it in next few
days. Information regarding Fugate was being
forwarded by Japs. Asked about it today.
Only information given us is his name,
Henry C. Fugate, Corp. U.S.A. and the Division
is "Noshinio" which is "train concerned".
They so say that "result of fight - other Amn."
Prisoner has been turned over to Military
authorities. Hoshiki reports today that we
will receive no more English newspapers
from the outside. Only news to be allowed
us will be the "Prison News" which

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the Japs write and immerse up from. All propaganda stuff of course. Much objection concerning reason for discontinuing papers. However, I am not inclined to place any constraint upon it except that the group as headquarters who have always objected to our receiving it have won their point with the general. On the other hand — well, will probably know more about it today.

Monday, Oct. 25/43. Overcast and rainy. The dry season just can't get started this year. Several times it looked as tho we were out it. The wet season just hangs on & on. The time last year we were well into the dry. Had to jump on the boats the morning with both feet. They are reluctant to sign for Bozo keep as they feel like it. While I, and the Col. are required to sign, they will. Otherwise, I will find it necessary to relieve them of that ordeal — in my fashion. Hear the next months prospects for food. The program won't be popular but it will be the best for them. Under our present buying power, limited as we are by Japanese, I find it necessary to reduce individual buying to a new low of P3.10 for the mo. Only in this way can I assure the camp of 7 deliveries of 80 lbs. of meat, buy 10 lbs of mango beans at 40 P's a sac allow the diet kitchen 600 P's. I could allow 40 cent. more to the individual but they will spend their money for what they vitally need, but for what they want. Therefore I am adding 300 P's to my general mess fund and buying lines enough to issue 10 lines weekly to every man. V.C. is in greatest deficiency in our present available food. Scumby must be prevented, and pellagra, as well as Beri Beri and the "A" diseases. By this procedure I will everybody take lines. Have compiled a series of lists for dissemination among the camp showing various combination of purchases which will enable them to spend allotments go

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the further and do the most good. This food
poisoning continues to be our outstanding
problem. Session with Negi and Malsburg
this afternoon. Discussed other such items
as bamboo burns, pencils, rat poison,
mouse traps, white wash brushes, and
other miscellaneous details. Tried to get Negi to
find a colorless good roasting sun on a machine
blind for us. He remarks that these are very
few chemicals available in the city. They don't
seem to be any better off than we are in here.
However, he will try to show. Got on a tickle
subject as one point. I asked permission for M.O.'s
to "fly watches out of the money they are keeping
"on deposit" for us. He asked where all the watches
of M.O.'s were? I remarked that most of them had
been lost as "an unfortunate accident of war"
and he seemed to gather my full meaning &
the subject was changed immediately. He let
himself open for that one. Negi sometimes appears
dreading any of the "savings". He hasn't any in-
tentions of letting us spend more than that re-
stricted money as set by him last mo. I am
convinced it is a patshe with him by now
and what hope I had of getting an increase
in our allowance for spending on Nov. 1st has
withered considerably. However, did get permission
for those funny watches to get them cleared
in from the merchants and not to be con-
sidered as a store purchase. That is considered
as a gross concession. Raining like hell all day
and very cold and damp. Rain in the tropics
can be miserable - even after 25 yrs. of it.
A typhoon Raging around us still.

Dec. 16/43 - Tuesday.

Rained like hell all night. Still raining today.
Began the day with Reynard pitching about
for in our quarters. Error in his own
distribution and now in galley. Malsburg
told Switzer that the office forbidding
newspapers here, came from Tokyo. Says
he can understand that because "all
the news is favorable to Germany and
Japan." Wrote Negi a letter requesting
publications in the library of Dist. of Tokyo
regarding Analysis of Phil. food stuffs.

Completed my prospectus for food next month
should will be a have but before the
month is over I am sure they will see
the benefits. Am giving the camp an extra
coveer of soup today to celebrate the
1st anniversary of our taking over.
Have decentralized the content of specie
Diet, placing it directly in the hands of
the Diet board consisting of chiefs of
Services. The Board has reported on their
survey and under presents set up the
decreasing heavy diet will have the bene-
fit of a buying power of about 10 or 12
Paso in comparison to only 3 Paso -
which is as it should be. Casey Smith
is "snapping" to "and really doing a bang
up job on that diet revision. Putting Casey
to work in a real job, with something
really to do, has uplashed him out of his
lethargy and unhappy mental state into
which he slumped after his return from
Bataan. Moreover, his health has improved.
A mental case admitted from Casey with a
history of "trying to commit suicide by re-
fusing to eat." His real mental condition is
a hysteria resulting from a phobia of the
conditions which are occurring so frequently
at Nichols field. The fear is well founded. The
military instructions were to lock him up in
the brig. We obtained permission to admit
him to our mental ward. Also received
Colley, Cecil W., Pvt., USA, from Pasay, the
alleged assailant of Fugate who was recently
killed in a fight at Pasay. He is confined
in our brig by direction of Japanese.
Have just reported to me a way we can
permit 722 of our today's 798 census
buy a canteen cup of sugar. I have
approved. Have advance information that
the expectancy for next week, is a drop of
about 60-70 to Lakanaran. This will
fit in very well with our judgement
and feeling in the matter.

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Wade Reed met this afternoon. Issued a warning. Case admitted from the Rock area with large covered ulcer. Reports good situation not good there. Looks like Re'll lose that eye. A medical officer and 5 corporals (one of them navy) arrived from Cabanatuan on way to home detail, destination not exactly known, probably Clark Field. They will be accommodated here for a few days. Quarters them in #18. Boys good show at Cabanatuan. This place has been the end of everything for feeding. Can't understand why we bothered to supply out as a group, particularly a hospital for such stupid useless limitations of food. Yaksagi tells Hanson this afternoon he hardly expects any change in our buying allowance next month. Pay day either 28th or 30th. Duckworth in a hell of a fettle again, all riled up in general. Expect to civilians or soldiers in his rooms up there in #18. We have become a real problem. Probably end up in the back yard if he doesn't change. Staff meeting tonight to iron out a few details and get over information to them. Believe in keeping staff informed of how the wind blows.

Oct. 31/43 - Wednesday. Trying to clear away but the new hair made it yes and it is already noon. Wade made inspection of material this morning. I have been busy at the desk outlining and reviewing the new monthly reports on "Hospital Circumstances" required by the Japanese. Draft of 30 from Clark Field this morning. A medical Dept. soldier admitted from Passay & two Navy Corporals leave here for there this morning. Learn that Nogi now visiting Passay regularly. (Has been for past 2 mos.). Dr. Waters, who arrived here yesterday from Cabanatuan, leaves with 2 Japanese for Clark Field this afternoon. I would indicate everything OK everywhere. Am opening

up the store tomorrow to permit the sale of sugar, we can afford that to the extent of serving 1 carton cup of sugar to 7/8 of the population. Can take care of the remaining 50 odd early in November. God! What a picturesque way to live! Actual struggle over peculiarities petty details. Embrace this afternoon with Nogi & Yostaciji, actual petty needs discussed & flattered hiebo, etc. They still own groceries strap paper for writing. I know if they have any paper. Tried to get over to Nogi the need for an eye implant for an impending operation. He doesn't have the slightest idea about such things. They request a Jap. inventory of all drugs on hand issued by Japanese listed by units of tests, cc, gm etc. and not by bottles, ampule, etc. Also ask for (for the first time) for an inventory of our Red Cross drugs on hand. Also counsel to me to say about "we feel that everyone who has personal tools and is using them for the hospital, we ought to buy them at the prevailing price. We feel that we own them any how." Tools are scarce. They have none. I thought up the question of personally owned instruments our Doc's have. They are to be accepted. They suggest, however, that such things be made known to them so they can give them certificates showing them to be personally owned. They hesitated to add that "There is no particular reason for this tool buying - none whatever - etc etc blah blah blah!" within a half hour after they had gone. (buy things for them to get back to headquarters) ~~They~~ were notified that by tomorrow morning we must submit one organization sheet showing all furnished in their respective bullets - up to date - reason for this unknown. Of course, it is silly. The damn thing changes in such details daily. The basic features are exactly the same as when submitted originally one month ago. Today was very busy.

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Oct 28/43 - Thursday.

About midnight last night the jag quatermaster
trucks the jolly crew out to receive a truck
load of fish. They are in good condition & very
well packed. Our truck departed yesterday ^{from}
Manila, not before dawn, and (were in such
a poor state (even for which we were) that they
cannot be used. We will have to eat all of them
today as we have no way of keeping fish.
Twenty cases from So Pines late yesterday.
In fair condition. Many minor surgical con-
ditions among them. Today figure clear. Did not
take my legs this morning. These sometimes
when I just can't chase down the paper hanger
parts. The most serious problem today are
the Ben Ben eye cases. So much blindness
we have opened up a new and vigorous
campaign against these eye conditions, although
we realize in so many instances the pain-
ous damage has been done. As a part of the
campaign I issued today a memorandum
prohibiting anyone giving or selling tobacco
to any case designated by the eye dept. as
being in that class where tobacco interferes
with treatment. Of course I know it will
not completely prohibit but it will help.
Anything to salvage a few of these poor deficient
eye cripples. Our special interest in these
cases began Oct 1 with our regime and
we have been encouraged by some of
our first month, while not phenomenal,
at least we have helped some. Another
American General in Tokyo. Secretary engineers
How far beaten up considerably his in spite
of his 50 and year he has held up well. His
general activity is a page of history by O'Leary
and cannot be written until it is all over.
Proger & Jones are still with us in solitary
confinement. Proger carried on after Horan
surrendered. The first man was well received
today. Jones came and took out 3 pigs today.
No explanation. I'm going to bat one of these
dogs to get rid of them all. Already it has

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been reported that they see a fly breeding
wastec, and are housed between the
Depentery, woods and our main gallery.
A swell look up. Moreover, allowing a
minimum of 4 pigs to each sow, when
these pigs produce (are not been sired) gives
where in the here we are going to put 50
pigs is going to be a problem. I want them
to be thinking about it a little bit before the
old sows get into production. However as
I see all day. There are days like that.
Sometimes I feel as tho I would almost
settle ~~for~~ to have both Jews in "Valley Jo." Get
me that for and I'd make Idewater Va. or
Ius. They have an American woman on
the other side of the wall. Supposedly an
escapee from San James. Received a "heavy
nick prisoner" from over the wall today. One
Norman Lieber, Army, probably Depentery.
Learned that the 19 heavy prisoners who were
recently removed from our big never arrived
on the other side of the wall. Partings? In
safe? The publishing of the Food prospectus
and our food plans for the coming month
was favorably received in general by A.O.D.
The expected few dissenters and professional
critics were of course present. To deal with
them, Tripling accidents like arisen which will
no doubt be treated as a grave offense unless
we can debate it in some manner. The Jews
have an old wooden side board which they
allowed to stand in an open, unheated area
warm space where the crew's library now is.
During the week it was so exposed, somebody
lifted 2 drawers out of it. The Jews are
afraid Nazi will see for it to be sent over to
the Eastern bloc. Headquarters at any time &
the showers are missing. Am having a search
made to recover them but I am quite sure
they have gone. The way all good cabins down
go in Bilikid. In Joe Schweitzer I see he is
pretty sure he saw a dog take a shower once
on a towel about a week ago.

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Friday Dec 29/43.

A hot humid breathless night less night. Fine
life I have been working all night, also onto
in my bed to add to the discomforts of the
stickiness and torridity. Sunny & high to-
day. Today declared a half holiday. Yaman
working on a monthly Sanitary Report
was of day, going over Departmental reports
and editing them. Also reviewed a study
of the water of the entire camp year com-
piled to be used for guidance in food dis-
tribution and seeking task to the Japs for
more food. Collected 40 P's from the staff
today for Ruggie's men to buy beans. These
work party groups are not getting enough
food considering the work they have to do.
If the men throw in 1 P a month they
will have 52 P's and this 40 will make
90 and I have promise of 43 more toward
the end of the month. This will ensure
them Mungo beans thru Nov. and as
less part of December. Anything can
happen meanwhile. Searched today thru Vayas
was appointed Ambassador to Japan. The
Constabulary in Manila directed to arrest
anyone refusing to accept Jap money. Has
stably and close tonight. The novelty of
peasant life has long since worn off. I
was out. Medical supplies secured to-
day from Japanese. Had some Oil, a
little insulin, salycylic acid etc. Have
a supply of meatine acid to last me
3 mo. Very little ethyl alcohol. Sulfur
drug are well stocked (Amer Red Cross).
Insulin in good quantity. Antibiotics
are our weakness. Very little cimetin,
only four courses of lactosone, about a
thousand tablets of Yosan and a little
reagent "Yatan". The Yosan, I think, has
never been appreciated by "everybody" as
Yatan. Hence, we have been able to re-
tain it here. We have been able to
secure an appreciable amount of

drugs by "shaking down" everybody coming in or going out. Many of our prisoners are making cigarettes, dispensaries, and sugar supply boxes. Another Passy Case admitted to ~~me~~ ^{Chilly} ~~lies~~ today, May 26, 1943, P.O. USA. Mr. Lewis now working on a rice washing machine, an effort to further improve the show. Turned over the 40 P's to Ruzge tonight. He has more trouble as usual. In captivity he has more trouble as usual. In captivity he has more trouble which he doesn't seem to be able to handle in his own gear. Will hear the case tomorrow.

Oct. 30/43 Saturday. Overcast this morning. Light showers during night. Louis shake off this wet season has prefer this intermittent rain to dry weather. Keeps down dust as best. Pay day at 10: am. I received 190 P's. I am to deposit 100, I allow 50 To "the indigens" and I keep 40. I am allowed to have 50 at one time. I actually have 47. Anyone who has more than they are allowed to have, has to turn it back To Japs. Being allowed to spend only 3 P's for the month, aside from giving away money to those who are on the payroll, one can get rid of their money. The result is, very shortly, the saturation point will be reached and everybody will have so much money, they won't be able to pay us. We will all have 50 P's but the red ink remains in the ledger system - you can't spend it. Perfectly silly. Halko's really is. Nogi can't see it. Working on monthly report. Surveying the drug supply reveals more skeletons in the closet and plenty previous reports left in our laps. Revamping the drug report booked me yesterday. Not a true picture. Japs seem to have forgotten to send any grub in today. SSB's like dry rice. Conference with Nogi & Halko's today. Very little of importance said. No eye implants available they report. More long weathering, one trying to get an L...

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inventory of drugs. This kept on intrigue, sinister
jugg and lobbying under sub rosa conditions.
But we all tangled up in our own nets.
One by one we have put our depart-
ments on even keel. At least, if we ever have
to turn over to another American regime
we will be able (I hope) to give them every
bit of honest data they need. At least we are
seriously working to this end. It has been
necessary to completely revise the entire system
of accounting for drug supplies. In the
meantime, the problem of diplomatically
adjusting reports to the Japanese without
admitting our ineffectiveness remains to be
solved. We have a plan. A scarce few ~~more~~
food stuffs arrived. Funds mostly. They
take us no more Cabanatuan food for a
month. Held mess trays. Three cases of
Ruffin's. Reminding all for punishment.
One case is tickled, a former internee
Byce, circled as hell, poor Joe, and his
had an inside track. Good time to put it
up to the Goddards and get rid of him.
There are other angles however. Tolby is
involved. Some question as to his status.
Had to hold up on my memo regarding
tobacco sales to certain patients. Creech's
sustains Pettie's judgement in the line he
submitted. Not sufficiently indicated
clinically in many cases. Case from
Corydon and Shipman in again. P. O.K.

Oct. 31/43 Sunday.

Religious services as usual today. Partly
overcast with a wispering sun between
clouds. Putting final touches on monthly
reports of hospital activities. The money which
was turned in as "in excess" by individuals
was handed back with instructions that
it would be collected every three months.
This means that every body will have more
money than he is allowed by Jap order.
By next month, saturation will have been
reached to where, if they pay me, I'll have
to hand back an equal amount, or more. But,

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I can't spend it. Furthermore, the quartermaster refused to allow us to spend one box 267.¹⁰ Papers we are allowed under Nogi's agreement. They are all "snafu" on their faces of course. Only we talk the cap. admitted Ed Klein to see him today. Acute breast it. Shneider, Sangdon took over his O.P. detail and Bruchman's covering N.P. - Maysey, J.C. and par. U.S.G. died this morning. Buried here in Bilibid. Another Passy death. Quartermaster Sgt. sent out 5 beef ribs and a hamper of nuts to the canteen shop and stated that was all for all time, with 260+ of our compliments already beefpoted, and so many more needing repairs on shoes, we will all be back to wooden clogs, extremely very soon. Handmade clogs cannot be supplied because there isn't enough available wood to make them. A hungry day. Retrospective stumps, all of us taking up on the old beef today. I feel quite gutless. It is quite interesting that when we don't feed well and we go hungry I am staring them to death. But when about does appear in relatively better units, the Japs are always "feeding us better." However, I must say the population has been very good about our lean days. I believe that more and more they are realizing that we are giving amply an agree treat. Someday they will learn they are getting more than an even break - at the expense of the staff. At present, this is not a matter for reporting nor discussion. Short conference with U.K. and recommended punishments in their most basic of last night. Further recommending that at end of their trial sentence that they be removed from the 52nd and detail sent to Cabanatuan. Recommended: Hoek, Ackerman, and Evers to be put in their place. Recommendation approved to date, even in the case of Boyce the interpreter, Nogi to read them off tomorrow. Today Japanese have asked for a complete report on medical, surgical, pharmaceutical and dental equipment. Now, God such a thing since last April, they have had the jump on us on this recent reporting stuff. It doesn't let me know what is behind it. Several possibilities. The most likely is that Nogi may be leaving. He has been here a year and had been promoted. They frequently leave after

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that. However, there are other possibilities. Rained this afternoon. Considerably cooler. The case that came in from Conceicao last night is causing the Japs no end of concern. He gives his name as Donald Smith. Headquarters has no record of any such man. I wonder how many more like that there are. St. Hadden returned as patient from Baboatuan today. Reports conditions very good there. Food plentiful and good. School use of their policy abandoned. Again it becomes obvious that this camp is singled out and given less food and privacy than the others. It is difficult to understand why we should remain in such a situation except that we are directly under the nose of the Jm. who hates Americans, and other factors being present which have been repeatedly expressed elsewhere. Raining to night.

40 Nov. 14. Monday. Rained steadily all night. Still raining this morning and too dark at 9:00 to work without lights - which is for damn few of. Ed Nelson has developed a Beri beri like neuritis. That makes at least eleven cases of eye deficiency disease that has developed here among us in the past month. Judging from my own eye complaints I think he spared to five. Little look as my eye glands today. The situation is so damn ludicrous, not to say tragic. We have survived because of our bluffing thru the merchants. With our cut down as it is, our nutritional state really becomes worse. Red Cross stuff would help us. Maybe it will arrive this month. Maybe. I have sort of counted on it. I hate to wind up too much thought about it for the let down could be tragic. Nogi and Yallesi acted on my previous recommendations today and sustained my findings. Boyce made an attempt to get in and strike Jobby by bringing up the question of his officer status. I kicked that off. All three went to the bug for 10 days.

The Japanese have a system whereby non-criminals are allowed reg. chow in brig so Bryce gets reg. chow while the other two get just rations every 3rd. day. Because of difficulties in our library departments but all squared away I hope. "Stir whiskey" rations are found to occur. Not all of them are serious. Don't think our most serious problem in that respect. "Fishing off" again today. The persecutory ideas and feel he is being discriminated against by the govt. Shows more contentment and cheerful every day. Even heavy is having patience with him. Think Corey is just a little shy of him. Still hungry. Big coat but shaved fur + dry rice today. The fur stand has done his to do something. sometime. Nogi appears went over our recent drug supply report, for today he asks for "recipe, actini, indications etc of Aromatis Apts. Ammonia, In. Glycozua Comp., Azobenzamide, Pot. Permanganate, Benzoyl acid, caffeine citrate" and several other similar common drugs. Also would like to know "our experience with them." Sometimes suggests to realize the relative hazards and circumstance of different peoples. Change's teeth have to be pain method of 6:30. Moved chow up to 5 pm. Usual routine change. Fighting the food problem again. A delivery of "food" made today by truck. About 1/2 the number of Khams (1/2 as much stuff) (but 1/2 as much eat, too), four were snatched off the truck "up front"; two of them coming as golly were either rough eaten or not ground until there was little left of them. The pecky and turnip tops were slimy and decomposed. Only half of 273 kilos possibly edible. Poor garbage. 56 kilos of goods rotten - unfit for each nibbling eat things, eat alone to eat. Nogi + Malaga's has been so I took Sushikawa up to the valley to see it. He agrees that "shortmasted no damn good". Promised to take up the matter. Says we've one ham from his valley. (like they snatched). Meanwhile, tried to arrange some sacs for one of the J.M. collected man. Not much luck. The food situation is worse right now than I've seen in for a long time. And yet, the merchant tells us there are plenty of fruits and fresh stuff.

in the Belands now - as the Pt. of the production now
Doran's keep us busy. We will see tomorrow what
happens. Probably the same report as usual -
the D.M. crop has already advanced at -
"see same top weather cat." Signs bubble up in
your office see have blood our curtains around
them now. Part of the news is our anti-
air protection plans. Understand that our Gov.
has already refused to recognize new P.I. Gov.
Some expecting P.I. to declare war on U.S. all
same Burma. Rained during afternoon again.
Street raining off on tonight.

Nov. 3/43 Tuesday. Street overcast and certain air
of rain feeling fun time to time.

Put Sawyer to work today and a stiff legged
supply Sgt. as his keeper - Reviewing medicine
references. It is a "blowed up" job but is
use doing the guy back at least 6 inches
more self respect. Part of our program.
Completed sanitary report. Reviewed and recoded
our studies of 742 of our Bilibid population.
This is to be checked with food and work
factors. Figures very enlightening. Barnett
requested permission to begin a series of 100
casts to investigate intra-vascular quinine
therapy in relation to hypo acidity in
absence of HCl in the malnutrition cases.
Consider this a very interesting & valuable
study. There is no doubt that the vast
number of our malaria cases are in Peely-
rous people whose gastric HCl is absent or
very low and no doubt accounts for the
overwhelming number of relapses and
apparent unexpected cases of Quinine. Am
arranging that some have free access to
malaria cases and getting him the
quinine supply set aside for his use. She wants
will be with perhaps somebody and am
encouraging him to do so. This research
along with Peter's Eye studies will be
most valuable after the war. Raining.
Looked into the possibilities of turning our
more years. Peter wants the daily return
of your boat from 14 cent cup to

$\frac{1}{2}$ canteen cup. Our presentation barrels will only permit an increase of 44 canteen cups and they will require about 1 extra bag of sugar and one extra bag of rice per month. There is the rub. However, we must make some effort. In my monthly reports I am asking again for the rice ration to be raised from 4.30 gms per man per day to 4.75. Also more salt.

November 3/43. Declared a Yasame day by Japanese. The anniversary of the birth of the grandfather of the present Emperor. The grand parties remain in today, except the usual parties remain in today, except one which is loading a ship for Palawan and Davao. We have a batch of drugs enroute to them. A pitiful situation, but liberal in relation to almost worthless rice supplies delivered to us are divided into thirds; $\frac{1}{3}$ to Laban, $\frac{1}{3}$ to Davao, $\frac{1}{3}$ to us, or sometimes, Labanataan gets relatively more. Today is no yessand for me. Last night, went into a bundle with Rette and Pahlman. Zundell has now developed optic nerve damage. Many of my Corporals are becoming afflicted. Pellagra lesions becoming manifest also. Many eye cases developing among patients who have always been free as Bilibid. The pneumonia picture has gradually developed since we have been denied the right to supplement our diet thru the markets. I had hoped we would get ~~some~~ by until red cross packages arrived in late Nov. or December. They saved us last year. The prospects are poor. The supplementary buying is a sore point with Nogi. The gridiron. For this a camp of 1840 men are facing permanent eye damage must be gotten across to those people and we must be conceded food or the right to buy our own - but it will never be conceded unless presented in some way which will let them save face - at least momentarily. But an emergency does exist. Unless something

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can be done, now if we can expect to maintain
our sight, we can't talk longer without a
general plan to go blind or otherwise matter.

Today I never work out some plan of
approach. Sunny all day. World with
Spain. Writing my memo on food deficiency
& was satisfied with Peter's figures forwarded &
am having them resubmitted. Got a batch
about 3pm and then took to the office. It
has been a weary day. Conference with Cummings
and Mr. King on food articles. Soybean
meat, cornmeal, chowmess, mung beans and
peanuts discussed. Looks like a long session
with the Japanese tomorrow. I would like to have
Word of a way to fight a war.

Nov. 4/43. Bright and sunny. Heavy electrical
storm during night but no rain. Briefly
Inspection. I inspected personnel, made brief
material and upkeep. Well pleased with
the condition of the wards, the appearance
of the patients and general ~~the~~ unit ad-
ministrative. Another Percy case admitted to
Serious list - pneumonia with the usual
blood count of 3000. Six more men admitted
to #18 from Port area. One mental case
from there. Another monkey moved into
the machinery - the dogs today reduced our
sugar allowance for both used and sick to
20 gms per man per day to 15 gms. This
seriously impedes our special diet pro-
gram we have under way and our
idea of increasing rather than ~~decreasing~~
decreasing as a measure against Beri
Beri blindness. So momentarily meet this
issue have directed Hanson to turn over
all sugar in the store to the special diet
kitchen and to see mail adequate
sugar for diet kitchen every time we
get an allowance. This will curtail the
general supply of sugar for the camp as a
whole, but the sick must be served.
Peter handed me a new set of figures

on eye cases last night. I am still not satisfied with his figures. I must have the right dope and see it before I open up this discussion. Conference with Yatsuzji tomorrow session. Reports interchange, cultural business only. Villanueva in the post-office at the time. I heard the "newly" "Dove" as Villanueva passed our table the other way. Present figures show that we were able to buy (by various American methods) 781.4 kilos of bonito last month. We think this is pretty good but when you consider the fact it is pitiful. For example, if our census is assumed at 800, ~~we~~ each person got 1.1 oz of meat per day last month. But we only get meat 8 or 9 times a month, hence, in 8 weeks of meat we get 3.8 oz per man per week. However, our census has been much above 800 at times during the month so that it is safe to say that we have received & eaten less than $\frac{1}{2}$ oz of meat a day per person, and this is considered as one of our good months, too. The Japanese themselves have not supplied any fresh meat since May 1943 (8 mos. ago).

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Friday, Nov. 5/43. - Rained much during night. They became day. Change in activities. Now to bed at 9:30 instead of 10" altho we still have privilege in open quarters of keeping lights on until 10" (one $\frac{1}{2}$ candle per light). At 10 o'clock this morning, Yatsuzji asks for a party of 100 men, 60 of whom copemen. To go to Toyador for 2 hrs. + 3 nights to make a moving picture. This would take over $\frac{1}{2}$ my personnel from the hospital. Have counter-proposed that they use the 52-man working party, the well personnel in #18 and the rest copemen (about 35). Am waiting to hear how they taste that, and at some time am making up a list of 60 copemen anyhow. There are a number of volunteers. Propaganda movie of course. Probably a part of the "Down with the Stars and Stripes" picture they have been making. Engineering problems this morning. The drainage from the pig pen clogged. Am proposing a sand trap in the drainage line. Requires

two bags of cement. These pigs continue to read
them in our side. Just where we can keep
32 pigs when the letters arrive next mo. is
a problem. The pens located midway between
Dyersburg and the Foley make their fly-
catching quite a serious menace. However, from
one of the ~~best~~ lousy details of the day -
every day. Rained all afternoon.

Oct. Nov. 6/43. Clear & sunny. Cool. Began the work
to make health records and service records
on present Medical Personnel. Had to talk it
out of the hands of the Junior Detaching Society
in the Personnel office and get it going. Also
bringing Marine health record entries up to
date which were supposed to be done all
along. I have had cause to repeat several
times, turning over Marine records to Patton
Command & satisfactory. Am having advance
get me the needed data and whip it into
shape. Yakaichi in this morning with pure
direction as to supplying men for the movie
detail on Longford. Also how orders 10 more
for studio use in filming the picture. Many
of our people, not realizing that they are
contributing to propaganda being used against
the U.S., are volunteering in the detail. If
I can help it there will not be one white
all mess to be ordered. It is a sorry stink
mess. I don't like it. Consider it one of the
grossest harassment violations of civil
regulations for land warfare. Detachment
making an inspection of hospital this
afternoon. Patients with Dyersburg from
Port Area this afternoon reports that the
Exchange ship arrived back here from
down South today. Red Cross supplies &
mail, if we are to get any, should be
aboard her. No word to that effect as
yet. Jerry shows in afternoon and not
overcast. Reviewed old files today to pick up
data from previous regime. Received today

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a bona fide report of drugs which actually
shows what is on hand. Conference with
Nogi & Gotokeji. Usual protracted stuff
and details such as two boys' cement, a
lawn mower, ~~two~~ solder for 5 gal. cans etc.
In the meanwhile I tested the whips &
whetstones of our special diet food going
to the Jap gallery. Without saying so, it be-
came evident to Gotokeji & Sushakawa who
was there that, I am quite aware of the
heavy "shade down" that goes on in their
and the Americans would be in their are no
better than the Japs. The blame for long hold-
ing of our food in there was shifted to
Hosoe for the movement, and then later to
Nogi, Sushakawa being, "Hosoe a big boy of
parents" for taking the blame. ~~Also~~
Also moved our this damn food idea of
Sushakawa making respectful in addition
to ours on Wednesday. Finally moved over
that Sushakawa will go around with us
on Wednesday. This reduces the every-
day inspection ideas which now exist.
Directed to collect all salvaged tools &
to get a price on all privately owned
tools. Further directed to pay from the
Indians fund the cost of all spectacles
sold to patients by Watson, who are
not receiving money. amounts to about
500+ Pesos. Also told to have everyone delin-
quent on 30th of each month how much money
they were due in excess of their allowed
amount when paid on 30th. It will be
"deposited." At 7 pm tonight received notice
to supply in the morning, 100 man
working party to unload Christmas Red
Cross boxes for the Exchange ship. No
gravel about that detail. No information
as to when they will be delivered but
indications are that they stuff is be-
ing taken to Red Cross buildings for
further distribution. Of course, there will
be the usual shade down and then when
what we will actually receive is, as

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usual in the realm of speculation. Scared of
this just as I started up to the upper camp
found where the boys were putting on
a little entertainment for the camp. In
song and jokes. I was able to say a few
words in support of the activity. After
a few remarks of appreciation of their
efforts I surrounded the arrival of the R.C.
forces. The entire camp. Last year much less
raised over hunting & seeing of R.C. supplies.
Every effort is being made to keep every
American free from any semblance of
crowded dealing regarding the R.C. thing.
We took a shakedown last year in a
few sorry episode. We were here quietly
enough to get our ass in a sling. I hope to
prevent an incidence this year and WE DON'T
sign for a damn thing we don't get.

Sunday, Nov. 7, 1943

Religious services took
as usual. Busy morning getting details
squared away. Sgt Switzer got a load off his
chest this morning. He files the war papers
as much as he see to. Had to tell him that
Wade & I feel that we were the responsible
individuals for the remaining of this camp &
his unfortunate title of Warden didn't
change the attitude one bit. We assumed
both forgiveness and responsibility and
he could expect us to account a lot of stuff
he had hoarded. He sees the situation OK
and everything all right. Purely a matter
of letting God show that we are not sitting
down here on our ass and having the tax
men the dogs ever need 50 man working
party men of the world besides the
Congress party. This looks like a boxes
up couple of weeks. The rice ball now
meat is no god. all they get on the
detail. Enough to tempt any man to steal
corn beef. Routine day - beautiful
high cool sunny morning; clouds up
at 12:10 pm - overcast in general at

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3pm; showers at 4 pm. Rain sometimes
during nights; then begins all over. London
spends himself up in a good show-
room today. changed a bottle without
water's run eye. Had to slip him a fist
table him when other stuff would be
summarily dealt with. This guy is
you. no damn good and some other
I'll have to give him the deep six. Routine
office work during afternoon. Made up
a financial statement to Japs regarding
payments for glass for subjects. Write
a statement for publication to the camp
explaining the use of subjects found by
direction. Write memorandum to be
read to all men working on Red Cross
details regarding utmost honesty on their
part in handling the material to avoid
incidence as last year. The usual hoary
banded the troops about "honor" and
duty and "American sense of justice" etc.
It may work. (But I doubt it). Work party from
Post Area returned at 7 pm. Jolly reported
and gave me a typed list of R.C. supplies
as unloaded to date. Goods look like as
much good and tobacco as last year.
Details of handling seem more encouraging.
Stuff will be guarded on dock; broken cases
inspected by Japs and carefully inventoried;
stuff being shipped to Swiss
R.C. Bodega. Don't note that there are
controversial Amer. cig. already appearing in
camp tonight. I have as it be known my
attitude toward loyalty and patriotism of
P.C. stores. Goddam it is takes a hell of
and a 100% to sadistic temperament to
lead the masses. It is the only way.
However, one thing is certain. If the Japs
get into our R.C. supplies, I am rotten
of my ~~self~~ feeling prone to prevent
it if our own people set the pace or
follow suit. I can't ask honesty from
them if I can't match it with American
cooperation. The greatest difficulties

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any leader has had during this time, you
decide has been caused by his own
people.

Staff meeting tonight. Much routine
of administration cleared away.

Monday Nov. 8/43 Longford detail of 100

departed at 8: am. A few work party 25,
had Japanese 37 Army Hosp. Casuarina, 36
white men. Two officers among them a
work detail of 5, construction patients to
Port area to continue Red Cross supplies.

The Jap Paymaster insisted on taking along
Halsey this morning to the port area.
Another stupid surprise arrangement. Made
decision this morning to advise perimeter
to fully extend and regular med. parcel
on grounds that our country does not
consider us as prisoners of war. Mock-
every serious matter to that end. Preparing
statements of circumstances surrounding
this procedure. Routine problems discussed.
Since and side supplies expected to-
day. Another patient from the gastapo
side of the wire today. A reporter.

Bad shape. High patients from Sipa.
Good shape. Team R 9-2 their many Jap.
Guns and ammo on Exchange ship giving
the V to American. All are dressed well
and look well. Half overcast see morning.
Water supply came under suspicion this
morning. Taste of mud & sand but looks
clear. Japs killed local people in the
line which unfortunately is a part of
that system wherein we had a serious
break recently. and closely associated a
sewer line. Red Cross supplies began to
arrive ~~the night before~~ All hands put in a

heavy day unloading & storing 47 lb. food boxes.
Japanese attitude very good, meticulous
about handling them. I don't see any
they received. One party damaged. Bring
to me for disposition and acceptance.
Every effort being made to keep accurate check
on the stuff.

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Informed by Yashigai we four men American
walk on pier including ^{Red} ^{Boys} ^{Boys}. System
being set up to handle all personal mail till
offered appears for \$0.2. to arrive. Made
survey for more space for storage. After
stowing boxes, beds on blocked and Jap. has
keys. I keep all American food on camp.
all night. Case of guard watching guard.

To tells us to keep our hats on until Spring.
Six men reported to me by Japanese for
preferring cigarettes on pier while serving on
working party. Had them as mess tonight. Plus
quinty. Big sentence. Referred by Japanese
praising good behavior. Our attitude toward
discipline is decidedly keeping our situation
in relation to Japanese and also the attitude
of our own camp. Camp personnel were taking
as we this time in considering the accused as
being deserving of punishment. The camp is
becoming beginning to realize that their regime
is for the good of the whole.

Nov. 9/43 Long hard day handling supplies all
day. For boxes, medical supplies etc. Short-handed
because of the work party at bouqitori. Turned over
all convalescent patients in the morning handling
the stuff. Many feet out and had to be reloaded.
Tough day and they were done were returned over
to work. Wanted to drive them bus as far to the
shore. Put in a companyman detail on afternoon.
Conduct on the pier details today excellent.
Jap paymaster grumpy eyed. This 10¢ unit of
supplies looks like a real time supply for
a million to him. Made effort on Jap
noticeable. Boy tried tonight. To bed early.

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Paymaster wondered thru the compound
most of the night waking up people & asking
"what in this case?" etc. He can't get me
all this quantity. Worked hard all day,
most of it in a hard torrential down
pour handling supplies. Seal & well perfumed
well. Made as proposal to Chou. Do said
Napoleon has he got a few Vegetius & Vegetian
got for him \$2000 before Christ and
today I say it again!

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Sociated by a feeling box today and also washed my floor. ^{Esase again reported excellent condition of the peculiar ideas we see on a study of the scenery here from nothing and camp. They are not spurs. Seishanmai? or what? Jap paymaster still in our hair. Every time he comes around it means more unnecessary labor. As long as he stays to hell away all day. Heard from Young + Sudlow they are well and doing OK. Again dead tired. Big weary. No reserve in the power. Too long on protein deprivation.}

Nov. 11/43 Thursday. "Arrested day." 25 yrs. ago Japan was on our side at quitting time. ^{Want to get a share on today. Spent entire day with the crew handling every goddamn box that has come in here, just to please the paymaster. Anything to make a nuisance and trouble for us. Found a nuisance and breed completed by cows on cases and breed completed by night. Japs counted with us. We are 86 with the count rendered by trucks. 1177 men out at studios. (The crazy sons o' bitches). Japs and Goshoyei in today. No routine business towards. Jap. sent in 110 Kilo (with mine) of Curacao. Free since long may (7 mos. ago). P's continues good. Patient deeps for Do Pitas. One case from Claude Field. Coleyford movie detail returned at 8:am. Worked as dead late tonight. So far, handling of Christmas stuff has been efficient very well. Big weary + worn out. Everybody is. Big case released today.}

Nov. 12/43 Friday.

Comparatively quiet day. No box handling. Japs declared a yosumei. Gave me a chance to get in some god bills in the office which I have neglected recently in the days requiring my presence at scene of recovery & checking stores. Coal inventories all

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ready. Fans office working on system to handle mail distribution. Expecting M.P.'s to court all cases tomorrow. Had a race of a time getting rid of Jop's ~~paper~~ ^{last} mess. Directed on opening a lot of cases of recreational gear and clothing. Condon's understand all that stuff. Side a kid. Goggle eyed. Jops today still some stress over prisoners getting "so much". Program the machinery for paper distribution of shoes and clothing so as to be ready when they release the stuff. Outlining shoe repair plan also. Working men to be paid for jips. Will increase our cotten and tailor fare. Released Sanchez from lock ward and restored him to compound. He borrowed for his next time. Mac arrived from St. Peñas. An old offender. Had him up this morning and warned him as to his prospects if he steps out of line. opened store for sale of cigarettes and sugar. One cup per man. This may be our last store day. Our alcohol expenditure has reached. Have indices and this our spending allowance may be increased around Christmas. It will solve many of our problems. Health records now in process of being made on all staff nor being same. Had to take this away from Condon's daily daily doctis and get Wade behind it. Also health records on hand are being brought up to date. This was allowed to log under Sartin. Personally commended the Corporal who made the Comigador voice detail, as a reward of Emlyn Tolbee's report that he found them "the best bunch of men he ever had with ^{him} ~~them~~". Also explained to them that they must remember that I knew no one had "volunteered" for

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such a picture detail to be used as propaganda
against their own country. A note will
be made in their own record noting their
conduct on this trying detail, Am still
unable to wear a shoe on my foot but
feeling much better. Rain was of day.
The hangover of the war season is not
good. Hold up the Burma program,
Brown reported his "mobility" data on
time, changes more than one would expect.
Census increasing. Dogs will soon be
necessary in order to keep us ~~safe~~

able to receive patients. However, any big dogs
will so reduce our spending power that we
will be overextended our accepted out.

Nov. 13/43 - Saturday - Rain - damp - cool. Busy
in office all morning. Have written the
"Estimating Circumstances" letter to chief
of Bu. No. regarding recertifications + Extension
I am now effecting. The Man. of Bu. No.
does not adequately cover the situation,
blew my top and tore hell out of things in
yanking up a med. off. patient for lying
gossiping about the store + store personnel.
I have offered to explain any misunder-
stood phase of the store if questioned
on the subject; if there is any just
complaints be irregularities shown me
that I have overlooked, I will correct
them, but as long as I keep my present
store personnel, allow the present system
to go on, I and I alone am responsible
and I am the one to criticize a blame,
and anybody assailing the store is
assailing me. But God keep the Son of
a bitch who speaks demoralizing
gossip and remarks for which there
is no basis of truth - like this morning.
Al Smith was able to hold his head
this morning when I gave him his

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Find out how far we can secure sleep, no good.
No meat of any kind. No fruit, - nothing
but white bread and one meal in which
each of us will have two pieces of
minnow size. Rice still inadequate.
Notified today that our 52 man working party
will be increased by 100. Impossible to house
them properly. No beds, nor even enough
mattresses. Can get 30 in #8. Rest will
have to go to top floor of the red bldg in
upper compound. Rain, no good. Rains still
with us. Bad. Nogi came in. No business
accomplished. Yalesiji unable to appear. Con-
ference tomorrow. Possible late as deal tonight
incidents to call by Japanese for a last shoving;
population each bldg, empty beds, no. cap.
They have had over 4000 a hundred such beds.
Anxious to get going on these Red Cross stores
which are used badly. But the Japs are dally-
ing a little, apparently causing alarm in a
bit of a fog. Also petty annoyances increasing
less few days. The guards are irritabile. General
situation unpleasant, them to some extent. A
number of disturbing features arising as the
month. Some days, for cur's made a dime.
However I learned tonight by the ever present
underground that I gained a loyal supporter
in Hanson today by my stand for the man-
ing of a white camp. Hanson is capable
of a white while even. Hanson is capable
and faithful and with his better elements
inspired he is a great asset to the mission.
Sun. Nov. 14/43. Rain! Rain! Rain! What used in
over 200! Japs now wanting lists of available
mattresses, blankets, mosquito nets, etc. Must be
reported this morning. Such like we are high
but where we started months ago - all
prisoner accommodations place. Sorry conference
with Nogi and got exactly nowhere. Stupid-
ity plus - Nogi - Japanese are now requesting
additional data in reference to the disability
lists previously submitted. Now wanting to know
where disability began and when. Reasoning
following fact - Bad. raining - looks like a real

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Vaquio this time. Blow began about dark. Now, at 10 pm. Blowing a gale and tearing trees out of their buildings. Loudest heavy deluge of rain for past three hours and growing more intense. Rare typhoon got us. No way to secure trap windows. Everything banging and pounding, rain beating us. Very cold.

Mon. Nov. 15/43. Wind abated somewhat about 5:am but intense rain continues. Water rising about the buildings. 6-8 in. water overall at this time. Made inspection of compound. Red Cross shack in store room already over on lower tier. Food boxes o.k. so far. Mess buildings still have a little gas brand. all electric power is off. Battery functioning + outside fires are going o.k. water runs up to their fire boxes. Wind has weathered today in desecrable conifer except for Japs: Paymaster. He has had the entire camp torn out in the rain and mounting water all day making chaotic, useless, pointless shifts of heavy boxes under the guise of saving R.C. materials. We have risked more stuff today than we can ever salvage, because of his nuisance maneuvers, had exposed the entire camp needlessly to pneumonia and have worn out and beaten down the entire command. Tonight is a dreary, wet, black night, cold and miserable and the storm increasing again after a brief lull. Beds + clothes are wet. Managed to keep hot tea going all day. The Battery has performed heroically. No lights. Japs order us to bed at 7:00. They had redoubled their guard. They are very much excited. Several fire set around now take in the dark + song - my
Tues. Nov. 16/43. Wind has abated some but rain continues furiously. Being reported to me at 2:am that SO2 was a leak. No more reports all night except, about 3:am take

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entire western side was close for some time
fire toward the docks. Made inspection as
dark as it was daylight enough to see.
Water in our deep well compound. Water
they way up hills in P.O. Plans made
to evacuate them if necessary. Steel rain
hood. Isolation and food food very bad.
Received message from Ford all their Jap pay-
meter are "as is again" and moving all heavy
boxes to top side of Bldg 18. He finally did
work had it. Managed to get that straight
out. If we could just keep their guy off our
neck and out of here we would do all right.
The doctor's like Americans with a damn
and British Americans particularly. Has already
stated that British must get all the west
and damaged Red box boxes. Salvage must
receive problem. Straddle trenches are
flooded. Inside stores are not fresh.
Entire city flooded + tide in. Salvage loading
up into our compound. Main water
supply flooded. We are loading drinking water.
Have been notified to stop up drinking water
as we may be cut off. Nothing to store
water in. And they have nothing to supply
us. They have nothing - period. Fueling
steel going has water encroaching on fuel boxes.
Special diet kitchen still has a fuel going +
dents are going over regularly as is the yard.
So far our heating has not broken down.
~~There is a~~ Heavy explosion about 8:10 am
and big old fire started just over the wall
from us. Much excitement by Japs. Seems
that the buildings next to us, between us
and the pier, are filled with ammunition.
Have been notified that we can expect no
food supplies for a week. Hauling salvage
by means of steel drums stationed near
each road. These drums previously used for
sand as part of Japanese fire protection.
The fire across the wall had died down
during afternoon but after several severe ex-

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plains, back out in grassy jungles as well. Some
question of moving us when it jumps Regal Av.
Raining torrentially and wind has again risen.
Very cold and miserable. Wet practically all day.
However, the water level has shown a definite
recession and so it is almost over from under
tonight. Water is well up in Jap. food store room.
Much rice was & inevitably spoiled. Have had
a working party in these troughs trying to retrieve
food. No lights again tonight. Everybody ordered
made by T. Huddled like sheep in a patch black
stone building that is water soaked. Cold & witness
night, not allowed to smoke. But the support
gallery crew has sleep us warm all day.

Nov. 17/43 - Wednesday. Yesterday was Mary's birthday.
Trying to head away. Water
receding, all buildings have freed the morn-
ing, and while it continued to rain hard in
spots, the continual torrents have ceased.
Rained hard most of the night. I hid down in
my clothes. They were no wetter than my
blankets and the board platform on which
I sleep. Jap paymaster has our boys busy
as coolie labor moving rice out of store room.
He is trying to give us over some rice as
an excuse for actions. Mr. Cruz says for me.
I have issued him the old ultimatum that I
won't use the spoiled rice. We will go hungry
first. Paymaster has decided to give us the over
rice "to make year". I have told him we will
need sugar to do that. He has allowed me to
buy sugar in excess of our buying power. In
the meanwhile he checked this with a
gross requirement of good rice.

June our for a mess case. Brandon, plus the
of the "old regime" gas subordinate during
the time of stress. Very instance.

Have been used for several days. The Jap Pay-
master - I'm allergic to him. The S.O.B. that
g.d. makes hands is so persegated one this
10th week of P.C. supplies he is chaotic.

Everytime he appears even though is immediately
Loggins. Location has its place + indication.
Some meagre food supplies arrived from Japs.
Only good thing about them were some fair
sized fish. Fifteen minutes after they arrived,
Jap headquarters came over and took away
the good fish for their own consumption.
Routine public bus. Water well down by 3 pm.
Mist + drizzle continues. As usual, descriptive
has remained good except in S.O.S. They
just can't follow instructions. Unprincipled.
Have to ride hard on them constantly. Again
no lights tonight. Tents outside for a change.
Bedded inside as usual + in bed at 7:30.
Some lights are noted in the city. The rumor
was apparently broke down during the night.
No one has been heard to discuss the war.

Nov. 18/43 Still overcast but trying to dry up.
Seepage is improved. Still boiling water.
Mantle water supply reported contaminated.
Clearing away fallen trees and general
debris. Getting back to routine. Kubota is
back from Japan. Changed house. Was appar-
ently been indoctrinated while in Tokyo.
Food here was so good for one purpose as
Gakuchiji. He used was thousands my words
to Nagi. Made too many reservations on his
own throat. Gestapo, 50 of them, arrived to
inspect R.C. boxes. Most gruesome, unciv-
ilized demonstration I have ever witnessed.
Spent, paved thru and destroyed. Soap
+ chocolate bars broken and passed for
hidden anything. Cheese, canned meats etc.
opened in 14 large cases and all packed in
wraps and wires. Also the jacks, misc etc.
~~thing's gone~~ Side a bunch of animals in their
destructive mauling. Horrible details. Agents
spend - paper removed, every shoe examined in-
side + out. Our patients + Japanese fogged
out after a day of standing like cattle
labor, kept by Japanese until well after
dark moving boxes. No time allowed to
feed the men. Then at 8:30

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they called for another party to go out & make movies. Managed to get a bite of rice by candle light. Every body wore out & weary tonight. I've wondered whether the brasses will see this or not. Tonight, I have in my charge 418 food boxes.

Lights came on at 9:30. Welcome return.

Nov. 19/43 Movie party was out all night and did absolutely nothing. Rained in the early morning. Steel dark & overcast. Turned over the spread came to the gallery to see at once. Checked on my store room count. OK. Sewage backing up into our compound from the city. Steel boiling water. 100 man working party moving heavy cases since 7:am. Raining. Perhaps arrived & continued their hideous procedure. Objected strenuously to the "Freedom" inscription on back of old food pktps. The Union Leader Tobacco has a Victory Pktp. Eleven of these cases were confiscated and removed by govtags. In the meanwhile, they had been scavenged old food pktps in the food boxes all day yesterday and none said a word. I have them in my store room now. Much later today over a label on Palm Olive shakers cream which says "Buy your cream in this Victory Pktp." They entirely missed about 5 pktps of Raleighs with "Buy Liberty Bonds for Victory" on the back of them. I began distribution of food boxes this afternoon. Before beginning same, Paymaster got wise to old goods in food pktp and directed that all old goods must be removed from the yellow package & the pktps turned over to him. In addition to this labor we are having to report every case before same in order to get an equitable distribution of food. We could not get the Japs to let us sleep through and regular food boxes separated and it has added to our problem

of opening every case and making each case com-
prised of half unrolled + half regular issue. In this
way only could such items as meat, tobacco
etc be equitably distributed. Everybody would
bead. Much accomplished. Much happiness in
Camp on receiving boxes. Saw a piece of a Boston
Post dated Aug. 1943. Wrapped around something
in one of the boxes. Apparently we had many
European prisoners in the U.S. Japs approached
me tonight about signing for more than I have
received. I flatly refused that. They decided
then that perhaps they didn't need a receipt.
I offered to re count boxes if they believed
there was an error, but no phoney stuff.
These overtures are not all based on an effort
to surreptitiously acquire stuff. The fact is, this
band of suppress has them all goggle eyed
and they just aren't scared to handle the job.
They are confused and their records are all
bitched up but they know to keep their records
OK. or the military Police will eat em up. They
are scared as hell of the M.P.s. and will go
to any length to keep out from under them.

Nov. 20/43 Sat. Long busy day. Last cases of shoes,
clothing, coffee stems being opened and dried.
Found some time to get back to my office
routine today. Japs refused to let us leave any
food boxes to the heavy prisoners. Plans made accord-
ingly. Stove boiling one drinking water. Food
consumption greatly increased thereby. An acute
problem. Finished issuing all food boxes today.
The Jap command had permitted us to give our
old food cigarettes. We removed the outside
areas. All day yesterday and today we have
removed crates and distributed. At 4 pm today
the pass the word to come in all old goods and put
them back in the piles for turning in. Fought like an
impossible task. However, the word was passed, +
the camp responded splendidly, returning them. We
worked into night replacing + packing them. When
I offered Kubota the cases he was embarrassed
and suggested I just load them. I doors of the M.P.s
know - yes - that we had these old goods. To answer
the splendid response of the Camp in returning their
old goods, I kept my face on the job and tonight
had replaced every cig. returned to me by other
hands.

Feel lousy as hell. Had cried. Nothing out there of
being over so long during the typhoid flood. Our
mistake is so damn low. We can't take much.

Nov. 21/43 Sunday.

Managed to sit in on the tail end of church this
morning. In spite of our efforts to bombastly and
equatorily distribute food boxes, Bueckwith, The
Son of a Bitch, integrated a surreptitious invest-
igation by several selected men to verify what
system they had in their boxes, saying he had seen "peeping
of boxes" by our men during M.P. inspections. Then
men, after the word reached me I made a tour
of every building, assembled every man and
made public this activity and asked that every
man promise to bring to me any "agers" of the
dirty bastard that approached them. The camp
was back of me 100% and believe I would
that I might lead. Bueckwith was present in
the assembly in Bldg 18 when I let go. There
skunk is no damn good. But hell all of his sex,
run him out in the open and he's licked. Had
enough food cases left to issue 1/8 case to each
person there. Some conference with Nogi this
afternoon. Brought up the matter of needing more
Japanese foodstuffs to combat the gross increase
of blindness among our personnel. Explained that
prices were now so high our spending allowance
would not keep. Should be increased. Nogi's
reply was the old "luxury" argument. That
Americans have been used to so much luxury we
must need more than others. I explained that
the physiological needs of food for humans was
pretty well established scientifically through the
world. The Jap mechanism was there and he verified
the same increases. Nogi got hostile. They always
do when confronted with facts. They can't play
Big League stuff and hate to lose face by being
forced to admit it. However, we get exactly
nowhere today. I warned him that a written
report on our eye cases was forthcoming &
some or later ~~before~~ Nogi will have to
explain the situation. Some experience we
went thru with the Pacific For Syndrome.
Kubota wouldn't let me take up the matter of
prescribing receipts for Red Cross stuff. After the
conference, Kubota called at one with Wile &
me and we mentioned that we didn't think

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the M's would like that, and eventually I think decided maybe they didn't want any receipts as all as this time. Quite sick tonight. Turned in early.

Nov. 22/43 I got up for Baugo but laid around on the bunk all day today. Quite lousy. Comparatively quiet day however. Hogan got the Working Party equipped with new shoes and gear from the comfort kits were issued. Toothbrushes, tooth powder, shoe string, shoe blacking, comb, soap sewing kits etc. Very welcome indeed for we really have absolutely nothing. About 4pm two men from Ward I came in to see me and delivered a paper containing the signature of every man in the ward certifying they were pleased and thankful for the equitable distribution of Christmas boxes as we had carried it out. Feels very good about it. As usual I didn't know how to say "Thank you" but I tried. So made it worse, many patients in Ward II sent a present to Wade + Me of a bunch of their cigarettes. To return them would have been fool. Am keeping them for reserve to thank when their Amer. cigarettes get low again. Feel sure they are the general support of the camp. More hauling of Sovas and San James boxes. More carpenter developing rates better neuritis. Dr. Burns now showing eye changes. I'm still afraid to have mine examined. Don't headache and eye aches but I can still see. Word from Kababonian today tells us they are eating good up there. Bilbil's still remains the worst feeding place in the set up. And the food gets less & less every day. Dry rice becomes a more frequent meal every day. Very little vegetables of any kind. The fish are not edible. No smell for use and of no value. Our red cow food may help but is worn less long in the face of the present demand. Asked Nelson to take over the data on "Improvements" as Bilbil for future report. Have some doubts if this will work out as well as I would like. There are some people who can't see the importance of an issue unless it is garnished with, butquing with, and manifestly

rich in personal amusements and gain. It is just the nature of the Press and it does not change. You can't change it. Nevertheless, I have instructed this detail where it can be, and should be - but some. Was notified today that instead of a draft, 40 men who are ready, will be turned over to the Air Corps Bureau Working Party and remain here. This will crowd us somewhat and soon give us difficulties unless we are provided more beds and mattresses. The latter are just not and what we have are filthy, torn, and full of bedbugs. Make an issue of ~~the~~ smoking tobaccos today, one pack of "half and half" per man. Most of our smoking tobaccos are still held by M.P.'s. It is "Blue Bird", and is in a Victory Pack. Confiscated. Probably never will get it as I see it now. One 1/2 box. No contest. Apparently there has been a major expansion at Bagram.

Fri., Nov. 23/43. Boston job. Some rather. Japs celebrating "Hansen Festival" and supposed to be a leaf yearning day for us. Rained in the afternoon. Issuing shorts, socks and shoes today for R.C. supplies. Comparatively quiet day. Still having some difficulties with my A.O.I. quartermasters and messengers. Half assed bastards cooking their selves up, can't stand Barge because of their gross comments. The sons of bitches are all no account but on the whole, some officers of Maj. + above sent me a "Confidential" communication asking to be separated from "certain obnoxious civilians and men who call themselves officers and are not etc." further stating that by daily close contact with them they receive the constant insults and discourtesy from them. Goddam it, I live in a barracks with my quartermasters and I get over supposed any discourtesy or disrespect from any of them. It sure as hell sure I am looking somewhere. I am doing nothing about this communication. I am ignoring it. I am treating it "very confidentially". That letter is the most blatant admission of incompetency and lack of officer like material.

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that could ever be made.

Wednesday, Nov. 24/43. Long conference with King and Crews on the analysis of our food intakes and diets. Reviewed our food intake figures which are very revealing. Called in Pettit in reference to adding l-Ascorbic medication in his eye cases we are now running on trial diets. Our Ca figures are very very low and the relative of Ca To B₆ & C₁₂ diets is not well understood, has definitely related. The vast number of eye cases now among us, our limited food supply and our diet. Indications remaining low, the question of what cases to give the benefits of our supply arises. The military Principle will be applied. Those old cases, badly damaged, offering little or no hope of recovery must be sacrificed to allow us to use our supplies in sufficient concentration for those in whom there is some reasonable expectancy of improvement. Moreover we must seriously consider the need of using our medication and food to prevent blindness rather than give it to those already damaged. It's tough to have to do this but there just isn't enough for all and we must do what's for the greatest number in the light of our present knowledge. Blindness is still increasing. Friends arriving on entire camp under way. Eked D Dept. organizing work & working assiduously on the matter. My old steel Dept on and I feel lonely. Harrison in from Cat Area for a few minutes. Pz god. Loaded razor sharpening to words today. Conference with Hanson on purchasing for next 30 months. Our money permits us to buy nothing but salt and a few mongo beans. Local prices have reached an impossible level. Corn 155 Pans a sac, Beans 5 for a centavo, 15.50 a ganta, pepper 75 P's a Kilo, Mongo beans 185, a sac. The pitiful but much treasured 60 Kils of meat we expected to use as flour in our "soup" went bad. It was on the about side when it reached us, Tough luck. The mounting number of eye cases among my staff is now

sitting in to my crew to a degree where apparently
is suffering. More & more hitting the acid line
every day. Others having to be shifted to jobs
wherein they can perform. Not enough dark
glasses for everybody and eyes must be dilated
for a two week period at least as a treatment
measure. Occupational therapy activity being
kept busy working eye shades (blinders) out of
pass board, in which we cut tiny holes for
seeing and they are worn. Muñoz, the Manila
Sanitary Engineer was in Balid's Hday with the
Chief of the Fire Dept. He advised we be cured
improved our water pressure. Complimented our
Sanitation. Had a few side words with him. Also
a two fingered handshake from the Chief of the F.D.
Had an impromptu conference with Nogi. Wade
and I sat down to death while Nogi took time
out to take a tour of the compound with two
of the Military Police. One of them, a Major. The
other one a Sers., a sociable fellow who uses a
face bar.

Thurs. Nov. 25/43. Hand signing, Naamed clear,
Prize to eat. But I had had a can of pumpkin
in my locker for a long time which a jap quarter-
master gave me for no good reason other. I warmed
it up and ate it with Wade, Cecil & Jim Conner.
Suk see pumpkin - I can't see about it. No better
than a gourd or a squash with sugar on it. But
it was filling - and it wasn't nice. Two more
R.C. Cases arrived today. Biologists. Three for us,
One slated for Borso. We are handling most of
the R.C. supplies for further disposition to other
Camps. And this handling, unfort. mostly, is wear-
ing us out. Most of it is under Morato's direction
and that means much useless back tracking &
coolie labor stuff. "Get 10 men - get 50 men - get
100 men etc." Two Amer. prisoners arrived from
Negros. There were ten. Egly escaped. Reported
the "remodeled" or repaired Bldg 13. which is to
house an expected 60 man working party from
Cabanatuan. This group is to augment the 52 man
working party of the Air Corps Bn. Inv. party.
Rained in the afternoon. ~~Had~~ conference with
Nogi on Red Cross issue. Wade & I have con-
vinced him that we should send supplies

to working work camps at Passay, San Páez etc. Noye agrees but he is still heading out on long frequent runs to San José. Anyhow, the situation has been improved. At present we can send these people a dime's worth in spite of their pleas and our being what they need in quantities to spare. Ruggs expects over four Army officers arriving with 60 man party from Cabanatuan. Some of them one rank high. Reduces him to just another one of the party, he thinks. Prices still soaring. Jap money no good. Capt Ruffalo (Mc) has of V. I. arrived here tonight with the 60 man working party. Tomorrow, he is destined for Coregidor. Word from Cabanatuan tells of good food and conditions generally good farms. Encouragement of a mild nature. Beecher still being assailed and unpopular according to reports. He, therefore, is doing a swell job up there, I guess. As near as I can learn, when I get down to details, the only complaint against him is that he makes every body work. So do I. I guess he is hearing what a son of a bitch I am. O.K.

The eye situation has become a menace to morale. Examination of the entire camp is in progress and the findings are disconcerting as hell. Blindness of varying degree is found and further changes requiring attention as prophylaxis are mounting alarmingly. It has gotten to a point now where every body sits around worrying to go blind and wondering when. The exaude are made at night. Each morning every body was routinely asks: "who did they get last night?"

Friday, Nov. 26, 1943. Overcast. Conference with Chief of Services and Eye Dept. Directed that ward 11, biggest ward in the Prison Hospital, be changed from medicine to Surgery and used to concentrate eye cases. Turned over to Rittie, Pohlman, and Bennett retained as medical ward. Other changes in Eye Dept requiring action for furtherance of the work. We should have begun the move to get the Japs to let us move the Air Corps W.C. party of 57 from Bldg 15 to 13 with the Caban. group and give us 18 for patients. The population is growing. We need sick beds. We will hit 1,000 of more soon. Will meet this morning. Case from Nelson's ward, a stump case named Demarec. Chronic bad boy.

The common stump case philosophy - In a couple and you can't do that to me. Charged with expense of detail, worked him over as under control. He was ready to go to work and therefore let him off with a warning. These stump cases are perfectly able to contribute their share of the work. The detail refused in this instance was sitting at a table getting rice. I think he understands the situation after this morning. Our big car very comfortable after, and one logged was here since the inside of it. Begun work on the usual monthly sanitary reports. A dispatch from Passy arrived today. In San Juan slope and badly beaten down. Peltine says. Even had been issued 1/4 of his R.C. fuel case. I leave the remaining 3/4 at once. However, 8 truck drivers were admitted from San Fernando and I was directed not to come to them so they are to be supplied at Labection. A Zap Yasuma day.

Sat. 27th Nov. A condition pending on panic has been reached regarding this eye condition. A review of the situation shows that this is not a sudden epidemic outbreak, but is more the finding of pathology that has existed for a long while but is now coming to light at one time as a result of study and serious attention. Moreover, much of the chaos results from the fact that we are dilating pupils for 2 wks. in cases showing changes and this produces a great number of people rubbing around in eye shades and dark glasses and the camp does look badly involved and temporarily we are. Furthermore, most of these cases we are seeing now are early and should respond to therapy. And it is not expected that all these people showing changes are surely going blind. Max Pollman who is helping Rittler has a high sense of the dramatic and has expounded a little too "a De Tribes-Ration" Rittler has turned him down and today I call in all members of the staff so afflicted and I explained the situation in detail and succeeding in stabilizing the rocking boat. Much of the chaos and tension has cleared up tonight. Back on our psychological shell. Further confidence with Eye Dept. in reference to sleeping is so. Capt. Pater in today in reference to getting his sending party outfitted with clothes & shoes of Red Cross Origin seems to be a pleasant chap. Our mailing cards were turned in today. Sent mine to Anna this time for fear my other ones reaching Rome. Met Nogi in conference this afternoon. The

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Red Cross medical supplies are further held up because of delay in military Police dis-paction. I am very nervous to me as it is holding up much needed Vitamine medications, of which we have none, and plenty are in the supply. However, explanation of this situation does no good. The Gestapo are too. A 100 man drag from Sipa are staying overnight on way to Cabanatuan. Had to quarter them in the old hospital Bldg sleeping on the concrete deck. However, I notice their now, the man don't mind this so much as they use to. One does become accustomed to the changes in life and the human animal is very adaptable - even American soldiers when they have to be. It is a case of survival of the fittest. After 7 yrs, those of us who are left have developed a high potentiality for "taking it." Had an entertainment up in the upper compound to amuse the camp toughs. Kubota called me up and gave me hell about an assembly without his knowledge. Sato stated that. Explained to Kubota that Saturday night was O.C'd by Red - quarters for such assemblies. Kubota said fine for Sato however by giving me hell, but all the time he was giving me hell the show was going on - and still got there O.C. Finally got everybody peaceful and satisfied that no harm was intended or done. Plenty minor details can defeat as well as further a purpose.

Sunday, Nov. 22/43.

Naval Service held as usual today. I was unable to attend. Administrative problems kept hold and me at our desks constantly all morning. Harangued the Chief Petty Officers regarding care of mattresses. Scare and very much needed and always a source of friction and discontent between us and Jap Paymaster. We have to take unusual precautions to give him no cause for complaining about our care of mattresses or vice versa get a damn one. His complaints are usually groundless and purely for saving to cover his usual or inability to meet the demand but at times he hits on a just complaint and then we are liable. Worse - I both feel that many activities are decreasing of criticism as to their attention to mattresses. It is being covered this date. The Sipa Boys departed early this morning, Jap Paymaster in this morning thinking the usual Monday mess into our daily work plans. Trying to get the Davao med. supplies segregated and ready for shipping and to move the 40 man A.C.W.P. to Bldg 13. Minsta yelling for 60 men of

for God knows what. Some days ago, a questionnaire was put out to find out who were Air Corps men. Then came a questionnaire as to experience etc. Today they are being personally questioned in detail as to training and the definite phase of aviator in which they are trained, among other questions - "Can you identify the different types of Aves. planes when you see them?" Issued Red Cross boxes to mail arrivals from Pasay, Camp Murphy, and Calucan. Shoes and clothing still being issued. Had St. Melvin U.S.A. - at least this morning. Usual dumb-officer problem. Jap guard caught him violating smoking regulations. Officers are the poorest disciplined people in the world. And most of those with whom we have had to deal here are dumb. Horrible combination of ignorance and lack of innate qualities of leadership. Turned over a batch of Regulated blood. Bench records today for our staff records. Still trying to get their project thru. I want every member of this staff to have a health record. Raining - dark - overcast. Censoring mailing cards. Usual complaints - they will insist on mailing taboo references and trying to be smart.

Mon Nov. 29/43:

Raining. Overcast. Staff of 3 from Calucan and 20 from Nelson Field (Charles J.). No R.C. Boxes. Were brought this to attention of Jap. and they accuse me they are trying to get boxes from their original source for them. Long dull day competing monthly. San. report. Chew retraction gums worse daily. Today they only brought in a few papaya and a small number of mango sized pick. There just only waste cooking oil and provide us with nothing. On paper it shows the Japs supplied some thing. They might as well bring in a load of rotten sea shells. Payday. Lickens. The thing we love most of is money - but can't use it. And it is too robbery for much use seen typically outside. Just a hassle of it to buy a banana.

Tues. Nov. 30/43.

Clear morning. Routine day. Jap guard found an illegal store in Bldg 18. Wade + I took it up at once and managed to get back to the bar

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plate and made the first report to Japanese. It always keeps to get to think first. Avoids group punishment. Complaints coming in about two feet of an egg working party responding for work. In many turn in sick. Most of the cases are bona fide illness. The usual few good buddies of course, Langdon + Kline are doing a good job keeping their details in line. Following a policy we know to be best - take relatively + truly able - must work in order to let us keep control of "any so" and thus we are able to protect the really sick.

Dec 11/43 Wednesday.

At 0005, died, Jack Vernon Bruce, por., 192nd. Jack Battellin, U.S.A. # 20645752, of Jacksonville Wisconsin. Next of kin, Mrs. Mamie Bruce, mother, Route # 4 same place. Pneumonia, lobar.

I saw this case 4 days ago when they brought him in from Calumet "In examination", I tried to get them to let him remain in camp, at that time Sgt Jop guard wouldn't leave him. Explained the seriousness. They returned him two days later - wednesday. He was dead 2 days after admission. Made the usual weekly inspection of Belvid today. Tsukahara went with me as I had prearranged with Nogi. Served a good purpose. Showed him the empty gallery shelves, empty refrigerator, empty stove room. He looked at me and shook his head and said "Jop soldiers hungry, too." Made a quick survey + collected all unincubated hot plates to prevent getting the entire camp in a flare. Very clear day. Put Torpiche on to writing up "The Medical Problem of the Amer. Prisoner."

Eye cases continue. Most every day. Apparently Tsukahara got on to the Quartermaster Torani after our inspection this morning. Torani came down and spent most of the afternoon crying and moaning to us as to "what had he ever done wrong with us?" (I could answer that ok.) Hadn't he always tried to help us all he could? (He knew the real us.) What was it he could do to help us? (No use to go into that). "I am only human. Maybe I have made mistakes. Tell me where I have been wrong!" "Blah! Blah! Blah! Well, we got fed of Mr. Cruz and Boyce was interpreting. Wade + I went to work on him. After about 3 hrs.

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of Oriental bargaining we got an increase of 30
gms of rice per week, the sugar ration plus
had to 30 gms a day, a promise of about 300
cans of sylvia meal (American), an increase in
cooking oil, and a promise to try to get more
vegetables. There was a little nigger in the
wood pile, of course. Horani can't waste his
trade balance and he wants us to sign
no receiving 3 cans of oil when we only get
2, and also we are 1/2 cans well short of
the receipts he wants signed. Of course, we
refuse to do that and that always riles
hell out of him. He has always been a big
offender in chiseling off our food trust
for use of the Jap gallery. He's a crossed little
conniver. It was a long long pow wow
which he prolonged, I think, because we
were all smoking over cigarettes - Horani
included. Several times I have headed him
in when he has attempted to pull phony
food deals on us. He throws the lay stuff
and turkey before him if I am not satisfied.
Received word as I thought that M.D. will
suspect R.C. med. supplies in a.m. Made
immediate plans for handling. It can
go off smooth as long as the damn pay-
master stops to feel out of here. Had
all the lat plates turned in today that
were not being used properly. Big rats of them.
Stored them "in safe keeping." These damn
things annoyed me in a hell of a jam
week + I had the 4 newly arrived med.
officers from Canton. damn to #4 to have
coffee with us. Red Cross coffee. Feet
like we will really being human again.

Dec. 2/43.

Japs created a problem for us today by coming in
and removing all gas drums which we have been
using for garbage. They took over 23. They are
in fine shape, mostly and rusted + dented. They
are getting gas out of here as fast and as much
as possible. That is what the A.C.W. Party
is doing. Clear day. Inspection of medical supplies
by 9 a.m. began this morning. Usual stuff -
stealing largely off boxes, unloading all the

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gears and cotton etc. However, the whole pro-
cedure going along much smoother than
I had expected because Mainate the Pay-
master is not in on it. He can do more
disorganizing in 15 minutes than anybody in
the area. Nogi & Sushokan had eggs with
Wade, Harco and me. This is the first time
Nogi has broken down and cracked. The
cold rigid line never Saktius see advised letter
of about last April. Inspection and continued
until after dark. Not completed. Managed to get
a bit of coal chow (such as it was - no better
hot than coal, really. One just shuts his eyes and
stokes it in to feed the pig as a duty and a
thing to be gotten thru). The sun was hot today.
Brode was very believe. (I like here over). Carey
was found to have eye pathology today. One
by one the staff becomes involved. I am not
seeing any too well but I can't see where I
could help by any more than I am doing.
All this hitting the wall has and can't do
this and can't do that I am afraid is a little
far fetched. Made some replacements in the
A.C.B. working party incident to sickness and
getting rid of undesirables.

Dec. 3, 1943 Brode clear. Inspection of P.B. Med.
supplies continues. Into a number of Amer.
newspapers used in posting found among
them. Gestapo collects all of them. Did I
say all? Give every body in camp who
could be fitted has been provided with new
shoes and having no longer pairs we can't
use, I broke down and blew a pair of 9C's
and for the first time in a long while am
able to walk with some comfort in a
pair of shoes that are not too short for me.
I went so long without shoes that I guess my feet
spread. Then after I injured my feet with that
pecking case, my right foot doesn't taste is
so well. These shoes o.k. Long conference with
Nogi in afternoon during which we made
another attempt to increase our spending
power in order to supplement a diet which
has now reached a new low of practicality
rice only. Nogi adamantly as usual, states
that if he seems us to spend more it may

cause inflation of currency in Manila. The Japs money is already so rubbery that it can't be blown up much more without bursting. This inflation argument has been in Negi's mouth ever since he began this spending limitation. Negi finally told us that since vegetables and other goods were not available, we would be allowed a 50 gm. per week increase in rice daily. Apparently he has heard of Howard's increase for us a few days ago. We were directed to move Wap Fortale out of his room in Bldg 18. Japs consider the room too good for escape and communication purposes. Pitter is rounding us for a big table for his eye clinic. Tables are scarce. Cakes as usual of robbing Peter to pay Paul. Finally gave my mess table to him and I moved to pitch up one up front.

Dec. 4/43. Labor and Rot. Conference with Negi. Construction drafts to be submitted by tomorrow. We'll work late getting it ready and drafts won't leave till 4:00 tomorrow when I drafted a memo for information of the camp as to the food and store situation for the coming month. Not very pessimistic but the folks see they see. Completed monthly sanitary report. Everybody in jail is drawing plans for building a house. I have finished only floor plans. It's a honey, and just what I'd had on my mind for years. Only one place to build it - Hideaway Virginia. Worked at night on drafts.

Dec 5/43 Overcast. Very dark day. Today is Sunday. Divine services held. I missed services members to working on draft changes. Well, this draft will be rewritten a dozen times before they go. Sumner arriving in dristles to build 30 huts. We'll need them. Supply Dept. has had a theft of material sent in by a Philippine Relief Ship. Amount is negligible but as near as was evident that somebody in the Dept. one of 4 are guilty (or more) and there is every evidence that all know knowledge of guilty party or parties. Very disappointing. I

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have given them 24 hrs. in which to confer. No matter who it is, see he damn sorry. all have done good work but - break of trust is a sad commentary on a supply Dept. Cold tonight and raining. Heavily clouded. Jap paymaster had all old Good cigarettes turned over to him tonight. They were sealed in cases and he + I placed our chop marks on the seals. They have been looked in the red army in #18.

Dec. 6/43. Cold, rainy, miserable. There can't be any dry season anymore. Received 20 Red Cross Ford boxes for the med from Clarke Field. They are loaded up, however, awaiting inspection by the MPs. Buplemonte left for Corregidor. Long office day. Published the first prospectus to the camp. Heason confessed thefts of Relief material in store room. I showed up that supply Dept. tonight. None of them are 100%. All had guilty knowledge of the affair. Shearer himself is no white belly. Little men are never good. Especially those who stink. Shearer made her bed when in the Store Room. I let Shearer know that Weason was my man and I put her there because I knew he was on my team always and would stay there as long as I ran the place. The joint was clean along pretty good for a few months now.

Dec. 7/43. Pouring over weights figures + reports all day with Adams. Weights are being maintained in all groups in spite of Jap chow issues being at the lowest level of all times. Practically nothing but rice. But the Red Cross food is a god send and giving them a life shot. I figure those boxes can be dropped out until February. Our boxes up receive should last many, if not for another three months with conditions as they exist. By that time if no 400 lbs with their tanks we'll begin increasing our crop of crosses behind the Geology along the north wall. Unless - well, we will always keep scrapping and making a try.

Rained during the night. Cloudy + very messy.

Today, Bates reports some success in eye cases with massive doses and pupal dilatation routine, and diet. Finally, I think Red Cross boxes are the whole answer. Spent the entire afternoon on eye resumed. There has been another engagement in the Marshall.

Dec. 8/43 Wedding anniversary. Also 3rd anniversary of our entry into the war. Holiday in Manila has now in Pbilid. Faulstich made inspection with me today. Col. & Longswan's Quarters were outstanding. Saw for to call in their Personnel and third third. 18# very poor, #2 fair, #3 fair. Twenty five smoke boxes arrived for the 8 men from Passay, all the cigarettes had been removed. Many planes in air today for a change. Part of the celebration outside. There is a big fire about a mile away. Days of 15 from Clark Field arrived today. Bad situation bad. Eleven sleeping on bare deck without mattresses. Expecting more of men from Clark. Two more cases admitted from Los Area. We have tried to show the Japanese the need of fixing up the old Hosp. bldg so that it will be usable for the 57 ACB Wnd party and give us 15# for patients. They can't grasp the situation at all. They have practically no building material to fix up the building. They have no mattresses, they won't admit they don't have, - just one of the many problems that arise when you are a prisoner of the "love nets." If they would let us, we could build beds and get mattresses. But then, they would lose jobs.

Dec. 9/43 - Rainy. Very dark and cold. Every thing clammy and damp. Yakuji asked for more radio messages. I thought that issue had died a natural death. There is a report that the messages have been heard being broadcast from Tokyo. Conference with woods this morning in reference to improving the military discipline and bearing. We see eye to eye on the necessity of maintaining a well appearing, well disciplined force, as a morale factor, maintenance of self respect, and staying fit for any future issue. He

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appearance and attitude of the personnel here good-
ly improved since Oct 1. But it needs a little
brush under it now and it looks like now is the
time. We clean up our own House first, so Wood
and I harangue the staff tonight as to proper
function as to work, personal appearance, and
attitude. Excellent response. They jumped into
it with a very gratifying spirit. The thing
will spread naturally to other platoons as
Barko and Offner in charge of building will
carry over the idea among their personnel.

Conference with Nogi. Tells us Amer. cig. are
appearing in market. Indicated Belchid as
source but we beat him to the draw. We
explained our searching all working parties,
permitting no ones. Just a Tot to go outside
Belchid. Aided other schemes. We were warned
"not to seem anyone temp the guards to
take them out & see them." The guards have
tried to get cigarettes for their purpose on several
occasions. The answer to that is, there we
have no use for wire money. We have more
money - such as it is - than we are allowed
to spend. I think we may have avoided an incident
like the one of last year.

a truck driver (prisoner) from San Pitas came
in today for dental treatments. ~~Had~~ Came to
my office to report that they had not been
able to buy any commissary supplies with
the money I & another officer sent out, but
he had a few items for us and delivered me
mustard and ketchup substitute. Someone
uses my name carelessly. I have never sent any such
request. It is such stupid individual outside con-
tacts that bring difficulties to the entire camp,
the reason we are so deep in the dog house today.
"The other officer" is in a very responsible position.
I straightened him out in shop order and directed
him to stop the activity. He will. He's a conniver
but no damn fool. I would's times my own
grandmother's anymore.

Paymaster Magueta came in this afternoon with
the same cigarette story. Pledged thru our
Indyans Field accounts and store accounts,
counted all the money etc. Gave us an o.k.,

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stayed off. He doesn't know anyone over there
as the value of this first time "audit" - if you
could call it that. He has a complete report
of the previous status every month. They don't
seem to be able to use any reports submitted.
Worked late in the office tonight. Rugga brings
a case of theirs to me, Jones K.C. file. The
man is a mental defective, always in trouble
everywhere he goes. In the end of the whole
he seems to be punished. Public can never
change the guy. He's that way - and will always
be.

Dec 10/43. Anniversary of the destruction of Coite.
The details grow less acute with years. There
have been so many other episodes since.
The 10th, however, was always remain as the
bloodiest day of the war for me - to date.
Rained all morning. Very dark. It is very
difficult to work during these dark days. No
lights are allowed. Our eyes are bad. Department
dark. Reports are that food shortage in Missouri
has reached a serious low and every prospect
of growing worse. Many long city for pennies.
Brokershire broke over today. Communist story gives
any longer. "Broke" never has taken sweet to
losing the eye man has so much say about
eye cases on his ward. "Broke" doesn't agree
him etc. etc. Well, most of us have love affair
with Broke and his Therapist so that
makes it even. Just like his old man. However,
Broke said his day and now, martyr like,
miserable soul, he is satisfied. He has
done his duty. He has objected. He is
ready now to submit to the iron law
of those who enforce policies upon the
common people. O.K. Status quo. Free
Massacre day declared by Japs at 10:00 am.
Plenty here to help us busy all day however.
Doing so flood claims for Nazi on Formosa
guard. Uses up half our dye stock but
I imagine they have none at all. Carpenter
making beds for us today from any lumber
they can scrape up.

Dec. 11/43 Saturday.

Steel overcast. Lights drizzle. Case admitted during night from Air Corps working party. Death of Acute Endocarditis. Delivered the second payments of 21.00 P's on inadequate glasses today in accordance with Utkesij's order. Deplator Indignors find by that much, said fund is dwindling fast. Received a drop of 6 from Pasay and 48 from Sipu. The Sipu gave Red Christmas food boxes, steel containing "Red God" cigarettes which had to be collected + turned over. (25 pcs.). We made them good to the men out of our allowance. Billid. is having to make adjustments constantly in order to assure Red Cross material to everybody in some sort of equitable manner. From all I can learn, we have put thru a better distribution than other camps and have managed to get the stuff to the men in greater quantity and in quicker time. This is necessary, if the men are to have any assurance of getting their just share. Very susceptible communique from Farris showing that he is working at his job down there. Seems to have learned a lot by experience. Has some semblance of order + system down there ~~too~~ now. When he first went out there he had had no experience handling men. It was a mess. His shoe problem there same as ours - and elsewhere - big sizes in excess + still needing smaller ones. All camps were have the same report. Anything from 9 1/2 up (To 11 1/2) will go begging except in scattered instances. Steel have about 200 pr. of big sizes here we can't use to date. Had to pack up Ritter today and get his head 11 moved. He is a stubborn Dutchman and an asshole. He is doing a good job but Goddam it he just can't get his eyes above the ground. Very dogmatic, very didactic, very narrow horizon for time + space. A good man - and doing a swell job, and no worse than other prima-donas. But had to head him in head today.

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that I had to temporarily address on one occasion. Even so, he did a swell job. He put up with Russian politics as long as they are positive in nature. To have with the "Yanin" group. They give real trouble, not any more. Busy morning. Inspection of present Red Cross Supplies indicates that I now have a med. Supply Depot base of about \$250,000 (medicine alone). Equipment base of about \$100,000. Maybe \$1000. By our standards practically all of our gear would be under "Survey no value" class. This was a big in the place would keep. No medicines we would tolerate a minute. In Red Cross Supplies other than medicine (sheets, clothing, shoes, etc.) we estimate \$16,000 will cover it. More radio messages turned over to Haldane today. Response is very poor. What few messages are turned in are very brief. Busy today analyzing med. Supplies for budgeting. We have decided to adapt the criteria of the 1112 cases as a 2 yr supply. Actually we expect it to be a 1 yr. supply. Places 6 mo. in reserve. Vitamins supply budgeted so as to provide therapeutic dosage for cases under Rx but we believe prophylaxis is just as necessary now as treatment. We still labor under the defect of not being told enough by the Japanese to intelligently provide. Nogi told me what a lot of medical supplies he handled when he sent a whole train load to Cabanatuan. And yet I continue to get word that Cabanatuan has received none. There is still the probability that Cabanatuan is to be supplied out of this place as a depot. Of course, that is OK with us. We have trained supply personnel and can handle the job but the mind of American liaison is evident for their interest of the whole but the Japs won't allow that. Raining off and on all day. Wind is even up a little. We spent a week repairing Bldg 13 in order to make it half way livable for the ACWP arriving from Cabanatuan. A Jap Inspector from headquarters is expected, so in order to justify a request for more lumber, the Japs yielded for 10 men this afternoon and ordered them to knock down all repairs, knock out the windows etc. with sledgehammers. The place, apparently looked too good. The boys had an entertainment tonight in the Billiard Bowl. Another

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tragic attempt to "slap going." not much as, ~~too~~
and you can't eat that stuff but it helps tighten
the belt. ~~to~~ Moustie had the Duty tonight. ~~to~~
usual came around after lights out. As soon
as he was spotted the old fumbler word was
passed "Air Raid." The other fumbler warning
is "Jolley-Ko."

Dec. 12/43 - Sunday.
Chaplain Duffie had some disparaging remarks
to make about the show of last night - shows in
General. Distracted Clyde no end. Reticulous.
The humor is lusty and not exactly subtle, but
its humor - of a kind - and we need it - and in-
to it. Wrote an approving letter to Clyde and
them the Players to bring them up and encouraging
them to do more. I Duffie was so wide open
and above board and as constructive as our
Biblic Theatre, he would serve a much more
useful purpose here. The Belibid Players offered
their aid to the Chaplains in putting on some
Christmas stuff. The Chaplains replied with a
beautiful injured innocence tirade. The Players
will put on one of their own anyhow.

Attended Divine Services today. (Similar to me!)
Air Corps Bureau raising hell about not enough
passengers appearing for their work details,
Kubota asking for details. Had to stop everything
and get this squared away. We are trying to
get over to him that these are recently ill
men they are using. They must expect more
sick in quarters than from a normal healthy group.
This is still a hospital, not a work camp. We have
an excess of some medicines which will be-
submitted a list to Japanese today and suggested it
be placed where most needed. We know medicine
is much needed in Manila and in accordance
with Geneva Treaty medicines are International.
Ald staff meeting at night. We submitted our
supply budget to them and explained our "loves"
and "love notes." Discussed Vitaminic Therapy +
unanimous opinion was in form of Vitaminic
prophylaxis by our newly arrived supplies
and the continuance of our yeast making.
Announced to the staff that indications are, we

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are in for a long day ahead. Our job is to quit
discussing the matter publicly, assume an OK
attitude and keep the box from rocking by a
united inside calm. Also, the general tendency
for both criticism of administration & con-
ditions at other camps must cease unless
proof is forthcoming. The general trend has
been for every day to give somebody a
blood dye in the camp they put legs and
we set too prone to take up their stuff and
without turning the facts, spread it and
keep it alive. This is not good. It creates a mental
hazard for men going out to these camps and make
it hard to find anyone trying to run a camp
somehow and can't please everybody.

Dec 13/43 Monday.

Made suit. Bad sore throat. (Not Dips). Would
on his desk all morning. Have a note on my
desk to read somewhere that on Nov. 5, 1943,
the Japanese took Irumasayashi & Pfeiffer's records.
Removed to headquarters "for safe keeping" and to
prevent anyone committing Rabi Kari. Yakauchi
made such a remark while we were talking
about it. As a matter of fact it is a part of
the same phobia as the tools. There is not
subsequent constant fear at headquarters that
we want to escape or gang up on them. The
ridiculousness of such a procedure is so evident
to us that we don't take them seriously when
such ideas are advanced. Example of ludicrous
situation reflected in the important question of
getting one five gal. tin for a rice bucket.
Tong talk at conference. Just can't get. Neither
could get paper to mend a bucket. Has finally
retreated to make wooden buckets out of
the boxes the Red Cross Supplies are in. What
about soap? The rice bucket issue has really
assumed a matter of state. Began a move to
reclaim some mattresses. Have many sleeping
on bare decks. There are some 35 sodden, torn,
stained, rotted mattresses up in #3. Asked
permission to try to reclaim some of them.
It was approved. Will turn them over to
Mr. Wright and occupational therapy and see
what they can do. Several reports from about

The compound seems to indicate that the beginning of Prophylactic Vitamine Administration through the eating has had a good psychological effect. We have so systematized it that letters are made available to every man and it is assumed that he actually takes it. Better present eye status, the psychological effect is no small matter. Begun from project today. The Japanese repeatedly inform us that there is poor supplies of any vegetables. They will supply seed. Made a survey of the camp and recorded areas already under cultivation and designated additional areas. Have placed Capt. Ford (Army) in charge of the details. Sgt. Edwards, who has been doing the forming continues as working boss. Ford man. My planting plan has been approved but I can be sure to have a hell of a lot of extra departmental interference by remote control from Headquarters. Sabro will be word comes our patients. Darcy + Hudson returned our on me in their weight recordings. Started off with a bang. It began to look like a job. Dins, said down, another example of officer failure. Poor material all around. Got Adams in and we have put Capt Foster on the job. Foods were promising. The figures are important and just as well not to have anybody dealing with them if they know the interest and spirit to really make them of statistical value. These weights form an important part of my overall estimate of the nutritional state of the various groups upon whom I base my feeding. Food is so scarce as medicine and has to put where needed most. Reports of blood counts to high, taken on Japanese guards, all show high eosinophils. Worms? 8 cases observed from Calocan, never were recommended to remain in camp. They had to be taken to Port Area and "cleared" before they could leave them. They did. However, as here tonight and very depressed. Can't keep from getting that way at times and it hurts. Japanese sent in large amt of small-pox vaccine, all of it 10 mos. over expired date. So written or is in Japanese. Explained to the Japs that we have enough small-pox vaccine in our Red Cross material to vaccinate everybody in Billet and we were already arranging to do so. As a matter of fact, we are having to use our American vaccine as soon as its expiration date is very near. The procedure is already in Zundell's hands. Ritter apologized today for his recent attitude in our office. I am glad he has seen fit to do so. An army companion from Calocan reported to me tonight the conduct and activities of a one Kissinger

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U.S.A. who calls himself a Sgt. but isn't. He is the American in charge of the Calumet Prisoners. From the story of the Army Medical, Kirauger is a french druggist who is reformed and advising ideas with Americans. Have made a note of this business. Still I can do as the moment but may be able to help out soon. The only officer out there is a med. officer (Army) and stupid as hell. No other officers have ever reported the conduct of this man a hell of a mess.

Dec. 14/43. Blue bugs and cool. Eye cases were finally concentrated in Wd. 11 today. Six of the personal radio messages turned over today. Just as I get my four program under way, expected detestable began. Every gap from headquarters down feeling as further, what and when its plans. They can't seem to realize that certain crops do better in certain places etc. However, will have a fair in spite of them. Made re-placements in the Air Corps Bureau working party and re-wrote our Cabaret man draft. Worked on file all afternoon. No rain all day. Continued work at night on draft. All hands were legs standing at Bango tonight because someone tackled on some other damn insignificant thing. Whim of the duty Sgt. Nothing serious. Rugged all worked up over four men in his detail whom he found involved in a liquor and woman job while they were working at the Major's house. Of course, such conduct is deleterious to the general American welfare if they are caught, but somehow it doesn't impress me as a moral crime like stealing or lying, or conspiracy of some nature, or a racket. As I see it, it was a wholesome fit-man desire in four demoralized men, and a chance to get a few drinks and a lay, and the consequences never bothered their God. Maliciousness didn't enter. I called them in, reminded them how all of us have to take their crap when anyone is caught, was given assurance they would play ball and let it go as that. Somehow I couldn't get worked up over it. ~~By the way~~ I am glad I sincerely approve of earth since but I guess I shouldn't forget there is time & place for anything & perhaps a Japanese Major's house should be made a wire fence for American Prisoners. It's a case of not having your head over a tail.

Dec 15/43. Officers in chg. of buildings now have to stand bangs in bldgs. and report on numbers present. Cool, clear, afraid to do any more weather requests. Raining season has hung on long time this year but think it is well broken. Mahuta in again less next annoying patients. Was just beginning request miserably unproductive when No. 1 sent word to

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Nogi was there today. The eye cases were very impressive and had his attention. Even got him to look thru an ophthalmoscope today and see a damaged fundus. At least that's what was there. The Hospital was in excellent condition today. Had Jones, American Army Professor before the Japanese to permit entrance. Chatted with them. Sentenced to try and so followed thru this date at about 1600. Worked late in office tonight. Four minute changes in Prof. Fried, Wehly - and Kowtsick.

Dec. 16/43 - Thursday. Clear + cool. Prof's for Cuban-
atuar got underway at 4:15 am. Juggling up the
store to spend our allowed money. It has
accumulated by piles of dollars. If we can't
spend it for one thing - spend it for another - for
for God's sake spend it. Turned over med. supplies
to Japanese (American origin) which we credit
we before they would give. This is in accord
with the Geneva Convention that medicines are
international and should be used for the good
of all factions. We had an excess of several
thous and credit use and they would spoil.
They were accepted by Nogi. Turned them over
today. Got out a memo to Chiefs of Service
on the splendid appearance the wards presented
yesterday. Firewood situation continues serious. Almost
enough for 3 more days in main gallery. Used 2 quarts
Herao into a long hour now over coffee today.
These poor woves of the help. Scared that these
pegs we have been used nursing are intended for
ballid use as well as Headquarters. According to
him, Headquarters expect to get 2 of them. If
this is true we should get a fair issue of pork,
lard, etc. Don't mind working along as much
with them if this is true. Don't need fat today.
Some question at headquarters about bringing in
some Caribac on the way. Glad to have a bird
of them but there is no use for them. From
him we learn that we have gotten over the idea that
the Cubans we are using here the convalescent patients
material, nor healthy working men. In the meanwhile
we sugar again reduced to 150gms a day. Course we
know he will get firewood for us in time. Got a side
letter of the war from his uncle. Their propaganda work
will enter the tropes. His idea returns to Taiwan in
3 mos. to become a civilian for a while and work out
the money being paid to his wife. Then he returns to
the Army. It is apparent that Japan has shaken down
to where she accepts war as the normal state of the
return from here to Taiwan to become politician.

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Conference with Naga today. I am submitting. The morning
received official notification thru Japanese via Geneva
from U.S. of the prohibition of ~~because of~~ three
chiefs to warrant rank, Madae, Boucaud and
Grew. Madae was a chief Pharm. mate. The sit-
uation is very unusual. Tonight, I swore them
in. all three accepted the notice, the Japanese had
the forwarding of the notice, the Japanese had
appended a paragraph to the effect that the
status of the three as prisoners remained un-
changed so far as the I.G.O. was concerned.
However, following the swearing in, I moved Madae
to warrants quarters

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because 1036. The compound were feed 22.00 +
for a short time - what a time! However gone
the present food quantities in Manila.
Sod news. Native oranges, 35 each - Papaya
2.00 each - coconuts 1.00 each - wood 2.00 a
bundle (about 10 small sticks) - cabbage 8.80 kilo -
cucumber 2.40 kilo - green onions 3.50 kilo -
green beans 3.30 kilo - egg plant 2.00 kilo -
chicken 4.00 each, 9.00 each, 12.00 each -
duck 10-14.00 each - turkey (broad) 40.00 each.
For a seven month's supply of wood we
would have to pay 2200 pesos. ~~There~~ has
getting much action on the wood proposition.
Buy today filing and recording my memos
for future use. Japanese for the purpose
day. Paymaster in. even over 2000 and
traded in terms of big trading stuff, knowing
can well be used for a damn thing to build
with. Tool codes could be used. They are so
damn afraid we will use tools for weapons and
to escape that they insist on turning in all
tools as night - except copper shop. I had the
key to that every night and if anybody wanted
escapes by means of a shaver and hammer
and starts a guard with a shot maki's tool, it
it goes to bed for me. In the meanwhile, up in
the gallery and have cleaners, big stoves,
as balconies etc. Stupidity. Confess with
Hoyan as night. This year is doing a damn
pile of shoes, my hand clothing, our
pinkies.

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Inspection has been pouring in to camp by
sanitary routes but the boys have gotten too
gray with it. Began this morning to put the quarters on
it and get it under control. We expect the pressure
but we are sure as hell not going to have it long
as the Japanese policy of distributing frame sheets etc.
Army, Police and higher this morning. Made a tour
about the "plantation" to look over planting project.
Decided to close in my office space. Ripped up some
wreck overhead sheeting from a building and an
slapping is together hurriedly this morning. If I
change is constructed before the Japs see me I
will probably be able to flood it. Woke & I
need a little privacy and bring your headquarters
packed under a pile of red dead boxes on
5th Ave. is not conducive to our kind of work.

Special divine services held today for those of
the work party who cannot attend on Sunday.
Full day in office. Conference with Nogi. We
are now a supply depot and having a hell
of time selling Nogi the American way of
running one. Did pretty well in getting it over
forward. Still much talk about "planting". Have
told the Japs we can plant and out grow anything
they buy in - if they need just let us alone.
to run it our way. Can take a lot of messing
and get anywhere. Bags of 60 from Palawan
arrived today. Not too bad physically. Proper,
duty, shrewd, and most of them "stii whedda".
we will attempt to shore them, clothe them,
clean them up and guess them down and
start them back on the road to self respect.

Dec. 19/43 Sunday. Divine services as usual.
Gradually lie into place as best we can with
ruined mills. New high census of 1038 and still
rising. This bastard, Roberge, turns up again. Had
difficulty with him out on Consider. A white
Dentist who was asked to resign for part of the time
a long time ago. Arrived on Consider a couple of
and the damned to get me to take him out as
Noble Officer to 4th Reg. Abund. Refused him to
Come in - who turned him down and. He reported
himself as a Lt. (jg) to Japs, to get in prisoner
pay roll. On arrival here from Palawan re-
ported himself as such. I should have been up about

and got that changed. Too many phones around here. Japs have not measuring all the trees up in Palau and drawing floor plans. Gave only 4000s whys. Sixty food boxes arrived for Palawan group. Issued. My planting schedule being interfered with by Japs. They have no system, can't plan ahead, but a mess thinking. Gas in very way. Issued orders today to vaccinate everybody against measles. Got my scratch today. Used the Red Cross vaccine which was nearing expiration date. Eyes hurting like hell. Working every night in office.

Dec 20/43 Good as hell today. Down to new low of 72. Census continues at new high 1088. Got permission for those who love Christmas in San Tomas to send them Christmas messages. Got them off today. Made general inspection of planting projects. Eyes still hurt like hell. My office boy. Head ached today. Half grey overcast day. Submitted a diary entry in Catabatuan. With so many eye invalids developing, it looks as tho it will be necessary to transfer some to Catabatuan for essay to transfer whether they are prepared to handle them. We need Overseas contacts today but the Japs don't like it.

Dec. 21/43 Tuesday - Overcast and very dark. Long office day after looking over the planting. Am clamoring for more seed. I can not farm these Japs to best use. Every last inch of ground will be planted. They feel a lot about this planting but can't produce. When I force them for seed they just do it here. Have nothing. The eye got is bugging down. Not getting enough paper under B. Had an in today and threw a fire under them. Showing of the Palawan group under way. For permission to leave food boxes to a group leaving for Catabatuan. Eye giving me hell. Got off the Christmas diplomacy today by sending Christmas letters to Hirohito. Those boys here best for sending from

for our dead each year. We are making 1944 calendars. Wonder how many more years we will live to do that. Well, God bless 'em, if it takes ten more years I can outlast em some damn way.

Dec 27/43. Much petty pickering among the offices. Quarters sound like a forecourt. Hardly becoming to rank. Little things, born so big in this prison life. Naturally course of events to find them all so under stress and strain so farlong. I'd wish here only them in a few days. So many of our young officers lost nor had enough strong in early life - nor lived too much in a realm of self imposed duties only. Not use to community life. Arguments for public service early in youth and I don't mean some meek feeding military academy either. Harry Gray says, how clouds. "Made regular weekly inspection. Found them not along today." "Neutral sympathizer" said by Japs to be Filipino V.M.C.A. says in a truck load of Christmas supplies to us. Hell of a nice contribution. I write a letter of thanks in the Japs to forward. These local people had cranked their re-partedly and down well. Clothing, tooth powder + brushes, food, soap etc. Damn loyal folks. Census taking at 1038 and no news as to when a ship will leave.

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