

RECOVERY TEAM NO. 56
HQ. AMER. DIV. ARTY.
APO 716

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SUBJECT: Report of Recovery Team 56

TO : HQ. XI Corps
APO 471
ATTENTION: RECOVERED PERSONNEL DET.

1. Report on Yokohama Camp # 19

A. Location: Yokohama Camp #19 is located 100 yards Southeast of New Grand Hotel, in Yokohamashi Nakaku, Yamashitacho. Coordinates 567.1-1391.6 on Central Honshu Map Scale, 1/5000. Yokohama Camp 19 is a branch of Omori main camp.

b. Description of camp: Yokohama Camp #19 was probably called Tokohama. The camp was opened 1 May 1944 and was completely destroyed by American bombers the 29 May 1945. There were 51 prisoners of War who were in this camp working unloading Transport ships which were anchored in Tokyo Bay. After the camp was bombed the POW's were moved to Yokohama Camp # 18. No prisoners of war were killed by American bombing of the Camp.

c. Construction of the camp: The area of the camp is 40 yards wide and 52 yards long. The barracks were of two story wooden buildings plus an assortment of additions to the main building. Due to the fact that the area had been cleaned up to some extent it was impossible to tell anything about the condition and facilities in the camp. The buildings of the camp were owned by some ship company. For more details concerning construction and location of buildings in the camp see inclosed Japanese map of the camp.

2. Records found:

The following records and documents were found in Yokohama Camp #19 but these records concern Yokohama Camp #19.

- a. A list of the names of the men in the camp with their rank and home address.
- b. Japanese map of the camp.
- c. Various Assortment of Japanese records of the camp.

Deaths in the camp:

No records found of deaths in the camp.

Burial plots:

No burial plots found.

3. Summary:

The Japanese commander of Yokohama Camp was 1st.

Junsho Hayashi, he was in command of the camp from 1 May 1944 to 20 Dec. 1944. From 20 Dec. 1944 to date camp was bombed 2dlt. Ryugo Kanatsuma was commander of the camp. The Japanese NCO in charge was Sgt. Mano. The above information was obtained by an investigation and thorough search of Yokohama Camp #19 and from talking with Japanese Capt. Taichi Sato who assisted us in finding the camp.

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