

MITSUSHIMA CIRCA 1942 – 1945 (MITUSUBISHI MOTORS) TOYKO

CAMP #3 HISTORIES

COMPANY 460 - CCC SAVANNAH GEORGIA

The attached documents are copies of the originals written by S/L W.T. Blanchard RAF and cover the camp history for the Mitsushima Toyko #3 Camp. The other corporations involved in this type operation include Mitsu, Kawasaki, and Nippon Steel. All the aforementioned corporations have become financial giants as each who reads this should know. To the best of my family's knowledge these documents here never been publicly released. They were left to my family by our Uncle, James Franklin Stalvey. We knew little of these documents until his death in 1970. Included in this package are Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) documents showing our Uncle seated on the front row of the company's annual photograph. These men went wherever they were needed in the early to late 1930's. There was little work in those days and this gave the young men income of \$30. a month. In particular Company 460 worked in Pulaski restoring Ft Pulaski to a National Monument. Their works can still be seen there!

After leaving the CCC Uncle James was inducted into the U.S. Army and sent to the Philippines to fight for our country. Over 12,000 US soldiers surrendered to the Japanese forces after being driven to the tip of the Bataan Peninsula with no food, munitions or medicine. Once there the Japanese soldiers started the infamous Bataan Death March. Over 1000 were shot, stabbed, beaten or simply left by the side of the road to die during the 55 mile journey!

The survivors of these terrible atrocities never received any type repatriation from the United States government. Most are deceased. They were forced to sign waivers by our government stating they would never speak of the things that happened to them as slaves in these camps. The attached Franklin D. Roosevelt "FDR" note is asking for information on the troops in the camps. Although it is not dated one could assume it is 1942.

File Number #1

Article that appeared in Parade Magazine June 17, 2001

File Number #2

CCC Company 460 Savannah Georgia 1934

File Number #3

Camp #3 Roster – Archives File 3128-1 (James Stalvey shown)

File Number #4

Report by S/L W.T Blanchard RAF, Camp Monitor for Period 11/28/1942 -07/28/1943

Sections 1 -8

File Number #5

Report by S/L W.T Blanchard RAF, Camp Monitor for period 11/28/1942 – 07/28/1943

Sections 9 -15 including signatures of guards guilty of beating and others

File Number #6

Report by S/L W.T. Blanchard RAF, Camp Monitor for period 07/28/1943 -06/26/1945

Sections 1- 15

Congressman Mike Honda 15th District California has introduced HR 1198 intended to seek justice for the POW.

For these men. We urge you to please contact your Washington representatives to support Congressman Honda in this effort to honor these brave soldiers.

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I was also stationed on the island of Luzon at Clark Air Base, Angeles City Philippines' from 1968 until 1969.

