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Philippine Evacuee Report #182

Subject : Identifications on Southern NEGROS

From : David A WATKINDS

Name : David Arthur Watkinds Born : 1893, at Woodburn, Oregon

Education : Grade School

Service : Sgt, Sth US Cavalry, Manila, 1912-1914 Occupation: Employed on sugar and coconut plantations, lumber companies, in Police

Department, by stevedoring and trading companies, as travelling salesman for photo enlargements; prospector and miner; last employed by Nm C PFLEIDER as General

Manager, Asia Lumber and Plantation Company, at Asia, Negros Occidental.

In PI : Since 1912

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Negros from the outbreak of the war until he was evacuated to Australia in February 1944. His information is largely hearsay, and must be evaluated with this in mind. Information given below is thought to be reliable.

DONALD W SAWTELLE: Major, Cavalry, US Army, serial number 0-12196. May be Coast Artillery Corps officer. Captured by the Japanese at Asia, 23 July 42.

ALFRED SMALLY : Civilian, aged 75, captured by the Japanese at Asia, 23 July 42.

ROBERT GRAINGER: Aviator. Sailed from Asia 28 June 42 for Australia in a small boat named "Maria del Piler". Two Filipinos, REARICK, WEISS, "KINCAID", and 5 (?) other Americans went with him.

CLYDE A REARICK : American, radio operator, home address 110 West 5th St, Oil City Pennsylvania. Sailed for Australia with Grainger.

MDWARD WEISS: American, radio operator, from Brooklyn, New York. Sailed for Australia with Grainger.

"KINCAID" : American. Sailed for Australia with Grainger.

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