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TEAM ¹⁴ 68

- Saturday 18 Aug 45
 - Received orders Attached team 68 to 11th ABX
- Sunday 19 Aug 45
 - Landed Naha air strip in Okinawa and proceeded to CP 11th air born X.
- Monday 20 Aug 45
 - Established office in tent next to Div Artg.
- Tuesday - 21 Aug 45
 - awaiting orders for movement to Japan.
- Wednesday 22 Aug 45
 - awaiting orders for movement to Japan
- Thursday 23 Aug 45
 - awaiting orders for movement to Japan.
- Friday 24 Aug 45
 - awaiting orders for movement to Japan
- Saturday 25 Aug 45
 - awaiting orders for movement to Japan
- Sunday 26 Aug 45
 - awaiting orders for movement to Japan
- Monday 27 Aug 45
 - awaiting orders for movement to Japan

- Tuesday
Monday 28 Aug 45
 - awaiting orders for movement to Japan.
- Wednesday
Tuesday 29 Aug 45
 - Received orders and No of Plane. Packed equipment and loaded on a C-54.
- Thursday 30 Aug 45 -
 - 1055 - Departed Okinawa destination Atzugi air strip.
 - 1650 - Landed Atzugi air strip immediately processed 2 Dutch POW's. One had Broken arm as result of air drop.
- Friday 31 Aug. 45 -

Proceeded to Omori POW Camp 5 mi. from downtown Tokyo. Navy had just evacuated personnel by landing craft. Team confiscated large amount of records and also maps showing locations of POW Camps throughout Japan.
- Saturday 1 Sept. 45 -

Ordered by 8th Army to proceed to Ofuna POW Camp to process & evacuate personnel. Arrived at Ofuna camp at 1230. Camp was in the process of being evacuated by Capt. Buchanan, RAN, convinced him of the purpose of the Recovery Team and proceeded to process the POW's.

 - 1400 - Completed processing 98 POW's.
 - 1500 - All POW's shuttled to Ofuna R.R. Sta. by commandeered Japanese truck.
 - 1700 - All POW's arrived within 5 mi. of Atzugi Air Strip via commandeered Japanese train.

- Saturday 1 Sept. 45 Cont. —
 - 1830- All POW's shuttled to Atsugi Air strip via commandeered Japanese truck & turned over to ATC for shipment to Manila.
- Sunday 2 Sept. 45 —

Received VOGO from 8th Army relieving Team 68 from attached to 11 ABX & further attaching Team 68 to Hq. 8th Army. Proceeded to move equipment & set up office in New Grand Hotel, Yokohama.
- Monday 3 Sept. 45 —

Attended meeting with Maj. Green, Maj. Allen, Comdr. Stassen to formulate plans to set up processing station at Yokohama North Docks. Worked all night setting up processing station coordinating with 42nd General Hospital.
- Tuesday 4 Sept. 45 —

Schooled 15 NCO's of 42nd General Hospital for the purpose of processing POW patients aboard the Hospital Ships.

 - 2900- Had processed 473 POW's & internees. Requested 8 more Recovery Teams to handle work being done by our team after talking with Maj. Green 8th Army explaining that the 42nd General Hospital needed their NCO's to work at their own medical proc.
- Wednesday 5 Sept. 45 —

Informed by Maj. Green, 8th Army, that 11th Corps would assume responsibility of

Wednesday 5 Sept. 45 (Cont.)

processing at North Docks at 1200.

-1200- Had processed 275 POW's & internees before arrival of Capt. Goyer, attached to 11th Corps. Explained processing set up & turned it over to him. Our team was complimented by Gen. Rice & Col. Yeager, 8th Army, for our work in organizing processing station at North Docks, Yokohama.

- Thursday 6 Sept. 45

Moved our office along with 8th Army to the NYK Building, Yokohama, where we processed any POW's that wandered in & then sent them down to the docks for their medical Ex. Also helped 8th Army with their forms during processing lulls.

- Friday 7 Sept. 45

Maintained Office in NYK Building

- Saturday 8 Sept. 45

Maintained Office in NYK Building

- Sunday 9 Sept. 45

Maintained Office in NYK Building

- Monday 10 Sept. 45

Formed Recovery Team composite, consisting of Team 68, Medical unit, War Crimes Committee Representatives and two Royal British Marines, under command of Maj. Suttler, 8th Army.

-1150- Left Atsugi Air Strip in C-47.

Monday 10 Sept. 45 (Cont.)

- 1630 - Arrived Chitose Naval Air Base, Hokkaido. Had meeting immediately with Japanese officials and formed plan to evacuate POW's. Plan was to evacuate 200 POW's by rail to Chitose each day & then by Air to Atsugi. Divided Recovery Team Composite into 5 groups & sent each group by auto to a different POW Camp to explain plan of evacuation to camp leaders and to immediately evacuate all critical patients on the 2100 train. Due to deplorable condition of the roads it was only possible to reach the Main Camp Bibai, under command of Maj. Quigley, & Camp No. 3 Utashinai, under command of Maj. Devereux. One group travelled 16 hrs. to cover 60 mi.
- Tuesday 11 Sept. 45
 - 0700 - Litter patients began arriving & were placed in the Chitose Naval Air Base Hospital. It was impossible to evacuate these patients to Atsugi immediately because the Air Corps claimed bad weather.
 - 2100 - 386 POW's had been fed a warm meal & bedded down for the night.
- Wednesday 12 Sept. 45
 - 10 planes departed with 388 men.

- Thursday 13 Sept. 45

- 0730 - 409 POW's arrived & were processed medically by 1200. In the meantime they were all fed hot rations, plane manifests were made up & the group was ready

- Thursday 13 Sept. 45 Cont.
to leave when the planes arrived at 1300.
 - 1400- Planes started taking off for Atsugi.
 - 1700- Planes returned because of bad weather. Also six TBF's landed to pick up Maj. Devereux, U.S.M.C.
- Friday 14 Sept. 45 —
359 additional POW's arrived making conditions here a bit crowded to say the least. Contacted USS Barfleur in attempt to have them transport 300 POW's from the port of Hakodate. Barfleur enroute to Yokohama returned to Hakodate by 1300. Ordered Japanese officials to arrange special train from Chitose station to Hakodate.
 - 1300- Loaded 281 POW's on special train.
 - 2200- train arrived at Hakodate & all men were put aboard the USS Barfleur.
- Saturday 15 Sept. 45 —
 - 1000- The weather having cleared, the planes took off with 359 POW's.
- Sunday 16 Sept. 45 —
 - 0700- 435 POW's arrived, were fed a hot meal, medically processed, and the last plane sent out at 1145.
- Monday 17 Sept. 45 —
 - 0700- 25 Aleutian civilians and were quartered in the hospital due to poor health. Due to bad weather only (1) C-46 arrived & of course did not dare take off again.

- Tuesday 18 Sept. 45 —
Bad weather - heavy rains. However we made an 80 mi. trip to inspect all camps in this area but the weather was too bad to take any photos.
- Wednesday 19 Sept. 45 —
Received word of a Naval flier wandering about the woods near Sapporo. Recovered this fellow & found that he had crashed two months ago & had escaped capture.
- Thursday 20 Sept. 45 —
Worked all day listing medical supplies, recovered drop supplies, POW baggage for shipment to Atsugi.
- Friday 21 Sept. 45 —
Load two planes with baggage plus the 25 Aleutians.
- Saturday 22 Sept. 45 —
Weather bad
- Sunday 23 Sept. 45 —
Weather still bad & no communication with Yokohama.
- Monday 24 Sept. 45 —
One C-46 arrived with Wing Commander. He informed us that baggage was to be turned over to 309th Bomber Wing Airtack Force, C-46 to RON &

- Monday 24 Sept. 45 Cont.
transport team back to Atsugi.
- Tuesday 25 Sept. 45 -
 - 0820- Depart from Chitose Naval Air Base.
 - 1120- Arrived Tachikawa Air Strip.
- Wednesday 26 Sept. 45 -
Informed by Maj. Graham that team is to return to Manila.
- Awaited from above date until the 30 Sept. 45 for Transportation to Manila.

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