

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. Area to cover: Enclosed will be found an overlay showing the zones of occupation controlled by Amer. Div. Artillery. Also included is a breakdown showing the zones of the respective Battalions in the Division. Roughly the area extends from approximately nine miles north of Yokohama to twenty one miles south of Yokohama to the tip of Miura Kanto peninsula and inland from Tokyo Bay eight miles.

2. Contact was made with the Division Artillery Counter Intelligence Corps Officer and the Division Artillery S-2. They have no record nor have they received any reports as to the location of any POW Camps in the Amer. Div. Arty. area. Leads were however obtained as to the location of a burial plot and a factory where Prisoners of War were presumed to have worked. These leads will be investigated.

3. The greater part of the day was spent in getting organized, determining how many camps were in this area and locating these camps on the map. It was found that there are or were eight camps in this zone. Of the eight camps five (1. Yokohama 2. Tokyo Camp 3. Camp Park Central 4. Kanagawa Yokohama 5. Nogeyama Park) are in the Yokohama area and two (1. Kanagawa 2. Kawasaki # 1 Bunsho) are located between Yokohama and Tokyo and one (1. Ofuna) is in the Southern portion of the zone. There are approximately 150 square miles of territory in the Amer. Div. Arty. occupation zone.

4. Future operations: The Amer. Div. Arty. occupation zone has been broken down into areas which are under control of the 245, 246, 247, 221 Field Artillery Battalions. I plan a systematic search of these areas to determine and locate any camps and to find and forward any information and documents I may locate.

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