

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

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SUBJECT: REPORT OF RECOVERY TEAM 56
: HQX XI CORPS
APO 716
ATTENTION: RECOVERED PERSONNEL DET.

1. Report on Yokohama Camp # 1

a. Location: Yokohama Camp # 1 is located 500 yards West of Asano Docks in Yokohamash, Kanagawaku Hashimotocho. Coordinates 665.75-1394.80 on Central Honshu Map Scale 1/50000. Camp # 1 is also a branch of Omori Main Camp.

b. Description of Camp: Yokohama Camp # 1 was opened 18 Nov. 1942 and was closed 13 May 1945, 16 days later it was bombed and completely destroyed by American B-29's. Before the camp closed there were 420 prisoners in the camp 409 EM and NCO's and 11 Officers. Barracks were of stucco and wood and contained the usual facilities. The Area of the camp was 88 yards wide and 100 yards long. This area was inclosed by a board fence.

When the prisoners left the camp they were sent to Sendai POW Camp. While the prisoners were in the camp they worked in the Mitsubishi Yokohama Ship Yards. The type of work performed by the prisoners was painting welding and riveting.

2. Reports found:

a. None

3. Deaths in the camp:

a. No knowledge of any deaths

4. Summary: Japanese commander of the camp was 1st Lt. Chisuwa and Camp. Honda. NCO in charge Sgt. Yamada. There were also 10 to 13 Japanese soldiers guarding the camp. Above information obtained by an investigation made by team 56.

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