RING OPEN WIDE
THE GOLDEN GATES
AND LET THE
VICTORS IN.

THE
LIBERATION BULLETIN
OF
PHILIPPINE INTERNMENT CAMP NO. 1
AT
SANTO TOMAS UNIVERSITY
MANILA, PHILIPPINES.

FEBRUARY 3RD, 1945

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After 37 long months we celebrate our first day of freedom to-day with the final departure of the Japanese from the City of Manila, and await with bounding hearts our own, our friends, our allies.

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**CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS**

1942
Jan. 4. 1st group arrives at Santo Tomas for internment.
Feb. 15. Few men shot for escaping.
Feb. 21. 113 Chinese refugees arrive from Sulphur Springs.
Mar. 8. 16 Navy Nurses arrive.
Apr. 15. Last Wheat bread.
May 17. 43 Consular repatriates depart.
July 1. Japanese take over from Philippine Red Cross the financing of the Camp at 40 centavos per person per day.
Oct. 2. 72 Army Nurses arrive.
Nov. 27th. End, Executive Committee take over.
Aug. 28. Santo Catalina Hospital starts.
Sep. 12. 113 Internnees leave for Shanghai.
Oct. 31. 11 of High Commissioner's staff arrive.
1943
Jan. 9. Canadian Relief Supplies arrive.
Jan. 12. 28 men taken out to Military Camps.
Mar. 9. Tacloban Internnees arrive.
Mar. 17. Recalled Internnees arrive.
May 14. 1st. Las Batas Transfer.
Nov. 15. The Flood.
Dec. 10. 2nd. Las Batas Transfer, including 1st. group of women.
Dec. 15. American Relief Supplies arrive.
1944
Jan. 2. Devag Internnees arrive.
Feb. 1. Military Administration takes over Camp. Filipino Doctors and Nurses, also market vendors barred. Daily cereal ration 400 grams per person per day.
Apr. 7. Holy Ghost Children's Home Closed.
Oct. 18. 2nd. Executive Committee abolished and 3-men Internnee Committee appointed by Japanese.
1944
Feb. 20. Military take over Bodega and all food supplies therein.
22. Local newspaper prohibited.
Apr. 7. 3rd Los Baños Transfer.
May 12. Last Ricebread.
June 5. Central Kitchen starts cooking in outside kitchen permanently with wood.
July 1. Last Stage Show.
7. Religious group brought in to Gymnasium for transfer to Los Baños. Similar groups from all over the Islands follow during the month.
20. Internes photographed in groups of 5, with numbers on their chests.
Aug. 1. All money, except 50 cent. pesos, to be turned in for deposit with Bank of Taiwan.
30. Remedios Hospital Convalescent Home closed.
Sep. 1. Old Men's Home at Hospicio de San José closed.
15. Daily cereal ration 250 gns. per capita.
20. Daily cereal ration 300 gns. per capita.
21. THE AIR RAID.
25. Produce for Vegetable Market so reduced that market at last closed.
Oct. 9. Whole front campus taken over by the Japanese Military for storage of their supplies including arms and ammunition.
14. Chairman of Internee Agents banished to Los Baños.
Nov. 17. Net daily cereal 255 gms. per capita.
Dec. 6. Last Los Baños Transfer.
25. Chairman of Internee Committee and 5 others arrested and subsequently taken out of Camp by Military Police. EXHEADED BY JAPS
25. 3785 happy Internees saw, read, recited or heard verbatim reports of the LEAFLET: DROPPED FROM PLANES.
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Christmas 1944"
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<tr>
<th>Year</th>
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<td>1945</td>
<td>Japanese staff, ordered to leave, spend all night packing and burning papers.</td>
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<td>Committee members held as hostages all day pending planned departure of the Commandant's staff.</td>
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<td>Commandant issues statement that owing to change of plan he and his staff are not leaving. He expresses concern over food situation.</td>
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<td>Leaflet: &quot;...The Battle of the Philippines is in its final phase...&quot;</td>
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<td>We all saw the Stars on their wings!</td>
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<td>War Prisoners' Bureau moves from Far Eastern University into Ed. Building.</td>
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<td>One man escapes from Gym.</td>
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<td>Chairman of Camp Medical Staff jailed by Japanese for refusal to exclude the words &quot;malnutrition&quot; and &quot;starvation&quot; from Death Certificates.</td>
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Average daily per capita calories issued by Japanese Army to Camp: 723.7 during January. Feb. 3rd. 10 U.S. Planes parade to Santo Tomas, drop sandwiches and meals of good tidings into East Potio. About 6.00 P.M. continuous machine-gun fire can be heard to the North. Fires break out all around, especially to the North.

9.00 P.M. THE TANKS ARRIVES.
Feb. 4th. Third Anniversary of the Insurrection of Santo Tomas Internment Camp. plus one month... 37 long months.

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<td>1,335.7 kilos</td>
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<td>Soap</td>
<td>7,632.0 kilos</td>
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<td>Calcium Hypochlorite</td>
<td>2,250.0 kilos</td>
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<td>Alcohol</td>
<td>82.45 litres</td>
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Deaths up to January 31st. 1944 (25 mc.) 185
From Feb. 1st. 1944 to Sept. 30th (8 mc.) 54
From Oct. 1st. to Dec. 31st. (2 mc.) 43
in January 1945 (one month) 32

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The daily average per capita value of the food, supplied since February 1944 by the Japanese Army to the Santo Tomas Camp, compared with recognised standard requirements:

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<td>Grams</td>
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<td>Required by avg. men, light labor</td>
<td>70</td>
<td>455-510</td>
<td>75</td>
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<td>Required lying quietly in bed.</td>
<td>at the rate of</td>
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<td>Supplied by Jap. Army to internees (All labor in Camp)</td>
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<td>1944 February</td>
<td>36.6</td>
<td>295</td>
<td>15.8</td>
<td>1,452</td>
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<td>March</td>
<td>39</td>
<td>349</td>
<td>11.7</td>
<td>1,560</td>
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<td>April</td>
<td>35</td>
<td>289</td>
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<td>May</td>
<td>36.7</td>
<td>306</td>
<td>18.2</td>
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<td>June</td>
<td>39</td>
<td>355</td>
<td>17.8</td>
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<td>July</td>
<td>28.6</td>
<td>257</td>
<td>19.3</td>
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<td>August</td>
<td>29</td>
<td>285</td>
<td>11.9</td>
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<td>September</td>
<td>27.8</td>
<td>252</td>
<td>12.6</td>
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<td>October</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>203</td>
<td>12.4</td>
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<td>November</td>
<td>25.5</td>
<td>194</td>
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<td>December</td>
<td>19.6</td>
<td>188</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>398</td>
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<td>Average 1944</td>
<td>31.2</td>
<td>270</td>
<td>13.2</td>
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Meat, Milk and Eggs were totally absent, while up to September inclusive a gross daily average of one ounce of fresh fish per person was provided; also an average of two small bananas per person per month, and no citrus fruit at all. Green vegetables were almost all supplied by the Camp Garden.

During 1944 the Camp Garden supplied the Camp with 247,765 lbs. (approx. 124 tons) of Produce. 117 tons were green vegetables, of which the largest crop was Talinum, 75 tons.

Average loss of weight among adults (19 years and over) during internment:

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<th>Av. Loss Aug. 15th</th>
<th>Av. Loss since 15th</th>
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<td>Men</td>
<td>27 lbs</td>
<td>24 lbs</td>
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<td>Women</td>
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<td>32 lbs</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>22 1/2 lbs</td>
<td>20 lbs</td>
<td>42 1/2 lbs</td>
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The total area of the Camp itself, including Santa Catalina and part of Celle Gov. Forbes, but excluding Seminary and other University property not available to Internes:- 195,545 square meters (approx. 50 acres).

Total Garden Areas:- 30,126 sq. meters.
Shanty Area "A" 17,080 "
" "B" 8,605 "
" "C" 17,450 "
" "D" 9,750 "

Length of each outside wall:- 465 meters.

Number of Shanties:- 683
Number living in Shanties:- 1106

As a result of the number living in Shanties the space available for sleeping quarters in buildings ascends to 38 sq. feet per person.

A school of approximately 700 children and young people, from Primary to College Grades, operated with permission but no help from the Japanese and staffed by qualified teachers or by experts in technical fields, was conducted in spite of grave lack of classroom space and shortage of textbooks and stationery.

A similar number of persons attended special adult classes until prohibited early in 1944.

Sanitary Facilities available to male and female Internes.

Shower, Washbasins, W.C., Urinals
Male 38 32 47 19
Female 33 84 53

Number of Persons per Unit
Male 32 64 44 106
Female 57 70 31

Two bathtubs in entire Camp; one allotted to Children's Hospital; one for women's hair washing.

No water on 3rd. Floors of Buildings 50% of time.

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**PRICES OF COMMODITIES IN CAMP**

on December 31st, 1944

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<td>Vegetable lard, per lb.</td>
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<td>Unrefined coconut oil, per quart</td>
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<td>Smoking tobacco, per 1/4 kilo</td>
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<td>Cigarettes, per pack of 30</td>
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<td>Charcoal, per kilo</td>
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**INTERNEE AGENTS**

Clyde A. De Witt, Chairman.
H. B. Pond. T. J. Harrington.

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SHANTY AREA "C"

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SHANTY AREA "B"

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