

HEADQUARTERS EIGHTH ARMY
United States Army
Office of the Staff Judge Advocate

Yokohama, Japan
21 September 1948

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA VS KUNIZO KATSUKI

Review of the Staff Judge Advocate

1. The attached record of trial of Kunizo Katsuki at Yokohama, Japan, on 4 June 1947, by a Military Commission appointed by paragraph 17, Special Orders No. 127, Headquarters Eighth Army, United States Army, dated 2 June 1947, having been referred to the Staff Judge Advocate, this review thereof is submitted to the Commanding General.

Personal Data Concerning Accused

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| NAME: Kunizo Katsuki | DATE OF CONFINEMENT: 24 Mar 1947 |
| AGE: 44 | DATE OF ARRAIGNMENT: 4 June 1947 |
| RESIDENCE: Not shown | PLACE OF TRIAL: Yokohama, Japan |
| MARITAL STATUS: Married | PERIOD OF TRIAL: 4 June 1947 |
| RELATIVES: Not shown | DATE OF SENTENCE: 4 June 1947 |
| EDUCATION: Through middle school to fourth year | SENTENCE: CHL for five (5) yrs |
| VOCATION: Business and farming | CLEMENCY RECOMMENDED BY COMMISSION: No. |
| MILITARY CAREER: None | |

2. Synopsis of Charges, Pleas, Findings, Legal Sufficiency and Sentence:

| <u>Charge and Specifications:</u> | <u>Pleas</u> | <u>Findings</u> | <u>Legally Sustained</u> |
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| Charge: Accused, at the times and places set forth in the specifications and during a time of war between the United States and Japan, did violate the Laws and Customs of War. | NG | G | No |
| Sp 1: On or about 5 July 1945, at Fukuoka Area Prisoner of War Camp No. 9, Miyata Machi, Kurate-gun, Kyushu, Japan, the accused did willfully and unlawfully mistreat and torture Lieutenant Claude Spencer Thorpe Woodcock and Lieutenant John Hartley Cowling, British PWs, and one unidentified Lieutenant, a Dutch PW, by cruelly beating and otherwise abusing them. | NG | G, excepting the words "and torture" and the words "and otherwise abusing;" of the excepted words, NG. | No |
| Sp 2: That between 1 January 1944 and 1 September 1945, at Fukuoka Area POW Camp No. 9, accused did willfully and unlawfully mistreat and torture numerous Dutch and Allied PWs. | NG | NG | --- |