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Gas Warfare

SUMMARY OF RELEVANT POINTS (with page references):

Colonel Stodder was a senior liaison officer with the 53rd Chinese army in western YUNNAN, China in 1944. In the month of August 1944 during the siege of TENG CHUNG TENG YUEH, a walled city, Stodder states that the opposing elements of the 56th Jap division used tear gas presumably projected by mortar shells.

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Statement of Colonel John H
Stodter, Cavalry 015018.
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In 1944 I was Senior
Trainsman Officer with 53rd Chinese
Army in Western YUNNAN
China. We were engaged in the
Salween - Burma Road Campaign
This particular incident
occurred during siege of TENG CUNG
TENG YUEH, a walled city in
North of August 1944. The city
fell in September. We were
opposing element of 56th Japanese
Division, with H.Q. at Lung Lung.
After a breach of the wall,
and Chinese troops made a
lodgement at corner of the wall,
The Japanese were constantly
attacking desperately night and
day, and one morning while

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approaching the wall through
ruins of a young suburb, I
~~encountered~~ entered an area of
concentration of tear gas, which
I recognized instantly, due to
previous Chemical Warfare
training in World War I and II
I was a qualified Gas Officer,
since a course at Ft Bliss, Texas
1923.

The effects were apparent
on my eyes and nose, the Chinese
in vicinity were much excited,
and inquiry from medical
officer present indicated that
a number of Gas Casualties
reported to the Portable
Surgical Unit No 22 and No 40.
Kumarsawane of area disclosed
that the Gas Cloud covered
about 100 yards near the
corner of the wall taken the
by Chinese, but just behind

the Chinese lines. I think that
 mortar shells were used.
 I requested Chinese
 Commanders to have area searched
 for say projectiles, but nothing
 was found that could be
 accurately identified as such.
 At the time I had been with
 the Army in active campaigns
 for a period of 3 months
 and an actual Part Chinese
 Troop had never had in their
 possession any war gas in any
 form. I personally observed
 near all air drops of ammunition
 and supplies, and am prepared
 to swear that no gas
 material was received in
 any form. Major Hanson,
 F. A. and other Officers (American)
 in vicinity Captain Ames, ^{and}
 Major Johnson ^{and} none of whom
 are now in the area, as far as I know

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I have been in the
Service since 1922 when I
graduated from West Point,
John Hughes Dutton,
Col. Cav. 0-15018,
Acting C-2-3, NHC.

Sworn to before me this
9th day of April 1946.

Thos H. Morrow

Col I G. O.

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