

# SECRET

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
FAR EAST COMMAND  
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30 July 1947

SUBJECT: SAITO, Torao

DATE OF BIRTH: 19 July 1914

PLACE OF BIRTH: Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo

PRESENT ADDRESS: 10, 1-chome, Higashita-machi, Suginami-ku, Tokyo

CAREER:

Apr 1935	Technician, Gotanda Headquarters, Electro technical Laboratory, Ministry of Communications, 55, 5-chome, Gotanda, Shinagawa-ku, Tokyo
Feb 1946	Technical official of communications, 3rd class, Materials Section, same organization as above

Nakayama

~~Oita Prefecture, born on 5th AUG. 1914~~

Name: SAITO, Torao

Permanent Address: Oita Prefecture.

Date of Birth: August 5, 1914.

12 MAR. 1932	passed examination of military training at Usuki Oita Prefectural <del>Usuki</del> Commercial School, Oita Prefecture. Usuki graduated from Oita Prefectural <del>Usuki</del> Commercial School.	attached military officer dis- patched to school.
20 JAN. 1935	entered <del>the</del> <sup>as an</sup> active service <del>man</del> Enrolled at the 47th Infantry Regiment as a soldier in active service.	
6 APR. 1935	appointed candidate for a reserve infantry cadet. <del>Officer of Infantry.</del>	47th Inf. Regiment
" " "	promoted to the rank of <sup>Infantry</sup> first private <del>Inf.</del>	"
8 JUL. 1935	appointed <sup>A-class cadet</sup> <del>senior</del> candidate for a reserve officer	"

8 JUL. 1935	promoted to the rank of <sup>Infantry</sup> superior private <del>Inf.</del>	47th Inf. Regiment
18 SEP. 1935	promoted to the rank of <sup>Infantry</sup> Corporal of <del>Infantry</del>	"
17 NOV. 1935	promoted to the rank of <sup>Infantry</sup> Sergeant of <del>Inf.</del>	"
9 JAN. 1936	<sup>final</sup> <del>the finishing</del> examination of candidates for cadets.	
16 JAN. 1936	approved <sup>by the</sup> selection conference held in accordance with <del>the</del> article of 62-2 of <sup>Ordinance</sup> <del>by the Army Replacement regulations.</del>	
19 JAN. 1936	left <del>the</del> barracks	
1 JUL. 1936	responding to the call issued in accordance with Article 62-3 of the Army Replacement <del>out on 2nd term of 62nd article of</del> Ordinance, enrolled at the 47th Infantry <del>the army replacement regulations.</del> Regiment.	
" " "	<sup>Infantry master</sup> promoted to the rank of sergeant major <del>Inf.</del>	47th Inf. Regiment
" " "	appointed probational officer of first reserve	"

30 AUG. 1936	finished probational officer's service course.	
" " "	relieved from <del>reserve</del> <sup>the calling</sup> out.	
14 OCT. 1937	<del>By the order of extraordinary calling</del> <del>out</del> , attached to the reserve unit of 47th Inf. Regiment. (emergency call-out)	
25 NOV. 1937	<del>promoted to the rank of</del> <sup>appointed Infantry</sup> sub-lieutenant. <del>of Infantry.</del>	Cabinet
28 DEC. 1937	conferred Senior Grade of <sup>the Court</sup> 8th rank.	
15 MAR. 1939	conferred Junior Grade of <sup>the Court</sup> 7th rank.	
16 AUG. 1943	<del>honored</del> <sup>Order</sup> <del>with</del> 5th <del>rank</del> of Merit and decorated	
15 APR. 1944	<del>promoted to the rank of</del> <sup>the</sup> Captain	Cabinet
15 MAY. 1944	conferred Senior Grade of <sup>the Court</sup> 7th rank	

Report by Henry A. Dolan, Jr.  
IPS Investigative Division

7 May 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE:

SUBJECT: SAITO, Torao

Search of IPS Case Files reveals no information concerning  
the Subject.

Translated by Seiichi OHTA

Name: Saito Torao

Born: ~~on~~ April 6, <sup>1894</sup> ~~the 24th day of Iijima (1894)~~Social status and domicile: a commoner, ~~of~~ Miyagi Prefecture

May 12, 1917 Graduated from the Special <sup>(Medical Department)</sup> ~~course of the College~~

~~of~~ ~~Medicine~~ of the North-East Imperial University

" " " Studied ~~the~~ pathology at the ~~room~~ ~~in~~ the North-East  
Imperial University

July 21, 1917 ~~Registered~~ <sup>Registered</sup> ~~as a doctor~~ (as a doctor ~~with~~ No. 41527)

Oct. 15, 1917 ~~Resigned the post of the room to study pathology.~~ <sup>of</sup>

" " " Ordered a part-time doctor <sup>for</sup> ~~in~~ the Taihoku Hospital for  
(the Taihoku Medical  
Contagious diseases and ~~a medical practitioner~~)

Establishment  
 in the Taihoku Hospital in Formosa — the

Government-General of Formosa

Dec. 23, 1918 Ordered a head doctor of the Internal (Disease) ~~Medicine~~ Section

and an eye-specialist <sup>for</sup> the Gisan Hospital, ~~and~~  
 concurrently

a part-time doctor <sup>for</sup> the Railway Bureau of the

Government-General of Formosa — the Govern-

ment-general of Formosa

Oct. 15, 1920 Studied all kinds of diseases <sup>general</sup> of ophthalmology while

working ~~at the~~ <sup>Department of</sup> Ophthalmology section in the Taihoku Hospital

May 20, 1922 Resigned <sup>from</sup> ~~the~~ post <sup>in</sup> the Taihoku Hospital of the

Government-General of Formosa

" " " Ordered a doctor <sup>for</sup> of the Department of Railways —

the Department of Railways

" " " Given a <sup>monthly</sup> salary of ¥120 ~~for a month~~ — the D. <sup>opt.</sup> of Railways

" " " Ordered an eye-specialist <sup>for</sup> the Sendai Railway Hospital — the D. <sup>opt.</sup> of Railways

Dec. 16, " Given a <sup>monthly</sup> salary of ¥130 ~~for a month~~ — the D. <sup>opt.</sup> of Railways

Dec. 12, 1923 Ordered ~~to be~~ acting-head <sup>(physician of the Ophthalmology Section)</sup> ~~eye specialist~~ of

the Sendai Railway Hospital — the D. <sup>opt.</sup> of Railways

Dec. 16, " Given a monthly salary of ¥145

July 7, 1924 Ordered a doctor <sup>for</sup> of the Department of Railways —

the Cabinet

" " " Given <sup>(physician)</sup> a salary of ¥1800 ~~for a year~~

" " " Ordered a acting head <sup>(physician of the Ophthalmology Section)</sup> ~~eye specialist~~ of the

Sendai Railway Hospital — the D.<sup>pt.</sup> of Railways

July 1, 1925 Awarded an annual ~~given a yearly~~ salary of ¥ 2000 — the D. of Railways

Nov. 20, 1925 Ordered a Vice ~~head doctor~~ <sup>head physician</sup> of <sup>the</sup> ophthalmology Department in the

Sendai Railway Hospital — the D.<sup>pt.</sup> of Railways

Date ~~unknown~~ Changed ~~the~~ name <sup>Torao</sup> | 寅雄 | to <sup>Torao</sup> | 虎雄 | (~~pronunciation is the same~~)

May 1, 1926 Conferred the Junior <sup>Grade of the</sup> 7th Court Rank

July 1, 1926 Awarded an annual ~~given a yearly~~ salary of ¥ 2200 — the D.<sup>pt.</sup> of Railways

June 20, 1927 Awarded an annual ~~given a yearly~~ salary of ¥ 2400 — the D.<sup>pt.</sup> of Railways

July 15, 1927 Conferred the Senior <sup>Grade of the</sup> 7th Court Rank

Dec. 16, 1928 Awarded an annual ~~given a yearly~~ salary of ¥ 2700 — the D.<sup>pt.</sup> of Railways

Dec. 22, 1931 Awarded an annual ~~given a yearly~~ salary of ¥ 2770 — the D.<sup>pt.</sup> of Railways

Feb. 4, 1932 Conferred the Junior <sup>Grade of the</sup> 6th Court Rank

Dec. 24, 1935 Awarded an annual <sup>of</sup> ~~Given a yearly~~ salary  $\yen 3050$  — the D. <sup>ept.</sup> of Railways

July 29, 1936 Appointed <sup>physician</sup> ~~Ordered the head doctor~~ of the ophthalmology <sup>ic Department</sup> ~~section~~ in the Sendai Railway Hospital — the D. <sup>ept.</sup> of Railways

Feb. 15, 1938 Conferred the Senior <sup>Grade of the</sup> 6th Court Rank

Dec. 24, 1938 Awarded an annual <sup>of</sup> ~~Given a yearly~~ salary  $\yen 3400$  — the D. <sup>ept.</sup> of Railways

June 10, 1940 Conferred the 6th Order of Merit <sup>with</sup> ~~and~~ the Order of the Sacred

Treasure

Dec. 24, 1940 Awarded ~~Given~~ the 2nd grade salary — the D. <sup>ept.</sup> of Railways

Dec. 26, 1943 Awarded ~~Given~~ the 1st grade salary — the D. <sup>ept.</sup> of Transportation and Communications

~~and Communication~~

Feb 1, 1944 Conferred ~~the 5th~~ <sup>the Grade of the 5th</sup> Junior Court Rank <sup>(dated)</sup>  
In accordance with the Imperial Ordinance No. 411, June 21, 1944.  
~~June 21, 1944~~ By Imperial Order No. 411, the doctor of the Department of

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Direct Examination of SAITO, Torao  
by Mr. Logan.

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The witness stated he lived in Tokyo and identified Exhibit 2552 as his affidavit and verified its contents.

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The affidavit stated the witness was employed in July, 1930 by the Asahi Shimbun and at the time of the attack on Hankow, he was a social reporter on the Asahi.

On the morning of October 25, 1938 he flew from Kiukiang over Hankow in a naval reconnaissance plane at an altitude of 30 meters. The Japanese had not yet arrived. While flying over the North Station his plane was fired upon by the enemy. He saw Japanese troops marching toward the city and he saw Japanese warships on the Yangtze River. On the 28th he entered Hankow by plane and stayed in the naval corps billet there. He saw a large number of ships on the river.

No cross- examination.

The Railways } became the doctor of the Railway  
~~were ordered to change their posts to the~~  
Department of <sup>the Ministry of</sup> Transportation and Communications.

Oct. 30, 1945 Conferred the 5th Order of Merit <sup>with</sup> ~~and~~ the Order of the Sacred  
Treasure

8 May 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Sutton; Mr. Crowe

FROM : EDWARD P. MONAGHAN, Chief, Investigative Division, IPS  
SUBJECT : Defense Witness

1. Please find attached hereto list of material available on the following witness and/or witnesses.

DEFENDANT - Witness General

WITNESS

SAITO, Torao

LIST OF MATERIAL AVAILABLE

Memo for the file

2. Please acknowledge receipt of this memorandum by initialling and returning attached carbon copy to this office, Room 300.

Incl  
(Described above)

*E P M*  
EDWARD P. MONAGHAN

Report by Henry A. Dolan, Jr.  
IPS Investigative Division

7 May 1947

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the Subject.

5 May 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Sutton; Mr. Crowe

FROM : EDWARD P. MONAGHAN, Chief, Investigative Division, IPS  
SUBJECT : Defense Witness

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DEFENDANT - Witness General

WITNESS

SAITO, Torao

LIST OF MATERIAL AVAILABLE

Curriculum Vitae

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Incl  
(Described above)

*E P M*  
EDWARD P. MONAGHAN

Name: SAITO, Torao

Permanent Address: Oita Prefecture

Date of Birth: August 5, 1914

12 Mar. 1932	Passed examination of military training at Usuki Prefectural Commercial School, Oita Prefecture.	Military Officer attached to school
" " "	Graduated from Usuki Prefectural Commercial School.	
20 Jan. 1935	Enrolled at the 47th Infantry Regiment as a soldier in active service.	
6 Apr. 1935	Appointed infantry cadet.	47th Inf. Regiment
" " "	Promoted to the rank of Infantry first private.	47th Inf. Regiment
8 July 1935	Appointed A-class Cadet.	"
8 July 1935	Promoted to the rank of infantry superior private.	"
18 Sept. 1935	Promoted to the rank of Infantry Corporal	"
17 Nov. 1935	Promoted to the rank of Infantry Sergeant	"
9 Jan. 1936	Passed final examination for cadets.	
16 Jan. 1936	Approved by the selection conference held in accordance with article 62-2 of the Army Replacement Ordinance.	
19 Jan. 1936	Left barracks	
1 July 1936	responding to the call issued in accordance with Article 62-3 of the Army Replacement Ordinance, enrolled at the 47th Infantry Regiment.	
" " "	Promoted to the rank of Infantry master sergeant	47th Inf. Reg.
" " "	appointed probational officer of the first reserve	" " "

30 Aug. 1936	Finished probational officer's service course.	
" " "	Relieved from the call out.	
14 Oct. 1937	Attached to the reserve unit of 47th Inf. Reg. (emergency call-out.)	
25 Nov. 1937	Appointed Infantry Sub-lieutenant.	Cabinet
28 Dec. 1937	Conferred Senior Grade of the 8th Court Rank.	
15 Mar. 1939	Conferred Junior Grade of the 7th Court Rank.	
16 Aug. 1943	Honored with 5th Order of Merit with the Order of the Sacred Treasure.	
15 Apr. 1944	Appointed Captain	Cabinet
15 May 1944	Conferred Senior Grade of the 7th Court rank	

5 May 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: **Mr. Sutton; Mr. Crowe**

FROM : EDWARD P. MONAGHAN, Chief, Investigative Division, IPS  
SUBJECT : Defense Witness

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DEFENDANT - **Witness General**

WITNESS

SAITO, Torao

LIST OF MATERIAL AVAILABLE

**Curriculum Vitae**

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Incl  
(Described above)

*E P M*  
EDWARD P. MONAGHAN

Name: Saito Torao

Born: April 6, 1894

Social Status and Domicile: A commoner, Miyagi Prefecture

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May 12, 1917	Graduated from the Special Medical Department of the North-East Imperial University.
" " "	Studied pathology at the North-East Imperial University.
July 21, 1917	Registered as a doctor No. 41527.
Oct. 15, 1917	Gave up the study of pathology.
" " "	Ordered a part-time doctor for the Taihoku Hospital for Contagious Diseases and the Taihoku Medical Establishment - the Government-General of Formosa.
Dec. 23, 1918	Ordered head of the Internal Disease Section and eye specialist for the Giran Hospital, concurrently part-time doctor for the Railway Bureau of the Government-General of Formosa - the Government-General of Formosa.
Oct. 15, 1920	Studied general ophthalmology while serving Ophthalmology Department of the Taihoku Hospital.
May 20, 1922	Resigned from post in the Taihoku Hospital of the Government-General of Formosa.
" " "	Ordered a doctor for the Department of Railways - the Department of Railways.
" " "	Given a monthly salary of ¥ 120 - the Department of Railways.
" " "	Ordered an eye-specialist for Hu Sendai Railway Hospital - the Department of Railways.
Dec. 16, 1922	Given a monthly salary of ¥ 130 - the Department of Railways.
Dec. 12, 1923	Ordered acting-head physician of the Ophthalmology Section of the Sendai Railway Hospital - the Department of Railways.
Dec. 16, 1923	Given a monthly salary of ¥ 145.
July 7, 1924	Ordered doctor for the Department of Railways - the Cabinet.
" " "	Granted a yearly salary of ¥ 1800.

July 7, 1924	Ordered acting head physician of the Ophthalmology Section of the Sendai Railway Hospital - the Department of Railways.
July 1, 1925	Awarded an annual salary of ¥ 2000 - the Department of Railways.
Nov. 20, 1925	Ordered a Vice-head physician of the Ophthalmic Department in the Sendai Railway Hospital - the Department of Railways.
Date Unknown	Changed name Torao / / to Torao / /
May 1, 1926	Conferred the Junior Grade of the 7th Court Rank.
July 1, 1926	Awarded an annual salary of ¥ 2200 - the Department of Railways.
June 20, 1927	Awarded an annual salary of ¥ 2400 - the Department of Railways.
July 15, 1927	Conferred the Senior Grade of the 7th Court Rank.
Dec. 16, 1928	Awarded an annual salary of ¥ 2700 - the Department of Railways.
Dec. 22, 1931	Awarded an annual salary of ¥ 2770 - the Department of Railways.
Feb. 4, 1932	Conferred the Junior Grade of the 6th Court Rank.
Dec. 24, 1935	Awarded an annual salary of ¥ 3050 - the Department of Railways.
July 29, 1936	Appointed head physician of the Ophthalmic Department in the Sendai Railway Hospital - the Department of Railways.
Feb. 15, 1938	Conferred the Senior Grade of the 6th Court Rank.
Dec. 24, 1938	Awarded an annual salary of ¥ 3400 - the Department of Railways.
June 10, 1940	Conferred the 6th Order of Merit with the Order of the Sacred Treasure.
Dec. 24, 1940	Awarded the 2nd grade salary - the Department of Railways.
Dec. 26, 1943	Awarded the 1st grade salary - the Department of Transportation and Communications.

Feb. 1, 1944

Conferred the Junior Grade of the 5th Court Rank in accordance with the Imperial Ordinance No. 411, dated June 21, 1944. The doctor of the Department of Railways became the doctor of the Railway Department of the Ministry of Transportation and Communications.

Oct. 30, 1945

Conferred the 5th Order of Merit with the Order of the Sacred Treasure.

Translated by  
Defense Language Branch

INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA et al

-versus-

ARAKI, Sadao, et al

AFFIDAVIT

Deponent: SAITO, Torao

In accordance with the system employed in our country, I, having taken oath as set forth in the accompanying paper, hereby depose as follows:

1. I was born September 21, 1902, at 12 Aoyama-Takagicho, Akasaka-ku, TOKYO, and am residing at present at 14 Mitani-cho, Meguro-ku, TOKYO.

2. Regarding my personal history, I graduated in March, 1930, from the Architecture Department, WASEDA University and was employed in July, 1930, by the ASAHI SHIMBUN Office. I am at present a member of the editorial staff of the ASAHI SHIMBUN. At the time of the attack on HANKOW I was a social reporter of the ASAHI.

no + was

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3. On the morning of October 25, 1938, by order of the ASAHI SHIMBUN I flew from KIUKIANG over HANKOW in naval reconnaissance plane at an altitude of 30 meters. At that time the Japanese forces had not yet invaded to <sup>the</sup> city of HANKOW. While flying over the North Station our plane was fixed upon by the enemy. I saw Japanese troops in the outskirts of HANKOW marching toward the city. I also saw Japanese warships on the Yantze River approaching HANKOW.

On the 28th of the same month I again entered HANKOW by plane and stayed in the naval corps billet there. At that time I saw a large number of ships on the river.

Done this 10th day of February, 1947,  
at the ASASHI SHIMBUN Office,  
3, 2-chome Yuraku-cho, Kojimachi-ku,  
Tokyo.

Deponent: SAITO, Torao (Seal)

I, IMANARI, Yasutaro, hereby certify that the above statement was sworn by the deponent, who affixed his signature and seal thereto in the presence of this Witness.

On the same date

At TOKYO

Witness: (Signed) IMANARI, Yasutaro (Seal)

TRANSLATION CERTIFICATE

I, Charlie S. Terry, Chief of the Defense Language Branch, hereby certify that the foregoing translation described in the above certificate is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, a correct translation and is as near as possible to the meaning of the original document.

/s/ Charlie S. Terry

Tokyo, Japan  
Date 8 Apr. 1947.