

10 Sep 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Sutton
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

INADA, Seijun
(MASAZUMI)

LIST OF MATERIAL AVAILABLE

Curriculum Vitae

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

Incl
(Described above)

EPM
EDWARD P. MONAGHAN

CURRICULUM VITAE

Name: INADA, Seijun
Date of Birth: Aug. 27, 1896
Domicile: Tottori Prefecture

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1915 May 28 Graduated from the Regular Course of the Central Military Preparatory School.
" Appointed a Cadet;
Assigned to the 10th Field-Artillery Regiment. (War Ministry)
" Jun 6 Entered the 10th Field-Artillery Regiment.
" Appointed Superior Private in the Artillery.
(10th Field-Artillery Regt.)
" Aug 1 Promoted to Corporal, Artillery.
(10th Field-Artillery Regt.)
" Sep 1 Promoted to Sergeant, Artillery.
(10th Field-Artillery Regt.)
" Nov 28 Entered the Military Academy.
1917 May 25 Graduated from the Military Academy.
" May 30 Returned to original regiment.
" Promoted to Sergeant-Major, Artillery;
Appointed a probationary officer.
(10th Field-Artillery Regt.)
" Nov 21 Passed the Officers Selection Council under Article 12 of
the Military Replacement Ordinance.
" Dec 25 Appointed 2nd Lt., Artillery. (Cabinet)
Assigned to the 10th Field-Artillery Regiment. (War Ministry)
1918 Feb 20 Received the 8th Court Rank, Senior Grade.
1921 Apr 1 Promoted to 1st Lt., Artillery. (Cabinet)
" May 20 Received the 7th Court Rank, Junior Grade.
1922 Aug 15 Released from the post;
Assigned to the Military Field-Artillery School. (War Ministry)

1923 Jan 23 Released from assignment to the Military Field-Artillery School. (War Ministry)

Assigned to 10th Field-Artillery. (War Ministry)

1926 Mar 11 Appointed Captain, Artillery. (Cabinet)

Apr 1 Released from the post;
Appointed a Company Commander of the 10th Field-Artillery Regiment (War Ministry)

Apr 15 Received the 7th Court Rank, Senior Grade.

1927 Mar 24 Attached to the General Staff Office. (War Ministry)

" Apr 15 Released from the post;
Attached to 10th Field-Artillery Regiment. (War Ministry)

1928 Mar 24 Appointed a Staff Officer of the General Staff. (War Ministry)

" Jul 30 Decorated with the 6th Order of Merit of the Sacred Treasure.

1929 Jun 15 Ordered to reside in France to study Military Affairs.
(War Ministry)

1931 May 15 Received the 6th Court Rank, Junior Grade.

Aug 1 Appointed Major., Artillery. (Cabinet)

1932 Aug 31 Attached to the 2nd Heavy Field-Artillery Regiment.
(War Ministry)

" Dec 7 Appointed a Battalion Commander of the 2nd Heavy Field-Artillery Regiment. (War Ministry)

1933 Dec 20 Appointed an instructor of Military science at the Military Staff College. (War Ministry)

1934 Jul 4 Decorated with the 5th Order of Merit of the Sacred Treasure.

1935 Mar 26 Appointed Officer in attendance to the First Specially Appointed Inspecting Mission. (War Ministry)

" Apr 8 Appointed a staff officer of the General Staff Office; concurrently appointed an instructor of Military science at the Military Staff College. (War Ministry)

" Apr 11 Concurrently appointed a member of the Navy General Staff. (Navy Ministry)

" Sep 25 Appointed Secretary to the Army Munition Inquiry Committee. (War Ministry)

- 1936 Mar 7 Ordered concurrently to serve as Martial Law Staff Officer. (War Ministry) (not gazetted)
- " Jun 15 Received the 6th Court Rank, Senior Grade.
- " Aug 1 Appointed Lt. Col., Artillery. (Cabinet)
- 1937 Jul 5 Attached to Military Affairs Bureau, War Ministry concurrently. (War Ministry)
- " Aug 2 Released from Secretary to Army Munitions Inquiry Committee. (War Ministry)
- Released from the additional post as member of Navy General Staff. (Not Gazetted) (Navy Ministry)
- " Assigned to the Army Ordinance main Depot and concurrently appointed a Staff member the Military Affairs Bureau of the War Ministry; the appointment as instructor the Military Staff College still effective. (not recorded in the Official Gazette) (War Ministry)
- 1938 Mar 1 Appointed Section Chief of Army General Staff. Released from Attendance to War Minister at the Imperial General Headquarters. Appointed a staff member of the Imperial General Headquarters. (Original duty remaining unchanged) (not recorded in the Official Gazette) (War Ministry)
- " Apr 16 Appointed member of the Army munitions Inquiry Committee. (Cabinet)
- " Jul 15 Appointed Colonel, Artillery. (Cabinet)
- " Sep 1 Received the 5th Court Rank, Junior Grade.
- 1939 Jan 16 Decorated with the 4th Order of Merit of the Sacred Treasure.
- " Oct 10 Released from the Staff of the Imperial General Headquarters; Assigned to the Army General Staff. (not Recorded in the Official Gazette) (War Ministry)
- 1940 Aug 5 Released as a member of the Army Munition Inquiry Committee. (Cabinet)
- 1941 Oct 15 Appointed Major-General (Cabinet)
- " Nov 15 Received the 5th Court Rank, Senior Grade.
- 1942 May 12 Decorated with the 3rd Order of Merit of the Sacred Treasure.
- 1940 Apr 29 Decorated with the 4th Order of merit of the Golden Kite (for services in the China Incident)
Decorated with the 3rd Order of Merit of the Middle Cordon of the Rising Sun.

- 1943 Oct 9 Decorated with the 2nd Order of Merit of the Sacred Treasure.
- 1945 Apr 30 Promoted to Lt. Gen. (Not Recorded in Official Gazette)
(Cabinet)
- 1946 Jun 15 Appointed repatriation administrative civil officer.
Conferred the 2nd Grade of Senior Civil official. (Cabinet)
- 1947 Feb 20 Designated as coming under the memorandum in accordance
with Art. I of the Imperial Ordinance No. 109, 1946.

Imada, Seijun

Checked by Taiichi YAMAMOTO
Translated by Y. Miyasaka

Date of Birth: Aug. 27, 1896

Domicile: Tottori Prefecture

1915 May 28 Graduated from the Regular Course of

Military Preparatory School

Appointed a Cadet;

Assigned to the 10th

Field-artillery Regiment

(War Ministry)

" June 6 Entered the 10th Field-artillery Regiment

Appointed Superior

Private (10th Field-artillery Regt.)

" Aug. 1 Promoted to Corporal,
Artillery (10th F.A.R.)

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(10th FAR)

" Sep 1 Promoted to Sergeant, Artillery ~~(10th FAR)~~

" Nov 28 Entered the ^MMilitary Academy.

1917 May 25 Graduated from the Military Academy

" May 30 Returned to original regiment.

" Promoted to Sergeant-Major, Artillery; Appointed a

probationary officer

(~~10th~~ 10th Field-artillery Regiment)

" Nov. 21 Passed the Officers Selection Council under Article 12 of

the Military Replacement Ordinance

" Dec. 25 Appointed 2nd Lt., Artillery (Cabinet)

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Assigned to the 10th Field-Artillery
Regiment (War Ministry)

Received
1918 Feb. 20 ~~Assigned~~ with the 8th Court Rank,
Senior Grade.

1921 April 1 Promoted to 1st Lt., Artillery
(Cabinet)

Received
May 20 ~~Promoted~~ to the 7th Court Rank,
Junior Grade

1922 Aug. 15 Released from the post;

Assigned to the Military
Field Artillery School
(War Ministry)

1923 Jan. 23 Released from assign^{ment} to
the Military Field-Artillery School
~~to~~ (War Ministry)

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Assigned to 10th Field-artillery
~~to~~ (War Ministry)

1926 March 11 Appointed Captain, Artillery.
(Cabinet)

April 1 Released from the post;

Appointed a Company Commander
~~of the~~ of the 10th Field-artillery

Regiment (War Ministry)

April 15 ~~Promoted to~~ Received the 7th Court

Rank, Senior Grade

1927 March 24 Attached to the General

Staff ~~Headquarters~~ Office (War Ministry)

April 15 Released from the post;

Attached to 10th Field-

artillery Regiment (War Min.)

⑤ 1928 March 24 Appointed a Staff officer
member of the
General Staff. ^(War Min.) Headquarters (")

" July 30 Decorated with the 6th Order of
Merit ~~with~~ the Sacred Treasure.

1929 June 15 Ordered to ^{reside} stay in France
to studying military affairs
(War Min.)

1931 May 15 ~~Received~~ Received the 6th Court Rank,

Junior Grade

Aug. 1 Appointed ^{Major} Artillery (Cabinet)

1932 Aug. 31 Attached to the 2nd Heavy
Field-Artillery Regiment
(War Ministry)

" Dec. 7 Appointed a Battalion Commander
of the 2nd Heavy Field-Artillery

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Regiment (War Ministry)

1933 Dec 20 Appointed ^{an instructor of military science} Military Professor
at the ~~Army General~~ Military Staff
College ~~(War Min.)~~ (War Min.)

1934 July 4 Decorated with the 5th Order of
Merit ^{of} ~~with~~ the Sacred Treasure.

1935 March 26 Appointed ^{First} Officer in attendance
to the ^{Mission} Specially Appointed
Inspecting Officer (War Min.)

" April 8 Appointed ^{a staff officer} member of the General
Staff Headquarters; ^{concurrently} additionally
appointed ^{an instructor of military science} Military Professor
at the ~~Army General~~ Military Staff College.

(War Ministry)
" April 11 ^{concurrently} additionally appointed ^{a member} member

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of the Navy General Staff
(Navy Ministry)

Sep. 25 Appointed Secretary ^{to} ~~of~~ the
Army Munitions Inquiry
Committee (War Ministry)

1936 March 7 Ordered ^{concurrently} ~~additionally~~ to serve
^{Law}
as Martial Staff Officer ~~(to)~~
(Not gazetted) (War Min.)

" June 15 ~~Received~~ to the 6th Court Rank,
Senior Grade

" Aug. 1 Appointed Lt. Col., Artillery
(Cabinet)

1937 July 5 Attached to Military Affairs Bureau,
War Ministry ^{concurrently} ~~and~~ ^{additionally}

~~ordered~~ to serve (War Ministry)

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1. Aug. 2 Released from Secretary of Army
Munitions Inquiring Committee
(War Ministry)

Released from the additional
post as member of the Navy
General Staff (not recorded
in ~~Official Gazette~~)

(Navy Ministry)

" Assigned to the Army ^{Ordnance} ~~Ordnance~~
main Depot and concurrently
appointed ^{a staff member} ~~section member~~ of
the Military Affairs Bureau of
the War Ministry; ^{The} additionally
appointed ^{as instructor} ~~military professor~~ at
the ^{military} ~~Army General~~ Staff College
still effective.

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(Not recorded in ^{the} Official
Gazette) (War Ministry)

1938 March 1 Appointed Section Chief of
Army General Staff.

Released from attendance
to War Minister at the

Imperial General Headquarters

Appointed ~~Army General~~ a

^{member} staff of the Imperial General

Headquarters (Original duty
remaining unchanged.)

~~is~~ ~~indistinct~~

(Not recorded in the Official
Gazette) (War Ministry)

April 16 Appointed member of the
Army Munitions Inquiry Committee

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(Cabinet)

July 15 Appointed Colonel, Artillery

(Cabinet)

Sept. 1 ~~Promoted to~~ Received the 5th Court Rank,

Junior Grade

1939 Jan. 16 Decorated with the 4th Order of
Merit ³ with the Sacred Treasure

" Oct 10 Released from the Army General
Staff ³ of the Imperial General

Headquarters; Assigned to

the Army General Staff

(not Recorded in the Official

Gazettes) (War Ministry)

1940 Aug. 5 Released ~~as~~ as a member of the
Army Munition Inquiry Committee

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(Cabinet)

1941 Oct 15 Appointed major-general

(Cabinet)

" Nov. 15 ~~Promoted to~~ Received
the 5th Court Rank,

Senior Grade

1942 May 12 Decorated with the 3rd Order of
Merit ~~with~~ ³ with the Sacred Treasure

1940 April 29 Decorated with the 4th Order of
Merit ³
the Golden Kite (for services
in the China Incident)
Affairs)

Decorated with the 3rd Order
of Merit ³ with Middle Cordons
of the Rising Sun.

1943 Oct 9 Decorated with the 2nd Order of
Merit ³ with the Sacred Treasure

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1945 April 30 Promoted to Lt. Gen. (not

Recorded in Official Gazette)

(Cabinet)

1946 June 15 Appointed ~~repatrisation~~
~~senior~~ administrative

Civil Officer

Promoted the 2nd Grade
of senior civil officials
(Cabinet)

1947 Feb. 20 Designated ^{as} a member coming

under the ^{memorandum} protocol in accordance

with Art. I of the Imperial

Edict No. 109, 1946

NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF THE RECORD

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POWS (INADA- Direct Exam)

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Direct Examination of INADA, Nasazuni by Mr. Freeman.

The witness identified Exhibit 3072 as his affidavit and verified it. The witness stated that he was at present in Sugamo Prison; that at the outbreak of the war he was Vice-Chief of Staff of the Fifth Army in Manchuria as a Major General. In the spring of 1942 he became chief of staff of that army and in March 1943 vice-chief of the General Staff of the Southern Army in Singapore and held various other jobs.

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About July 1943 in Singapore he had an interview with Lt. Gen. HAMADA, chief of the War Ministry's Prisoner Control Dept. who was then on a tour of inspection of conditions of war prisoners. When he stated his wish to improve POW's treatment the * witness answered that TERAUCHI was opposed to cruel treatment of POWS and wanted more care in handling them. His staff always saw to it that his officers and men acted accordingly. They instructed the POWs should be treated the same as ordinary armed units since special treatment better than that could not possibly be given.

The work on the Thailand-Burma railway employed ordinary armed units, civilian laborers and POWS and the work was not easy. They were hard pressed for provisions and medicine but they were never cruelly treated. All that could be afforded was done to maintain their working power.

HAMADA said he had inspected principal POW internment camps in various parts of southern countries and had given instructions to improve the treatment of POWS.

CROSS-EXAMINATION BY COL. MORNANE

The witness stated he had never inspected the Burma-Thailand prison camps personally and therefore could not say of his own knowledge that POWS were never cruelly treated in relation to the Burma-Thailand railway.

The attention of the Tribunal was called to Exhibits 1555 to 1575 at pp 12991 through 13087 of the record, and the evidence of Williams at page 13003, Coates at page 11411 to 11433 and Wild at page 5345,

DEF. DOC. #1701

Translated by Defense
Defense Language Branch

INTERNATIONAL MILITARY TRIBUNAL FOR THE FAR EAST

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al

-vs-

ARAKI, Sadao. et al.

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EX 3,072

Sworn Deposition

Deponent: INADA, Masazumi

Having first duly sworn an oath as on attached sheet and in accordance with the procedure followed in my country I hereby depose as follows.

Confidential Affidavit of INADA, Masazumi

My full name is INADA, Masazumi. My age is 52 and I am at present living in SUGAMO Frison.

At the time of the outbreak of the war, I was Vice-Chief of Staff of the Fifth Army in Manchuria and held the rank of major general. In the spring of the following year I became Chief of Staff of the same Army. In March, 1943, I became Vice Chief of the General Staff of the Southern Army in Singapore. In December of the same year I became commander of the Second Aircraft Base Force in New Guinea and Manockoeri. In April 1944 I became the 6th Air Division Commander, and in October of the same year, the 3rd Shipping Transport Commander at Manila. In April 1945 I was promoted to the rank of lieutenant general, in May of the same year I became Chief of Staff of the 16th Area Army in KYUSHU and, concurrently, of the Western Army. The close of the war came at that time.



DEF. DOC. #1701

On this 28th day of May, 1947

At IMTFF.

DEPONENT /S/ INADA, Masazumi (seal)

We, KAZUMA, Isaburo, and OKAMOTO, Hisashi, 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 IMTFF.

Witness: /S/ KAZUMA, Isaburo. (seal)
" OKAMOTO, Hisashi. "

OATH

In accordance with my conscience I swear to tell the whole truth withholding nothing and adding nothing.

/S/ INADA, Masazumi. (seal)