

Osaka POW Camp #1

aka Honjo/Hoincho/Chikko

Destroyed in B-29 raid on June 1, 1945

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Chikko POW Camp

Final Location:

Osaka Camp #1-B

(NIPPON TSUUUN)

OSAKA-shi, MINATO-ku, KITA FUKUZAKI NISHINO-machi

Satellite maps: [Chikko](#) - [Kita-Fukuzaki](#)

[Area Map](#) - shows general location of camps in Osaka

Timeline:

[\(read official report for War Crime Trials\)](#)

21 Sep 1942: Osaka Camp #1 was originally established and designated as Osaka Main Camp when 150 men arrived here from the Zentsuji POW Camp.

19 Oct 1942: 80 men moved from Osaka #1 to Hirohata #1 in Himeji and 70 PWs transferred from Itchioka (Stadium POW Camp later converted to the Ichioka Hospital).

New camp designated as OSAKA POW MAIN CAMP 01-B [Chikko].

11 Oct 1942: 500 POWs arrive from Hong Kong on the *Lisbon Maru*. Approximate 230 more Americans arrive on *Tottori Maru*.

?? Sep 1944: Pvt Everett Reamer sentenced to Sakai Prison.

1 Jun 1945: Destroyed by air raid; moved temporarily to TSUMORI on 2 June 1945.

10 Jul 1945: Moved to 7 Nishino Sho-machi, known as Kita-Fukuzaki.

Aug 1945: Renamed Osaka Camp 1-B.

Sep 1945: Terminated.

History of Camp:

Often referred to as "Hoincho" by ex-pows. Opened on or about 19 Oct 1942 with POWs from Guam transferred from the Ichioka stadium. Stadium then used as hospital for area. Sub-camps were established and a partial list includes: Ichioka (Stadium) Hospital, Umeda, Yodogawa steel mill, Sakurajima (Hitachi shipyard), Hitachi shipyard, Taisho and the Fujinagata shipyard.

When initially opened, Senior ranking enlisted man was CBM Earl Sanders from Piti Yard, YP-16, Guam (official records frequently misspell his name as "Saunders"), and camp included the approximately 70 men (no officers) from Guam, sent earlier to the stadium. 80 other Guam men were earlier sent to Hirohata from Itchioka. ([more](#)).

Primary Slave Labor Use:

Stevedore and dock workers

Hell Ships:

Lisbon Maru & Tottori Maru

[SCAP Investigation Report:](#) Details environment of camp and movement of POWs

[Summary of British POW's interview](#) Relates Japanese censorship and theft of Red Cross packages and money orders.

[Affidavit of Everett Reamer](#)- discusses the cowardly action of camp leader CBM Sanders (ex Guam) who turned over Reamer and Bradsher for punishment by Japanese.

[Special page on John Arthur Rix](#), Royal New Zealand Navy (material courtesy of Nick Dooner)

Camp Rosters at Liberation:

This camp was destroyed in incendiary raid.

[Chikko roster](#) (XLS)

[OSA-01 Roster](#) (WO361-1963) - British, American, Dutch, Australian, Indian, Chinese, Norwegian, North African

[Nagoya and Osaka patients](#) (RG 407 Box 167)

Folder 9: Hospital Roster - Nagoya Camp # 3.

Various months, 1945. Recorded on the back of sick reports. Mostly Anglo names. Includes British, Dutch (page 27) and American military & civilian patients. Folder 10: Hospital Rosters - Osaka POW Camp - 3 Sept. 1945. Includes British, Canadian and Dutch patients.

Folder 11: Non-transferable by sickness - Nagoya POW Camp. August 25, 1945. American patients only.

List of Deceased at Chikko House:

Arthur Ernest Andrews, Isle of Tirez

Link to [Japan POW Network](#) indicates men who died at the Stadium Hospital [Minato-ku]

Japanese Camp Staff:

See PDF below which includes staff for all camps.

Photographs & Sketches:

[OSAKA Camps, Chikko history, Camp Layout](#) (PDF) - original archive documents (from Record Group 331, Box 946), includes "List of Papers" for all Osaka camps, layout for both Chikko sites (with floor plans) and Ichioka camp location, Osaka Monthly Report, Investigation Report.

Affidavits Dealing with All Osaka Camps:

NOTE: The following PDF's have been compiled from individual photos taken at the National Archives by Roger Mansell and have not been separated out for each camp in the Osaka Group. Contents for each PDF is listed.

OSAKA Affidavits 1

IMG_0255-Osaka-list of papers
IMG_0256-Stromstad affidavit
IMG_0258-Schultz-Wake
IMG_0259-charles roberts ref Black Sam
IMG_0260-Read-1
IMG_0261-Read-2
IMG_0269-Paskey-1
IMG_0270-Paskey-2
IMG_0271-Millikin-1
IMG_0272-Millikin-2
IMG_0275-McKnight-Palawan affidavit-02
IMG_0277-Jones-Bataan-1
IMG_0278-Jones-Bataan-2
IMG_0279-Jones-Bataan-3
IMG_0280-Jones-Bataan-4
IMG_0285-Jarrell
IMG_0287-Hernandez-Guam-1
IMG_0288-Hernandez-Guam-2
IMG_0289-Hernandez-Guam-3
IMG_0290-Hernandez-Guam-4
IMG_0291-Hernandez-Guam-5
IMG_0292-Hernandez-Guam-6
IMG_0293-Grant
IMG_0294-grant-1
IMG_0295-Farmer-civ-Wake Naoetsu-01
IMG_0296-Farmer-2
IMG_0297-Farmer-3
IMG_0298-Dyer
IMG_0299-Cornett-USMC-4th
IMG_0300-Cornett-2
IMG_0301-Cornett-3
IMG_0305-Caldwell
IMG_0306-Buckner
IMG_0307-Buckner-2

OSAKA Affidavits 2

IMG_0315-tanagawa Jap staff
IMG_0316-tanagawa=jap staff-2
IMG_0317-Moddrell-HK-1
IMG_0318-Moddrell-HK-2
IMG_0319-Moddrell-HK-3
IMG_0320-Tyler death cert-1
IMG_0322-Willweber-1
IMG_0323-Willweber-2

Assorted Original Documents relating to all Osaka Camps:

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[OSAKA Allied Ranking Officers, partial AUS roster](#)
[OSAKA Kempeitai Execution of Nelson and Augunas](#) (Special page on Augunas)
[OSAKA Japanese staff](#)
[OSAKA Camps Camp Management](#)
[MORITA Hiroyuki - Testimony on Osaka Camps](#)
[OSAKA Camp conditions RG338Bx532](#)
[OSAKA Remains US Dutch RG338Bx532](#)

[OSAKA Rosters 1945-09](#) (WO361-1963) - Complete rosters for camps #1 to #12. Rosters also available individually for each camp.

[Osaka POW Camp death rosters](#) (RG 407 Box 187)

Folder 10: Kobe #2 Death Reports; also camp #7
Folder 16: American, British, Dutch, Australian, Canadian, Indian, Italian, Norwegian deaths

[Osaka camp transfer rosters](#) (RG 407 Box 111) - Includes Americans, British, Australians and Dutch

[Osaka assorted documents](#) (RG 331):

IMG_0687-Cuddahey-MM-Notogawa-01
IMG_0688-Cuddahey-MM-Notogawa-02
IMG_0689-Cuddahey-MM-Notogawa-03
IMG_0690-Ferguson affidavit-01
IMG_0691-Ferguson affidavit-02
IMG_0692-Favorite-MM-01
IMG_0693-Cook affidavit-Wake-01
IMG_0694-Cook affidavit-02
IMG_0695-Cook affidavit-03
IMG_0696-Cook affidavit-03
IMG_0697-Cook affidavit-04
IMG_0698-Charleworth-01
IMG_0699-Charleworth-02
IMG_0700--Charleworth-03-Notogawa
IMG_0701-Charleworth-03
IMG_0702-Charleworth-04
IMG_0703-Bircher-Guam-01
IMG_0704-Bircher-Guam-02
IMG_0705-Bircher-Guam-03
IMG_0706-Bircher-Guam-04
IMG_0707-Bircher-Guam-05
IMG_0708-Bircher-Guam-06
IMG_0709-Bircher-Guam-07
IMG_0710-Bircher-Guam-08
IMG_0711-Bircher-Guam-09
IMG_0713-Bircher-Guam-10
IMG_0714-Bender-Guam-01

IMG_0324-willweber-3
IMG_0325-Willweber-4
IMG_0326-Willweber-5
IMG_0327-Bascom-1
IMG_0328-Bascom-2
IMG_0329-Shiina-1
IMG_0330-Shiina-2
IMG_0331-Shiina-3
IMG_0332-Shiina-4
IMG_0333-Shimamura-1
IMG_0334-Shimamura-2
IMG_0335-Itoyama-1
IMG_0336-Itoyama-2
IMG_0337-Itotama-3
IMG_0338-Vallier-1
IMG_0339-Vallier-2
IMG_0340-Tucker-1
IMG_0350-Taylor-1
IMG_0351-Taylor-2
IMG_0352-Travis Smith-1
IMG_0353-Travis Smith-2
IMG_0354-Travis Smith-3
IMG_0355-Travis Smith-4
IMG_0356-Travis Smith-5
IMG_0357-Sanders-Guam-1
IMG_0358-Sanders-Guam-2
IMG_0359-Sanders-Guam-4
IMG_0360-Sanders-Guam-4
IMG_0361-Sanders-Guam-5
IMG_0362-Sanders-Guam-6
IMG_0363-Sanders-Guam-7
IMG_0364-Sanders-Guam-8
IMG_0365-Ryan-1
IMG_0366-Ryan-2
IMG_0367-Ryan-3
IMG_0368-Ryan-4
IMG_0369-Ryan-5
IMG_0370-Ryan-6
IMG_0371-Robertson-Civ-Wake-1
IMG_0372-Robertson-Civ-Wake-2
IMG_0373-Robertson-Civ-Wake-3
IMG_0374-Robertson-4
IMG_0375-Reamer-1
IMG_0376-Reamer-2
IMG_0377-Reamer-3
IMG_0378-Reamer-4
IMG_0379-Rankins-HK-1
IMG_0380-Rankins-HK-2
IMG_0381-Rankins-HK-3
IMG_0382-Prickett-Guam-1
IMG_0383-Prickett-Guam-2
IMG_0384-Pedigo-USMC-1
IMG_0385-Pedigo-USMC-2
IMG_0386-Pedigo-USMC-3
IMG_0387-Pedigo-USMC-4
IMG_0388-Strangeways_Singapore-1
IMG_0389-Strangeways_Singapore-2
IMG_0390-Strangeways_Singapore-3
IMG_0391-Strangeways_Singapore-4
IMG_0392-Strangeways_Singapore-5
IMG_0715-Bender-Guam-02-beating of Ordoyne
IMG_0716-Barber-affidavit-01
IMG_0718-Barber-affidavit-02-unloading ammo
IMG_0719-Barber-affidavit-03
IMG_0720-Arnette-Guam-01
IMG_0721-Arnette-Guam-02
IMG_0722-List of docs-OS3
IMG_0723-deceased list-Kobe-OS2 pg 01
IMG_0724-deceased list-Kobe-OS2 pg 02
IMG_0725-deceased list-Kobe-OS2 pg 02
IMG_0727-deceased list-Kobe-OS2 pg 03
IMG_0728-Kobe camp history
IMG_0729-Sun-MM-Patella-01
IMG_0730-Sun-MM-Patella-03
IMG_0731-Sun-MM-Patella-03
IMG_0732-Parsons-4th-01
IMG_0733-Horney-affidavit ref Kobe-officer to Roku-01
IMG_0734-Horney-affidavit ref Kobe-officer to Roku-02
IMG_0737-Sakurajima descp
IMG_0738-Sakurajima descp
IMG_0739-Harrington affidavit-01
IMG_0740-Harrington affidavit-02-beating of Cotton
IMG_0741-Harrington affidavit-03
IMG_0742-Fliniau affidavit-01
IMG_0743-Fliniau affidavit-02
IMG_0744-Fliniau affidavit-03
IMG_0745-Fliniau affidavit-04
IMG_0746-Fliniau affidavit-05
IMG_0747-Fliniau affidavit-06
IMG_0748-Fliniau affidavit-07
IMG_0749-Fliniau affidavit-08
IMG_0750-Fliniau affidavit-09
IMG_0751-Fliniau affidavit-10
IMG_0752-Fliniau affidavit-11
IMG_0753-Fliniau affidavit-12
IMG_0754-Fliniau affidavit-13
IMG_0755-Fliniau affidavit-14
IMG_0756-Fliniau affidavit-15
IMG_0757-Fliniau affidavit-16
IMG_0758-Burbridge affidavit ref beating
IMG_0759-Bannister affidavit-kobe to Maibara-01
IMG_0760-Bannister affidavit-kobe to Maibara-02
IMG_0761-Bannister affidavit-kobe to Maibara-03
IMG_0762-Bible-4th affidavit-01
IMG_0762-Bible-4th affidavit-01-Umeda_wigen
IMG_0763-Bible-4th affidavit-02-Wagner beating
IMG_0764-Bible-4th affidavit-03
[Osaka assorted documents](#) (RG 407 Box 11):
Tokyo 9 to 13B
Fukushima report of hidden military weapons
Sendai 9 - Sakata investigation report
Hirohata Medical Report by Dr Seid
Hirohata roster
Train loading schedule
Train 2 cars 1~6
Os-03 Oeyama
Os-04B Ikuno rosters
Amagasaki 02 roster sent to Ohashi

IMG_0393-Newton-Guam-1
IMG_0394-Newton-Guam-
IMG_0395-Newton-Guam-3
IMG_0396-Newton-Guam-4
IMG_0397-Muller-Makin-1
IMG_0398-Muller-Makin-2
IMG_0399-Muller-Makin-3
IMG_0400-pic of jap guard
IMG_0401-pic of jap guard-identified
IMG_0402-Mize-Quail-1
IMG_0403-Mize-Quail-2
IMG_0404-Mize-Quail-3
IMG_0405-Merritt-Guam-1
IMG_0406-Merritt-Guam-2
IMG_0407-Merritt-Guam-3
IMG_0408-Merritt-Guam-4
IMG_0409-Merritt-Guam-5
IMG_0410-DeLong-MM-1
IMG_0410-Goetz-MM-1
IMG_0411-DeLong-MM-2
IMG_0411-Goetz-MM-2
IMG_0412-DeLong-MM-3
IMG_0412-Goetz-MM-3
IMG_0413-DeLong-b
IMG_0414-DeLong-MM-4
IMG_0414-Goetz-MM-4
IMG_0415-Johnson-HK-1
IMG_0416-Johnson-HK-2
IMG_0417-Johnson-HK-3

OSAKA Affidavits 3

IMG_0571-Ping-1
IMG_0572-Ping-2
IMG_0573-Pilkington-1
IMG_0574-Pilkington-
IMG_0575-Pilkington-3
IMG_0576-Pilkington-4
IMG_0577-Pilkington-5
IMG_0578-Lrentreich-1
IMG_0578-Lrentreich-1-dutch ex java
IMG_0579-Hernandez-Guam-1
IMG_0580-Dyer
IMG_0581-Shiina-1
IMG_0582-Shiina-2
IMG_0585-Shiina-3
IMG_0586-Ichioka Murders-iToyoma-1
IMG_0587-Ichioka Murders-iToyoma-2
IMG_0588-Ichioka Murders-iToyoma-3
IMG_0590-Ryan-1
IMG_0591-Ryan-2
IMG_0592-Ryan-3
IMG_0593-Ryan-4
IMG_0594-Ryan-5
IMG_0595-Ryan-6
IMG_0596-Reamer-1
IMG_0598-Reamer-2
IMG_0599-Reamer-3
IMG_0600-Pedigo-1
IMG_0602-Pedigo-2
IMG_0603-Pedigo-3

Sent to Sen-04-Ohasi
Akenobe OS-06B Roster

Osaka assorted documents 2 (RG 407 Box 111):

Folder 1: Osaka POW Camp #3 - Roster of troops - August 1945; Includes American officers, enlisted men, sick & deceased; English officers, warrant officers, NCOs, enlisted men, other ranks, civilians & deceased; Dutch officers (page 13); Australian officers & other ranks; Norwegian officers; New Zealand; and Canadian warrant officers, NCOs, enlisted men & deceased.

Folder 2: Name Lists - Osaka POW Camps; Sick & wounded Americans at Hirohata Sub-Camp, unknown rosters, and train loading schedules (including Dutch? - pages 7 & 10).

Folder 3: Osaka POW Camp - Roster of troops - August 1945; Includes British officers, NCOs, enlisted men & civilians; American officers, NCOs & enlisted men; Australian officers, Canadian NCOs & enlisted men; New Zealand NCOs & enlisted men; and Dutch officers (page 14).

Folder 4: "Name List - Kamaishi (Osaka) - 1943 Partly in Japanese."; Includes Americans, English, Australians & Dutch (pages 2, 5-8).

Folder 5: Roster of Osaka POW Camp (Americans); Includes American officers, NCOs & enlisted men; British NCOs & enlisted men; and Australians.

Folder 6: Camp Roster - Sendai POW Camp #5 - August 1945; Includes Americans, British & Dutch (pages 19-34).

Folder 7: "Name List - Sendai POW Camp - August 15, 1945

Branch I - Yumoto-Machi, Ishiki-Gun, Fukushima-Ken;
Branch II - Yoshima-Mura, Ishiki-Gun, Fukushima-Ken;
Branch III - Uguisuzawa-Mura, Kurihara-Gun, Miyagi-Ken (Hosokura);
Branch IV - Katsushi-Mura, Kamihei-Gun, Iwate-Ken (Kamaishi);
Branch V - Katsushi-Mura, Kamihei-Gun, Iwate-Ken (Kamaishi);
Branch VI - Osarusawa-Machi, Katsuno-Gun, Akita-Ken;
Branch VII - Hanaoka-Machi, Kita-Akit-Gun, Akita-Ken;
Branch VIII - Kosaka-Machi, Katsuno-Gun, Akita-Ken;
Branch IX - Sakata-Shi, Yamagata-Ken;
Branch X - Iwasaki-Mura, Waka-Gun, Iwate-Ken;
Branch XI - Tenmabayashi-Mura, Kamikita-Gun, Aomori-Ken; Includes Canadian officers, other ranks, sub-officers, NCOs, privates & civilians; British officers, other ranks, civilians, soldiers, air force, warrant officers II, staff sergeants, sergeants, corporals, lance corporals & privates; American officers, other ranks, civilians & soldiers; Dutch officers, other ranks, NCOs, soldaten, matrozen, civilians,

IMG_0604-Pedigo-4
IMG_0605-Jensen-1
IMG_0606-Jensen-2
IMG_0609-Jensen-3- murder of Eneford
IMG_0609-Jensen-3
IMG_0611-DeLong-1-Notogawa
IMG_0612-DeLong-2
IMG_0613-DeLong-3
IMG_0615-Hoogkinson-HK-1
IMG_0616-Hoogkinson-HK-2
IMG_0617-Hoogkinson-HK-3
IMG_0618-Hoogkinson-HK-4
IMG_0619-Hochman-1
IMG_0620-Hochman-2
IMG_0622-Hochman-3
IMG_0623-Hochman-4
IMG_0624-Hochman-5
IMG_0625-Hochman-6
IMG_0626-Hochman-7
IMG_0627-Hochman-8
IMG_0628-Hochman-9
IMG_0629-Hamilton-HK-1
IMG_0630-Hamilton-HK-2
IMG_0631-Hamilton-HK-3
IMG_0632-Eudy-Guam-1
IMG_0633-Eudy-Guam-3
IMG_0634-Egan-Guam-1
IMG_0635-Egan-Guam-2
IMG_0636-Egan-Guam-3
IMG_0637-Egan-Guam-4
IMG_0638-Egan-Guam-5
IMG_0639-Egan-Guam-6
IMG_0640-Egan-Guam-7
IMG_0641-Egan-Guam-8
IMG_0642-Donnelly-MM-1
IMG_0644-Donnelly-MM-2
IMG_0645-Combs-Guam-1
IMG_0646-Combs-Guam-2
IMG_0647-Combs-Guam-3
IMG_0648-Combs-Guam-4
IMG_0649-charge against Marimoto
IMG_0650-charege against Marimoto-2
IMG_0652-Burrows-MM-2
IMG_0653-Burrows-MM-1
IMG_0654-Burrows-MM-3
IMG_0655-Status of Jap POW Records
IMG_0656-Brown statement ref Jap records in Chikko
IMG_0657-Brown statement-22
IMG_0658-Brown statement-3
IMG_0659-Brentley-4th-1
IMG_0660-Brentley-4th-2
IMG_0661-Boyle-Guam-1
IMG_0662-Boyle-Guam-2
IMG_0664-Boyle-Guam-3
IMG_0665-Boley-Wake-1
IMG_0666-Boley-Wake-2
IMG_0667-Boley-Wake-3
IMG_0668-Boley-Wake-4
IMG_0669-Barr-Civ-Wake-1

sergeants & privates (pages 13-16, 31, 41-43, 46-48, 53, 74-75, 85 & 91); Portuguese other ranks; Ireland; Norwegian other ranks; Czechoslovakia; Rumania; Poland; Belgium; Denmark; France; Australian NCOs, soldiers, other ranks, civilians, air force, officers, warrant officers II, sergeants & privates; and New Zealand civilians.

Folder 8: Name List - Sendai POW Camp

Includes Camps 1B, 2B, 3B, 4B, 5B, 6B, 7B, 8B, 9B, 10B & 11B."; Includes Canadian officers & other ranks; American officers, other ranks & civilians; Dutch officers, other ranks & civilians (pages 7-10, 22-23, 56-59, 66, 75-80, 132-133, 147, 152); British officers, other ranks & civilians; Portugal; Norway; Czechoslovakia; Rumania; Belgium; Denmark; France; and Australian officers & other ranks.

Folder 9: Sendai POW Camp - Identification Tags -

Names A-J; Almost all Americans (military & civilians), but 1 British & 2 Australian POWs as well.

Folder 10: Sendai POW Camp - Identification Tags -

Names K-Pe (military & civilians); Deceased & Living - Almost all American POWs, but 3 British (including Eric Charles Marsden on page 17 and Albert J. Moralee on page 25), 1 Australian, 1 Dutch (page 27) and 3 Portuguese (pages 30 & 31) as well.

[Osaka assorted camp info, payrolls](#) (RG 407 Box 47):

Folder 3: Bk I Report of Inspection of Oeyama POW Camp Br. No. 3 of Osaka Main Camp, 29 Sept 1945

Folder 4: Bk II Report of Inspection of Noda POW Camp, Osaka Br. No. 8, October 2, 1945

Folder 5: Bk III Report on POW Camps at Ikuno and Akenobe, Japan

Folder 10: Osaka POW Camps - Monthly Payroll

Folder 12: Osaka POW Camps. Camp History, Letter of Request and Memos. 1945. Also, Iruka sub-camp reports.

Folder 13: Toyama POW Camp No. 7, Nagoya District. Report of Prisoners of War, Camp Roster, 29 Aug 45

Folder 14: Osaka POW Camps # 2, 8, 9 and 1. Monthly Payrolls.

Folder 15: Osaka POW Camp #9, Monthly Payrolls (continued). Last 8 pages are numbered, but blank.

IMG_0670-Barr-Civ-Wake-2
IMG_0671-Barr-Civ-Wake-3
IMG_0673-Addison-1
IMG_0675-Addison-2
IMG_0676-Addison-3
IMG_0677-Dalzell-1
IMG_0678-Dalzell-2
IMG_0679-Dalzell-2