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RECORD OF MILITARY COURT
(JAPANESE WAR CRIMINALS)

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AWC No.....

Accused: Cpl AJIMA Yuchi

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Court, Place, RABAUL
Date and 7 & 8 June 1946
Formation: 8 MD

Charge(s)	Plea	Finding
ILLTREATMENT OF A PRISONER OF WAR in that he at NEW BRITAIN illtreated Sepoy VENKAT SWAMY of 1 Bn Hyderabad Inf., a Prisoner of War.	Not Guilty	Not Guilty

Precis of Evidence: The substance of the evidence for the prosecution contained in statements made by VENKAT SWAMY and two other Indians was to the following effect. A Japanese named in the statements as JOTO HEI; AZEEMA was cruel to Indians with whom he came into contact and repeatedly beat them. In June 45 this Japanese was working in a party along with VENKAT SWAMY. Suddenly the the Japanese called out to VENKAT SWAMY "Soon, soon" & then rushed at him & struck him on the head with a spade causing bleeding from the head. VENKAT SWAMY was taken to his quarters where he was under medical treatment for two months. Written interrogation of the accused was put in evidence and the accused admitted therein that he knew and worked with VENKAT SWAMY. The accused in evidence said that he was working with a hoe very close to where VENKAT SWAMY was working. He saw the Indian pulling up a root and suddenly he staggered back just as he (the accused) was bringing down the hoe to strike the ground. VENKAT SWAMY was struck on the head. The accused said he gave(over)

Sentence and Date: NOT GUILTY - 8 June 46

Confirmation and by Whom:

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Petition:

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him first aid immediately and that VENKAT SWAMY was treated for about 2 weeks. He denied the allegations of illtreatment.