

NOTES TAKEN FROM MY NOTEBOOK WHILE PRISON OF WAR.

- Dec. 8, 1941. War Declared. Nichols &
Nielsen Fields bombed
- Dec. 10, 1941 Cavite Navy Yard Bombed.
(Ambulance driver in Manila)
- Dec. 19, 1941 Sanley Point Bombed.
- Dec. 24, 1941 Pier # 7 (I was in Marsman bldg to right of
the pier Commander and chiefs office) and the
buildings surrounding the pier were bombed starting
at 11 A.M.
- Dec. 25, 1941 Left Manila with Seaman 1/c or Coxwain BULLARD
who was assigned to the Commander and Chief Staff,
as a motor cycle messenger for us.

MANILA WAS DECLARED AN OPEN CITY.

Some or most of the Staff personnel boarded
the U.S.S. TANAGER which was at this time
laying off pier 7 sending boats ashore to
evacuate the office personnel.

That did not look too good of a deal with
heavy bombers and dive bombers in the air.
No American planes in the air. I and

Bullard ask about taking a boat from the
Manila Yacht Club. We were dressed in
dungrees, I was packing a 45 and a tommy gun.
As we proceed towards the Yacht Club landing
we passed the Manila Hotel, we had never been
in the Manila hotel because it was out of bounds
to enlisted personnel. We stoped their to have
a couple of drinks. They served us begging us
all the time to leave. Telling us the Japanese
were moving into Manila. We already knew that.
I guess we decided we had better get going so
we proceed up the bund, (beach) to Dewey Bld.
Up Dewey Boulevard, to the Yacht Club landing.
I always wanted a speed boat so we stripped
down and swam to the speed boat that belonged
to the manila newspaper. After a little juggling
with the wires and shorting out the switch, got
her started and went back to the docks to get
our clothes and artillery. Then we began sinking
boats by pulling the plugs. The hardest part
of getting the Christ Craft was it was chained
to the bouy. Bullard picked him out a small
cabin type boat. We worked on it and away we
left for Corregidor. It seemed soon after
we cleared the break water explosions could be
seen and heard. fires and many explosions.
We stayed very close together because my gas
supply was not very good. Soon we tied the
Christ Craft to the little cabin cruiser.

Bombed

We arrived at Corregidor in the morning
and tied up to the docks facing Bataan.
We went to the tunnel personnel office to
see what our duties were going to be.
Not assigned so Bullard and I slept in
our boats till 1/15/42

1/15/42 transferred from cinaf to Motor
Torpedo boat 41 and as In Shore Patrol.

Bombed
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3/42 4/9/42 Mariveles Bataan
Anti Air craft.

Apr 9, 1942 Bataan fell

4/9/42 Corregidor hot bombings and shellings.

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sent to fort hughes as beach defense AA
#11 Search lights. on point
facing the sea.

May 6 1942 Corregidor fell. white rag

May 7 0600 landing force on hughes.

May 11 Corregidor by tug #4679

Sent to 92nd area.

May 23 aboard ship

May 24 Sunday 1942 landing party end of dewey blvd.

20 March 1942 PURPLE HEART.

MARSMAN BLDG. ADM HART

MY SELF ON SHIP TO SHORE RADIO

FEW RADIOMAN

GOT SOME GLASS CUTS AND SHOOK UP A BIT.

Pier 7

Corregidor docks

Bombings shellings.

Bataan

Bataan

Corregidor

Corregidor

Fort hughes

Ft Hughes.