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The boy did take some terrible beatings. One stands out in my mind more than others. We always had to steal to survive. They were unloading a barge and he stole some potatoes and accidentally got caught and he took a terrible beating. Some of the blows was on the head and some was on the back. He was unconscious for a while. He just finished a days work. I think he got that beating in Palawan in the Philippines. If you even stole a coconut, you got a terrible beating. He was messed up in that one deal when they stole corn beef, but I don't just exactly remember the details on that. One particular time, I thought they were going to kill him with the terrible beating he received. This was during the closing days of the war and food was pretty precious to them too. I could sit here all day and tell about the terrible beatings people got, including myself. You can't lift a hand to protect yourself in a place like that. If you do, you're dead. Its probably had its effects on him. It probably did then. It just wasn't detected at that time. He had several beatings that I know of, but I just can't remember all the details. It seemed like beatings were routine, but this one was so terrible, as far as I am concerned, it could of caused a lot of damage, or even did as far as I am concerned, the way it looked. As far as the way he took it, no one will ever know. There was always rough

treatment all the way. This one particular beating, I remember awful well, because we had to stand there and watch it go on. I remember others, but this one in particular. The diet was so terrible, an older person couldn't of taken it, but a younger one could or did. If there was ever a day went by that someone didn't get it, it was a miracle and there was no medical treatment there.