

PW was worried about the treatment which would be accorded POW in Japan should they be returned after the war. He did not think the Authorities would go so far as to kill them, but they might be deprived of certain rights. They would certainly be looked down on and might find it impossible to earn a living. He hoped that it might be possible for them to find employment in Australia.

He expressed the hope that after the war all Governments would cooperate, particularly as regards the treatment and repatriation of POW. On being told that the overthrow of Japanese militarists was a sine qua non, PW said that he hoped a change of Government in Japan would solve the difficulty. PW asked if he would continue to be fed, and if he would be allowed to work and be paid while a POW. He would like to acquire a knowledge of elementary English.

21. GENERAL

Social Life

PW stated that there were two brothels to his knowledge in RABAU. They contained a total of about 100 Korean and Japanese girls.

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