Rethinking Post-war Reconciliation between the UK, US, and Japan from the **Perspective of Friendship and** Interaction

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Memories of the Second World War



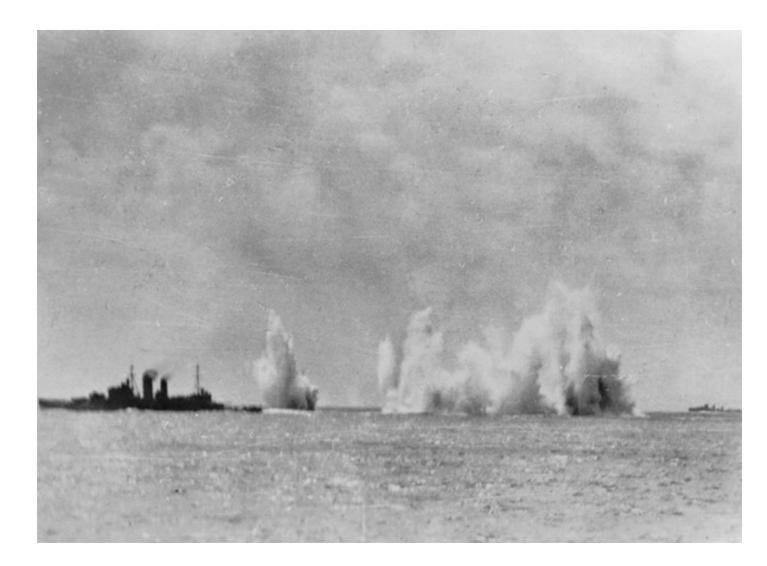
Siam-Burma Railway (Thailand)

Atomic Bomb Dome (Japan)



(1919 - 2014)

- 1919 Born in New Jersey
- 1936 Graduated from Victoria College, Jersey
- Enlists in the British Royal Navy
- 1942 Became a Prisoner of War by Japanese Military
- 1945 End of the World War Two
- 1948 Joined Her Majesty's Diplomatic Service
- 1969 British Ambassador to Kuwait
- 1974 British Ambassador to Sweden
- 1979 Joined the European Commission
- Sir Samuel Falle 2003 First visit to Japan
 - 2008 Second visit to Japan
 - 2014 Death



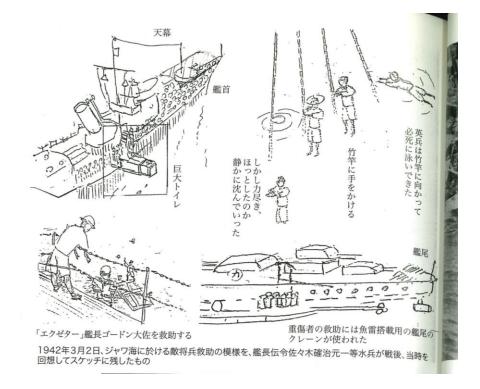
Damages	ALLIES	JAPAN
Sunk Heavy crusers	1	
Sunk light cruisers	2	
Sunk destroyers	5	
Damesed heavy cruisers	1	
Damaged destroyers		1
Damaged transports		1
Captured hospital ships	1	
Killed sailors	2,300	36

The Battle of Java Sea (Feb 1942)

Rescue by Captain Kudō and His Destroyer 'Ikazuchi'







Rescued sailors

rescue operation

Illustrations by Japanese sailor



Shunsaku Kudō (1901–1979)

- 1901 Born in Yamagata, Japan
- 1923 Graduated from the Imperial Naval Academy
- 1932 Graduated from Torpedo School
- 1937 Captain of the Destroyer 'Tachikaze'
- 1940 Captain of the Destroyer 'Ikazuchi'
- 1942 The Battle of The Battle of Java Sea Captain of the Destoroyer 'Hibiki' Chairborne Troop
- 1944 Reservist (Commander)
- 1945 End of the World War Two
- 1946 Administrative Staff at the Medical Clinic
- 1979 Death



Falle's first visit to Japan (at that time 85 years old)

Falle's second visit to Japan (at that time 90 years old)





"Reunion" between Falle and Kudō

Japanese News Paper Article

During World War II, the Japanese were portrayed as brutal, subhuman savages—the hordes of Attila or Genghis Khan. Certainly they did terrible things, but I was fortunate enough to see something different. It is called "chivalry," which the Oxford Dictionary defines as a "medieval knightly system, with its religious, moral, and social code; ideal knight's characteristics." I see it as compassion and magnanimity toward a beaten enemy.

—by Sir Samuel Falle



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