

## Kept Record of Hong Kong Men

HONG KONG, Oct. 3—(Reuters)—Three small note books and a sheaf of typescript, the result of three years' labor by Sgt. E. Topper of the Royal Artillery, Chichester, England, are the main source of information for the authorities here endeavoring to trace the fate of each member of the original Hong Kong garrison of British and Canadian troops.

One of the first repatriated from Shamshuipo prison camp, Sgt. Topper left his notes with the camp hospital together with burial records and scraps of information obtained from the Japanese. The sergeant had listed the names and fate of thousands of men in his notes.

Authorities here say the complete record of the garrison will never be obtained, but it is estimated that nearly 10,000 men were taken prisoner and 600 of these died in captivity. The figure for the missing is about 300 but many of these have since been traced.