

CANNIBALISM, ATROCITIES BY JAPANESE

Records Captured By Allies

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Allied authorities announce that they have captured Japanese army records which show that on December 21, 1944, a Major Morimoto and troops of the Japanese 18th Army ate the flesh of two Australian airmen who had been killed in action in an unspecified area, says Associated Press of America correspondent in Tokyo.

The orders approved cannibalism, provided the flesh eaten was that of Allied dead. Several days before joining his men in eating the flesh of the Australian airmen, Morimoto directed the execution of five Japanese soldiers for cannibalism against their own dead.

Meanwhile Allied authorities are hunting for a Japanese named Yoshino, who has been identified as the executioner shown in a widely circulated Japanese photograph of the beheading of Flight-Lieut W. Newton, VC, of Melbourne.

It is also disclosed in Tokyo that Kenneth Yunone, a Japanese naval interpreter, who boasted in his diary of beheading an Allied prisoner and is being held in an Australian prison, is also accused of participating in the killing of four American airmen who were forced into the sea off New Guinea and were betrayed by natives.