

NAME: Brady

RANK: Civilian

ORGANIZATION: Not Available

OVERSEAS WARTIME SERVICE: The Philippines

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The U.S. Department of the Interior sends a letter to Brady's next of kin in the United States:

“October 15, 1942.

The Provost Marshal General directs me to inform you that the persons listed below have been reported to be interned by Japan in the Philippine Islands.

X, BRADY

While communication by mail is still difficult due to infrequency of transportation between the United States and the Philippines, you may direct letters to the persons mentioned using the following form on the envelope:

Civilian Internee Mail

Postage Free

(Name of internee),

Interned by Japan,

Santo Tomas Camp (other camp if indicated),

Manila (other city if indicated),

Philippine Islands,

VIA: New York, New York.

On reverse of envelope: Your complete name and address.

As all such mail will pass through American and foreign censors, you should be very careful not to mention any public matters, or any matters remotely concerning the armed forces of the United States or any other nation, or of the personnel thereof. Your letters should be short and limited to purely personal and family affairs. It is further deemed unwise to refer to any informal reports you may previously have

received concerning the persons listed or others interned in Manila; to do so might endanger their welfare.

All future official correspondence respecting the persons listed herein should be directed to The Chief, Information Bureau, Office of the Provost Marshal General, War Department, Washington, D. C.

Very truly yours,

X

Economic Adviser”

Brady writes his family in the United States:

“FEB. 25, 1945 =

WRITE ME :

Just words can't tell you how happy I am, or what it feels like to be free again! Words can never express the humble eternal gratefulness of us who were so gallantly and remarkably rescued from Los Banos in an extreme hour. We are safe, well provided for by the Army in every respect, and are being recuperated in the spacious NEW Bilibid Prison at MUNTINGLUPA, Rizal, Luzon, P.I. Although the hardships of the last six months have been severe, I have (solely by dint of provident personal planning and in spite of all persecutory efforts of our captors) come through that period of prolonged starvation without serious illness, nor, I believe, permanent impairment. I weighed 121 pounds when our boys got there and our last grain of rice was eaten the previous day. I'm now rapidly and joyously eating my way back to normal...

...Beginning in the spring of 1944 I started receiving my first letters from you all, and while interned, got about 35 letters in all. These have been an indescribable support. I'm so sorry that most of my many messages to you misfired, but that is just one more count we have against those savages.

Not having yet succeeded in contacting officials of my company nor knowing the Army's plans for our disposition I am thus unable to advise you now of my future moves, but will write soon as possible, meanwhile living for that wonderful moment when we can all be reunited.

With all my love,

Brady”

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- Brady made it through the Second World War but when he passed away is unknown.
 - **For visual context, this link connects to original wartime footage in the public domain that covers Los Banos rescue operations (viewer discretion advised):**
<https://archive.org/details/RescuePrisonersLosBanos>
 - **For additional detail, this link connects to the Wikipedia article that covers Los Banos rescue operations (reader discretion advised):**
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Raid_at_Los_Ba%C3%B1os