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**PHOTOGRAPHER UNKNOWN**

*Nine original photographs of Focke-Wulf Factory and an Embassy dinner. Gunner Keith Gordon Richardson pay book, prayer book & discharge notice; Various medals and POW tag; newspaper clippings; Three service photos of Keith Gordon Richardson; Red Cross map of POW camps and a typed copy of the Unknown Soldier's Prayer.*

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Gunner Keith Gordon Richardson of the 4th Field Reg., New Zealand Artillery, Second New Zealand Expeditionary Force was captured in the Battle of Crete. Included in this lot is a map of Prisoner of War Camps issued by the Red Cross. Pencil markings indicate the long march from Greece to Germany completed by Gunner Richardson despite having sustained a shrapnel wound. Gunner Richardson was imprisoned at Stalag VIII B camp for approximately four years. During his time there, Gunner Richardson was handed these photographs and asked to hide them by a German guard. The guard was fearful of being shot should the photographs be found in his possession. As neither Richardson or his fellow POW's saw the guard again the photographs returned to New Zealand with Richardson at the end of the war. They have never before been seen by the public.

Three of the photographs are stamp dated 1941 verso. They provide a historical record of a visit by Japanese representatives meeting with members of the German Military hierarchy. This meeting included a tour by the Japanese of their German allies aircraft facilities.

