

# “Shanghai 1937: Where World War II Began”

## Recording Sheet

Record the date of each event in the space to the left of it.

\_\_\_\_\_ Shanghai was called the “Paris of the East,” controlled by foreigners in the French Concession, the International Settlement, and the Bund. “Little Tokyo” housed impoverished Japanese immigrants who worked in textile mills.

\_\_\_\_\_ Pleasant life was enjoyed in the European sectors, as recalled by Lillian Willens.

\_\_\_\_\_ The military occupation of Manchuria by Japan began; puppet governments controlled by the Japanese were set up.

\_\_\_\_\_ The Japanese navy occupied Shanghai.

\_\_\_\_\_ Atrocities against Chinese civilians began, including bayoneting of children.

\_\_\_\_\_ July 7<sup>th</sup> Incident.

\_\_\_\_\_ Washington was told on August 27<sup>th</sup> by the Japanese that “no war exists” in Manchuria.

\_\_\_\_\_ Freddie John Falcont became the first American soldier killed in World War II when his ship was bombed.

\_\_\_\_\_ Communist Chinese guerilla attacks staged resistance against the Japanese.

\_\_\_\_\_ Chiang Kai-Shek ordered the defense of central Shanghai by Chinese troops, trained by German advisors.

\_\_\_\_\_ Father Jacquinet established a Safety Zone for refugees in November, shielding 100,000 fleeing Chinese.

\_\_\_\_\_ Chinese ended combat, withdrawing in November.

\_\_\_\_\_ The Japanese continued onto Nanjing, with the slogan “Kill all, burn all, loot all.” Hundreds of thousands of “comfort women” are raped continuously, and 300,000 Chinese died.

\_\_\_\_\_ “America First” movement gained popularity in the United States; no American soldiers were ever sent to defend China.

Fill in these events below the Time Lines of world events from 1930-1940.

