3. Mixed nature of occupation
   a. some Japanese desire to aid nationalists, But . . .
   b. main interest in war & strategy - not the region
   c. resources & conscript labor - esp. Indonesia & Burma
F. Occupation as a Vehicle for Nationalists

1. Indonesia
   a. Sukarno, Hatta & others given positions
b. military training for small cadres

c. declared independence 8/17/1945 with help of Japanese officers
2. Burma
   a. Aung San & the “thirty comrades”
   b. 12/28/1940
      the Burma Independence Army
c. 8/1944 Anti-Fascist Peoples Freedom League - Aung San & nationalists

d. 3/1945 Burma National Army - Aung San & the “30 comrades” aid British re-conquest
3. Vietnam
   a. French humiliated but in office
   b. Change by 1944
      1.) formation of Viet Minh
      2.) VM-OSS cooperation
Viet Minh-OSS Cooperation
4. Philippines
   a. positive American colonial legacy
   b. independence scheduled for 1945
c. Result

1.) Fil-Am soldiers die together defending country (starts at Corregidor Island)
2.) Active guerrilla campaign over entire war

(James Carrington’s group)

(captured Japanese)
d. Japanese reaction

1.) broad repression - Kempetai, “Comfort women,” conscription of food, etc.
2.) reliance on collaborator
government of Jose Laurel
(were they amoral
scoundrels or
nationalists?)