

This is to be my "quan" log.  
Maybe the word "quan" should  
be explained. Firstly it is a  
word of Tagalog derivation. In  
that language or dialect it holds  
a place similar to such words  
that have no definite meaning such  
as "thing a ma, bob" or gadget or  
any other such like word that the  
speaker uses when a more apt word  
does not come to mind. But to the  
honor held in the Philippines by  
the Imperial Japanese army under  
"The international rules for the conduct  
of land warfare in the treatment of  
Prisoners of War," and in addition  
the law in the heavy end of a  
vitamin stick its use invariably  
is in connection with food. Quan  
may be a noun or a verb. To make  
it a verb merely add "ing." For

instance one might hear a person  
ask another "What kind of quan  
are you quanning?" In this way it means  
what food are you cooking up. The  
answer might conceivably be "I am  
quanning quan in this quan pot  
over this quan fire." This would  
mean he was cooking food and,  
since the answer is indefinite it  
probably would also mean that it  
was none of the questioner's God  
damn business what the quanner  
was quanning. It was probably  
stolen out of the galle. That answer  
also showed that quan is in addition  
an adjective. It may be an adverb  
too. I wake on. Any way it is  
a very versatile word and undoubt-  
edly will find its way back to  
the states. At least on that  
anniversary day each year that

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be used time and again. I can  
well imagine myself in one  
of those days setting back  
from a once heavily laden table  
and saying "Now I remember  
back in '44 a particular quon  
I quanned off composed of the  
testicles, half a heart and part of  
the liver out of a red cross box  
and two cans of butter and some  
milk powdered out of a brahma  
bull." That don't sound just  
right but it won't matter because  
the other ex prisoners there won't  
be listening. They will all be  
telling everyone else about  
some quon of their own and  
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