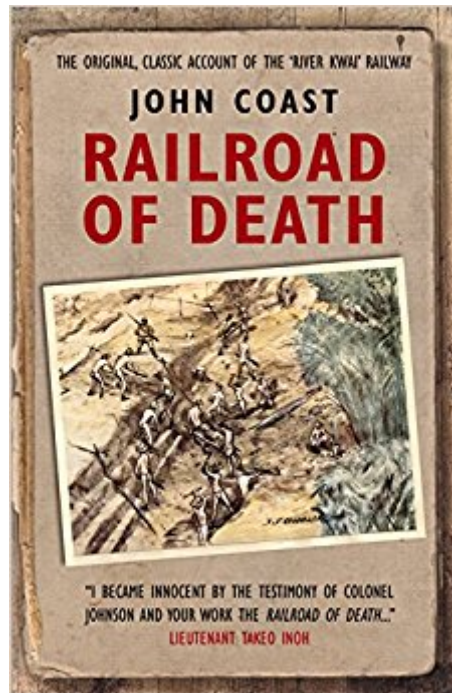




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John Coast (1916-1989) *Œ* was *Œ* a prisoner of war that was sent into Thailand to build railways for the Japanese and the story of that time, *Railroad of Death*, became a bestseller and was later to form the subject of *Return to the River Kwai*, a documentary made in 1969 for the BBC. After the war, and back in London, Coast became a manager and an impresario to such artists as Mario Lanza, Luciano Pavarotti, Jose Carreras, Jon Vickers and Montserrat Caballe. He was the first man to present Bob Dylan in London and take Ravi Shankar to the West.

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