

DESCRIPTIVE RETURN OF H/16800 R/c CORBETT, John Albert who was apprehended at 11.30 (hour) p.m. on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of February, 1942 and was ~~an Absentee without leave from his Unit~~ Detained for several days from the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1942 as a Deserter (or Absentee without leave from the 24<sup>th</sup> day of the Month of February, 1942) from the Canadian Army.

Age 23 years Height 5 feet 7<sup>1/2</sup> inches  
Complexion Fair Hair Brown Eyes Blue  
Marks

Probable date and place of attestation January, 1939, Fort Arthur, B.C.  
Probable date of desertion or beginning of absence and from what place 10<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1941 Sault Ste. Marie

Name, occupation and address of the person by whom or through whose means the Deserter (or Absentee without leave) was apprehended and secured

Particulars in the evidence on which the prisoner is committed, and showing in what manner and upon what grounds he was apprehended. The fullest possible details to be given.

I do HEREBY CERTIFY that the Prisoner has been duly examined before me as to the circumstances herein stated, and has declared in my presence that he is a deserter from the before-mentioned Corps.

John Albert Corbett Signature of Prisoner  
Charles Barnes P.C. 215<sup>d</sup> Signature of Informant



where the Prisoner confessed, and evidence of the truth or falsehood of such confession is not denied.  
I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above-named confessed to the circumstances stated, but that on his own volition and that of such commanding officer as he may have had in view, and that the confession was made in the month of February, 1942, and that the signature is his own.  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Residence \_\_\_\_\_ Post Town \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
of Magistrate \_\_\_\_\_

Insert Army No. and Rank \_\_\_\_\_  
If he is a Deserter or Absentee without leave from his Unit, the case may be referred to the Commandant of the public Service, and for the interest of the Deserter or Absentee without leave, the record should be accurately filled up, and the details should be inserted by the Justice in his own handwriting, or under his direction, by his Clerk, or if it shall appear that he was in collusion with the person who apprehended him, or if the apprehended man was not a Deserter or Absentee without leave from, "or" belongs, "or" does not belong to, "as the case may be."

PART II.

This portion of the Form, after the Magistrate has committed the soldier and completed the recommendations as to reward, will be handed by the Clerk of the Court to the Police, who will enclose a statement of any expenses incurred by them.

Apprehension of No. \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_

Regiment at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_

who was committed as a Deserter (or Absentee without leave) on the \_\_\_\_\_

RECOMMENDATION FOR REWARD.

1. RECOMMEND:

Address \_\_\_\_\_

for a reward of \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Committing Magistrate.

Date.

The Magistrate will insert the name and address (in full) of the person for whom the reward is recommended, and the amount (5/-, 10/-, 15/-, or 20/-) which in his opinion should be granted in this particular case, having regard to the following rules:-

1. When soldiers are apprehended in uniform near their quarters it is considered that as a general rule 5/- is a sufficient reward. Not more than 10/- will be allowed in any case where the soldiers were in uniform.

2. When soldiers are apprehended in plain clothes, at a distance from their units, and after having been absent for some time, the reward may be increased to 10/- or 15/- according to the nature of the cases and the trouble incurred in apprehension. A reward in excess of 15/- will seldom be granted.

3. The reward of 20/- should be strictly reserved for cases where superior intelligence has been displayed in apprehending men in plain clothes, or under difficult or exceptional circumstances.

Rewards and expenses attendant upon apprehensions will be paid by the Command Paymaster of the Command or District in which the soldier's Unit is stationed.

4. No reward can be authorised if the Deserter or Absentee voluntarily surrendered, or if it shall appear that he was in collusion with the person who apprehended him, or if the apprehended man was not a Deserter or Absentee.