

Fourth Witness
for
The Defence

Major-General Cyril LLOYD, CBE, TD,
British Army, being duly sworn, is
examined by the Counsel for Defence:-

Q.1274 You are Major-General Cyril Lloyd, CBE, TD, and you at present hold the appointment of Director of Army Education, 45, Eaton Square, London?

A.1274 That is so.

Q.1275 And before that you had been Deputy Adjutant-General at 21 Army Group?

A.1275 That is so.

Q.1276 I think, Gen. Lloyd, you have known Brig. Lister since July, 1940?

A.1276 Yes.

Q.1277 Did you then come into contact with him when 7th Corps was formed?

A.1277 Yes, that was the occasion.

Q.1278 And I think you both served together on the staff of that Corps until January of 1941, when you went to the Staff College at Camberley?

A.1278 That is right.

Q.1279 Did you meet again in August, 1942, when you were appointed to the staff at Headquarters, 1st Canadian Army?

A.1279 Yes, that's right.

Q.1280 And I think Brig. Lister then was on the staff at GCHQ in London?

A.1280 Yes. Yes he was.

Q.1281 And would it be right to say that you met constantly from then on until October of 1943 when Brig. Lister went to Italy with 1st Canadian Corps?

A.1281 Yes.

Q.1282 And then I think you met him again when he returned to 1st Canadian Army or when he came to 1st Canadian Army in September, 1944, and I think you saw each other constantly until you left to take up your present appointment in 1945?

A.1282 Yes.

Q.1283 Now, General Lloyd, in the light of that constant association together, would you give the Court your view of the character and capabilities, in your estimation, of Brig. Lister?

A.1283 Well, with regard to his efficiency, I should say there is no question whatever that Brig. Lister is the most efficient staff officer, and by association with him, particularly in the earlier stages at 7 Corps and later at 1st Canadian Corps, I know that not only myself but all my colleagues regarded Brig. Lister as a thoroughly efficient officer. With regard to character, well, I think I can only say that I think that Brig. Lister embodies all the characteristics of an officer and a gentleman in the manner in which we regard these characteristics in the British Army.