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He was then sent to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Station at Galt, Ontario, where he was apprehended and held in custody until his trial date, which was set for January 20th, 1945. He was held in custody because of the absence of witnesses from the scene of the offense.

On January 18th, 1945, he was taken to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Station where he was apprehended by the Military Police. He arrived at the station about 10:00 P.M. in a very bad mental condition, due to lack of sleep and income. He has a brother who has been in an institution for seven years or so, and he has at home, a sixteen year old sister but she is not able to cope with the situation. He stayed to try and straighten out the situation at home and then he attempted to put his mother in the hospital, but she stayed in the hospital for a period of two days and refused to stay any longer and returned home.

By this time, the accused having overstayed his leave for some time, he became a little leary of returning to his Unit for fear of the consequences awaiting him there.

His statement to me was that he did intend to return, but was afraid to come back until he was apprehended by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and in view of that fact, I would like to see the Court show some leniency in regard to his sentence.

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