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 report Mearns broken channels. The
 third time I tried to get his identity
 he struck at me with closed fist.
 I saw no reason for self defense on
 his part. I have heard he is very
 clever and is investigating often in
 many cases - and I always include
 an even description report ~~was~~ I think
 as to the accused's character. I had
 only water to drink that night.

Re. examination by Parents.

I smelled no liquor of any kind
 on his breath. When a can open
 appeared he came to attention quickly.
 He spoke very coherently. You could
 understand all his words. This
 occurred at approximately 2:30 hrs.

R.P. 83(B) complied with.

Second Witness: Pk Army City 299 1/2
 Co. U.S. Army having him check
 sworn status. named by
 Parents -

On 14 Jul 43 about 2300 hrs. Major
 McCormick came with MP HQ. He
 asked of what he said. We went
 out together and found the accused
 whom I recognize now. The Major
 asked the accused for his identification
 and the accused refused to show it
 him. At this point the Major
 attempted to see the tags around
 the accused's neck. The accused
 then struck at the Major but
 missed him. I grappled with him
 and he went to the ground. As he
 got to his feet the MP advised and
 told him he was under arrest. He
 started to struggle again and I was
 necessary to subdue him a second