

PROCEEDINGS OF A FIELD GENERAL COURT MARTIAL HELD
AT BORDON, Hants. ON THE 29 DAY OF Apr. 42

TRIAL OF:- No. A-54644, GNR ROMAN F. Unit No 3 CARU.
The order convening the Court, charge sheet, summary of evidence and medical certificate are laid before the Court.
The Court satisfy themselves as provided by R.P. 22 & 23.
The accused is brought before the Court.
Prosecutor:- (Name) Lt. J.A. Hilliard (Unit) No 3 CARU.
Defending Officer:- (Name) Major A.M. Clarke (Unit) No 3 CARU.
At 1000 hrs the trial commences.
The order convening the court is read, signed by the President and attached to the proceedings.
The names of the President and members of the Court are read over in the hearing of the accused, and they severally answer to their names.
Q1 Do you object to be tried by me as President or by any of the officers whose names you have heard read over? A1 -
The President, members and judge-advocate (if any) are duly sworn.
The following constitute the Court:

President	Major W.G. Bury.....(Unit)	1	CDIRU.
Members	Capt. E.M. Crouse.....(Unit)	1	CDIRU.
	... Capt. T.M. Powers.....(Unit)	1	CDIRU.

The officers under instruction are duly sworn.
Q2 Do you object to ... Sgt. T. Ryburn..... acting as shorthand writer? A2 - No, sir.
The shorthand writer is duly sworn.
The accused pleading Guilty to the charges in the above mentioned charge sheet, R.P. 35(3) is duly complied with.
The summary of evidence is read, signed by the President, and attached to the proceedings.
Court is closed to consider its finding. Court is re-opened.
Name Lt. J.A. Hilliard....(Unit) No 3 CARU..... sworn, produces AFB 296 and NFM 6 and upon being questioned by Court states that the accused is the person named in these documents which have been compared by him with Reg'l records and are true extracts of the same. No cross-examination. Above documents read, signed by President and attached to the proceedings.
Q3. (To accused) - Do you wish to make any statement in mitigation of punishment? A3 - No, sir.
Q4. Do you wish to give evidence yourself or to call any witnesses as to character? A4 - No, sir.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF STATEMENT IN MITIGATION OF PUNISHMENT AND EVIDENCE AS TO CHARACTER GIVEN BEFORE THE COURT IS CLOSED FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF THE SENTENCE

DEFENDING OFFICER admits conduct sheet not one to be proud of. Accused not "bad character," offences being of minor nature, all for AWL with one exception, and periods of AWL short. Always returned from AWL voluntarily. Accused, American citizen, enlisted 1-2/3 years ago, coming from N.Y. to enlist in Cdn Army. Expected action and excitement; sadly disillusioned. Anxious transfer to USA forces. Applied for transfer, thought he could hurry transfer through by going AWL in order to interview authorities in London. Did not ask for pass; having recently come out of detn did not think such application would be granted. Intended interview American authorities in London and return home; met compatriots and stayed AWL longer than intended. Requests leniency.

CERTIFIED a true and correct report of the proceedings:-

Thyburn
Shorthand Writer.