

and I might point out that in the month of May, 1941, prior to that, the accused Moon was friendly with several girls who lived at this place and one was Juliana and one was Hilda. On numerous occasions Moon had been to this house and sampled the wine and he had been taken in the Air Raid shelter and given wine by these girls. Sometime in May he went there one night and saw another chap. He got annoyed about this and so took a case of wine out of the Air Raid shelter in the month of May. Pte Forte was not present on this first occasion. In October, this particular night in question the accused was sitting around in his billets and he began thinking and he decided to go and get this wine so he got hold of Pte Forte who acted as a sort of stooge, and Pte Forte is just 19 years of age. They broke out, got into this place and took the wine out. There is no defence so after consulting the accuseds have pleaded guilty for them. The girls in question, when the police went to interview Mr. Ainsworth denied knowing Moon whatsoever but Moon did not say anything, but his little book which I have here has both the names of those girls which they have autographed themselves. If this book had been produced it would have looked rather bad but he did not do that. The accused Forte is a lad of 19 years of age and came over to England in February, 1940, with Corps Pet Park and he has not been mixed up in any serious offences whatsoever and I would ask the court if you will deal very lightly with Pte Forte. So far as Pte Moon is concerned, he is 24 years of age and joined the Army in September and came to England in 1937. Later transferred from R.C.H.s. and from the information I have received he was a very good soldier. He went to France with 1 Div Sup Col and on the 9th of June one day he was lying in the back of a truck sleeping and a sentry hearing someone moving around in the truck fired a shot and Pte Moon was shot through his right arm and left leg. He was taken to a hospital that night, and when the order came to evacuate this district he was left in this hospital with no attempt made to go back and get him. So together with another English lad he started out and he and this chap left that very night and worked their way to Bordeaux. On the 10th of June it appeared in the Canadian papers that Pte Moon was missing and reported killed. Moon got in touch with the British consul at Bordeaux and arrangements were made to put him on a ship and he arrived in England in June, 1940. Up till that time he was classed as a first class soldier. The fact that he has been mixed up in this escapade is undoubtedly a blunder nevertheless he is a brave young fellow and I would ask you to bear in mind these facts. He is the type of young fellow who may play a very prominent part in the future and I would ask you to be lenient with him in his sentence.

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How did Moon get into the R.C.A.B.C.?
He transferred from the R.C.B.
Why?
All his friends from London were there.