

SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

in the Case of: L.8125 Pte. Wilfred Caron, RCASC
attached to #9 Cdn Fld. Amb RCAMC a patient in No.15 Cdn
General Hospital RCAMC charged with.

Absent without leave from 2215 hrs. 1 May 1944 to 0530 hrs. 2 May 44
The commanding Officer directs that evidence be taken under oath.

First Witness: H.50539 Sgt. Robinson, T.B. - No.15 Cdn General Hospital
RCAMC having been duly sworn states:

I am, H.50539 Sgt. Robinson, T.B. - No.15 Cdn General Hospital
RCAMC Night Wardmaster in Special Compound. On the night of 1 May
44 at approx. 2215 hrs. on checking the wards I found the accused
Pte. Caron absent from his ward (I Ward) I remained at the ward
until 0100 hrs. 2 May 44 during this time my orderlies Pte. Steele
and Pte. Strange were sent by me to check the remainder of the
wards, latrines and recreation tent. They reported to me period-
ically that they did not see the accused. From 0100 hrs. 2 May
44 the Ward (I Ward) was checked by myself approx. every half hour.
I was last in I Ward at 0550 hrs. 2 May 44. The accused had not
returned at 0530 hrs. Pte. Steele reported to me that the accused
had returned. I immediately went to the ward and was talking to
the accused asking where he had been it was then that I noticed
he had been drinking. He had the smell of alcoholic beverages on
his breath. I placed him under open arrest.
Questioned by the accused.

- Q. Did you ask me where I had been?
- A. Yes, I did.
- Q. Was I at the ward at 0030 hrs. 2 May 44?
- A. No.

T. B. Robinson
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(H.50539 Sgt. Robinson, T.B.)

Second Witness: D.21272 Pte. Strange, A.E. - No.15 Cdn General Hospital
RCAMC having been duly sworn states:

I am, D.21272 Pte. Strange, A.E. - No.15 Cdn General Hospital
RCAMC, Night Orderly in Special Compound. On making rounds at
2215 hrs. 1 May 44 I found the accused bed to be vacant, made up
in an orderly manner according to Hospital Rules. At 0005 hrs.
2 May 44 on returning from midnight meal I made round with the
Wardmaster. I found the accused bed as it was before at 2215 hrs.
On making rounds at 0100 hrs. I found the accused bed still vacant.
I did not enter the ward after that time during my tour of duty as
my duties entailed me to be in Wards A.B. & C. On being ordered
by Sgt. Robinson at 2230 hrs. 1 May 44 and 0005 hrs. 2 May 44 I
did make a complete check of the Compound and could not find the
accused.

examine
The accused declines to cross/this witness.

A. E. Strange
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(D.21272 Pte. Strange, A.E.)

E.H.
Smith