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FIRST WITNESS FOR THE PROSECUTION (Continued)

- Q. Did you instruct him to go and get the water than?
- A. I said, yes go ahead.
- Q. What did Foster do after you gave him the instructions, that is when you told him to get the water?
- A. I couldn't say, I didn't actually see him leave the HQ.
- Q. When Gnr. Jones reported to you was that the first notice you received that he was involved?
- A Yes sir.

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QUESTIONED BY THE DEFENDING OFFR

- Q. You just made the statement that Gnr. Foster asked you if he could go for water immediately on his return to the HQ. Were those his exact words?
- A. I couldn't say as to his exact words.
- Q. Did he say he wanted to go early or did he say "immediately"?
- A. As soon as we got back.
- Q. Did he ask you if he could go early?
- A. He said he would like to get back in time for the show.
- Q. Did he necessarily mean "immediately"?
- A. No, not necessarily.
- Q. Might he have meant early in the evening?
- A. No, I didn't get that impression.
- Q. In the evidence you just gave you made the statement that he wished to go for water immediately he returned to the HQ. Is the wording correct?
- A. As the show was at 1900 hrs that evening, and it was quite a trip for the water, I took it he wanted to go immediately we returned.
- Q. That is just a conclusion you drew and nothing from his exact words?
- A. When we got back he said he wanted to go back and get stores unloaded and leave immediately.
- Q. That was just the conclusion you made from his words?
- A. From his actions as well.
- Q. How far was the water pt?
- A. 6 or 7 miles.
- Q. How long would it usually take?
- A. A couple of hrs at a minimum, the water pt was servicing all the tps in the area.
- Q. What was the usual time for the driver to leave?
- A. 1630 or 1700 hrs normally.