

- A.244 No, I know nothing about that whatsoever.
- Q.245 Now, the buildings in which you are located; what is the general position insofar as the various buildings are concerned? It's rather hard to explain that. The buildings in which our troops were billeted were two large buildings situated at the front entrance to a large square - a large parade square. These two buildings, one is on the left hand side and one on the right hand side. The building which we used as our vehicle lines contained the Leer cattle market. It was a large building approximately a hundred and twenty yards wide and approximately two hundred and twenty yards or thereabouts, long. In the front portion of this building, which I will refer to as our vehicle lines, on the left hand edge of this building was a small room which we used as our Tech Stores and in there we kept out vehicle parts and such things as Tech stores. In the centre of the building was our garage and to the immediate right of the centre of the building was this small room. It was in a fairly large room we kept all our tires. On the right hand edge of this building there were five or six rooms in which we had our transport drivers billeted. In the back of this building, that is as you went past through where these rooms were you come to the large stalls - the cattle stalls which were approximately twenty yards wide and run the full length of the building which would be about two hundred yards. Now, behind this large building where our vehicles were kept there were outlying buildings, that is, outlying wooden sheds which would be about two hundred and fifty to three hundred yards further behind this building - our vehicle lines. On the left hand side of the building in which we had troops quartered which was at the left hand side of the square, there were more outlying buildings. We used some parts of them for washing dishes from the kitchen and things like that. That is the building on the immediate left hand of the barracks but the large building which was used for the vehicle lines was never used at all. Further to the left of where these small outlying buildings were, on the left hand side, were a series of sheds that were used for drying fish nets. Around the whole front of this square was a large brick fence which would be roughly seven or eight feet high with the main gate which was centred between the two barrack buildings. I think that's all I can tell you.
- Q.246 There was only one, I take it from your evidence, that there was only one exit and that was through the main gate.
- A.246 Actually there were two exits, one through the main gate. We had put in orders - in squadron orders that that was the only entrance that vehicles were to use as the guard on the gate was more or less supposed to check all the vehicles coming and going. There was a back alley which could be used out of the squadron area.
- Q.247 Now, from your description of the various buildings around there and bearing in mind the evidence of one of the witnesses for the Prosecution that there was a small room in which he got these tires - these four tires - would that be possible, to have a small room some place where someone might have kept tires without them being noticed by any of the officers or an NCO coming around to check?
- A.247 Yes, that would be quite easy in this building - in the vehicle lines, there were quite a few rooms not being used, due to the bomb damage.
- Q.248 Yes. Now, you said that you told De Bartok when he wanted to go out on this trip to Holland, you said that you told him to see Lance-Corporal Tengas. You gave as your reason for that, that Tengas had the only jeep that was available at that time. Now, was there any other particular reason why he should see Tengas?
- A.248 We, we didn't have a jeep driver in the squadron at that time and secondly, Tengas was a good driver and thirdly, Corporal De Bartok was not a driver. He didn't have a blue slip, to drive in the squadron.