

47. I next met Private Wood, an Australian and a Sergt "Buck" Rogers of the Commandos at 3 D, and I took them accompanied by Rose and Lave, back to Hildersheim. This was on Heimsel's instructions.

48. During this visit to Berlin Cooper and I visited Luckenwalde because when I was at Hildersheim McLardy had suggested that there were possible recruits among the fellows who had gone back there from Paukow. This suggestion was made at about the time that he, Courlander, & Brittain were proposing to leave Hildersheim on another recruiting trip round the Stalag.

50. I should say now that during the time I was at Hildersheim Courlander was consistently away on recruiting expeditions, so much so that during my stay of five or six weeks he was only there for a week all told. Brittain, McLardy and Minchin were also away frequently on similar missions. I know this to be true because when they all came back they used to talk about it in my presence despite the fact that they were suspicious of me but names and other details were withheld.

51. Courlander was responsible for recruiting Rogers, Wood, Chipehase, and THEO, who claimed to be a South African. They all came from one working party in Austria, but the last two came after Rogers and Wood had arrived as I have previously mentioned. Wood and Chipehase told me of this.

52. Minchin was responsible for recruiting Maylin from Marlag/Milag Nord, but that was at Paukow. During my first trip to Berlin from Hildersheim I met Minchin and a man named Holland (an interpreter) in the street. They told me they were about to leave on a recruiting expedition to Marlag/Milag again. I do not know what success they had. Minchin had already recruited Maylin and I heard from both men that this was so. This occurred when I was originally at Paukow, when Minchin sent Maylin back to Paukow, assuring us that he (Maylin) was pro-German. I refused to have Maylin in the house, owing to information that I had received from Cooper (which he addressed to McLardy, Minchin, Courlander, Sergt Wilson, Brittain and myself) that the British Police organization in Geushayen had our names and that they had sent them away with signatures of witnesses who had seen us leave Geushayen. Maylin's and Trinder's names were mentioned at this time as being connected with the Camp police.

53. The consequence of this was that when Minchin sent Maylin from Marlag/Milag to Paukow I used Cooper's information to keep him out.

54. The only man I know for sure that Cooper recruited was Hayes, who returned with Cooper and me when we visited Luckenwalde as I have stated.

55. After I had been at Hildersheim eight or nine days an Englishman named Edward BOWLEY came to the SS barracks where we British prisoners were quartered. He said - at a meeting of the prisoners which had been called - that recruiting for the B.F.C. could be accomplished easier in the Stalags if they separated the men and the NCOs (I objected and gave the reason it would take too long) and that he was prepared to do radio and leaflet propaganda work for the B.F.C., and that he was a little bit too old to join it himself. Bowlby later the same day gave me his name and address and telephone number. Those were: "Edwd. Bowlby, KKEISTSTRASSE 41 BEI GUTH 936951 Rundfunk. He wrote this on a piece of paper from my notebook and I produce it (Ex 1). Bowlby asked me to call and see him when I was in Berlin. He also told me at this time that he was working on the German radio.