

- Q.82. Who occupied room 23 during the period I have mentioned?
- A.82. Lieut. Wood and Lieut. Murray.
- Q.83. What were Pte. Lilley's duties in relation to Lieut. Wood?
- A.83. Well as far as his batman -- he was his batman and had access to his room at all times.
- Q.84. What other batmen was assigned to duty in room 23 during the period mentioned?
- A.84. Well -- there was none other at that time.
- Q.85. Do you remember the morning of the 17th December, 1943?
- A.85. I do sir.
- Q.86. What took place that morning?
- A.86. That morning sir Mr. Wood reported to me the loss of his purse. I then called for the accused, Pte. Lilley, who was on duty that morning, and we both searched in the room and found no purse. By this time we had all the linen off the beds in one pile there and both the accused, Pte. Lilley, and myself went through all the linen and found no purse there.
- Q.87. When you made a search of Lieut. Wood's room what was the condition of his bed?
- A.87. Well it was -- it had been taken apart. The bed was upset by taking the linen off.
- Q.88. What kind of linen was on the bed at that time?
- A.88. It was white linen -- cotton sheets.
- Q.89. Had the bed been changed with clean linen at that time?
- A.89. No, it had not been changed yet, no, the soiled linen had been taken off and nothing else had been put back on yet.
- Q.90. Now after that what action did you take?
- A.90. Well there was not much action taken to it. It was talked of amongst the batmen of course and --
- Q.91. But what actually did happen?
- A.91. Well they all voluntarily had their pocket books opened up and searched.
- Q.92. What about the accused?
- A.92. He was also searched.
- Q.93. What was the result of that search?
- A.93. Well there was no result. We did not find any purse.

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- Q.94. Cpl. Johnstone, what hour was it when you first saw the accused that morning?
- A.94. Well of course I see them every morning when I get them up but in the quarters it was just after Mr. Wood reported the purse. I don't remember seeing him after coming back from breakfast.