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and drawings which would be directly or indirectly useful to the enemy, the court did not take a serious view of the

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case and sentenced him to sixty days' imprisonment. The documents forming the subject of the charge were destroyed.

R. v. Nelson et al

R.C.M.P. Firearms Section—Theft of Revolver—Cooperation

That the R.C.M.P. Firearms Section is a valuable aid in fighting crime is proved by the many investigations it has helped to bring to a satisfactory conclusion. An interesting example occurred on July 9, 1942, when R.C.M.P. headquarters, Ottawa, received word from the Toronto City Police that a .32 Colt revolver had been stolen from a refreshment booth at Exhibition Park in that city. The serial number and a brief description of the weapon were passed on to the revolver and small arms department of the Firearms Section where it was established that the revolver had been registered by a man named Charles Reed.

On September 28, a constable of the Fort Erie Police became suspicious of three men cruising around town in an automobile, and questioned them. Their replies to his questions were unsatisfactory so he took the trio into custody. Subsequent investigation disclosed that the automobile had been stolen in Toronto. Under the seat was found a .32 Colt revolver. A telegram to the Firearms Section at Ottawa brought forth a speedy reply: the weapon was the same one previously identified as belonging to Mr Reed of Toronto.

The accused, Nelson, Kocielek and Simko, appeared at Fort Erie that day (September 28) before Magistrate Hop-