

D62274 L/Cpl Charbonneau, C. Regt'1 Police 11 CBR Bn having been sworn acted as Interpreter.

FOURTH WITNESS

Mde Julia Beyst, 4 Kuiperskaai, Ghent sworn, states:

"I am proprietor of Cafe Au Fleuri 4 Kuiperskaai, Ghent. On the evening of 7 Nov 44, at approx 2100 hrs an Officer asked me if I knew that door to my room had been broken open."

"I went up stairs to investigate I found that the door to my room had been broken open and the top panel pushed right out. I tried the key but it wouldn't work and I was helped through the top panel."

"When I got to my room I saw the ward robe doors which I always kept locked had been forced open. I saw that most of my clothes had been stolen and all the bottles of liquor. The articles missing were:

- 10 Dresses
- 2 Light Cloth Coats
- 2 Suits
- 1 Fur Coat
- 5 Bottles of Cognac
- 4 Bottles of Picon Liqueur
- 4 Bottles of Perneau Liquor
- 5 Bottles of other Liquor.

when I saw this I thought of a fur coat belonging to my aunt which was hanging down stairs I went down to check and found that it had also been taken."

"I had been up to my room about 6 o'clock that afternoon and everything was in order. The other fur coat was hanging up in the Cafe on a hook on the wall and I had last seen it about 1630 hrs."

"I was very shocked and when I recovered I learned that the Officer who had reported the door open to me had gone to call the military police. A Sgt from the Military Police came in with an interpreter and made a report."

"The next day I was informed that some of these articles had been found. I went to get them and found:

- 7 dresses
- 2 Light Cloth coats
- 2 Bottles of Cognac
- 2 Bottles of Picon Liqueur
- 1 Tailored suit.

these articles were part of the stock I kept in my wardrobe."

"I did not see any one breaking into my room. The radio in the Cafe was turned on and a lot of customers were there. I did not hear any one breaking in. I do not remember ever seeing the accused before.

(Sgd) Beyst Julian

RP 83 (b) have been complied with.

The accused declines to cross-examine the witness,

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