

THIRD WITNESS

A.42212 Cpl. E.M. CARNEGIE of the No 45 Cdn Gen Tpt Coy RCASC, having been duly called and sworn, states:

"I am A.42212 Cpl. E.M. CARNEGIE N.C.O. 1/e Regimental Police of the No 45 Cdn Gen Tpt Coy RCASC. At 0655 hrs on 24 May 43 I paraded the accused, L.8794 Private Lawrence Michael POWER, whom I now recognize, and two other prisoners Pte. Fye and Pte. Copp together with the two R.P.'s., Pte. McWilliams and Pte. Gibson, to breakfast at the H.Q. Mess Hall. When the prisoners had finished their meal they were escorted to the ablution table by the two R.P.'s., Pte. Gibson and Pte. McWilliams. This was the last time that I saw Pte. Power until his return in custody today. At approximately 0720 hrs Pte. McWilliams reported to me that Pte. Power and Pte. Fye had escaped from his custody when he was escorting them back to the Guard Room. I immediately caused a search to be made of the barracks area but Pte. Power and Pte. Fye could not be found. I then reported the escape to the C.S.M.

On 26 May 43 at 1444 hrs at Three Bridges Station I received in custody from an N.C.O. of the Cdn Provost Corps, Pte. Power together with Pte. Fye. Certain documents relating to the accused were handed over to me at the same time and I now present these. The first is a certificate of apprehension signed by Capt. W. Fern D.A.F.M. London Area. (Marked Appendix "A"), the second, C.M.H.I. form 1000:55 and expense voucher giving the expenses incurred in returning the accused to the unit, and is signed by Capt Fern D.A.F.M. London area (Marked Appendix "B").

E.M. Carnegie
.....Cpl.
(E.M. Carnegie)

No 45 Cdn Gen Tpt Coy R.C.A.S.C.

The accused declines to cross examine the witness.

The accused declines to make a statement.

I certify that Rules of Procedure 4 (c) (d) (e) (f) and (g) have been complied with.

Taken down by me in the presence of the accused in the field, this 26th. day of May, 1943.

R.E. Thomson
.....Capt.
(R.E. Thomson)
No 45 Cdn Gen Tpt Coy RCASC

Forlington
President