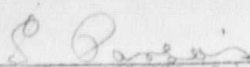


A. Yes, sir, I said that, and I heard others say that too.

Question by the Accused:- Did you see me in the dispatcher's office when you went in at about half-past seven?

A. No, you were not inside, but on the ramp outside the office, when I came along.

  
D. L. Cpl. PARSONS, S.  
No 1 Cdn Engr Rft Unit  
Canadian Army (Overseas)

FOURTH WITNESS  
For the Prosecution

E. 41466 Spr. GENDRON, B.H.R., No. 1 C.E.R.U., a soldier of the Canadian Army (Overseas) having been duly warned that he cannot be compelled to answer any question tending to incriminate him, and that he can remain silent, but that anything that he does say, may be used in evidence; and having been duly sworn, states:-

About 2000 hours 29 Sep 44, I met Spr. Menard outside the N.A.A.F.I. Hut and we walked over to the M.T. Office. I went in and asked L/Cpl. Johnson if he had a vehicle going anywhere. He told me he hadn't, I then asked him if it was possible to give me a ride down to the Eli Hotel. He looked at me and said "No", and then he turned around, and I said to him, "What do you say Johnny"? He said O.K., so we went out. Just as we went out, I saw Cpl. Parsons, and I asked him if he wanted to come with us for a ride. We all went over and got in a station wagon, and drove to the Eli Hotel. We went in and had a round of drinks, and then Cpl. Parsons and L/Cpl. Johnson left. Before they left, I asked them where they were going, and told them not to forget to pick me up if they came back this way. I stayed in the hotel drinking, and talked to a sergeant, that I knew a little. About 2130 hrs., Cpl. Parsons and L/Cpl. Johnson came back, and we had something more to drink, and then we all got out and got in the station wagon, and drove back to camp. When we got back to camp, and went into the driver's room, I lay down on one of the beds and fell asleep. Someone woke me up, and told me I was under close arrest.

Q. When you left the M.T. lines with the others in the station wagon, did you know if L/Cpl. Johnson had any authority to take it?

A. I don't know whether he got authority or not.

Q. On the way back to camp from the hotel, where were you sitting in the station wagon?

A. On the right side in the back seat.

Q. Did you know of any accident on the way back to camp?

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