

Proceedings of P.F.A.M. in the case of P-75558 P.F. CRAIG, 48th Highlanders of Canada. Court assembled at "Woodlands", Woodlands Dr., Blackwood, Surrey, on the 4th February 1941.

Court is convened accordingly and the accused brought in to stand trial.

The Orier convening the Court is read to the accused:

The accused was then questioned by the President of the Court.

Q. Do you object being tried by me as President of this Court and to my other members of the Court, whose names you have heard read out to you?

A. No Sir.

All members of the Court, including the witness Lister and stenographer are duly sworn; there being no objection by the accused that the sitting member be present at the trial.

The accused is questioned by the President of the Court.

Q. P-75558 Pte. Craig, 48th Highlanders of Canada? Is that correct?

A. Yes Sir.

The charge is read out to the accused.

Q. Are you guilty or not guilty of the charge against you which I have just read out to you?

A. Guilty Sir.

Both the Prosecuting and Defending Officers declined to call any witnesses.

President of the Court to the Accused:

Q. Do you wish to make a statement for yourself?

A. Yes Sir.

The accused, having been duly sworn, states:

"On the evening of January 31st., 1941, I had some liquor and I saw a case of Pte. Little's bed and took it out with me. Later, I met my brother and Pte. Ben Bain. I went back with them to R.M. stores in their truck and the case was left there. The next morning I went over to the R.M. Stores and the case was there. I claimed it and went over to the Auxiliary Firemen's Service where I raffled it off. Sold five tickets. I realized shortly after that I had done wrong. I was too ashamed to admit the theft at the time and had hoped to get the case back and return it to "A" Company, where it could be found." That is all Sir.

Court is cleared.

Statement as to the character and particulars of service of the accused is read out before the Court by Captain T. Warren, Adjutant, 48th Highlanders of Canada, who was duly sworn.

Prosecutor questions Capt. Warren, T.

Q. Do the regimental records indicate what service a man has had in the P.F.A.M.? *That MS*

A. No Sir - not on his conduct sheet but on his attestation papers it does. I haven't got them here but I could get it for you?

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