

2nd witness for
the prosecution

C/42045 L/Cpl. Stinson, R., R.C.M.P.

Q. You occupy what position in the Provost Corps? JEW

A. C.I.V.

Q. You recall receiving certain information in the case at the bar this morning?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. When did you receive it?

A. On 25 Jan 41, sir.

Q. What information did you receive?

A. I received information to the effect that a Cdn soldier was endeavoring to dispose of Govt firearms.

Q. Was the identity of the man given to you, or any description?

A. I ascertained from hangers-on at the Railway Hotel, Reigate, that he was of the name of Butch. I later ascertained that it was Pte. Simon, Sir.

Q. How did you ascertain that?

A. From some of the soldiers at the pub.

Q. Do you recognize the accused this morning?

A. I do, Sir. (Identifies the accused.)

Q. As a result of receiving this information what did you do?

A. I interviewed the civilian, Mr. Moody, one of the witnesses. He was the man who was propositioned for the sale of the revolver. He informed me that a soldier named Butch attempted to sell a revolver to him at the public bar of the Railway Hotel, Reigate, between 2100 and 2200 hrs. on the evening of 27 Jan 41. He was also able to give me the names of two or three other civilians propositioned by the soldier. Mr. Moody also informed me that the Cdn soldier, Butch, had offered to sell him a revolver on 25 Jan 41 and again on 27 Jan 41.

Q. Did you actually make an investigation yourself? Did you visit any of these places mentioned?

A. Yes, Sir.

Q. Tell the court what you found when you visited.

A. On the evening of 28 Jan 41, I was in the public bar of the Railway Hotel, Reigate, and I observed Pte. Simon conferring with Mr. Moody. Pte. Simon finished his drink and left the pub. I approached Mr. Moody and after talking with him he informed me that he had agreed to purchase a soldier's revolver and the sale was to take place in front of the pub in a few minutes' time. He showed me a 10s note with his name on the back, also 10s in marked coins. This marked money had a "y"