

Statement

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Sir,

At Warwick on the 18th Aug 1943 at about 16.30 hours I received a telephone message from L/Cpl C. Swann, C.M.P. who was on duty at Coventry requesting me to contact the Canadian Provost Corps regarding No. G.51220 Sgt. Logan, No 7 Cdt I.R.U., I was informed that this N.C.O. was wearing a chevron on one arm only and that Cpl Swann was not satisfied with his statements. I contacted the Canadian Provost Corps and was later informed that No G.51220 Logan, was a Spr., and that he was at that time with his unit also that he had reported that his M.B.M.1 had been stolen. Therefore the supposed Sgt Logan must be an imposter. I was requested to place this man in close arrest and that an escort would be sent. I then proceeded to Coventry where I saw this soldier in the Y.M.C.A. and in the presence of L/Cpls Swann and Veasey I cautioned him and asked him his number, rank name and unit and he stated "No.G-51220 Sgt Logan, No 7 Cdt. I.R.U.". I then asked him if he was certain that these were his particulars and he stated "Sure". I then ordered L/Cpl Swann to convey this soldier to Budbrook Barracks, Warwick and hand him over to the N.C.O. I/c Guard to be detained. As the soldier was being conveyed to Warwick he admitted to me that his real name was Harte and that the particulars he had given were false, also that he was a private and not a Sgt., moreover the M.B.M.1 and A.F.B.295 in his possession were not his property. At C.M.P.H.Q., I informed L/Cpl Swann of this and Pte Harte admitted to L/Cpl Swann that his statements had been false. He was then conveyed to Budbrook Barracks and handed over to the N.C.O. I/c Guard to await escort. He was sober.

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