

- 3.
- A. I want to make a statement.
Q. On oath or not on oath?
A. On oath.

The accused, sworn, states:-

At approximately 1600 hrs, on the 26 Sep 45, I went with Pte Ladouceur to his room and met Pte Umpherville there. He had several drinks, then I went for supper. Between 1800 and 1830 hrs, Pte Ladouceur asked me if I would go to Rotterdam with him that night, which I agreed to do. He told me he had a vehicle to go in. At approximately 1900 hrs I arrived at the jeep where Ladouceur, Umpherville and the 2 girls were. He got in the jeep and started for Rotterdam. Ladouceur was driving. At this point I did not know the trip was unauthorized. It was on the trip from Utrecht to Rotterdam that I found out the vehicle was being used without authority. Had I known that the vehicle was being used illegally I would never have gone. At approximately 2030 hrs we arrived at the friends house in Rotterdam where we had several drinks. I left the house at approximately 2215 hrs with Pts Umpherville and the 2 girls. I took the jeep and drove it back as the 2 girls had to be in early. If it had not been for the 2 girls I would never have touched the vehicle as Umpherville was too drunk and I considered him incapable of driving the vehicle. When arrived in Utrecht, I took the 2 girls home and then returned to Camp, parking the jeep where I had met it earlier in the evening. Then I went into the kitchen with Pte Umpherville and had something to eat. While in the kitchen I saw "Ben" one of the cooks and John" the chief cook. After having something to eat I went to my room and went to bed at approximately 0100 hrs.

Signed H. Fitzgerald

I certify that the foregoing summary of Evidence, consisting of three pages, was taken down by me in the presence of the accused and that C.P.R.C. (C), (D), (E), (F) and (G) (12) have been complied with.

In the Gould
10 Oct 45

Signed M. A. Cowie Capt
CAPT M. A. COWIE
1 COR ARMY INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS REG.