

that way. I have here two letters referring to the character of the accused which were obtained by myself from the director of Police in Granby, Quebec, where the accused lives with his mother and the Parish Priest of his home town. One of them was written in French so I translated it into English to the best of my knowledge. I present this to the Court as an exhibit. (Letter read by Defending Officer).

(LETTER FROM POLICE DEPARTMENT OF GRANBY, P.Q. PRESENTED TO THE COURT, MARKED EXHIBIT "P", SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT AND ATTACHED TO THE PROCEEDINGS).

Now this other letter, Gentlemen, is from the Parish Priest of Granby, Quebec. (Letter read by Defending Officer). I present this letter to the Court as an exhibit.

(LETTER FROM PARISH PRIEST, GRANBY, P.Q., PRESENTED TO THE COURT, MARKED EXHIBIT "Q", SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT AND ATTACHED TO THE PROCEEDINGS).

He is a former Honorary Major of the Canadian Army -- Chaplain's Corps. Looking back over this character evidence it seems that the accused was not in any trouble prior to joining the Army and I think that he is ill and not in any way what we would call a bad soldier and that rather than punish this type of man we should try and treat him. There is a statement on the accused's file from the District Medical Officer of Quebec Command, Montreal. It was made out on the 29th of June 1949. The diagnosis of the accused was psychoneurosis with symptoms of severe frontal headaches. Apparently nothing was done about it since. I feel that this man needs attention and consequently I would ask the Court to be lenient in their sentence towards the accused and due to the difference in circumstances between the time of enrolment and at the present time, I would think that the accused should be discharged from the army administratively. Thank you.

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