

24th November, 1945

TO:

HIS EXCELLENCY

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL IN COUNCIL

The undersigned has the honour to report that:

- (a) D.147742 Pte Jean BOURASSA, Regiment de la Chaudiere, CA, attached to A-13 CITC, CA, a soldier of the Canadian Army placed on Active Service, was tried by a General Court Martial held at Valcartier Camp, Province of Quebec, on the 8th day of May 1945, on the following charge:

ARMY ACT
Sec 39A(1)(c)

IS GUILTY OF A WILFUL ACT WHICH CAUSED
DESTRUCTION OF PUBLIC PROPERTY BY FIRE

in that he

at Valcartier, Province of Quebec, on the 16th day of March 1945, willfully destroyed by fire the regimental documents, public property, pertaining to ninety-six soldiers of the 6th Infantry Company, A-13 CITC, CA.

- (b) The accused pleaded guilty, was found guilty of the charge and was sentenced to undergo detention for a period of fourteen (14) months.
- (c) Your Excellency in Council, upon the recommendation of the Minister of National Defence, was pleased to confirm the said Finding and Sentence on the 31st day of May 1945, by Order-in-Council PC 3888.
- (d) The said Sentence was reviewed by the Courts Martial Board of Review at Ottawa, Province of Ontario, on the 23rd day of October 1945.
- (e) The said Courts Martial Board of Review has recommended that this soldier be released on the 10th day of December 1945.
- (f) Your Excellency in Council may give effect to the recommendation of the Courts Martial Board of Review by remitting seven (7) months of the said sentence.

The undersigned concurs in the recommendation of the Courts Martial Board of Review and has the honour to recommend that seven months of the said Sentence be remitted.

Respectfully submitted.

MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENCE

Approved as to substance and as to form

W. J. Lawrence

Judge Advocate General