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SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE

Summary of Evidence in the case of H-40722
Rfn Frederick GOODIE, "D" Coy., No 2 Bn.,
1 Canadian Base Reinforcement Depot. Cdn
Army (Overseas)

The Commanding Officer directs that the
evidence be taken on oath.

FIRST WITNESS
FOR THE
PROSECUTION

Major John H LaCormu of Q.M. Corps. U.S.
Army, having been duly sworn states:

Edm. "On wednesday night, 14 Jul 1943, at about
2130, while being driven south on Rue Georges
Clemenceau, Phillipville, Algeria, a Canadian
soldier, identified as Rfn F. Goodie, H-40722,
tried to stop my vehicle. The driver, believing
it to be another hitch-hiker started to go around
him when he, Rfn Goodie, cursed at us. I ordered
the driver to stop and went back to talk to the
soldier, who again cursed at me. When told he was
talking to a Major of the United States Army, his
reply was he didn't "give a fuck" if he was, "The
American soldiers are all bastards". I then asked
for his identity discs, and he let me have his number
but not his name, being very disrespectful. Rather
than cause a disturbance, I mounted the government
vehicle and told the driver to go to the American
Military Police Office. In starting out, Rfn
Goodie struck at me, knocking my hat off. Upon
arrival at the Military Police Office, I requested
that Pte Erving Klotz, 32014920, call the British
or Canadian Military Police, which was done. Pte
Klotz then accompanied me to look for Rfn Goodie,
who, when accosted, gave a different serial number
and again refused to give his name, saying he did
not have to give his name to any God-Damned American.
At this time the British Patrol drove up and he,
Goodie, agreed to walk up to the American Military
Police Office. I again asked for his identity tags
and again was refused. I turned on my flashlight
and reached for his tags to look at them, whereupon
he again struck at me. Goodie was overpowered by an
American Military Policeman and was taken away by
the British and the Canadians. In my opinion the
accused was quite sober and well aware of what he was doing.
My driver on that occasion was Pte Lewis B Wymer,
(35459451), 499 Car Co."

John H LaCormu Major,
(John H. LaCormu,)

The accused declines to cross-examine this witness.

SECOND WITNESS
FOR THE
PROSECUTION

Pte Lewis B. Wymer, 35459451, 499 Car Co., U.S.
Army having been duly sworn states:

"While on patrol the night of 14 Jul 43 at approx-
imatley 2130 hours and while driving a 5-cwt along
one of the main streets of Phillipville in company
with the first witness Major John H LaCormu, I saw
a soldier standing in the middle of the street.