

Proceedings of a Court Of Enquiry
assembled at H.M.N.Z.T. 12, at sea,
on the 24th day of September 40.
by order of Captain O'Gorgeous V.D.

for the purpose of enquiring into the disturbance caused by one Lieut. A.E. Beyer in that he did turn lights on, ring bells and banged doors at the early hour of 0410 E hour on the morning of 24 Sep 40.

PRESIDENT : Captain U.C. Awlle
MEMBERS : Lieut. R.U. Thair
Lieut. T.U.F. Guy

EVIDENCE.

FIRST WITNESS. I am Captain XXXXXXX and I was proceeding to my room at 0410 E hour on the morning of 24 Sep 40 when I heard a door slam, bells ring and a light switch on. I then saw Mr. Beyer and managed to hide -- er I mean he did not see me. My reason for being up at that hour was that I was unable to sleep and thought a walk would do me good. I was alone at the time.

SECOND WITNESS. I am Nursing Sister KXXXX and I was proceeding to my room at 0410CE hour on the morning of 24 Sep 40 when I heard a door slam, bells ring and a light switched on. We or rather I then saw Mr. Beyer but I don't think he saw me. My reason for being up at that hour was that I was unable to sleep and thought a walk would do me good. I was alone at the time.

THIRD WITNESS. My name is Ann Dee and I am steward to the men on B deck. I start my work early so men can catchem toast and tea. I hear tinkling bell, slamming door and then I saw Mr. Bleyer -- -- I see plenty more but I plomise no tell.

The Court having examined 3 witnesses and that being the only number called, wish to report :

Owing to the fact that some of the witnesses were emotionally(~~drained~~) strained at the time and as the other witness had difficulty in speaking English, the Court had a trying time in reaching a decision; but acting on advice received from Cabin 103 the Court decided to dissolve as the information received proved beyond doubt that Mr Beyer is incapable of causing a disturbance.

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DEAL ME A DECK

C S M Pearce, and Sjt Flett, who have established an all time high in the 500 world, met their Waterloo last evening at the hands of a pair of rank outsiders, Cpls Ward and Chambers.

It was a great bout. A crowd terse, expectant, and eager for blood watched the players as they bent over the floodlit table. The air was electric, and the totalisator ringing. C S M Pearce dealt a new deck. His handling was superb. Sjt Allen, newly risen from his measly bed threatened to upset the applecart when he accused Cpl Ward of palming a card up his sleeve. When the smoke cleared, the table was relaid and the boys rolled up their sleeves to prevent any misunderstanding.

It was a grand tussle. Sjt Flett opened the bidding - the bids bounded across the table until both pairs had irreconcileably committed themselves. Joker, right and left, bowered and thundered until finally the two from the lower deck cantered in to a splendid finish, riding a quietly confident bid of 10 no trumps.

The boys turned to collect, but unfortunately totalisator keeper Cpl Lloyd had been vcalled to a conference by his Company Commander.

BARTER PAR EXCELLENCE

Bananas. MORE. MORE. two, GO ON, put them in.

NO. - Alright, pass the water. SWISH - result, 2 extra bananas, 1 satisfied digger.

AND THEY THOUGHT THEY COULD TEACH US TO TRADE !

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