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## GI Witness Confused On Testimony

WASHINGTON (AP)—One of the prosecution's star witnesses against Cpl. Edward S. Dickenson swore Tuesday he was so confused he wanted to have all of his testimony thrown out of Dickenson's court martial.

Recalled for cross-examination, Cpl. Thomas A. Carrick of Blacksburg, Va., told the court in regard to his previous testimony:

## U.S. Civilian Pilot Injured

HONG KONG (AP)—An American civilian pilot flying supplies to besieged French union forces at Dien Bien Phu is the first U.S. casualty of the bloody battle for that Indochina fortress, officials of Civil Air Transport said here today.

The flier is Paul Robert Holden of Greenleaf, Kan., who suffered severe wounds in his right side and right arm when Communist anti-aircraft fire hit his plane over Dien Bien Phu.

Holden is the third listed American casualty of the eight-year-old Indochina war. Two American women, employees of the U.S. consulate at Saigon, were slain March 8, 1948, by a Vietminh ambush outside Saigon. They were identified as Mrs. Jeanne R. Skewes and Lydia Ruth James.

CAT officials said Holden's condition is serious but not critical. Co-pilot Wallace A. Buford of Kansas City, Kan., landed the damaged plane safely in French territory, the airline said.

CAT spokesman A. T. Cox said Holden was the airline's chief pilot. He flew for the U.S. Air Force in World War II and after the war flew in China until 1947.

Civil Air Transport, headed by retired U.S. Gen. Claire L. Chennault, has its headquarters at Taipei, Formosa. It has been flying in Indochina for several weeks under contract with the French.

"I was mistaken—I think so—I am still confused on it."

After a vigorous fight by Col. C. Robert Bard, the prosecutor, Carrick's testimony was permitted to remain in evidence for the eight-member court to weigh.

Carrick was the only witness to testify that he personally had overheard Dickenson informing on his fellow prisoners of war while held by the Chinese Communists at Pyoktong, North Korea.

Dickenson is accused of informing and of collaborating with the Chinese Reds.

Before Carrick was called back to the stand, an Army doctor testified that Death Valley POW Camp, where Dickenson was first held in the winter of 1950-51, was a place of starvation and death.

"How any of us survived, God only knows," Capt. William R. Shadish of Bridgeville, Pa., told the court.

He said he was at Death Valley while Dickenson was there for two months. Later he was the only American officer at Pyoktong where Dickenson was held for the next 2 1/2 years.

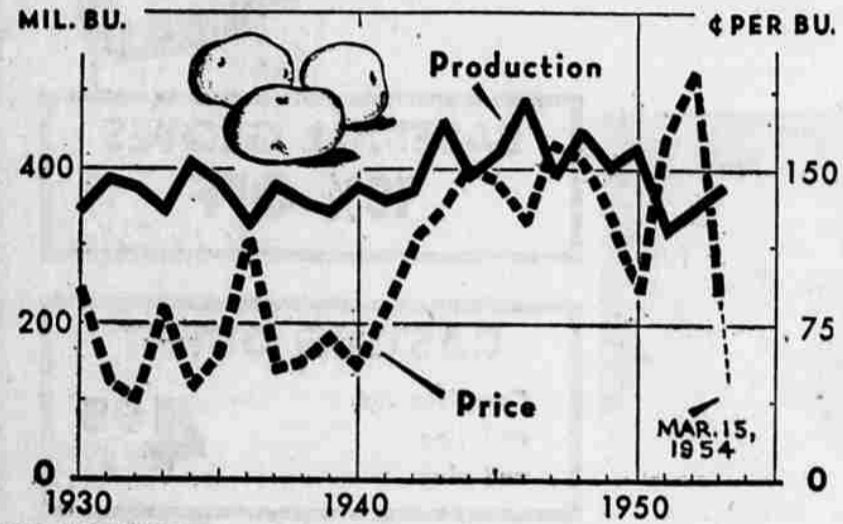
Shadish said he was at Pyoktong for four months, treating about 100 prisoners a day. At that time he said he knew Dickenson as an orderly at the sick house for his company.

The witness said Dickenson performed his duties in a good manner with ordinary compas-

sion." He said he did not remember about the 23-year-old corporal from any instance of complaint Cracker's Neck, Va.

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## Norway Spy Convicted

VARDØ, Norway (AP)—A District Court convicted a Soviet citizen of Norwegian descent on charges of attempted espionage today. The court gave him a comparatively light sentence of one year in jail.

The defendant, Edwin A. J. Hansen, was found guilty in a two-day trial behind closed doors. He was charged with trying to spy on Norway for a foreign power and having entered Norway from neighboring Russia illegally on faked identity papers.

The Hansen trial was the first of a series of related espionage cases scheduled to be heard in Oslo and in the northern province of Finnmark, which borders on the Soviet Union. Five Norwegian spy suspects are slated for trial beginning May 5.

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attack that ended in capture for James Norman Jensen, paroled San Quentin convict and his companion Donald Verne Chesley. Hile was a sub-contractor on the Klamath Nursing Home when it was built several years ago and bought materials from the W. D. Miller Construction Company.

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