

- Q Whereabouts did you hit her ? A On the back.
- Q Where did you find your piece of rubber hosepipe ? A That was lying about in the vicinity of the gate.
- Q What length of hosepipe was it ? A A bit longer than half a metre.
- Q Were there quite a lot of pieces of hosepipe about that length lying about at Belsen ? A I do not know. I know only about this one which I had at that time and which I kept.
- Q It was singularly lucky, was it not, that the only day you ever beat anybody you happened to find this length of rubber tubing of just the right length lying just where you wanted it ? A Yes.
- Q What did you keep it for ? A That it should be preserved and should not be ruined outside lying about.
- Q Do you know Hilda Lohbauer, No. 11 ? A Yes.
- Q Is she not speaking the truth when she says in her statement that of the S.S. men she has seen with her own eyes beating and ill-treating prisoners you are one of the ones who should be punished ?

MAJOR CRANFIELD: I have not had an opportunity of cross-examining the affidavit, because that it not possible, but I think it ought to be known now that in due course ----

COLONEL BACKHOUSE: I do not know that my friend has any right to interfere in my cross-examination to tell us what will happen in due course.

THE PRESIDENT: What is your objection ?

MAJOR CRANFIELD: In due course I shall say that the quotation which the Prosecuting Officer is making now is a wrong translation of the statement made by Lohbauer.

THE JUDGE ADVOCATE: The affidavit is in, is it not ?

MAJOR CRANFIELD: Yes. I cannot object to the question, but I think everybody ought to know that in due course I shall say that.

THE PRESIDENT: I have the point you are making. You are in due course going to say this was not a correct translation, but in the meantime the Prosecutor is raising a point on the affidavit which has been put in.

MAJOR CRANFIELD: Yes. I have not had the opportunity of cross-examining.

THE PRESIDENT: I entirely agree. Will you put the question again, Colonel Backhouse ? Perhaps the shorthand writer had better read it.

(The shorthand writer reads the following question: "Is she not speaking the truth when she says in her statement that of the S.S. men she has seen with her own eyes beating and ill-treating prisoners you are one of the ones who should be punished?")

THE WITNESS: I admit it that I have beaten.

MAJOR WINWOOD: No re-examination.

THE JUDGE ADVOCATE: Will you explain what you mean by the last answer you gave, "I admit it I have beaten". The Court are not clear what you mean.

A I have been beating Sunschoin as I admitted and on several occasions, when internees were crowding in and closing in towards me and I could not help myself then I have beaten several times internees. I could not help myself alone against 1,000 women.

(The witness withdraws.)

THE PRESIDENT: Are you making any preliminary statement in regard to Kraft ?

MAJOR WINWOOD: No, I am just calling him.