

15 January 1948

UNITED STATES)

v.)

Johann SINGER)

Case No. 000-Buchenwald-23

REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS

I. TRIAL DATA: The accused was tried at Dachau, Germany, during the period 13-14 November 1947, before a General Military Government Court.

II. CHARGE AND PARTICULARS:

CHARGE I: Violation of the Laws and Usages of War.

Particulars: In that Johann SINGER, a Rumanian national, did, at or in the vicinity of Muhlendorf, Germany, in or about April 1945, wrongfully encourage, aid, abet and participate in the killing of approximately three non-German nationals, inmates of Buchenwald Concentration Camp, who were then in the custody of the then German Reich, the exact names and numbers of such persons being unknown.

III. DATA AS TO ACCUSED:

Johann SINGER

This accused was acquitted (R 60).

IV. SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE: One witness testified that after the inmate evacuation from Buchenwald Concentration Camp, the inmates marched in a column to Flossenburg (R 10); that the column then marched from Flossenburg in the direction of Munich-Dachau (R 11); that after they left Flossenburg, the accused shot an inmate who wanted to pick up some grass (R 13); and that two or three days later someone threw a piece of bread to the column and one of the inmates wanted to pick it up and thereupon the accused shot him (R 14). The witness had never heard the accused's name before he was interrogated in Dachau in July 1947 (R 18), when he identified him from a picture.

The accused testified that he was never at Flossenbürg after leaving Buchenwald; that he was never in the vicinity of Muhlendorf; and that after leaving Buchenwald he never came into contact with inmates again (A 33).

The Court had jurisdiction of the person of the accused and of the subject matter.

V. CONCLUSIONS:

It is recommended that the record of trial be filed in the records of this office and that a copy of this Review and Recommendations be forwarded to the Judge Advocate, European Command, for his information.

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Having examined the record of trial, I concur, this _____
day of _____ 1948.

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