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14 February, 1946.

The Military Deputy,
Judge Advocate General,
Spring Gardens,
Cockspur Street,
S.W.1.



569113 Sergeant P.L.H. Lawley
1137138 Aircraftman (2nd Class) H. Elliott

The father of Sergeant P.L.H. Lawley has drawn the Air
Ministry's attention to a paragraph in the Birmingham Mail of
6th February, 1946, which reads as follows:

"Jap Cruelty Killed
Eight Britons

Birmingham man was among them

Tokio, Wednesday.

The trial opened in Yokohama to-day of Captain Shigeru
Aona, medical officer of the Hakodate Camp in Hokkaido, on
charges of contributing to the deaths of eight British prisoners
of war "by allowing members of his staff to commit cruel and
brutal atrocities" against them.

It was alleged that on one occasion Aircraftman First Class
Henry Elliott, of 322, Sinkers Row, Wingate, County Durham, was

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