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THE COURT: What was your occupation before you came here, Mr. Ralph?

DEFENDANT RALPH: Mechanical draftsman.

THE COURT: I cannot hear you.

DEFENDANT RALPH: Mechanical draftsman.

THE COURT: You have an education then?

DEFENDANT RALPH: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Never been in trouble before?

DEFENDANT RALPH: No, sir.

THE COURT: Where was your home?

DEFENDANT RALPH: Sir?

THE COURT: Where was your home?

DEFENDANT RALPH: Louisiana.

THE COURT: How long since you left there?

DEFENDANT RALPH: Seven years.

THE COURT: What is your age now?

DEFENDANT RALPH: Twenty.

THE COURT: And yours, Mr. Ledbetter?

DEFENDANT LEDBETTER: Twenty-three.

THE COURT: Why did you leave home, Mr. Ralph?

DEFENDANT RALPH: Well, they didn't want me any more, so I thought it was best to go.

THE COURT: And you have been making your own way since that time?

DEFENDANT RALPH: Yes, sir.

THE COURT: Since you were about thirteen years old?