

Q That was to see your kid because you werewarned to go Overseas, was it?

A Yes, Sir.

Q Did you know then when you were supposed to leave for Overseas?

A No, I didn't know at all, Sir.

Q And your leave expired on the 14th March, 1945?

A Yes, Sir.

Q You don't deny that you were absent from that date until the 15th of April, 1945, do you?

A No, Sir.

Q And your excuse was that you didn't like your wife, in the circumstances, living with your mother and father-in-law, and you wanted to build her a house?

A Yes, Sir.

Q You weren't satisfied to leave here in that condition, were you?

A No, Sir.

Q How much training have you had?

A I finished my training, Sir.

Q Basic?

A Yes, Sir.

Q And your Advanced?

A Yes, Sir.

Q You don't deny that you know exactly what the meaning of Absence Without Leave is?

A No, Sir.

Q You have had lectures on Military Law?

A Yes, Sir.

Q I suppose you know what Desertion means too?

A Yes, Sir.

Q Why didn't you, when you saw the necessity, as you say, of doing something for your wife and child -- why didn't you wire back to your Unit for extra leave?

A I thought of that, and again I thought of my crime sheet, and I knew it wouldn't be granted.

Q So you just decided to take it in your own hands?

A Well, I had to.

Q Then you worked for this money, and when you got the money, with your friends and relatives you worked on the house three weeks?

A Yes, Sir.

Q When that was finished you left your wife pretty comfortable, did you?