

absent without leave. This I did the next day, accompanied by a Private Line, whom I had known previously. We went to Edson, Alberta, and from there went to a logging camp West of there and got jobs there. We wore our uniforms when applying for work, and told our employer that we were on furlough from the Army and wanted to earn a little money. After a few days we quit our jobs at this camp as the food was poor and went to another camp. We were told here they could not employ soldiers, so we discarded our uniforms, and then received employment at this camp operated by a Mr. Garneau. After working here about two weeks, Pte. Line was injured at his work and was taken to hospital at Edson. I went into Edson also to be with Line. On leaving the camp, I left our uniforms and equipment with Mr. Garneau, done up in a sack.

Line was discharged from the hospital in about a week, and we then decided that we ought to return to the camp for our uniforms and then go back to Red Deer and surrender to the Military Authorities. My reason for this was that I did not like being out of the Army.

We were going to leave Edson to pick up our uniforms the day after Line got out of hospital, but that day we met a man who had worked with us at Garneau's camp. He told us that Garneau's employer had looked through our sack of clothes and on finding the uniforms had notified the police. On hearing the police were after us we took fright, and got out