

Q. Take a look at them. Now, what are they?

A. These were documents mailed to me direct from the Mobilization Section at Edmonton where army calls originate from. From these documents I understood that I was legally discharged in some way but these papers remained the property of the crown and they couldn't send me my discharge papers but sent me a temporary clearance document here which states I am not liable to call-up for the time being.

Q. Are there three documents?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. These letters; will you explain how they came to you?

A. This was in the Fall of last year, about the first part of September. This head man, I presume, in the Mobilization Section at Edmonton, wrote me a letter and asked me how long I intended to stay in the Province of Alberta and what occupation I intended to follow, stating that my file from Regina had been transferred to Edmonton a year before that. I answered the man's letter and told him that my intentions were to stay in Alberta for at least another six months. He answered my letter saying since it was my intention of staying in Alberta for at least another six months he would forward me a certificate which I should "HAVE" at all times with me if I was called upon by the proper authorities, which I presumed was the R.C.M.P. or Provost Corps, and he sent me that document stating that I wasn't liable for military call-up for the time being and that I was in good standing with the mobilization section. According to his letters I took it for granted that I had my discharge.

Court: Do you want to tender those letters?

Defending
Officer: Yes, sir.

(Letters are read, marked "Exhibit M", signed by the President and attached to the proceedings.)

Q. These documents - what idea did you get from these documents then?

A. Only that I was legally discharged as stated there and wasn't liable to have discharge papers and that was my only clearance. That is the way I understood it.

Cross-examined by the Prosecutor.

Q. Mr. Dyck, when did you get your furlough?

A. It was about July 17th, 1943.