

I submit, if this mans case had been sympathetically investigated, he would have never had gone A.W.I. All too frequently A.W.I.'s are comitted in protest to improper treatment. He at least spent his time away from his military duties, in work of a national importance, namely farming.

Gentlemen: I beg of you one more urgent plea for the sympathetic understanding and humane treatment of this man. When passing sentence, I respectfully beg of you to bear in mind the following points.

- (1) The age of the accused - 54
- (2) His category - C-1
- (3) The effects of the sentence on his future civil life.
- (4) His wifes health
- (5) The adverse bearing it would have on his sons future military life. *who are at the front line somewhere in Belgium -*
- (6) His character is good.
- (7) A heavy sentence at the time of this mans life, would be both unjust and unbearable.
- (8) *He is a veteran of the last war*

Sir, my plea to the court is that as soon as possible, this man be returned to Canada, with view to returning him to a useful civilian life. His home is waiting for him. His job is there for him, but if the sentence of this court is such that his character is marred, the result is, he will not be able to return to his job, his home will be broken up. The unfortunate affect will be that instead of being a useful civilian, he becomes a burden to society. This mans future rests with court.

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