

Q.37. Who seemed to be too busy?

A.37. Is the Quarter Stores -- Gunner Pickard.

Q.38. Did you ask him for a receipt for your kit?

A.38. Yes but it was half past eight at night and we just had time to catch our train and he took our kit in and he wanted to go out and he didn't give us any receipt.

CROSS-EXAMINED BY THE PROSECUTOR

Q.39. Gunner Hunter, did not your absence from the 107th Coast Battery extend from 2200 hours on the 18th November, 1943, until you surrendered to No. 6 District Depot, Halifax, at 2000 hours on the 13th February, this year?

A.39. That's right sir, yes.

Q.40. And it was from Lewisporte, Newfoundland, where your unit was stationed that you went absent?

A.40. That's right sir.

Q.41. Where is your home?

A.41. Forty miles out of Fredericton.

Q.42. I understand you are married?

A.42. That's right sir.

Q.43. Have you any children?

A.43. Two sir.

Q.44. You mentioned cutting wood for the purpose of building a house, is that right?

A.44. That's right sir.

Q.45. Where was your family living up until that time?

A.45. They were living in a place of my own but it has gone so bad I had to get a new home.

Q.46. You mean the house is so dilapidated?

A.46. That's right sir.

Q.47. How did you propose building that house?

A.47. Well sir I was going to try to get some kind of leave this summer.

Q.48. Did you get all the wood you require?

A.48. No sir, I haven't.

Q.49. Were you employed by anybody?

A.49. No sir, I was only working for myself.

Q.50. You had roughly three months at home?

A.50. Yes sir.

Q.51. And were you home all the time?

A.51. Yes sir.