

First
witness for
the defence.

The accused, No. H.16227, Pte. Joseph Albert Wilfred Leonard,
A.16 Canadian Infantry Training Centre, C.A., being duly sworn,
is examined by the Defending Officer.

Q. What was your reason for going home?

A. I went home to work so I could make some money because my wife
never made enough money from her allowance.

Q. Because she never had enough money?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. How much money is your wife getting?

A. \$57.20 a month, sir.

Q. How many children have you?

A. Four children, sir.

Q. Are all the children living with your wife?

A. No, sir, just one.

Q. Where are the other three children?

A. With my mother, sir.

Q. Is your mother also drawing dependants allowance for these children?

A. Yes, sir, \$45.92 a month sir.

Q. Is that because your assigned pay is split up?

A. Yes, sir, 10 dollars to my wife and 10 dollars to my mother.

Q. Did you intend to return to the army on

Prosecutor: Sir, I must object to all these leading questions.

Q. I - what was your intention on returning to Currie Barracks?

A. I wanted to return after the Christmas holidays if all my affairs
were fixed up.

Q. You were - you were in uniform when apprehended?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. And at your own home?

A. Yes, sir, 387 Carlton Street.

Cross-examined by the Prosecutor.

Q. When did you join the army?

A. November 25th, 1943.

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A. Yes, sir.