

- Q. When was your first child born? Just the approximate date?
- A. On or about the 18th of June, 1943.
- Q. Now will you tell the Court your military training from the time you were called up until you went absent?
- A. Well at first, when I answered my call, that was at Regina, 12 District Depot, and there I was approximately two weeks and sent to Prince Albert for Basic Training. From Prince Albert I was sent to Halifax, Elkins Barracks, for Advanced Training. I was there for approximately two months and was sent from there to Patricia Bay, British Columbia, to the 9th Anti-Aircraft Battery.
- Q. You were with the 9th Anti-Aircraft Battery until the time you went absent, is that right?
- A. I was in the 9th Anti-Aircraft Battery but on Commando Training at Esquimaux. I forget the name of that unit.
- Q. Did you apply for leave before going absent?
- A. I did sir. I applied for leave when I was first in the army, for enlistment leave, and it was refused.
- Q. Had you any special reason for wanting this leave?
- A. The wife wasn't well and the child was only a matter of weeks old and she had no way of getting by and my main reason for wanting leave at the time was for the matter of going home and straightening things out for the better.
- Q. While you were in the army did you in any way try to help support your wife?
- A. I did sir. I asked to have half of my pay sent there to this woman for the benefit of the child. It was flatly refused.
- Q. Did you apply for Dependent's Allowance?
- A. I inquired about it at that time but they told me that it was impossible.
- Q. When did you get your furlough?
- A. On or about the 13th of July sir.
- Q. At this time you - did you go home?
- A. I went home - right home sir.
- Q. Did you report back to your unit at the end of the furlough?
- A. No, sir, I did not.