

to go and see if I could arrange it in Ottawa. I tried in all ways I could but never succeeded in getting what I wanted. At this stage of the game my wife was sick and I didn't have any money to pay the bills. I filled all the papers at my regiment but they reported they couldn't pay anything for me at all. I went to Sparks Street with my document when they were all prepared and they told me to go back to my regiment and that they would look after it. I received my papers after a month and they refused to pay anything. I had to pay it out of my own pocket. At this stage of the game I had about \$200. worth of debts for doctors, medicine and everything else and all sorts of other payments. When I saw this I was discouraged and everything else and that's why I went A. W. L. I came back by myself because things were going a little better at home. My wife is sick again and I am very discouraged about it. I expect my wife to be sick again and I still haven't any money to pay for it and that's why I went A.W.L. Everything I have said is absolutely true.

Q. You told me about an incident which happened in Hull on the 5th of January, 1945, will you tell the Court about that?

A. I am not able to talk about that.

Q. The reason you gave us about your wife are they the sole reasons you had to absent yourself without leave?

A. Those are my reasons for going A.W.L. and I have spoken under oath that that is true. If there is a possibility I would like the elemency of the Court.

Q. Have you ever been warned for draft?

A. Never.

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