

First witness for) No.A.62113, Cpl.(A/Sgt) W. J. McNeil, 2nd Ln. The  
the Defence ) Canadian Scottish Regiment, C.A., being duly sworn,  
is examined by the Defending Officer.

- Q.228. Sgt. McNeil, at this order group that you heard discussed this morning, that took place on the 1st June, when Major MacLennan gave his instructions to those present that live ammunition would not be used, will you tell the court whether you were present or not?

No sir, I was not present.

- Q.229. Have you at any time been given instructions as to the use -- or shall I say have you at any time been forbidden to use it by a superior officer, to your memory?

No sir.

- Q.230. Can you tell us where you were when this order group was assembled on the 1st June?

No sir. I don't remember just exactly where I was although I was not on parade.

- Q.231. You were in camp?

Yes sir.

- Q.232. Why weren't you on parade that morning.

I was on excused duty.

- Q.233. Well I have here a morning sick report, an M.F.B. 292, on which it states that apparently you reported sick or went to see the M.O. on the 28th May and apparently you had sprained leg muscles and you were excused R.T. and drill for four days. Now I think excused R.T. and drill - from that I think we can surmise you were excused any form of arduous duty, of which I think battle drill is the most arduous of all.

I could not walk.

- Q.234. Do you remember what time of the 28th May you reported sick or the approximate time?

I remember I tried to go out on duty but I just could not make the grade and I went to see the M.O.

- Q.235. What time?

About ten o'clock.

- Q.236. Then if you went sick at 10.00 o'clock on the 28th of May then four days excused R.T. and Drill --

THE PROSECUTOR

I must object to the wording.

THE DEFENDING OFFICER

- Q.237. Did you go on parade the day that O group was called, that is on the 1st June or did you stay off parade all day.

No sir. I stayed off parade.

- Q.238. You were off parade all day?

Yes sir.

- Q.239. And you did, before the day that you went out and took this platoon in battle drill, you actually showed them ammunition?