

I stayed right at home.

Q. Weren't the Provost Corps around looking for you?

I never saw the Provost.

Q. But you know they called around for you?

No they never did.

Q. And what was that address you were at? Was it a farm did you say?

Yes, sir.

Q. And that is where you stayed all the time?

Yes, sir.

Q. What did you do?

We had a tomato plantation and planted tomatoes; a potato plantation and planted potatoes. At that time I was taking a treatment for rheumatism.

Q. What was wrong with you when they rejected you from the Army the first time? Was it this rheumatism?

Yes, sir.

Q. Nothing else?

Different things I think, but they didn't tell me.

Q. You say you tried several times to get in the Army?

Yes, sir.

Q. This time you went on leave, although you tried several times to get in the Army you applied for farm leave?

I didn't apply.

Q. You applied for an extension to your pass?

Yes, sir.

Q. It was to work on the farm wasn't it?

Yes, sir.

Q. What were your intentions when this extension was refused?

Well my intentions were, to tell you the truth, I said to myself "I got to go back there." I have had seventeen years' experience in construction, and in that seventeen years I had twelve years in diesel mechanic operator and I ask them to give me such work in my trade to keep my trade up and instead I was posted as a hut orderly, on which work I couldn't practice my trade, so I says they wont miss me very much if I don't go back right now because there was plenty doing.