

When I joined up in the Army I joined with the intentions of being a good soldier, but I had to leave in spite of myself. I was always sorry afterwards and came back myself as the records will show. I had to serve detention, and each time tried to soldier afterwards, but the same as I was at the school, and later as I was in jobs in civilian life in factories, even if I feared strappings or the thought of losing my job, when I got this urge I had to leave. The only place I have found contentment to stay has been work on the farms, and gardening work. These last times I have been away, what kept me away so long was the fear of going into detention, as I know as sure as I am saying this, when one of those moods came on me and I know I can't get out, I will be doing something I would never do when I was myself.

I honestly have done my best, but I know I cannot be trusted to soldier as I cannot even understand myself. I know what will happen to me, and it won't be doing my country any service and surely not myself, and I would like you to take this into consideration when passing judgment on me.

In the opinion of the Court it is not necessary to comply with R. P. 83 (b)  
 The witness resumes his seat as the accused. — *Page 3*