

Q-145 They are the normal actions?

A- They are the normal actions for a person with his disability.

Q-146 With his disability?

A- Yes.

---BY THE COURT:

Q-147 Do you think, Major Lawson, that McKinnon can be cured of this thing?

A- No, sir.

Q-148 It was due to this neglect or bad judgment, perhaps, on the part of those in charge of him when he was a youngster. Could that not in some way be replaced now?

A- I do not feel that it can be, sir. The impressions that are received during childhood from the cradle up are almost indelible and I feel that personality is pretty well fixed by the time he reaches adult life. That idea is borne out pretty well by the records of various mental and corrective institutions in every country.

Q-149 You feel, then, that no sentence, no punishment, we will put it that way, no punishment would do him any good even though it wouldn't do him any harm?

A- No, it wouldn't do him any good or harm, I don't think.

---THE PROSECUTOR: Would the Court ask Major Lawson if it is his opinion that had the services of a psychiatrist been available or if the psychiatrist had been used in 1941 at the time of the accused's enlistment, would he have been accepted into the Army?

---BY THE PRESIDENT:

Q-150 Would you give us your opinion as to that?

A- If the facts had been presented I don't think he should have been enlisted.