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My men were now learning the very important lesson of taking due precautions as to cover when going through the fire-swept yard. About 4 o'clock on Wednesday I received orders from Battalion Headquarters to direct heavy fire towards Baggot Street bridge, as an enemy advance was being made in that quarter. We directed a heavy fire as ordered and it was on this occasion that Volunteer Patrick Whelan (R.I.P.) was fatally wounded beside me, being shot in the head just below the eye. He expired in about a minute.

This action continued for some time but gradually the distant firing became less intense and we reduced our fire accordingly, as our ammunition was being seriously depleted and we had to have regard to our main objective namely the defence of the main road which might become necessary at any moment. This desultory firing continued throughout Wednesday and Thursday.

It was on this evening I received information from one of the patrols which I occasionally sent out, that certain members of the British Home Service Volunteers, (the G.R.Os.) resided in a certain house in Barrow Street, less than one hundred yards from our position. It was suggested to me by the patrol that these men might be responsible for such of the sniping as appeared to be close at hand. At 11 o'clock that night, I accordingly with two of my men Volunteers Tom Byrne and Jack O'Shea paid a visit to this house and questioned the two men and informed them of our suspicions. Both the men and their wives protested vehemently their innocence in the matter and handed over two Lee-Enfield rifles which they had, swearing that they had no ammunition. I frankly believe and believed at the time, taking all circumstances into consideration that they had taken no

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part in the fighting. At any rate we gave them the benefit of the doubt and returned with two extra, badly-needed rifle which proved a very welcome addition to our scanty armament.

On Thursday afternoon about 3 o'clock the reports of bombing introduced a new note into the medley of distant sound. This was on the occasion of the attack on Clanwilliam House and the general sniping afterwards increased in intensity. About 5 o'clock our attention was drawn to the Western side of the building overlooking the second basin when the shelling of the turret, surmounting the Distillery Buildings across the basin commenced. A green flag with a harp was flying from this turret and we watched this intense bombardment of the turret with keen interest, not unmingled with anxiety for the safety of our comrades there. I remember well that as we counted the shots (over 75 as well as I can recollect), it struck us that each shell bore a message of vindictive if futile hatred against the National emblem for, as far as I could see, the destruction of the turret topped by the National standard certainly could not achieve any real military objective. The effect of this expenditure of shells was to leave the top turret a mere skeleton (still with its flag flying though at an angle) and to smash the slates of the roofs of some of the adjoining out-buildings. The main building however remained as strong as ever. As bombardment now appeared to be the order of the day, we believed that the enemy would now turn his guns on our building, particularly as the very tall furnace chimney of the Mill on the south side presented an attractive target. Anticipating these attentions I placed my men in such positions in the building as to be reasonably safe in the event of a collapse of this chimney under bombardment. For some reason or other neither the mill nor the chimney were shelled.

On Thursday night heavy rain fell and all through that night we could see the lurid glare of the burning G.P.O. and other buildings in the centre of the city - a thrilling

spectacle indeed. The glow of the conflagration illumined the darkness of the lofts on that side of our building throwing grotesque shadows on the walls around us.

The hours of Thursday night passed slowly, relief sentries being posted at intervals and some of our men getting some rest whilst the others watched through the night. The sound of rifle fire could be heard from various quarters, punctuated now and again by the rattle of machine guns and heavier explosions, probably of bombs. The remains of poor Paddy Whelan still lay in the spot, under one of the southern windows, on the third storey, where he had been shot. We had been unable owing to lack of men and from the pressure of our more urgent duties, general fatigue and the necessity for keeping look-outs at several distant points of the building to do anything about his interment.

Early on Friday morning, my brother Peter Byrne with the help of Volunteer Willie Bruen constructed a rough coffin and we had the body removed to the ground floor and placed in its temporary coffin. We decided to bury the remains under a large heap of clinders in the yard of the building outside the engine room. I read some prayers, we said the Rosary and performed our sad task about mid-day on Friday, taking cover as well as possible from the showers of splinter and ricocheting bullets. The enemy snipers were growing ever more energetic, although whatever their position may have been they did not appear to have had a direct field of fire into the yard but made up for this drawback by peppering the windows and walls. I remember well my brother suggesting that we should leave some sign to show the people that a body was interred under the heap of breeze and accordingly he constructed a rough wooden cross and erected it on the top of the heap. Intending to write the letters "R.I.P." in the confusion and distress of the occasion he inscribed the words "I.H.S." which though devout, was not quite so appropriate.

It was on this day that I met Vice Commandant Joseph O'Connor and had a short conversation with him. He was directing and assisting some of his men from the Railway to break a better line of communication to our post through the yards at the rear of Barrow Street. He was in excellent fettle, but looked fatigued like the rest of us. Needless, to say throughout the whole of that week we had little sleep and such rest as we snatched, was repeatedly broken by interruptions and false alarms. During the nights the darkness was intense for all the street lamps had been extinguished and of course we daren't show a light for fear of presenting a general target and smoking was strictly forbidden during the day and night. Our sentries (as can well be imagined) often imagined suspicious movements at various places within view and fired at the suspected point. This of course roused their slumbering comrades who stood to arms and waited and watched for any developments.

Friday and Saturday passed in much the same way.

Intermittent sniping, keeping watch in the several parts of the building, procuring bread rations from the bakery - a task which became increasingly dangerous owing to the fact that practically the whole of our line of communication was under the fire of enemy snipers. Many times Volunteer Willie Byrne who was our quartermaster and Jack Kinsella, my despatch carrier came back with accounts of hair-breadth escapes from snipers' sharpshooting. This form of attack is extremely exasperating by reason of the difficulty of locating exactly the position of the sharpshooter, for my experience was that owing to the confusing echoes it was often impossible to say whether the reports were on our left or right. Also there was the difficulty of distinguishing between the reports of our comrades' rifles and those of the British.

Some time during Saturday our quartermaster Willie Byrne found a home-made griddle-cake in the manager's deserted house and this helped out our rations which were getting very short,

Speaking of rations as well as I remember our food for the week consisted of bread from the Bakery, margarine, "OXO" cubes, tinned coffee and tea. Volunteer Tom Fitzgerald was our cook but his skill in cookery if indeed he possessed any (which I doubt) was certainly not called into play during the week as our food was of the simplest.

About the evening of Saturday the firing in the city seemed to decrease and finally there came a lull. As well as I remember this evening was heavy and overcast and generally the atmosphere was electric and seemed to suggest a certain breathless expectancy as if something were about to happen.

Later on that evening I received a certain order from headquarters to make ready to fire the building preparatory to evacuating it. When about to take the necessary steps to this end I received a further despatch ordering us to stay our hand pending further orders. This project was not further proceeded with, and would, in view of the impending surrender, have been a grievous calamity for the citizens already suffering from a serious shortage of food.

About 11 o'clock on Saturday night our patrol brought in a civilian who had been passing the building; he was a Frenchman, - living in Sandymount. I questioned him as to his business abroad and our being satisfied with his explanation (I think some of our men recognized and vouched for him) he stated that there were rumours of some negotiation for a truce. The whole situation was extremely bewildering owing to lack of any news; and the lull in the firing across the city seemed to suggest that some unexpected change had taken place, whether for better or worse, we knew not. We certainly were not inclined to put much faith in the Frenchman's rumour as we could not conceive a collapse so quickly, believing that the rest of the country had risen. The local sniping still continued throughout the whole of Saturday night.

Sunday morning broke fine and sunny; the faint sound of Churchbells could be heard but not with the frequency of an ordinary Sunday morning. Away in the distance we could see men and women who ventured out to Mass after being immured in their homes for the week - a tribute to the faith as well as the courage of our citizens, but the immediate area around us remained deserted. So the time wore on until noon when a message was brought to me which stunned us, and quenched in our hearts the high hopes which had never left us during that week. We were to proceed to headquarters in the Bakery with all our arms and equipment for unconditional surrender to the British, timed for one o'clock. What had happened we knew not but there was the stark reality - unconditional surrender and the destruction for God knows how long of the movement, built up with such skill and sacrifice and in spite of tremendous opposition.

We hastily got all our arms, ammunition and equipment together, and made our way with as much haste as possible along the line of communication. The time was very short - the crucial moment of surrender was rapidly approaching. Over walls and along the rear of Barrow Street, we hastened and mounted the embankment of cinders to the Railway line at Barrow Street bridge. The sniping at this point was intense and it was only by taking cover under some wagons that our party came through unscathed. I recollect that on one occasion after a short lull, I put out my hat on the end of a rifle and immediately drew fire. This short stage of the journey (from the Railway factory to the Bakery) occupied the greatest length of time for this portion of our journey was very much exposed to the snipers. However, at last we reached our comrades in the Bakery. Our reunion was sad and disheartening. Our friends like ourselves were deeply depressed. Commandant de Valera who was clearly suffering deeply under the tragedy of the occasion came along and shook each of us by the hands.

The whole garrison (85 in all) formed up in file (two deep). Volunteer John Byrne with a staff on which was a white flag came first, then Commandant de Valera, the officers and men. We marched out through the Clarence (now Macken) Street gate of Boland's Bakery and into Grand Canal Street. Here our spirits were considerably lightened, for a great crowd of the residents in the vicinity, men and women, were out in the street, many weeping and expressing sympathy and sorrow, all of them friendly and kind. This indeed was a consoling sight for the great mass of the citizens when the Rising broke out in the beginning of Easter Week were anything but friendly to the Volunteers; I certainly believed that the events of the week would, if anything, have the effect of intensifying feeling against us, human nature being what it is and taking into account the great privations which the citizens had undergone for the past seven days.

We proceeded in file up Grattan Street, the white flag borne in front. The Commandant then gave the order "Halt; Right turn; Ground arms;" and we cast down our arms and equipment with resounding crashes on the road in futile anger and disappointment at the unfortunate ending of our bid for freedom and at the thought of having to deliver ourselves as prisoners to an enemy who, we knew, would not acknowledge us as combatants in war, but as outlaws without any of the rights of enemy prisoners. This feeling was but natural although perhaps no one of us would in his cooler moments have questioned the wisdom of our leaders' decision to surrender.

Having grounded our arms and equipment in Grattan Street we were marched by our Commandant with our hands up into Mount Street which was filled with a large column of British soldiers all the time covered by their rifles: I believe most of these troops were Sherwood Foresters - the Notts. and Derby regiment. We were searched by the troops and allowed to lower our hands to the normal position.

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We here remained standing for some time, the British escort taking up position on each side of our column. While waiting here I remember a motor car flew past with some British officers and men and one of the Volunteer leaders - I think it was Thomas MacDonagh. Our impression then was that he was being escorted to outstanding volunteers post who might still be engaged in fighting, to inform them of the position and arrange for their surrender in accordance with the decision of the leaders.

We were then marched off with an escort of British troops on each side of our column along Lower Mount Street, over Mount Street bridge along Northumberland Road to Ballsbridge. I seem to remember when passing the end of Lower Mount Street past Clanwilliam House, then a gutted ruin - that there was a British soldier at the corner outside Clanwilliam House. He was in the prone firing position with his rifle pointing in the direction of the tanks in the railway factory across the Grand Canal basin. The line of our route was practically deserted save for small knots of citizens here and there, who watched with certain curiosity the very dishevelled and begrimed column of prisoners.

Arrived at Ballsbridge, we were marched round to the first Anglesea Road entrance of the Royal Dublin Society.

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Volunteers in my unit "D" Company 3rd Battalion, Dublin Brigade
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Lieutenant Joseph M. O'Byrne (Acting Captain)

Section Commander Peter J. Byrne (Pioneer)

" " William Byrne (Quarter-master)

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" William Bruen

" Thomas Coyne

" Robert Malone (who was afterwards a member of
Dublin Fire Brigade and lost his
life in the fire at the Exide
premises in Pearse Street about
12 years ago.)

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who volunteered for service in
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" John McGrath (Red Cross man)

" Thomas Quinn (Belonged to "A" Company but joined
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All the above were under my personal control in Bolands
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My men were now learning the very important lesson of taking due precautions as to cover when going through the fire-swept yard. About 4 o'clock on Wednesday I received orders from Battalion Headquarters to direct heavy fire towards Baggot Street bridge, as an enemy advance was being made in that quarter. We directed a heavy fire as ordered and it was on this occasion that Volunteer Patrick Whelan (R.I.P.) was fatally wounded beside me, being shot in the head just below the eye. He expired in about a minute.

This action continued for some time but gradually the distant firing became less intense and we reduced our fire accordingly, as our ammunition was being seriously depleted and we had to have regard to our main objective namely the defence of the main road which might become necessary at any moment. This desultory firing continued throughout Wednesday and Thursday.

It was on this evening I received information from one of the patrols which I occasionally sent out, that certain members of the British Home Service Volunteers, (the G.R.Os.) resided in a certain house in Barrow Street, less than one hundred yards from our position. It was suggested to me by the patrol that these men might be responsible for such of the sniping as appeared to be close at hand. At 11 o'clock that night, I accordingly with two of my men Volunteers Tom Byrne and Jack O'Shea paid a visit to this house and questioned the two men and informed them of our suspicions. Both the men and their wives protested vehemently their innocence in the matter and handed over two Lee-Enfield rifles which they had, swearing that they had no ammunition. I frankly believe and believed at the time, taking all circumstances into consideration that they had taken no

24 7.
part in the fighting. At any rate we gave them the benefit of the doubt and returned with two extra, badly-needed rifles which proved a very welcome addition to our scanty armament.

On Thursday afternoon about 3 o'clock the reports of bombing introduced a new note into the medley of distant sound. This was on the occasion of the attack on Glenwilliam House and the general sniping afterwards increased in intensity. About 5 o'clock our attention was drawn to the western side of the building overlooking the second basin when the shelling of the turret, surmounting the Distillery Buildings across the basin commenced. A green flag with a harp was flying from this turret and we watched this intense bombardment of the turret with keen interest, not unmingled with anxiety for the safety of our comrades there. I remember well that as we counted the shots (over 75 as well as I can recollect), it struck us that each shell bore a message of vindictive if futile hatred against the National emblem for, as far as I could see, the destruction of the turret topped by the National standard certainly could not achieve any real military objective. The effect of this expenditure of shells was to leave the top turret a mere skeleton (still with its flag flying though at an angle) and to smash the slates of the roofs of some of the adjoining out-buildings. The main building however remained as strong as ever. As bombardment now appeared to be the order of the day, we believed that the enemy would now turn his guns on our building, particularly as the very tall furnace chimney of the Mill on the south side presented an attractive target. Anticipating these attentions I placed my men in such positions in the building as to be reasonably safe in the event of a collapse of this chimney under bombardment. For some reason or other neither the mill nor the chimney were shelled.

On Thursday night heavy rain fell and all through that night we could see the lurid glare of the burning G.P.O. and other buildings in the centre of the city - a thrilling

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spectacle indeed. The glow of the conflagration illuminated the darkness of the lofts on that side of our building throwing grotesque shadows on the walls around us.

The hours of Thursday night passed slowly, relief sentries being posted at intervals and some of our men getting some rest whilst the others watched through the night. The sound of rifle fire could be heard from various quarters, punctuated now and again by the rattle of machine guns and heavier explosions, probably of bombs. The remains of poor Paddy Whelan still lay in the spot, under one of the southern windows, on the third storey, where he had been shot. We had been unable owing to lack of men and from the pressure of our more urgent duties, general fatigue and the necessity for keeping look-outs at several distant points of the building to do anything about his interment.

Early on Friday morning, my brother Peter Byrne with the help of Volunteer Willie Bruen constructed a rough coffin and we had the body removed to the ground floor and placed in its temporary coffin. We decided to bury the remains under a large heap of clinders in the yard of the building outside the engine room. I read some prayers, we said the Rosary and performed our sad task about mid-day on Friday, taking cover as well as possible from the showers of splinter and ricocheting bullets. The enemy snipers were growing ever more energetic, although whatever their position may have been they did not appear to have had a direct field of fire into the yard but made up for this drawback by peppering the windows and walls. I remember well my brother suggesting that we should leave some sign to show the people that a body was interred under the heap of breeze and accordingly he constructed a rough wooden cross and erected it on the top of the heap. Intending to write the letters "R.I.P." in the confusion and distress of the occasion he inscribed the words "I.H.S." which though devout, was not quite so appropriate.

It was on this day that I met Vice Commandant Joseph O'Connor and had a short conversation with him. He was directing and assisting some of his men from the Railway to break a better line of communication to our post through the yards at the rear of Barrow Street. He was in excellent fettle, but looked fatigued like the rest of us. Needless, to say throughout the whole of that week we had little sleep and such rest as we snatched, was repeatedly broken by interruptions and false alarms. During the nights the darkness was intense for all the street lamps had been extinguished and of course we dared not show a light for fear of presenting a general target and smoking was strictly forbidden during the day and night. Our sentries (as can well be imagined) often imagined suspicious movements at various places within view and fired at the suspected point. This of course roused their slumbering comrades who stood to arms and waited and watched for any developments.

Friday and Saturday passed in much the same way. Intermittent sniping, keeping watch in the several parts of the building, procuring bread rations from the bakery - a task which became increasingly dangerous owing to the fact that practically the whole of our line of communication was under the fire of enemy snipers. Many times Volunteer Willie Byrne who was our quartermaster and Jack Kinsella, my despatch carrier came back with accounts of hair-breadth escapes from snipers' sharpshooting. This form of attack is extremely exasperating by reason of the difficulty of locating exactly the position of the sharpshooter, for my experience was that owing to the confusing echoes it was often impossible to say whether the reports were on our left or right. Also there was the difficulty of distinguishing between the reports of our comrades' rifles and those of the British.

Some time during Saturday our quartermaster Willie Byrne found a home-made griddle-cake in the manager's deserted house and this helped out our rations which were getting very short,

Speaking of rations as well as I remember our food for the week consisted of bread from the Bakery, margarine, "OXO" cubes, tinned coffee and tea. Volunteer Tom Fitzgerald was our cook but his skill in cookery if indeed he possessed any (which I doubt) was certainly not called into play during the week as our food was of the simplest.

About the evening of Saturday the firing in the city seemed to decrease and finally there came a lull. As well as I remember this evening was heavy and overcast and generally the atmosphere was electric and seemed to suggest a certain breathless expectancy as if something were about to happen.

Later on that evening I received a certain order from headquarters to make ready to fire the building preparatory to evacuating it. When about to take the necessary steps to this end I received a further despatch ordering us to stay our hand pending further orders. This project was not further proceeded with, and would, in view of the impending surrender, have been a grievous calamity for the citizens already suffering from a serious shortage of food.

About 11 o'clock on Saturday night our patrol brought in a civilian who had been passing the building; he was a Frenchman, - living in Sandymount. I questioned him as to his business abroad and our being satisfied with his explanation (I think some of our men recognized and vouched for him) he stated that there were rumours of some negotiation for a truce. The whole situation was extremely bewildering owing to lack of any news; and the lull in the firing across the city seemed to suggest that some unexpected change had taken place, whether for better or worse, we knew not. We certainly were not inclined to put much faith in the Frenchman's rumour as we could not conceive a collapse so quickly, believing that the rest of the country had risen. The local sniping still continued throughout the whole of Saturday night.

Sunday morning broke fine and sunny; the faint sound of Churchbells could be heard but not with the frequency of an ordinary Sunday morning. Away in the distance we could see men and women who ventured out to Mass after being immured in their homes for the week - a tribute to the faith as well as the courage of our citizens, but the immediate area around us remained deserted. So the time wore on until noon when a message was brought to me which stunned us, and quenched in our hearts the high hopes which had never left us during that week. We were to proceed to headquarters in the Bakery with all our arms and equipment for unconditional surrender to the British, timed for one o'clock. What had happened we knew not but there was the stark reality - unconditional surrender and the destruction for God knows how long of the movement, built up with such skill and sacrifice and in spite of tremendous opposition.

We hastily got all our arms, ammunition and equipment together, and made our way with as much haste as possible along the line of communication. The time was very short - the crucial moment of surrender was rapidly approaching. Over walls and along the rear of Barrow Street, we hastened and mounted the embankment of cinders to the Railway line at Barrow Street bridge. The sniping at this point was intense and it was only by taking cover under some wagons that our party came through unscathed. I recollect that on one occasion after a short lull, I put out my hat on the end of a rifle and immediately drew fire. This short stage of the journey (from the Railway factory to the Bakery) occupied the greatest length of time for this portion of our journey was very much exposed to the snipers. However, at last we reached our comrades in the Bakery. Our reunion was sad and disheartening. Our friends like ourselves were deeply depressed. Commandant de Valera who was clearly suffering deeply under the tragedy of the occasion came along and shook each of us by the hands.

The whole garrison (85 in all) formed up in file (two deep). Volunteer John Byrne with a staff on which was a white flag came first, then Commandant de Valera, the officers and men. We marched out through the Clarence (now Macken) Street gate of Boland's Bakery and into Grand Canal Street. Here our spirits were considerably lightened, for a great crowd of the residents in the vicinity, men and women, were out in the street, many weeping and expressing sympathy and sorrow, all of them friendly and kind. This indeed was a consoling sight for the great mass of the citizens when the Rising broke out in the beginning of Easter Week were anything but friendly to the Volunteers; I certainly believed that the events of the week would, if anything, have the effect of intensifying feeling against us, human nature being what it is and taking into account the great privations which the citizens had undergone for the past seven days.

We proceeded in file up Grattan Street, the white flag borne in front. The Commandant then gave the order "Halt; Right turn; Ground arms;" and we cast down our arms and equipment with resounding crashes on the road in futile anger and disappointment at the unfortunate ending of our bid for freedom and at the thought of having to deliver ourselves as prisoners to an enemy who, we knew, would not acknowledge us as combatants in war, but as outlaws without any of the rights of enemy prisoners. This feeling was but natural although perhaps no one of us would in his cooler moments have questioned the wisdom of our leaders' decision to surrender.

Having grounded our arms and equipment in Grattan Street we were marched by our Commandant with our hands up into Mount Street which was filled with a large column of British soldiers all the time covered by their rifles: I believe most of these troops were Sherwood Foresters - the Notts. and Derby regiment. We were searched by the troops and allowed to lower our hands to the normal position.

We here remained standing for some time, the British escort taking up position on each side of our column. While waiting here I remember a motor car flew past with some British officers and men and one of the Volunteer leaders - I think it was Thomas MacDonagh. Our impression then was that he was being escorted to outstanding volunteers post who might still be engaged in fighting, to inform them of the position and arrange for their surrender in accordance with the decision of the leaders.

We were then marched off with an escort of British troops on each side of our column along Lower Mount Street, over Mount Street bridge along Northumberland Road to Ballsbridge. I seem to remember when passing the end of Lower Mount Street past Clanwilliam House, then a gutted ruin - that there was a British soldier at the corner outside Clanwilliam House. He was in the prone firing position with his rifle pointing in the direction of the tanks in the railway factory across the Grand Canal basin. The line of our route was practically deserted save for small knots of citizens here and there, who watched with certain curiosity the very dishevelled and begrimed column of prisoners.

Arrived at Ballsbridge, we were marched round to the first Anglesea Road entrance of the Royal Dublin Society.

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I give below the names and other particulars of the
Volunteers in my unit "D" Company 3rd Battalion, Dublin Brigade
who served during the whole of Easter Week up to the surrender:

Lieutenant Joseph M. O'Byrne (Acting Captain)

Section Commander Peter J. Byrne (Pioneer)

" " William Byrne (Quarter-master)

Volunteer Thomas Byrne

" William Bruen

" Thomas Coyne

" Robert Malone (who was afterwards a member of
Dublin Fire Brigade and lost his
life in the fire at the Exide
premises in Pearse Street about
12 years ago.)

" Patrick Whelan (Killed in action)

" Jack O'Shea (aged 16) a member of the Boy Scouts
who volunteered for service in
Easter Week. He was wounded on
Thursday of Easter Week.

" John McGrath (Red Cross man)

" Thomas Quinn (Belonged to "A" Company but joined
our Company as nearest to him).

" Thomas Fitzgerald (acted as cook)

" John Kinsella (member of E. Company, Donnybrook).

Section Commander John Cullen.

Volunteer Eamonn Lalor.

All the above were under my personal control in Bolands
Mills at the end of Barrow Street up to Canal Basin.

The following members of my Company were posted to Dublin
City Distillery:-

Section Commander Michael Cullen

Volunteer Cathal MacDonell.

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Samhain, 1951.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to return herewith the document which you were good enough to lend him for copying on the occasion of your visit to this office and to express his gratitude for your kindness in the matter.

Mise, le meas,

RÚNAÍ.

Joseph M. Byrne, Esq., B.L.,
55, Dartmouth Square,
Ranelagh,
DUBLIN.

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Mr. Sweeney

Hold on activities (1916)
file 3rd Battalion On Brigade

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Mr. O'Hara

Edward
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ROINN AN UACHTARÁIN
DEPARTMENT OF THE PRESIDENT

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH
DUBLIN

January 15th, 1935

Eamonn de Burca,
Runai,
Office of the Referee,
Griffith Barracks,
South Circular Road,
Dublin.

A Chara,

MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

I am to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 10th instant which was brought to the attention of the President. He is not in a position to give any accurate figures, except with regard to his own Battalion (the 3rd Battalion, Dublin Brigade). His recollection is that the number of men at the time of the Surrender was 117, and the greatest number at any time could not have been more than 130.

Details with regard to the Companies could be given probably by any of the following:

Joseph O'Connor, Captain of "A" Company,
Sean MacMahon, " of "B" Company
Simon Donnelly, (appointed during Easter Week
Captain of "C" Company.)

Is mise, le meas,

H. O'Connell
Personal Secretary

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leacáin miontuairisce.

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m.s.c.

Tagairt.....

Memo

Phoned Miss O'Connell who confirmed that the figures 117 & 130 refer to men who actually fought in the Rising.

She will inquire for further particulars from President & inform me

E. O. B.
19/1/35.

Mr. Lavery

etc.

E. O. B.
19/1/35.

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2nd February, 1935.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to state that in order to ensure that above Act shall be administered as closely as possible in accordance with the intentions of the Oireachtas, he would be glad of the co-operation of all Officers of the Forces (as defined in the Act). In this connection I am to state that the Referee and Advisory Committee would be materially assisted if you were to furnish at your earliest convenience a list showing the names and ranks of the members of Company, 3rd Battalion, Dublin Brigade, Irish Volunteers, who fought in the Easter Rising of 1916, and indicating, if possible, the respective areas in which they fought.

I am also to inquire whether you could:

- (a) furnish similar particulars for "B" Company, 3rd Battalion;
- (b) state from whom particulars regarding the 4th Battalion could be obtained.

Mise, le meas,

E. *as* *burca*

RUNAí.

Mr. Jos. O'Connor.
Mr. S. Donnelly.

("A" Coy.)
("C" Coy.): *3rd Bn*

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E.W.

20th February 1935

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to request you to be good enough to furnish, at your earliest convenience, a list showing the names and ranks of the members of "F" Coy. 4th Battalion, Dublin Brigade, Irish Volunteers, who fought in the Easter Rising of 1916, indicating, if possible, the respective areas in which they fought.

I am also to inquire whether you could state the name and present address of some of the officers of each of the other Companies of the 4th Battalion who could give similar particulars for their respective units.

Mise, le meas,

E. W. 6
RÚNAÍ.

Mr. Christopher Byrne,
7, Geoffrey Keating Road,
S. C. Road, DUBLIN.

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20th February 1935

A Chara,

With further reference to the lists supplied by you of Irish Volunteers who fought in the Easter Rising of 1916, I am directed by the Referee to inquire if you could supply him with a list of Volunteers from units other than those of the 3rd Battalion who helped to constitute the garrison at Boland's Bakery and the adjoining units.

Mise, le meas,

E.W.G.

RÚNAÍ.

Mr. Simon Donnelly,
16, Arnott Street,
S.C.R., Dublin.

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Yrs. F. W.

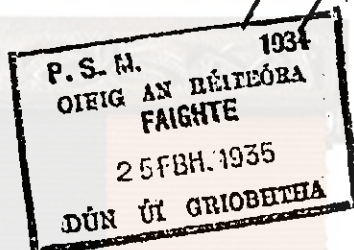
The Secretary.

Military Service Pensions Board.

Griffiths Barracks.

Dublin.

38 16 Grattan St
Dublin
23/2/35.



A Chára.

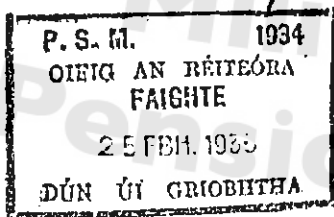
To acknowledge your letter of the 20th inst, in which you request me to furnish list of men of other units who fought with the 3rd Batt during Easter Week 1916.

I regret that at the moment I cannot recall any such men with one exception (Thomas Doyle 1st Batt) on whose behalf I have already appeared before the Board.

For the information of your Board however, there were very few such men, in fact I would say about 6 at the most.

Our position during the week was I might say the most advanced post & the majority of men who were not mobilised on the Monday, but who afterwards reported for duty, selected the more central posts. I.e. Post Office. Jacobs. College of Surgeons & Lord Courts.

The maximum strength of the 3rd Batt during Easter Week would I believe be from 120-130 & most of the men were attached to units of the Batt, however if the information you seek comes my way from a reliable source, I will forward it to your Board.



Yrse
S. O'Donnoghue.

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m.s.c.

Tagairt

Mr Sweeney

*Write Mr. J. J. O'Connor for list of
men of B. E. F. Corps of 3rd Battalion who fought in
E. Week, giving the usual particulars of rank, etc.
Try to get letter out on tonight's post.*

E.O.B.

24/2/35

Mr Dooley

For attention p.s.

C. S.

26/2/35

Mr. Sweeney

Attended to

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26th February 1935

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to state that in order to ensure that the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, shall be administered as closely as possible in accordance with the intentions of the Oireachtas, he would be glad of the co-operation of all officers of the Forces (as defined in the Act). In this connection I am to state that the Referee and Advisory Committee would be materially assisted if you were to furnish a list of the men from "D", "E" and "F" Companies respectively, indicating thereon ranks, and areas in which they fought in Easter Week, 1916.

Mise, le meas,

E.W. 6
RÚNAÍ.

Mr. Joseph O'Connor,
32, O'Donovan Road,
S. C. Road, Dublin.

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20th February 1935

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With further reference to the lists supplied by you of Irish Volunteers who fought in the Easter Rising of 1916, I am directed by the Referee to inquire if you could supply him with a list of Volunteers from Units other than those of the 3rd Battalion who helped to constitute the garrison at Boland's Bakery and adjoining posts.

Mise, le meas,

E. 6
RÚNAÍ.

Mr. J. O'Connor,
32, O'Donovan Road,
S. C. R., Dublin.

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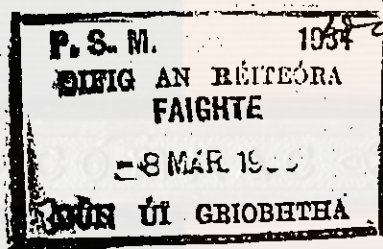
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Dublin 7th March 1935

E.W.

32 Donorvan Road

Secretary Pensions Board
Griffith Barracks



to CAPA.

In reply of your letter of the 20th ult.
I can remember the following:-
James Doyle ? Company 2nd Battalion (Marino)
John Breslin E " 2 " (54 & 8th Bde St.)
Patrick Smith France
Francis Murray " "
Costello 2nd Battalion Killed Westland Row.

If of for others I shall let you know
J. Doyle

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2nd April 1935

A Chara.

I am directed by the Referee to request you, further to our letter of 26th February 1935, to be good enough to furnish a list of the men from "D", "E" and "F" Companies respectively, who fought in the Easter Rising of 1916, indicating thereon their respective ranks and the areas in which they fought.

Mise. le meas.

E. M. Burke

RÚNAÍ.

Seosamh Uas. Ó Conchubhair,
32, O'Donovan Road,
S. C. Road, DUBLIN.

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A Coy 3rd Battalion Dublin Bde

Easter Week 1916

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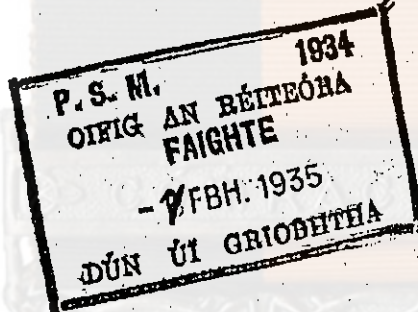
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Dublin 5th February 1935

Craig an Rícióra
Trí Cluic

At Corra



I have yours of the 2nd Inst. I shall have a meeting of A. C. on Friday next and shall check over the names before sending them to you.

I have asked B. C. to make out a list; they state they had more than seventy men and, so it will be a big job for them.

I would suggest Seamus Murphy, former City Commissioner for City; I think he is living on Wellington Road, but am not sure. Failing him will you try Mr. Lynch, Superintendent Corporation Abattoir North Circular Road, or Peadar O'Brien, I think he is now in local

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Government Reporting

I shall write again in a few days.

Yours Sincerely

F. de Burch. Myn

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7th Feb., 1935.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of your letter of the 5th instant, and to inform you that the contents of the same have been duly noted.

Mise, le meas,

E. de Burke

RUNAI.

Seosamh Uas O Conchubhar,
32, O'Donovan Road,
South Circular Road,
D U B L I N.

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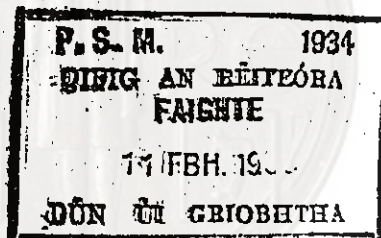
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Dublin 8th February 1935

A Cay 3rd Batt. Dublin Brigade 1916

Mach. O'Brien G.P.O.
 Chas. Farrell Jacobs.
 Rich. Farrell I don't know where.
 Dominick Callaghan College of Surgeons
 Wm. Murray " "
 John O'Grady Jacobs
 Seamus Murphy "
 Watson Lake "
 James O'Donnell "
 Chas O'Donnell "
 Pat O'Donnell "
 Chas Farrell "

Thomson



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220 St. James's Rd

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Dublin 8th February 1935

A Coy. 3rd Batt. Dublin Brigade 1916

Joseph. O'Connor Capt

— Mickey Lieut. ^{to Wednesday or Thursday}
When he left without permission

John Guilfoyle Lieut.

Joseph Guilfoyle

John Gauding

Patt. Byrne

Henry Byrne

Thos. Byrne

Chas. Byrne

James Gill

Henry Banks

James Pender

James Murray

Leo. Lacey

W^m Stanley

James Scully

Patt. Brennan

John Bracken Enr.

John Brogan Enr.

W^m Conway

Peter O'Mara

Thos. Cassidy

Thos. O'Rourke

Wm. Laughlan

John Byrne

Chas. Farrell

Joseph Byrne

Finnoch Finn

John Doyle

John Doyle

Above were in Boland Area

P.S.M. 1934

OMG: AN RÉITEÓRA FAIGHTE

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J. O'Connor

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(Old Dublin Brigade 1916-1923).

Dublin 8th February 1935

"A/ COMPANY 3rd Battalion Dublin Brigade 1916.

Joseph O'Connor
Hickey

Captain
Lieut. to Wednesday or Thursday when he
left without permission.
Lieut.

John Guilfoyle, ^{R.I.P.}
Joseph Guilfoyle
John Goulding
Patk. Byrne
Henry Byrne
Thos. Byrne
Chris. Byrne
James Gill
Henry Banks
James Pender
James Murray
Leo Casey
Wm. Stanley
James Soullly
Patk. Brennan
John Bracken, Snr.
John Bracken Jnr.
Wm. Conroy
Peter O'Meara
Thos. Cassidy
Thos. O'Rourke.
Wm. Coughlan
John Byrne
Joseph Byrne
Timothy Finn
John Doyle
John Doyle

(ABOVE WERE IN BOLAND'S AREA).

Kath. O'Brien
Chris. Farrell
Richard Farrell
Dominick Callaghan
Daniel Murray
John O'Grady
Sean Murphy
Watson Lake
James O'Donnell
Chris. O'Donnell
Patrick O'Connell
Chris. O'Farrell

G.P.O.
Jacobs
I do not know where
College of Surgeons
do.
Jacob's
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do.

(per Jos. O'Connor, 32, O'Donovan Rd. Dublin).

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11th February 1936

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to acknowledge,
with thanks, the receipt of your letter of the 8th inst.
enclosing list of men attached to "A" Company 3rd Battn.
April 1916.

Mise, le mess,

E. de Burke

RUNA f.

Mr. Joseph O'Connor,
32, O'Donovan Rd.,
S.C.R., Dublin.

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B. Coy 3rd Battn. Dublin Brigade

Easter Week. 1916

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The following Members of B. Company 111. Battalion, Dublin
Brigade, I.R.A. fought in Bolands Area Easter Week 1916 :-

Joseph Allwell

Frederick Burton (Decd.)
Joseph Byrne (killed)
Michael Byrne (dec'd.)
Sean Breen
Stephen Boylan.

James Cosgrave
Tom Cassidy,
Christopher Carberry
Daniel Colgan
Joseph Curran
Dudley Carroll
Peter Coates
J. Crothers.

Jack Dunne
Thomas Dunne
Joseph Doyle.

James Fitzgerald
Leo Fitzgerald (killed 1931)
Leo W. Fitzgerald
William Fitzgerald
Thomas Fitzgerald
Thomas Fulham
Edward Fleming
Michael Fleming
John Flynn.

Patrick Geraghty,
Cornelius Griffin.

Thomas Kelly

George Lyons,
J. Lynch.

Michael Merriman
Patrick McBride
William McCabe
Patrick McCabe
James Mallin
Peter Macken (killed)
Charles Murphy
Richard Murphy (killed)
Jack Murphy
Liam Murphy
Joseph McDermott
Sean McGrath
Sean McMahon
Michael McCarthy.

Patrick Nolan

Sean O'Keeffe
Michael O'Keeffe
Andrew O'Neill
Bartholomew O'Neill
Sean O'Hanlon
Anthony O'Grady (dec'd.)

James Purfield
Richard Pearl
Thomas Pate
Patrick Power (dec'd.)

Sean Quinn (dec'd.)
James Quinn (dec'd.)

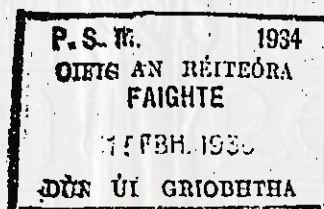
Christopher Reilly,
John Joseph Reid
Patrick Reid
J. Redmond.

Thomas Traynor (Executed 1921)
Alex. Thompson.

James Waters (dec'd.)
Patrick William
James Walsh
Thomas Walsh
William Woodcock.

The following Members of B.111 fought
in Marylebone Lane - Easter 1916.

Daniel Troy
Michael O'Callaghan (dec'd.)
Michael Fitzpatrick
Thomas Moran
John Jones (dec'd.) (6)
Joseph O'Gorman.



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Joseph J. O'Connor
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15th February 1935

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of your letter of the 14th instant, enclosing lists of the members attached to "B" Company, 3rd Battalion, Dublin Brigade, who fought in Boland's Area Easter Week, 1916.

Mise, le meas,

E. Burke

RÚNA f.

Mr. Joseph O'Connor,
32, O'Donovan Road,
S. C. Road,
DUBLIN.

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C Coy. 3rd Bn. Dublin Regt.

Easter Week 1916.

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handed in by Simon Donnelly

List of men of C. Co. 3rd Batt. Dublin Brigade who took part in the
Rising of Easter Week. 1916.

Polands Bakery. Clamallion Place & adjoining parts.

- 1 Lieut Michael Malone. Killed in action 1916.
- 2 Sec. Comm Geo. Reynolds do do.
- 3 Michael Hickey. Died some years ago.
- 4 Joseph Molloy do do.
- 5 J. H. Doyle do do.
- 6 Patrick Flanagan. Oakley Rd. Ranelagh. At present a patient in Asylum.
- 7 William Ronan. Patrick St. Dublin do do.
- 8 Michael Byrne (youth) formerly 8 Bishop St.
- 9 Joseph Byrne. 54 York St. Battalion First aid official X
- 10 William Blown. 112 Capel St. Wounded.
- 11 Joseph Clarke. O'Donovan Rd. W. Caffrey's estate.
- 12 Robert Cooper. 62 Giffen Bridge Av. Inchbarr. Wounded.
- 13 Pat Doyle. Superintendent Gardai. Richmond.
- 14 James Doyle. 1 Desmond St. S. C. Road.
- 15 Lemas Doyle. 1st & 2nd Batt. man.
- 16 John Dune. 6 South Dock Place. Ring Road.
- 17 Doroghue. Co. adjutant.
- 18 Linn Donnelly. 16 Arncliffe St. S. C. Road. Actg. Captain. X
- 19 Lemas Grace. 3 Starkey's Cottages. Newfield Rd.
- 20 Green. Came from C. Co. of Ireland. Wounded.
- 21 Augustine Hayes. County Hospital. Galway.
- 22 Samuel Huin. Ex. National Army official.
- 23 Lemas Kavanagh. 8 Bishop St.
- 24 Liam " } Brothers. 16 Wolsey St. S. C. Road.
- 25 Michael " } Brothers. 16 Wolsey St. S. C. Road.
- 26 Peter " } Brothers. 16 Wolsey St. S. C. Road.
- 27 Sean " } Brothers. 16 Wolsey St. S. C. Road.
- 28 Edward Kavanagh. Ex. National Army official. ✓

George Lyons. B. Co. Continued.
No Stationary Office Applicant.

29. Patk Mc Dowell.
30. Christopher Murphy.
31. Joseph Martin.
32. Joseph O'Connor.
33. Daniel Petr.
34. Cornelius Ryan.

Hth Batt. Dublin Brigade
 Christopher Byrne. Has been before Board.
 William O'Brien. Solicitor " "
 Daniel Mc Carthy. Co Hospital Trust.
 Harry Murray. Co Dept of Industry & Commerce.
 Edmund Murphy. Towns Commissioner Dublin City.
 Joseph W. Gath. Director. Hospitals Trust. x ? x
 Patk Mc Carthy. Gullistan Co. Rathmore.
 F. Leach Mullin. (Pianist). Inquire re whereabouts from his
 sister at St. Ultans Hospital. Charlemont St.

- Men of C. Co. who
35. Michael Hayes. Ex
 36. James Graham.
 37. Martin Murphy
 38. W. Alexander
 39. Gerald Ruffo (
 40. P. O'Brien. Ltd G
 41. Thomas Venables
 42. Michael W. Sugart. for
- Re 42. This case.
 I have advised 35
 to get the officials under w

B. Co.
 Capt Sean Mc Mahon.
 Lieut Sean Quinn.
 Lieut James Fitzgibbon.
 Theobald "
 Leo "
 William "
 Christopher Carberry.
 John O'Keefe. M.
 At present engaged
 William Murphy.
 W. Gath. F.
 All above Ex C/

C. Co. 3rd Batt. Dublin 62 B

Applicant.

29. Patk Mc Dowell. 2 Moyne Rd. Ranelagh.
30. Christopher Murphy. 2 Condon Row. Ex C National Army.
31. Joseph Martin. Watchmakers. Hilary. Co Wicklow.
32. Joseph O'Connor. 334 Harold's Cross Rd. Dublin.
33. Daniel Peter.
34. Cornelius Ryan. 48 York St.

Men of C. Co. who fought in other areas

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Committee.

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Revolutions from his
hospital. Charlemont St.

35. Michael Hayes. Ex Hatched. O'Donnell. Jacobs.
36. James Graham. Wood Quay. Four Courts area.
37. Martin Murphy. Rathgar. Church St area.
38. A. Alexander. Jacobs College of Surgeons.
39. Gerald Ruffs (Dead) O'Connell St.
40. P. O'Brien. 1st Lt. George St. War St area.
41. Thomas Veneables. 17 H. Blk. Ingh. Buildings. Marrowbone Lane.
42. Michael Wugart. formerly of August St. General Post Office.

Re 42. This case requires close investigation.

I have advised 35-42 that it will be necessary for them
to get the officials under whom they served, to verify their service for
this period.

B. Co. 3rd Batt.

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|---|-------------------------------|
| Capt Sean Mc Mahon. | At present in bad health. |
| Lieut Sean Quinn. | Dead. |
| Lieut James Fitzgerald | Pedro St. Available. |
| Herold | " " |
| Leo | " " |
| Vilhem | " " |
| Christopher Carberry. | " |
| John D Keefe. Victim death. Co E. S. B. | " |
| At present engaged in organizing old B. Co. | |
| William Murphy. | C National Army. |
| Mc Gath. 1st Aid man. At present. | C National Army. |
| All above | Ex C National Army officials. |

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(PER SIMON DONNELLY)

LIST OF MEN OF "G" COMPANY 3rd BATTALION DUBLIN BRIGADE
WHO TOOK PART IN THE RISING OF EASTER WEEK 1916.

BOLAND'S BAKERY, CLANWILLIAM PLACE AND ADJOINING POSTS.

1	Lieut. Michael Malone	Killed in action
2	Sec-Com. Geo. Reynolds	do.
3	Michael Hickey	Died some years ago
4	Joseph Molloy	do.
5	J.H. Doyle	do.
6	Patrick Flanagan	Oakley Rd. Ranelagh. At present a patient in Asylum
7	William Ronan	Patrick St. Dublin do.
8	Michael Byrne	(Youth) formerly 8 Bishop Street
9	Joseph Byrne	54, York St. Battalion First Aid Officer.
10	William Brown	112 Capel St. Wounded.
11	Joseph Clarke	O'Donovan Rd. McCaffrey's Estate.
12	Robert Cooper	62 Goldenbridge Av. Inchicore. Wounded.
13	Patrick Doyle	Superintendent, Gardaí, Roscommon
14	James Doyle	1, Desmond St., S.C.R.
15	Seumas Doyle	1st or 2nd Batt. man
16	John Dunne	6 Sth Dock Place, Ringsend
17	Donoghue	Coy. Adjutant
18	Simon Donnelly	16, Arnott St. S.C.R. Acting Captain
19	Seumas Grace	3 Stanley's Cottages, Mespil Road
20	Green	Came from North of Ireland Wounded.
21	Augustine Hayes	County Hospital, Galway
22	Samuel Irwin	Ex-National Army Officer.
23	Seumas Kavanagh	8 Bishop St.
24	Liam Kavanagh	Brothers 16 Wolseley St. S.C.R..
24	Michael "	
26	Peter "	
27	Sean "	Brothers Formerly of Ross Road, Dublin.
28	Edward Kirwin	Ex-National Army Official.

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"C" Coy. 3rd Battn. (contd.)

29	Patrick McDowell	2 Moyne Rd. Ranelagh	
30	Chris. Murphy	2, Camden Row	Ex-National Army
31	Joseph Martin	Waterworks, Kiloroney, Co. Wicklow.	
32	Joseph O'Connor	334, Harolds Cross Rd.	
33	Daniel Pelo		
34	Cornelius Ryan	48, York St.	

MEN OF "C" COY. WHO FOUGHT IN OTHER AREAS

35	Michael Hayes	Ex-Speaker	Jacobs
36	James Graham	Wood Quay	Four Courts Area
37	Martin Murphy	Rathgar	Church St. "
38	W. Alexander		Jacobs & College of Surgeons
39	Gerald Crofts	(Dead)	O'Connell St.
40	P. O'Byrne	Sth. Gt. Georges St.	New St. Area
41	Thos. Venables	17 H. Block Iveagh Bldgs.	Marrowbone Lane
42	Michael Nugent	formerly of Aungier St.	G.P.O.

Re 42. This case requires close investigation.

I have advised 35-42 that it will be necessary for them to get the officers under whom they served to verify their service for this period.

"B" COMPANY 3RD BATTALION

Captain Sean McMahon	At present in bad health
Lieut. Sean Quinn	Dead
Lieut. James Fitzgerald	Pearse St. Available.
Theobald	" "
Leo	" "
William	" Available.
Christopher Carberry	"
John O'Keeffe	Meter Reader c/o E.S.B. At present engaged in organising old "B" Company
William Murphy	National Army
McGrath	First Aid man. At present National Army.

All above ex-National Army officers.

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(per Simon Donnelly)

"B" COMPANY (Continued)

George Lyons c/o Stationery Office. Applicant.

4th BATTALION, DUBLIN BRIGADE.

Christopher Byrne	Has been before Board
William Corrigan, Solicitor	do.
Daniel McCarthy	c/o Hospitals Trust
Harry Murray X	c/o Dept. of Industry and Commerce.
Seumas Murphy	Former Commissioner, Dublin City
Joseph McGrath	Director, Hospitals Trust x?x
Patrick Morrissey	Gulistan Ave. Rathmines
Ffrench Mullen	(Pianist) Inquire re whereabouts from his sister at St. Ultan's Hospital, Charlemont Street.

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The Secretary.

Military Service Pensions Board.
Griffith Barracks.
Dublin.

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16 Armoott St.
South Circular Rd.
Dublin
7/1/35.

A. Chada,

I enclose a list of the men of C. Co. 3rd Batt. Dublin Brigade who fought during Easter Week 1916. Perhaps it may be of some use to your Board in carrying out their difficult task.

In furnishing this list, I am fully aware that each applicant must prove to the satisfaction of the Board his or her service. However I expect that all men of C. Co. who fought in Bolasco Mills also will be giving my name as their Co. S/C. Men of Co. who fought in other areas I expect will give the name of the S/C of the area they fought in.

Needless to say any information in my possession is at the disposal of the Board any time.

The question of subsequent service of each man is somewhat more difficult as a no. of men on this list had broken service.

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Bless
8 JAN 1935

Yours faithfully
Simon Donnelly.

List of men of C. Co. 3rd Batt. Dublin Brigade who were in action against British Forces during Easter Week 1916, at Bolands Mills, Mount St. Clair, Clonilla Place adco.

1. Lieut Michael Malone. Killed in action. [at Mount St. Clair]
2. Sec. Comm. G. Reynolds. do.
3. Michael Hickey. Once dead.
4. Joseph Mollony. do.
5. J. H. Doyle. do.
6. Robert Cooper. Wounded in action. 62 Golden Bridge Rd. Inchicore
7. William Brown. do. 112 Capel St. Dublin.
8. Christopher Murphy. do. Camden Row. Dublin
9. Green. do. Came from CP 8th of Ireland. address unknown.
10. Patrick Flanagan. Lunsdale. Doherty Rd. Roslagh. At present in Asylum.
11. William Roman. Patrick St. Dublin. do do.
12. Michael Byrne. formerly Bishop St.
13. Joseph Byrne. 54 York St. (First and main) Batt. officer
14. Joseph Clarke. 25 Clappan Estate. Dublin. at present master of Sinn Féin.
15. Patrick Doyle. Superintendent. Gardai. Retiree.
16. James Doyle. 1 Debraud St. S.C. Rd. Dublin.
17. John Durne. 6 South Dock Place. Ring Road. Dublin.
18. ———— Donoghue (was Co. adjutant.) Address unknown.
19. Simon Donnelly. 16 Arnoth St. S.C. Rd. Dublin. —
20. Seamus Grace. 3 Stanley Cottages. West Rd. "
21. Augustine Hayes. County Hospital. Co. Galway.
22. Samuel Quinn. Ex National Army official (Pension)
23. Seamus Kearney. 8 Bishop St. Dublin.
24. Michael " } Brothers.
25. Liam " } 16 Wolsey St. S.C. Rd. Dublin.
26. Peter " } Brothers.
27. Sean " } formerly Post Rd. Dublin.
28. Edward Keenan. Ex National Army official (Pension)

29. Joseph Martin. Waterworks. Hildesley. Co. Wicklow
 30. Joseph O'Connell. 334 Harold's Cross Rd. Dublin
 31. Pats. Mac & O'Donnell. 2 Maple Rd. Ranelagh.
 32. Park Place. 1421 Francis St. Dublin
 33. Cornelius Ryan. 48 York St. Dublin.

Names of men of C. Co. 3rd Batt. who fought in ~~the~~ areas, other than
 3rd Batt district.

34. Michael Hayes. Ex. Hesper. Dail. Edinam. Jacobs.
 35. James Graham. 9 Wood Quay. Ford Courts area.
 36. Martin Murphy. Richmond St. Church St. "
 37. C. Alexander. 131 Cook St. Dublin. Jacobs & College of Surgeons.
 38. Gerard Crofts (Dead) O'Connell St. area.
 39. P. O'Brien 53 Ltd. Gt. George St. Clw St. area.
 40. Thomas Venable. 17 H. Blk. Inagh Buildings. Mallow Lane area.
 Bridge St. Dublin.

A no. of men from other units also reported for duty & were in action
 during the week. I remember only the following
 Thomas Doyle from 1st & 2nd Batt.

The names of three men whom I cannot personally remember
 have been mentioned to me as having fought at Bolands during
 Easter Week. It is quite possible that such is the case, as such a
 long period has elapsed, a few names may have been forgotten.
 The names are as follows.

James Daly
 ? Smith.
 ? Mullay.

I interviewed these men & he appears quite genuine.

Simon Donnelly
 of C. Co 3rd Batt.
 1916.

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OFFICE OF THE REFEREE,
GRIFFITH BARRACKS,
DUBLIN.

8th January, 1935.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to acknowledge,
with thanks, your letter of the 7th instant and
information contained therein.

Mise, le meas,

Seamus E. Burke

RÚNAÍ.

Simon Donnelly, Esq.,
16, Arnott St.,
S.C. Road,
DUBLIN.

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FAIGHTE
- 4 MAR. 1935
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2nd Mar 1935.

Re Military Service
Pensions Act, 1934.

A CARA,

I have pleasure in enclosing Query
Form re Edward Leonard with answers filled
in by me.

I have drawn up and enclose
for the information of the Referee a
list of the Volunteers who were under
my command during Easter Week
1916, with such remarks in some
of the cases as I consider may
assist the Referee in dealing with
applications for pensions. I think
this list is a complete one of
those who were personally under
me during that week, but it
is possible (though not probable)

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BRANDS STUDIO 22
MILITARY

that I may have forgotten a name
or two at this distance of time
(19 years.)

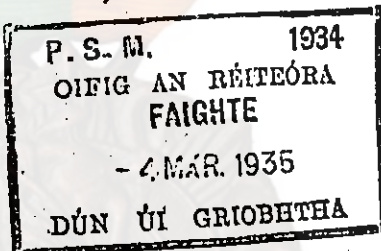
Any other information which
may be required by the Ministry
of Defense or the Referee, will of
course be furnished by me in
the fullest possible form and
by return of post.

I am not applying for a
pension under the Act as I am
debarred ^{therefrom} as a Government Officer.
I would, however, for personal or
sentimental reasons be glad
to receive a Certificate of
Service during that week from
the Pensions Tribunal or the

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Referee, if they could see their way
to do so in conformity with the regulations.
Commandant Joseph O'Connor who was
one of the officers commanding the
3rd Battalion Dublin during that
week & subsequently, and any of the
officers who were in Bolands Bakery
can, if necessary, certify as to
my service.



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le meas uón

Joseph O'Connor

(Barriol - at - Law)

(Formerly 1st Lieut "D" Co
Batt. Dublin Acty Capt
1/c Bolands Mills during
Easter week 1916.)

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An Rússá

OIFIG AN REITEORA

Beannic Uí Griobhta

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List of Volunteers who were
under my command at the pest
Bolands' Mills, at Drawbridge
Ringsend Rd. Dublin from
Easter Monday, 24th Apl. 1916
up to Surrender at Grattan
Street at 1.30 on Sunday
30th Apl. 1916.

Name	Address in 1916 (where known)	Co. & Batt.	Remarks.
Byrne William	Seafort Avenue	"D" Co. III	no remarks appear necessary in these cases
Byrne Thomas	Sunday Mount Rd.	" "	
Byrne Peter J.	7. Barrar St.	" "	
Brien William	Sandwith St(?)	" "	
Boyne Thomas	—	" "	
Fitzgerald Thomas	Pearse (then Brunswick) St.	"B" Co. "	
Kinsella John	Ranelagh.	"E" "	
Malone, Robert	Ringsend Dublin Fire Brigade man.	"D" "	

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Joseph Byrne
1st Lieut
D Coy.

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name.	address in 1916 (where known)	Batt & Co.	Remarks.
McGrath, (Thomas) (2)	—	III "B" Co.	—
O'Shea John,	South Lotts Rd.	—	This boy was was 16 years old at date of Rising. He was not actually a member of the volunteers at the date of the Rising, but volunteered to serve with us on Easter Monday & was under my command from the commencement of the Rising on Easter Monday until he was wounded on Thursday & was sent home, being unfit for further service during that week.
Lawler Eamonry.	Sandymount.	III "D" Co.	This volunteer served during the first part of the week under Battalion H. Q. at Boland's Bakery, Gray Canal St. and during the latter part of the week under my command at Boland's Mills, Runged Rd. up to the Surrender on Sunday 30 th April 1916.

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FAIGHTE
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Joseph Byrne

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name	address in 1916 (where known)	Batt & Co.	Remarks.
Griffin, Martin	Varasow Sq. Bath Ave. (near of Rialto Cottages).	III "D." Co.	On Easter Monday 1916 this volunteer was (with a few others) assigned by me to the Post at the Dublin City Distillery on the City side of the Grand Canal Basin at Brunswick St. This post was shelled about 4-5 o'clock p.m. on Thursday (27th April 1916) & became untenable and the men posted there (including this man Martin Griffin) fell back on ^{Bath} H. Q. at Bolands Bakery. I saw him in the Bakery immediately before the surrender at 1:30 on Sunday 30th April 1916.

In addition to the above there were two other volunteers
under me at this post in Easter Week viz:- Thomas Quinn
(who is now dead some years) and Patrick Whelan
(who was killed in action under me at above post
on Wednesday the 26th April 1916) Joseph ^{Byrne} _{213/35}

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ABSTRACT FROM LETTER RECEIVED FROM MR. JOSEPH BYRNE, B.L.
55, DARTMOUTH SQUARE, DUBLIN.

"I am not applying for a pension under the Act as I am debarred therefrom as a Government officer. I would, however, for personal and sentimental reasons be glad to receive a Certificate of Service during that week (Easter Week 1916) from the Pensions Tribunal or the Referee, if they could see their way to do so in conformity with the regulations. Commandant Joseph O'Connor, who was one of the officers commanding the 3rd Battalion, Dublin, during that week and subsequently, and any of the officers who were in Boland's Bakery can, if necessary, certify as to my service".

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7th March 1935

Secretary,
Dept. of Defence (Pensions).

I am directed by the Referee to transmit for attention the attached abstract from a letter received from Mr. Joseph Byrne, B.L., 55, Dartmouth Square, Dublin.

Mr. Byrne, who is at present on the Land Commission Staff, served with the Forces during the Easter Rising of 1916, as 1st Lieut. "D" Company, 3rd Battalion, Dublin Brigade.

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7th March 1935

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of your letter of 2nd instant, enclosing - (a) completed query form relative to the application of Edward Leonard (458), and (b) particulars of Irish Volunteers who served under your command during the Easter Rising of 1916.

I am also to state that your letter in so far as it concerns your desire to secure a service certificate is being brought to the attention of the Minister for Defence, to whom application should be addressed in the first instance.

Mise, le meas,

E. J. J.
RÚNAÍ.

Mr. Joseph O'Byrne, B.L.,
55, Dartmouth Square,
DUBLIN.

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E. J. J.
RÚNAÍ.

Mr. Joseph O'Byrne, B.L.,
55, Dartmouth Square,
DUBLIN.

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E.W.

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2nd March 1935

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to state that in order to ensure that the above Act shall be administered as closely as possible in accordance with the intentions of the Oireachtas, he would be glad of the co-operation of all officers of the Forces (as defined in the Act). In this connection, I am to state that the Referee and Advisory Committee would be materially assisted if you were to furnish, at your earliest convenience, a list showing the names and ranks of the members of "E" Company, 3rd Battalion, Dublin Brigade, Irish Volunteers, who fought in the Easter Rising of 1916, indicating, where possible, the respective areas in which they fought.

Mise, le meas,

E. W. Burke

RÚNAÍ.

Mr. Joseph Byrne,
55, Dartmouth Square,
DUBLIN.

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m.s.c.

Tagairt

Mr. J. J. J.

Issue East Wick circular for 'Cay' Roll - E. 3rd Bn.

to Mr. Joseph Byrne P.O. 55 Dartmouth St. Dublin

E. 26
27/35

Mr. Dooly For attention please

Correct.
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D. 1/3/35

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SE, BARNUM SQUARE,

ADD. 12

4. 2. 1934.

Re Military Service
Pensions Act, 1934

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of yours of 2nd inst which crossed mine to you of the 2nd inst in which I had already enclosed a list of the volunteers of "D" Coy Batt III who fought under my command in Easter week. The volunteers mentioned in that list were all privates. The list is, I think, complete as to the men who were actually with me that week. If there are any applicants other than those in the list, I will on receipt of query, make a report as far as my personal knowledge of

my
Coy
was
"D" Co
Batt III
not
"E" Co.
as stated
in your
letter.
Y.B.

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BOARD OF PENSIONERS

1918-19

the facts in their cases.

Some time in January a man named Stokes obtained a letter from me for the information of the Advisory Committee. I have not included him in the list sent by me on last Saturday as he was not under my personal command that week but was posted in the main Batt H.Q. in Bolands & beyond that I know nothing of his case.

I would be glad at your convenience to hear from you with reference to my Certificate of Service which I enquired about in my letter of the 2nd inst.

Thanking you in anticipation,
he means, more

Joseph O'Byrne
B.L.

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7th March 1935

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to acknowledge
your letter of 4th instant, the contents of which have
been noted for reference.

Mise, le meas,

E. de Burke

RÚNAÍ.

Joseph O'Byrne, Esq., B.L.,
55, Dartmouth Square,
DUBLIN.

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E. Coy. 3rd Batta. Dublin Regt.

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Dublin,

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1916 List - E Coy. 3rd Batt Dublin Brigade

Patk Doyle Killed in Action

Andy W. Donnell Glenageary Road Mullingar

John Whinnell unknown

Wm O'Brien do

James Redigan do.

James Murphy U.S.A.

Andy Murphy unknown

John W. Keenan deceased

Patk Brennan Sandrine Road Trillick

Wm Donohoe unknown

Patk Leonard Mulltown deceased

James Stephens deceased

Wm Murray unknown

Edw. Leonard Mulltown

Wm. Doyle in England

Wm Byrne "

Wm Farnham Riversdale Templeogue

All above in Poland Area

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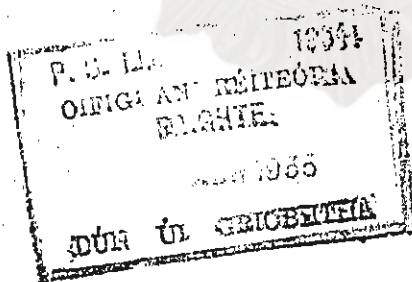
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Sean Fennan 26 Berea Terrace G.P.O.
Mr. McCarthy unknown Stephen Fenn
Thos. Devine 101 Larkfield Grove G.P.O.
Jas Deller (Main St. Dundrum Co. Dubli.) Stephen Fenn
Matt Fennan deceased Stephen Fenn
Thos. O'Rourke Wendy Arbours (Secondary Teacher) Jacobs.
Batt Connor deceased G.P.O. to Kerry
James Stephen deceased Stephen Fenn
Wm Winstonley 30 Mulltown Clgo Wendy Arbours Mail Office



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Dublin, 1st April 1935

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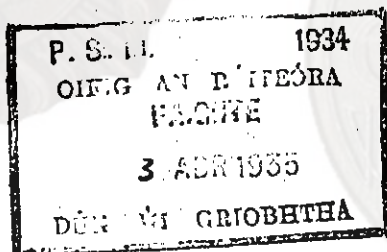
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Griffiths Barracks

W. Evans

I am enclosing list of 1906 men
from E. Coy 2nd Batt. I see on column
Lieutenant Willton returned. I will
ask Penman for more information
and let you know

Penman



R.O. 103.

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3rd April 1935

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to acknowledge,
with thanks, the receipt of your letter of 1st instant,
enclosing particulars of "E" Company, 3rd Battalion,
Dublin Brigade, during the Easter Rising of 1916.

Mise, le meas,

E. M. Burke

RÚNAÍ.

Seosamh Uas. O Conchubhar,
32, O'Donovan Road,
S. O. Road, DUBLIN.

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F Company 3rd Batta Dublin Bde.

Easter Week 1916.

Strength