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Liam Forde,

Corbally, Limerick, 9th. February, 19 35.

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COMLAČAP IARCAIŠ MÀPA ŠAOHTÁIT ÉIREANN, TEO.

(The Sea Fisheries Association of Saorstát Éireann, Ltd).

The Secretary,
Office of the Referee,
Griffith Barracks,
S.C. RD.
DUBLIN.

A Chara,

Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

I received your letter of yesterday's date (Ref. Bde.), asking for particulars of the Brigade and Batt. staffs, together with a map of the Brigade, Batt. and Company areas. As this work will entail a good deal of time and as I am going to Dublin on Monday, where I will have to remain for a few days, I cannot hope to let you have the necessary information for at least two weeks.

I will do my utmost to get what is required with the least possible delay.

Mise, be meas,

Liam Forde

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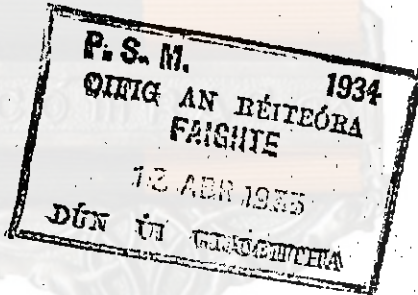
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8th. April, 1935.

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Mr. Sweeney

Humphreys Murphy, Esq.,
Griffith Barracks,
DUBLIN.



A Chara,

I enclose herewith list of Brigade and Batt. staffs,
together with names of those who were outstanding in the
fight and who might be first dealt with.

*List
detached
for urgent
cases file.*

*E.M.S.
12/4/35.*

I shall be in Dublin on the 15th. and 16th. instant,
and shall 'phone you up, appointing to meet you.

Mise, le moas,

Liam Forde

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OFFICERS LIMERICK CITY 1st BATTALION - 1916 - 1917

Battalion Commdt. Michael P. Colivet, Sandymount, Dublin.
 " Vice Commdt. George Clancy, (Deceased)
 " Quarter Master James McInerney, (Deceased)
 " Adjutant Patrick Walsh, National Army Pensioner.

A. COMPANY.

Captain James Gubbins, National Army Pensioner
 Lieutenant Thomas Pigott, Crosby Row, Limerick.
 2nd Lieutenant Frank Fitzpatrick, Clancy's Strand, Limerick.

B. COMPANY.

Captain James O'Donnell, (Deceased)
 Lieutenant, Patrick Whelan, Wolfe Tone Street.
 2nd Lieutenant Jack Lane, (Deceased)

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C. COMPANY.

Captain Liam Forde, Lax Weir, Corbally, Limerick.
 Lieutenant Joseph McKeon, John Street, Limerick.
 2nd Lieutenant Arthur Johnson, 25 Parnell Street, Limerick.

D. COMPANY.

Captain Alphonsus Kivlehan, Patrick Street, Limerick.
 Lieutenant Alphonsus O'Halloran
 2nd Lieutenant Ralph Slattery, O'Connell Street, Limerick.

Medical Services Captain James Kirby, Thomondgate, Limerick.
 Signalling " Lieutenant Patrick Glynn,
 Intelligence " " C. Fitzgibbon, Thomas Street, Limerick.

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STAFFS OF MID. LIMERICK BATTALION

SECOND LIMERICK CITY BATTALION

Liam Forde, Lax Weir, Corbally, Limerick
Owen O'Brien, Ballynard, (Deceased)
Patrick Barry, Limk. City Home & Hospital
Sean Hurley, Kilkenny,
Patrick Hegarty, Cork (Deceased)
Thomas McInerney, Limerick City, (Deceased)
Robt. DeCourcy

Brigade Commandant.
" Vice "
" Adjutant
" Q'Master.
" Int. Officer.
" Transport Officer.
" Engineer.

Liam Forde, Lax Weir, Corb
Owen O'Brien, (Deceased)
Michael Hartney, 14 Prospe
James McInerney, (Decea
Patrick Moloney, 6 Lock Qu
Edward Hanrahan, Carey's
Robert DeCourcy.

David Dundon, Patrick Street, Limerick.
Patrick Walsh
John Quilligan
James Keane, Wickham Street, Limerick.
Liam O'Sullivan, William Street, Limerick

Battalion Commandant ✓
" Vice "
" Adjutant
" Q'Master
" Int. Officer.

David Dundon, Patrick Street
John McInerney, (Deceased)
Thomas Martin, Tramore, Co
John Dargan, (Deceased)
Patrick Brennan, (Deceased)

A. COMPANY BLACKBOY PIKE,

MULGRAVE ST., GERALD GRIFFIN S

Terence Casey, (Deceased)
Patrick Rahilly, U.S.A.
Michael O'Brien, Green Hill, Garryowen.

Captain
Lieutenant.
2nd Lieutenant. ✓

Con. McNamara, 1 Blackboy
Michael O'Brien, Green Hill
Patrick Rahilly, U.S.A.

B. COMPANY PARK, RHEBOGUE,

CORBALLY, PENNYWELL AREA.

Patrick Troy, 13 Lower Cecil Street,
Patrick Shanny, Park.
Patrick Dawson, Rhybogue, Singland.

Captain. ✓
Lieutenant.
2nd Lieutenant,

Patrick Troy, 13 Lower Ce
Patrick Shanny, Park.
Patrick Dawson, Rhybogue,

C. COMPANY CLARE ST. BROAD St.

JOHN ST., MUNGRET ST., PATRICK

Joseph Kelly, Staff Quarters, Ardacrusha
Power Station,
Michael Downey, Doyles Cottages, John St.
Michael Healy, Nicholas St.

Captain, ✓
Lieutenant.
2nd Lieutenant.

Joseph Kelly, Staff Quart
Michael Downey, Doyles Cot
Michael Ringrose, John Stre

D. COMPANY THOMONDGATE,

MARY STREET, CIRCULAR ROADS, SA

Michael Danford, (Deceased)
Edward Doran, Clancy's Strand,
Thomas Nihill, England

Captain.
Lieutenant. ✓
2nd Lieutenant.

Michael Danford, (Decease
Edward Doran, Clancy's
Thomas Nihill, England.

E. COMPANY CAREY'S ROAD,

O'CONNELL ST., EDWARD ST., BOHE

William Barratt, Carey's Road,
Patrick Hassett, Kilrush - now in U.S.A.
Daniel O'Connell, 7 Castle Barracks

Captain, ✓
Lieutenant.
2nd Lieutenant.

Michael Daly, Carey's
William Wallace, Thomondg
D. O'Connell, 7 Castle

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STAFFS OF MID. LIMERICK DE.

SECOND LIMERICK CITY BATTALION.

1st July, 1922.

Brigade Commandant.	Liam Forde, Lax Weir, Corbally, Limerick.
" Vice "	Owen O'Brien, (Deceased)
" Adjutant	Michael Hartney, 14 Prospect Villas, Limerick.
" Q'Master.	James McInerney, (Deceased)
" Int. Officer.	Patrick Moloney, 6 Lock Quay, Limerick
" Transport Officer.	Edward Hanrahan, Carey's Road, Limerick.
" Engineer.	Robert DeCourcy.

Battalion Commandant ✓	David Dundon, Patrick Street, Limerick.
" Vice "	John McInerney, (Deceased)
" Adjutant	Thomas Martin, Tramore, Co. Waterford.
" Q'Master	John Dargan, (Deceased)
" Int. Officer.	Patrick Brennan, (Deceased)

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A. COMPANY BLACKBOY PIKE, - MULGRAVE ST., GERALD GRIFFIN ST. AREA.

Captain	Con. McNamara, 1 Blackboy Pike, Limerick
Lieutenant.	Michael O'Brien, Green Hill, Garryowen.
2nd Lieutenant. ✓	Patrick Rahilly, U.S.A.

B. COMPANY PARK, RHEBOGUE, - CORBALLY, PENNYWELL AREA.

Captain. ✓	Patrick Troy, 13 Lower Cecil Street,
Lieutenant.	Patrick Shanny, Park.
2nd Lieutenant,	Patrick Dawson, Rhebogue, Singland.

C. COMPANY CLARE ST. BROAD St. - JOHN ST., MUNGRET ST., PATRICK ST. & WILLIAM STREET.

Captain, ✓	Joseph Kelly, Staff Quarters, Ardnacrusha.
Lieutenant.	Michael Downey, Doyles Cottages, John St.
2nd Lieutenant.	Michael Ringrose, John Street.

D. COMPANY THOMONDGATE, - MARY STREET, CIRCULAR ROADS, SARSFIELD STREET.

Captain.	Michael Danford, (Deceased)
Lieutenant. ✓	Edward Doran, Clancy's Strand, Limerick.
2nd Lieutenant.	Thomas Nihill, England.

E. COMPANY CAREY'S ROAD, - O'CONNELL ST., EDWARD ST., BOHERBUOY DISTRICTS.

Captain, ✓	Michael Daly, Carey's Road, Limerick. ✓
Lieutenant.	William Wallace, Thomondgate.
2nd Lieutenant.	D. O'Connell, 7 Castle Barracks.

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F. COMPANY LIMERICK CITY BATTALION

NEW STREET, PROSPECT, HEN

John Farrell,
- Connolly

45 Prospect

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Captain.
Lieutenant.

G. COMPANY (ENGINEERS) FORMED DURING

TRUCE 1921-22.

Captain
Lieutenant.
2nd Lieutenant.

Michael McNamara, High
Thomas Hickey, 8 Lo
Michael Shanahan, S

Other Officers at 2nd Critical Date 1st July, 1922 included Ed. Fitzgibbon,

Thomas Street (Supplies) Hugh

" " " 1st Critical Date 11th July, 1921 " Sean Carroll,

Castleconnell, Co. Limerick (

OFFICERS AT PERIODS

OTHER THAN CRITICAL DATES.

Peter Dunne Dublin
Arthur Johnson, 25 Parnell St, Limerick.
Robert Byrnes, (Deceased)
Joseph O'Brien, 2 Cross Roads, Thomondgate, Limerick.
Martin Barry, X Rossa Villas, Garryowen,
John Gallagher, Lelia Street, Limerick.
James Gubbins,
Patrick Moloney, 6 Look Quay, Limerick,
Henry Meany, (Deceased)
William Keane, Market Field Terrace, Limerick.
Michael McCann, Potatoe Market, Georges Quay.
John Menaghan,
Patrick Doyle, Pennywell, Road, Limerick.
Patrick O'Halloran, Rextown Terrace, Limerick.
Thomas Keane, (Deceased)
Joseph McKeon, John Street, Limerick.
John Duggan, (Deceased)
Patrick Ryan, Thomondgate.
Joseph Saunders, Gammells Court, Geralf Griffin Street, Limerick.
Timothy Murphy, Castleconnell, Co. Limerick.
Thomas Quinlivan, U.S.A.
Edward Punch, O'Curry Street, Limerick.
David Hennessy, Killonan, Caheroonlish, Co. Limerick.
Michael Doyle, Divisional I.O. Free State Army Pensioner. -
M. P. Chet, Sandymount, Dublin.

Brigade Commandant -
" "
Battalion Adjutant.
" Commandant
" Q'Master
" Quarter Master
Assistant Brigade Adj.
" Int.
Battalion Commandant
Captain A. Company
" "
Lieutenant A. Company
Captain B. Company
" "
Captain C. Company
Lieutenant C. Company
" D. Company
Captain D. Company
" E.
Lieutenant E. Company
2nd Lieutenant E. Com
Captain F. Company.
Eds. Vice Commandant.
Roxboro Road, Limerick
Bde Vice Commandant

The approximate strength of the Bd's. Five Battalions, four of which were active at the Critical Date Periods would be in the region of 1,500.

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COMPANY LIMERICK CITY BATTALION NEW STREET, PROSPECT, HENRY STREET, BALLINACURRA DISTRICTS.

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--- Captain.
--- Lieutenant.

COMPANY (ENGINEERS) FORMED DURING TRUCE 1921-22.

Captain	Michael McNamara, High Street, Limerick.
Lieutenant.	Thomas Mickey, 8 Lock Quay, Limerick.
2nd Lieutenant.	Michael Shanahan, Staff Quarters, Ardnacrusha Power Station.

At July, 1922 included Ed. Fitzgibbon, Thomas Street (Supplies) High Hayes, Circular Road, (Medical)
 At July, 1921 " Sean Carroll, Castleconnell, Co. Limerick (Column Commander).

OFFICERS AT PERIODS OTHER THAN CRITICAL DATES.

Limerick.	Brigade Commandant -	1919-1920.
Monongate, Limerick.	" " Feb. to June 1920.	1920.
Pyowen, Limerick.	Battalion Adjutant.	1919.
Limerick.	" Commandant	1920-1921
Limerick.	" Q'Master	1917-1919.
Limerick.	" Quarter Master	1920.
Limerick.	Assistant Brigade Adjutant	1921.
Limerick.	" Intelligence Officer	1921.
Limerick.	Battalion Commandant -	1919
Limerick.	Captain A. Company	1917
Limerick.	" " "	1918-20
Limerick.	Lieutenant A. Company	1917
Limerick.	Captain B. Company	1917
Limerick.	" " "	1918-20
Limerick.	Captain C. Company	1921.
Limerick.	Lieutenant C. Company	1921
Limerick.	" D. Company.	
Limerick.	Captain D. Company.	
Limerick.	" E. " "	
Limerick.	Lieutenant E. Company	
Limerick.	2nd Lieutenant E. Company.	
Limerick.	Captain F. Company.	
Limerick.	Bde. Vice Commandant.	
Limerick.	Roxboro Road, Limerick	
Limerick.	Bde Vice Commandant	1919-20

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 e Periods would be in the region

COMPANY & BATTALION STAFFS 3rd BATTALION CASTLECONNELL AREA.

11th JULY, 1921.

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Battalion Comdt. Martin Cooke, Annah, Murroe, Co. Limerick. ✓
" Adjutant Patrick Carroll " " ✓
" Q'Master J. Vaughan, Ardvarna, Lisnagry. ✓
" Intelligence Officer Thos. Herbert, Sallymount, Castleconnell.
" Engineer Patrick Herbert, Annacotty, Lisnagry.

A. COMPANY - CASTLECONNELL.

Captain Edward Carroll, Castleconnell Co. Limerick. ✓
Lieutenant Thomas Baggott, " "
2nd Lieut. J. Gleeson, " "

B. COMPANY - AHANE.

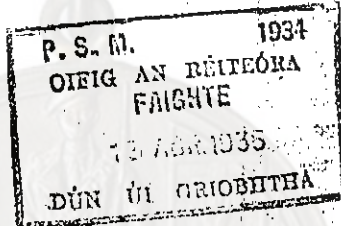
Captain J. Madden, Ahane. ✓
Lieutenant C. Ryan, Cappamore.
2nd Lieut. D. Moynihan, Mulgrave Street, Limerick.

C. COMPANY - MURROE.

Captain T. Grady, Murroe. ✓
Lieutenant P. Campbell, " "
2nd Lieut. James Humphreys Cappamore.

D. COMPANY.

Captain M. McNamara,
Lieutenant N. Madden,
2nd Lieut. D. O'Neill.



E. COMPANY - ANNACOTTY.

Captain P. Butler, Annacotty ✓
Lieutenant N. McDonagh " "
2nd Lieut. J. McMahon, Kilmurry.

F. COMPANY - ABINGTON.

Captain J. RYAN, Abbingdon, ✓
Lieutenant M. Ryan " "
2nd Lieut. J. McQuillan "

Battalion Staff 2nd Critical Date 1st July, 1922.

Comdt. D. Coffey, Knockhaunlawn, Castleconnell, Adjutant P. Carroll,
Murroe. Quartermaster Thomas Brennan, Annacotty, Lisnagry, Intelligence
Officer Thos. Herbert, Annacotty, Lisnagry.

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BATTALION AND COMPANY STAFFS

4th BATTALION MID' L.

Richard O'Connell, Camron, Raheny, Co. Dublin	1917-1921	Commandant	Sean Clifford, Fedamore,
Thomas O'Brien, Skule Hill, Grange, Kilmallock - - -	1917-1920	Vice Commdt.	David Hennessey, Killonan
Morgan Portley, Kisikirk, Caherconlish - - -	1917-1921	Adjutant.	Michael Tierney, Ballybr
Patrick Casey, (R.I.P.) - - -	1917-1921	Qr. Master.	Martin Crimmons, Cahern
John Purcell, Fair Green Tee., Limerick City.	1917-1922	Intelligence Officer.	Patrick Purcell, Fair Gr

A. COMPANY - CAHERCONLISH.

James Horah, (R.I.P.) - - -	1917-1921	Captain.	John Lynch, Caherconlish
John Lynch, Caherconlish, Pallasgreen - - -	1917-1921	Lieutenant	Patrick Hickey, Bottomst
Patrick Hickey, Bottomstown, Knocklong - - -	1917-1921	2nd Lieut.	Stephen Lynch, Ballylan

B. COMPANY - BALLYBRICKEN.

Michael Doyle, Janesboro', Limerick. - - -	1914-1917	Captain.	John Hartigan, Garda Si
John O'Shaughnessy, Stonepark, Ballyneety- - -	1915-1920	Lieutenant.	Edmond O'Grady, Bruffea,
Thos. Power, Bruffea, Caherconlish - - -	1920-1922	2nd Lieut.	Thomas Power, "

C. COMPANY - FEDAMORE.

Sean Clifford, Fedamore, Kilmallock. - - -	1917-1920.	Captain.	Thomas Dillon, Fedamore,
John Feely, " " - - -	1917-1920	Lieutenant	Patrick Cavanagh, "
Thos. Conway, Carnane, Fedamore - - -	1917-1920	2nd Lieut.	Maurice Keogh, Garda Si Clontibrea

D. COMPANY - BALLYNEETY.

Michael Ryan, National Army - - -	1919-1922	Captain	Michael Ryan, National
Thos. Griffin, Ballinagarde, Ballyneety, Co. Limk. - - -	1917-1921	Lieutenant	Thomas Griffin, Ballinag
Edmond Power, Knockea, Ballyneety, Co. Limk.	1921-1922	2nd Lieut.	Edmond Power, Knockea,

E. COMPANY - KILLONAN.

David Hennessey, Killonan, Caherconlish - -	1914-1921	Captain	Patrick McCormack, Post
Joe McDonnell, " " - - -	1921-1922	Lieutenant	Joe McDonnell, Killo
John Liddy, Kisikirk " - - -	1921-1922	2nd Lieut.	John Liddy, Kisikirk,

F. COMPANY - CROON.

Wm. Bourke, Honeypond, Croom - - -	1920-1922	Captain.	Wm. Bourke, Honeypond
James Bennett, " " - - -	1920-1922	Lieutenant	James Bennett, "
Simon Howard (R.I.P) " " - - -	1920-1922	2nd Lieut.	Simon Howard, (R.I.P.) "

The Battalion was approximately 350 strong at First Critical Date. The area enclosed, Caherconlish, Ballybricken, Fedamore, Ballyneety, Killonan, Croom, Pallasgreen, and their immediate vicinities. It was a neutral area, during the Civil strife, no Staff functioning, and all of whom are on this list, either took no part, or were in National Army Forces.

Misc,
P. MOLONEY.

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BATTALION AND COMPANY STAFFS - 4th BATTALION MID' LIMERICK BRIGADE.

Co. Dublin	1917-1921	Commandant	Sean Clifford, Fedamore, Kilmallock	----	1921-1922. ✓
- - -	1917-1920	Vice Commdt.	David Hennessy, Killonan, Caherconlish	----	1921-1922.
lish	1917-1921	Adjutant.	Michael Tierney, Ballybricken, Grange, Kilmallock	----	1921-1922. ✓
- - -	1917-1921	Gr. Master.	Martin Grimmons, Cahernorry, Ballyneety.	----	1921-1922.
Limerick City.	1917-1922	Intelligence Officer.	Patrick Purcell, Fair Green Terrace, Limerick,	----	1917-1922.

A. COMPANY - CAHERCONLISH.

- - -	1917-1921	Captain.	John Lynch, Caherconlish, Pallasgreen	---	1921-1922. ✓
een	1917-1921	Lieutenant	Patrick Hickey, Bottomstown, Knocklong	---	1921-1922.
long	1917-1921	2nd Lieut.	Stephen Lynch, Ballylanders, Co. Limerick.	---	1921-1922.

B. COMPANY - BALLYBRICKEN.

- - -	1914-1917	Captain.	John Hartigan, Garda Siochana	---	1920-1922. ✓
lyneety-	1915-1920	Lieutenant.	Edmond O'Grady, Bruffea, Caherconlish	---	1920-1922. ✓
- - -	1920-1922	2nd Lieut.	Thomas Power, " "	---	1920-1922.

C. COMPANY - FEDAMORE.

- - -	1917-1920.	Captain.	Thomas Dillon, Fedamore, Kilmallock.	---	1920-1922. ✓
- - -	1917-1920	Lieutenant	Patrick Cavanagh, " "	---	1920-1922.
- - -	1917-1920	2nd Lieut.	Maurice Keogh, Garda Siochana, Clontibret, Co. Monaghan.	---	1920-1922.

D. COMPANY - BALLYNEETY.

- - -	1919-1922	Captain	Michael Ryan, National Army.	---	1919-1922. ✓
neety,	1917-1921	Lieutenant	Thomas Griffin, Ballinagarde, Ballyneety	---	1917-1921. ✓
Co. Lmk.	1921-1922	2nd Lieut.	Edmond Power, Knockea, Ballyneety	---	1921-1922.

E. COMPANY - KILLONAN.

lish	1914-1921	Captain	Patrick McCormack, Post Office, Caherconlish	---	1921-1922. ✓
- - -	1921-1922	Lieutenant	Joe McDonnell, Killonan, Caherconlish,	---	1921-1922.
- - -	1921-1922	2nd Lieut.	John Liddy, Kisikirk, Caherconlish -	---	1921-1922.

F. COMPANY - CROOM.

- - -	1920-1922	Captain.	Wm. Bourke, Honeypond, Croom	---	1920-1922. ✓
- - -	1920-1922	Lieutenant	James Bennett, " "	---	1920-1922.
- - -	1920-1922	2nd Lieut.	Simon Howard, (R.I.P.) " "	---	1920-1922.

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via Sean Fitzpatrick

STAFFS OF MID. LIMERICK BRIGADE AND
2nd LIMERICK CITY BATTALION.

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MID. LIMERICK BRIGADE.

At 11th July, 1921.

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Present Address.</u>	<u>Rank.</u>
Liam Forde	Lax Weir, Corbally, Limerick.	Brigade Commandant.
Owen O'Brien	Ballyvara (Deceased)	" Vice "
Patrick Barry	Limerick City Home & Hospital.	" Adjutant.
Sean Hurley	Kilkenny.	" Quartermaster.
Patrick Hegarty	Cork (Deceased)	" Int. Officer.
Thomas McInerney	Limerick City (Deceased)	" Transport O.
Robt. DeCourcy	Limerick City.	" Engineer.

At 1st July, 1922.

Liam Forde	Lax Weir, Corbally, Limerick.	Brigade Commandant.
Owen O'Brien	(Deceased).	" Vice Commandant
M. Colivet	Housing Board, Dublin.	" Adjutant.
James McInerney	(Deceased).	" Quartermaster.
Patrick Moloney	6 Lock Quay, Limerick.	" Int. Officer.
Edward Hanrahan	Carey's Road, Limerick.	" Transport O.
Robt. De Courcy	Limerick City.	" Int. Officer.

*Engineering
[to the division
= 92]*

2nd LIMERICK CITY BATT.

at 11th July, 1921.

<u>Name.</u>	<u>Present Address.</u>	<u>Rank.</u>
David Dundon	Patrick Street, Limerick.	Batt. Commandant.
Patrick Walsh		" Vice Commandant.
John Quilligan		" Adjutant.
James Keane,	Wickham Street, Limerick.	" Quartermaster.
Liam O'Sullivan	William Street, Limerick.	" Int. Officer.

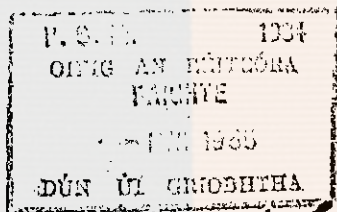
At 1st July, 1922.

David Dundon	Patrick St., Limerick.	Batt. Commandant.
John McSweeney	(Deceased)	" Vice Commandant.
Mr. Hartly	14 Prospect Villas, Limerick.	" Adjutant.
John Dargan	(Deceased)	" Quartermaster.
Patrick Brennan	(Deceased)	" Int. Officer.

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Rose Valley, 66
Garryowen,
Kimerick Nov 27th '35.

Mr E. Bourke,
Secretary,
Military Pensions Board,
Dublin.



Dear Sir
Enclosed find a detailed and correct list of the
Kimerick City Regiment + 1st Battalion from 1916 to 1919.

In July 1919 this Battalion refused to cooperate
and were not attached until April 1921, when Liam Ford
took over temporary command.

The mid Kimerick Brigade, and the 2nd
Battalion is a very difficult problem. You will readily
understand the many obstacles in the way of procuring
correct & definite information, however I am of the
opinion that I will be able to compile a correct
list for you, but I should remind you that it may
take a little time "say 9 or 10 days" to complete. I
am not conversant with the lists the old I.R.A.
"Kimerick" send you, but this I will state in confidence
that I do not believe they are correct, I believe that
some people claimed ranks which in my opinion they
are not entitled too. In addition to my own

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2) personal knowledge. I am also in touch with (67) individuals who are conversant with P.M. Post Force military activities generally, in Limerick city,

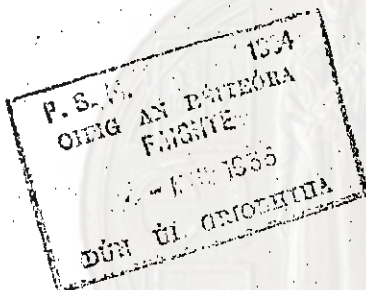
as Chairman of the Fianna Fail organization I believe I can get the information in detail which you desire me to procure.

I would like to hear from you whether this list is according to the way you so desire so that I can continue with the 1st Limerick Brigade & 2nd Battalion Staffs of Limerick City.

I am Dear Sir

Yours Truly

Martin Berry



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Date	Rank	Names	Remarks
1916	O.C.	Michael Colvett	
	V.C.	George Clancy	Deceased
	adgt	James Mc Mernoy	Deceased
	2 m	Patrick Walsh	Limerick City Regiment
	J.O.	Liam O'hullivan	}
	Transport	Liam O'hullivan	
	Colonel	James Hedden	Deceased
Medical Officer	James Kerley		
1917	O.C.	Michael Colvett	
	V.C.	George Clancy	Dead
	adgt	James Mc Mernoy	Dead 1st Battalion
	2 m	Patrick Walsh	
	J.O.	Liam O'hullivan	}
	Transport	Liam O'hullivan	
	Colonel	James Hedden	
Medical Officer	James Kerley		
1918	O.C.	Michael Colvett	
	V.C.	George Clancy	Dead
	adgt	James Mc Mernoy	Dead 1st Battalion
	2 m	Patrick Walsh	
	J.O.	Liam O'hullivan	}
	Transport	Liam O'hullivan	
	Colonel	James Hedden	Dead
Medical Officer	James Kerley		
1919	O.C.	Michael Colvett	
	V.C.	George Clancy	Dead
	adgt	James Mc Mernoy	Dead 1st Battalion
	2 m	Patrick Walsh	In July 1919
	Transport	Liam O'hullivan	Brigade was...
	J.O.	" "	The Battalion rep...
	Colonel	James Hedden	Dead
Medical Officer	James Kerley	Dead	

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Runan,

With reference
to the lists of the
1st Batta. Staff
hereunder, Liam Torde
only supplies the
staffs of the this
Batta. During the
periods 1916-17
(giving only the four
major ranks).
These agree with
those supplied
by Mr. Beary,

LD
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18th December 1935

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to your letter of 27th ultimo enclosing certain particulars of the Organisation Records of the Limerick City units of the Irish Volunteers, and to state that it would be of material assistance if you could supply similar details for each of the units of the Mid Limerick Brigade up to the 1st July 1922, giving as far as possible the addresses of the individual officers.

Regarding your statement that the Battalion of which you have already given particulars "refused in July 1919 to co-operate or were not attached until April 1921, when Liam Forde took over temporary command" I am to request you to amplify this statement indicating -

- (a) the immediate H.Q. under which it served
 - (1) previous to July 1919;
 - (2) between July 1919 and April 1921;
 - (3) subsequent to April 1921.
- (b) what exactly is meant by the reference to Liam Forde taking over temporary command.

Mise, le meas,

E. b
RÚNAÍ

Mr. Martin Barry,
1 Rossa Villas,
Garryowen, LIMERICK.

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Rosa Villas

Garryowen.

Limerick, Dec 27th 1935.

Mr J Bourke

Secretary

Military Pensions Board

Dublin

Dear Sir

The following information is in answer to your letter of the 18th inst.

As far as Limerick City is concerned I will do what I can to furnish you with a list of the Battalion officers & company officers. This will take time as I am occupied up to about 6 pm each evening.

The County Battalions & Companies are a difficult problem and to do my best I would not have the time to procure the information you require.

Question A-1-2 The 1st Battalion served under S.H.2. in the years 1916-1917-1918-1919 up to July at which date they refused to serve under Pader Dunn who was elected O.C. Brigade and whose election was ratified by S.H.2. From July to January they still refused to serve.

In or about January 1920 Pader Dunn was arrested and Arthur Johnson, Parnell Street, was appointed by Mr R. Mulcahy Chief of Staff to fill the position with instructions that in the event of the 1st Battalion officers refusing to act under the then O.C. They were to be relieved of their Ranks, with the exception of Mr Colvett and James Mc Mervoy since dead, all the others refused to comply with this order. Mr Colvett acted only for a short period and again refused to help.

Question 3 About this time all the officers of the Brigade were either in prison, on the run, or with active columns. P. Dunn was out of prison about this period, & received instructions that all officers should have an Nominee in case of arrest, etc. P. Dunn nominated Liam Forde to fill the position. P. Dunn was again arrested 1921 & L. Forde took his place.

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at a council meeting held at Stumbarra Creamery in or about
February or March 1914 him Fonde was appointed as Sergeant as P. Dunn was
in prison but this appointment was never ratified by G. D. until
after the Peace by Mr. O'Malley.

These are the facts as existed at the time. I do not wish nor
have I any desire to add to or take from any persons National Service

I am, dear Sir

Yours respectfully

Maxim Barry

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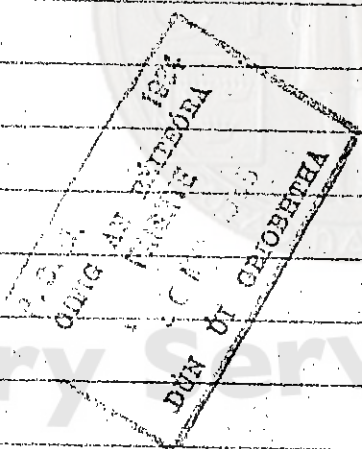
1st Critical Date: Brigade Staff

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Officer Commanding	Leam Forde Lee Weir Corbally Kimerul
Vice Commandant	Padan Dunn. (Owen O'Brien head)
Adjutant	Patrick Barry Lecty Board & Health Cavan
Quarters master	Sean Hurly HQ Baudelot City Hall Waterloo joined the State Army
Intelligence officer	Patrick Magarty head
Officer of Engineering	Robert de-Borcy up Henry Street Kimerul
Medical officer	None
Transport officer	None

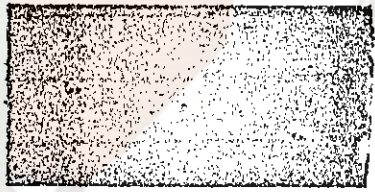
The position of Brigade
Commandant is a question
for the Referee or Pensions
Board. I give details as
they arose at the period

In or about this period Mr.
O'Malley appointed Leam Forde as
Commandant & Padan Dunn as Vice
Commandant. Mr Dunn held that he
was still Commandant and refused the
Rank of Vice Commandant He resigned
because of this order of Mr O'Malley

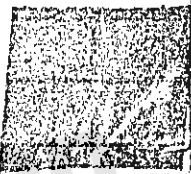


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Commanding officer	Lesam Forde	Les Weir Corbally
Vice Commandant	Owen O'Brien	Annacolly Co. Kimerick "recessed"
Adjutant	"	"
Intelligence officer	Henry Meany	John Street Kimerick
Officer of Engineering	Robert Du Croy	Nr Henry Street Kimerick
Quarters master	Michael Colivet	Charmen Haureny Bords Dublin
Transport officer	E Handrahan	Covey's Road Kimerick
O.C. Communications	P. Browner & A Johnson	None of whom acted
Medical officer	Peter Coffey	40 Flood Chemist Dundalk
Food supply etc	James McHorney	Les Weir Corbally "read since"



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Mr. Sully
Mr. Sully

Please state whether
the information given by
Mr. Baum falls with that
already in hands.

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Discrepancies between the lists furnished by
Liam Forde and Martin Barry.

- (a) Liam Forde shows Owen O'Brien (Decd.) as Vice O/C. on both critical dates. Mr. Barry only shows him definitely as Vice O/C. on the 2nd.
- (b) Liam Forde shows Thos. McInerney (Decd.) as Transport Officer on the first critical date. Mr. Barry states that this rank was vacant on this date.
- (c) Mr. Barry shows Owen O'Brien as having held the rank of Vice O/C. and Adj. on the second critical date. Liam Forde shows him as Vice O/C but shows M. Hartney as Adj. on the second critical date.
- (d) Liam Forde shows Jas. McInerney and Mr. Barry M. Colivet, as Q.M. on the second critical date.
- (e) Liam Forde shows Patk. Moloney and Mr. Barry Henry Meany as I.O. on the second critical date.

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14th February 1936

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to the applications which have been received from former members of the Mid Limerick Brigade, I.R.A., and I am to state that applicants are not now summoned for examination before the Referee and Advisory Committee until the organisation records of the Brigade to which they were attached have been completed to the satisfaction of the Referee.

In this connection I am to state that it is understood that arrangements had been made some time ago for the establishment of a Brigade Committee to be composed of former members of the Mid-Limerick Brigade Staff, or if that were not practicable, that a meeting would be held to which all the available members of the former Brigade Staff and Battalion Commanding (or next senior) officers would be invited for the purpose of appointing a committee which would act on behalf of the Brigade and to which communications from this office on matters concerning the Brigade generally might be addressed.

I am, accordingly, to inquire whether a Brigade Committee on these lines has been established and, if so, I am to request that the Secretary will be good enough to submit at the earliest possible date a detailed report of the meeting held for this purpose indicating the names, addresses and former ranks of -

- (a) those invited to the meeting;
- (b) those who attended;
- (c) the members of the committee.

On receipt of this report the Secretary will be notified of the position as regards the organisation records of the Brigade and of the further steps to be taken by the Committee in order that applications from former members of the Brigade may be dealt with expeditiously.

If such a committee has not already been established I am to request that arrangements be made immediately for the establishment of one on the lines indicated and for the immediate submission of full particulars thereof by the Secretary.

Mise, le meas.

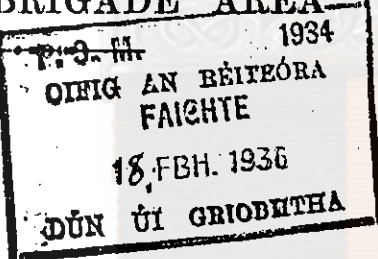
RUNAY.

Mr. Liam Forde,
Lax Weir,
Corbally,
LIMERICK.

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* MID-LIMERICK BRIGADE AREA *

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Lock Quay,
Limerick.

Secretary,
Military Service Pensions Board,
Dublin.

A Chara,

The following were invited to attend a meeting of the Mid-Limerick Brigade and Battalion Staff officers, held in Hanratty's Hotel, Limerick, on Saturday, February 8th:—

Liam Forde, Lax Weir, Limerick, Brigade Comdt. ; Sean Carroll, Castleconnell, Column Leader and Battalion O.C. ; R. W. de Courcy, Henry Street, Limerick, Brigade and Divisional Engineer ; Edward Hanrahan, Carey's Road, Limerick, Brigade Transport Officer ; Patrick Moloney, Lock Quay, Limerick, Brigade I.O. ; David Dundon, Patrick Street, Limerick, O.C. City Battalion ; Michael Hartney, Prospect, Limerick, Adj. City Battalion ; Sean Clifford, Fedamore, Kilmallock, O.C. 3rd Battalion ; David Hennessey, Killonan, Caherconlish, Vice-Comdt. 3rd Battalion ; Edward Nealon, Middlefield, Kildimo, O.C. 4th Battalion ; John Neville, Croagh, Vice-Comdt. ; Jack Farrell, Adare, Q.M. ; Patrick Hogan, Adare, Battalion Engineer ; John Vaughan, Ballyvarra, Q.M. 3rd Battalion, 1921 ; Thomas Brennan, Annacotty, Q.M. 3rd Battalion, 1922. The only other surviving Brigade Officers of the critical date periods, Patrick Barry, Brigade Adj., 1921, and Michael Colivet, Brigade Adj., 1922, were not available. The former being resident in Cavan, and the latter in Dublin. All other City Battalion Staff Officers as they existed on the critical dates are either deceased or participants with National Army Forces.

Liam Forde, Brigade Comdt. presided at the meeting, and Patrick Moloney, Brigade I.O. acted as Sec.

There were also present:—Sean Carroll, Column Comdt. ; R. W. de Courcy, Brigade Engineer ; Edward Hanrahan, Brigade Transport Officer ; J. Vaughan, Castleconnell, Battalion Q.M. ; Thomas Brennan, Annacotty, Battalion Q.M. ; D. Hennessey, Killonan, Battalion Vice-Comdt. ; E. Nealon, Kildimo, Battalion Comdt. ; J. Neville, Croagh, Battalion Vice-Comdt. ; P. Hogan, Adare, Battalion Engineer.

Messages regretting inability to attend owing to serious illness were received from D. Dundon and Sean Clifford, whilst M. Hartney was in Manchester on day of meeting.

The Chairman explained the object of the meeting which was convened at the request of the Pensions Board, to nominate a Committee to act in an advisory capacity in order to expedite the hearing of claims, and speed up awards of service certificates to bona-fide claimants in the Brigade area.

After a lengthy discussion the following were selected to act as the Brigade Committee:—

Liam Forde, Lax Weir, Limerick, Brigade, O.C. (Chairman.)
Sean Carroll, Castleconnell, Column Comdt. (Vice-Chairman.)
Patrick Moloney, Lock Quay, Limerick, Brigade I.O. (Secretary.)
David Dundon, Patrick Street, Limerick, O.C. City Battalion.
Michael Hartney, Prospect, Limerick, Adj. City Battalion.
Sean Clifford, Fedamore, Kilmallock, O.C. 3rd Battalion.
David Hennessey, Killonan, Caherconlish, Vice-Comdt. 3rd Battalion.
Edward Nealon, Middlefield, Kildimo, O.C. 4th Battalion.
John Neville, Croagh, Co. Limerick, Vice-Comdt. 4th Battalion.
John Vaughan, Ballyvarra, Co. Limerick, Q.M. 3rd Battalion, 1921.
T. Brennan, Annacotty, Co. Limerick, Q.M., 3rd Battalion, 1922.

Patrick W. Moloney
Secretary.

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24th February, 1936.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to acknowledge, with thanks, the receipt of your recent letter stating particulars of a Committee established to assist the Referee in matters concerning Mid. Limerick Brigade, 2nd Southern Division, I.R.A., and I am to enclose for the information of your Committee a summary of the particulars required to complete the organisation records of the Brigade. I am to request that arrangements will be made for the compilation and transmission of these records at the earliest possible date.

With a view to early consideration of applications from the Brigade I am to request that when submitting the outstanding records your Committee will also submit a list of the best cases from the Brigade, i.e., cases in which the Committee are generally satisfied that the applicants in question have had the necessary qualifying service, namely, active service at any time during Easter Week, 1916, or continuous active service during either of the following periods:- 1st April, 1920 to 31st March, 1921, or 1st April, 1921 to 11th July, 1921. In the preparation of this list the Committee should indicate special cases of destitution, &c., which, in their opinion, should receive priority.

If and when the Referee is satisfied as regards the position of the organisation records of the Brigade the applicants whose names are so submitted will be summoned for examination before the Referee and Advisory Committee at the earliest possible date.

Mise, le meas,

E/B
RÚNAÍ.

Padraig Uas. Ua Maoldomhnaigh,
Lock Quay,
Limerick.

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OUTSTANDING PARTICULARS - MID. LIMERICK BRIGADE.

- 1st Battalion:
- (1) List of Battalion and Company Staffs as on 11th July, 1921, and the 1st July, 1922;
 - (2) Copies of all Company Rolls for 11th July, 1921, and 1st July, 1922.
- 2nd Battalion:
- (a) Copies of "D" and "F" Company Rolls for 11th July, 1921, and 1st July, 1922;
 - (b) Copy of "G" Company Roll for 1st July, 1922.
- 3rd Battalion:
- (1) List of Battalion and Company Staffs ~~as on 11th July, 1921~~ and 1st July, 1922;
 - (2) Copies of "D" and "E" Company Rolls for 11th July, 1921 and 1st July, 1922;
 - (3) Copies of "C" and "F" Company Rolls for 1st July, 1922.
- 4th Battalion:
- (1) List of Battalion and Company Staffs as on 11th July, 1921 and 1st July, 1922;
 - (2) Copies of all Company Rolls as on 11th July, 1921 and 1st July, 1922.
- 5th Battalion:
- (1) List of Battalion and Company Staffs as on 11th July, 1921, and 1st July, 1922;
 - (2) Copies of all Company Rolls as on 11th July, 1921 and 1st July, 1922.

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OUTSTANDING PARTICULARS - MID. LIMERICK BRIGADE.

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 - (3) Copies of "C" and "F" Company Rolls for 1st July, 1922.
- 4th Battalion:
- (1) List of Battalion and Company Staffs as on 11th July, 1921 and 1st July, 1922;
 - (2) Copies of all Company Rolls as on 11th July, 1921 and 1st July, 1922.
- 5th Battalion:
- (1) List of Battalion and Company Staffs as on 11th July, 1921, and 1st July, 1922;
 - (2) Copies of all Company Rolls as on 11th July, 1921 and 1st July, 1922.

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MID-LIMERICK BRIGADE AREA.

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DIFIG AN BÉITEÓRA
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6 Lock Quay,
Limerick.

Ref. No. Ro. 133.
Office of Referee.
Griffith's Barracks,
Dublin.

A Chara,

I submitted your circular under the above Ref. No. to the Brigade Council meeting, and I am instructed to state that due to the present disorganised condition of the Brigade, as a natural consequence of the lapse of years, there is a certain amount of difficulty in compiling the information required, particularly in so far as Company rolls are concerned.

Steps are now being taken to re-organise old Staffs, and the required information will be forthcoming with as little delay as possible.

Re. 2nd paragraph of circular, you ask us to submit list of best cases from Brigade with qualifying services for dates mentioned, we are looking into this matter also, and a list which will include destitute cases will be forwarded later.

*Extract
Urgent, ||
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FOR REVELLANT
FILE 4294
JL*

I am asked to draw your attention to an outstanding destitute case, which has been brought to the notice of the Committee, that of Vol. Timothy Buckley, Island Field Houses, Limerick, who was examined by the Pension Board in June, 1935. The Committee are satisfied that he was one of the most active men in the A.S.U., and urge the necessity of bringing his case to finality.

Mise le meas.
P. MOLONEY, Secretary.

Liam Forde, Brigade O.C.,
Chairman Mid-Limerick Brigade Area,
Service Pensions Committee.

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~~23rd~~
21st April 1936

A Chars.

I am directed by the Referee to refer to your letter undated, received in this office on the 14th ultimo, from which it is noted that arrangements have been made for the compilation and transmission of the organisation records of the Mid-Limerick Brigade, together with a list showing the names of applicants from the Brigade selected for immediate summons before the Referee and Advisory Committee.

As regards the case of Volunteer Timothy Buckley, Island Field House, Limerick, I am to state that consideration of this application has been deferred pending the receipt from Mr. Liam Forde of particulars regarding the dates of arrest and release of the applicant.

I am to add that this position of the case was explained to Mr. D. Bourke, T.D. on the 26th ultimo, in reply to his representations on behalf of the applicant.

Mise, le meas.

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RÓNAÍ.

Mr. P. Moloney,
6 Lock Quay,
LIMERICK.

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MID - LIMERICK BRIGADE - PENSIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

6 LOCK QUAY,

LIMERICK.

Secretary,
Pensions Board,
DUBLIN.



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A Chara,

I am ^{sending} ~~enclosing~~ copies of Batt. Staffs and Coy. Rolls outstanding. Originally there were Five Battalions in Mid-Limerick Area - 1st - (Comdt. M.P. Colivet) being suspended by G.H.Q. 1919.

The 2nd City Battalion (Comdt. Peadar Dunne) automatically became 1st with Castleconnell Battalion as 2nd. Adare as 3rd and Caherconlish as 4th. This being the order in which they existed on 11th July, 1921 and 1st July, 1922. There being no 1st Battalion on either of those dates, consequently no rolls and Staffs can be submitted. All others are enclosed except F.Coy. Limerick City 2nd Battalion, which at the moment is difficult to procure, due to the lethargic spirit of its Officers, but may be forthcoming later. Lists containing membership roll of Bde. Flying Column, and City A.S.U. will follow immediately, as will Rolls of Fianna and Cumman Na mBan Staffs.

Mise le meas,

Patrick Moloney

SECRETARY.

P.S. Lists are ready awaiting signatures of respective Batt Comdts & staff,
and will be forwarded during week.

P. Moloney

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MID LIMERICK BRIGADE.

11th July 1921.

S T A F F

O/C. Liam Fonde, Larulla, Boreally

V.O/C. _____

ADJT. Pate Barry

Q.V. Sean Husley, 2 C. B. Lily Hall, Waterford.

S.O. Pate Hegarty, (Decd.)

E.O. Robt. de Loney, Upper Henry St. Link.

J.O. _____

O/C communications.

N.O. _____

1st July 1922.

O/C. Liam Fonde.

V.O/C. Owen O'Brien (Decd.)

ADJT. _____

Q.V. McGovern ~~Henry~~ ~~Barry~~ ~~Dublin~~

S.O. _____

E.O. Robt. de Loney.

J.O. E. Mawcaker, Carey's Rd. Link
O/C communications.

N.O. Peter Coffey, Dundalk.

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P.V. Sean Healey, 2 G.B. City Hall, Waterford.
 P.O. Patk. Heagarty, (Deced.)
 E.O. Robt. de Bonney, Upper Henry St. Link.
 J.O.
 O'Communications.
 M.O.

P.V. ~~M. Colinet, Howth, Dublin~~
 P.O. Robt. de Bonney.
 P.O. E. Hancock, Barry's Rd. Link.
 O'Communications.
 M.O. Peter Coffey, Duncabak.

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We, the members of the Mid Limerick Brigade Committee, certify that these particulars are true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

MEMBER _____

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11th July 1921.

O/C. David Dunlop, Park St. Link.
V.O/C. Patk. Walsh
ADJT. John Quilligan
Q.M. Gas. Keane, Wickham St. Link

11.7.21.

A. Coy. Strength
Captain James Casey (Deed)
1st Lt. Patk. Cahilly, U.S.A.
2nd Lt. Patk. O'Brien, Hill Garrison.

B. Coy. Strength
Captain Patk. Leary, 12 de Grail St.
1st Lt. Patk. Shanny
2nd Lt. Patk. Dawson, Rhylogus, Dingland.

C. Coy. Strength
Captain Joseph Kelly, Ardaraunda
1st Lt. Patk. O'Brien, O'Brien Barrage, John St. Link
2nd Lt. Patk. Sholly, Nicholas St. Link

D. Coy. Strength
Captain Patk. Dunford, Deed
1st Lt. Edw. O'Dean, Blaney's Stand Link
2nd Lt. Thos. Nichill, England

E. Coy. Strength
Captain Wm. Bassett, Crossgate Link
1st Lt. Patk. Bassett, U.S.A.
2nd Lt. Paul O'Connell, 7 Knolly Sts.

F. Coy. Strength
Captain John Farrell, 45 Crossgate
1st Lt. _____

1st July 1922.

O/C. David Dunlop
V.O/C. John McSweeney (Deed)
ADJT. _____
Q.M. Patk. Brennan, Deed

1.7.22.

A. Coy. Strength
Captain Tom McNamee, 1 Blackboy St. Link
1st Lt. Patk. O'Brien
2nd Lt. Patk. Cahilly, U.S.A.

B. Coy. Strength
Captain Patk. Leary
1st Lt. Patk. Shanny
2nd Lt. Patk. Dawson

C. Coy. Strength
Captain Joseph Kelly
1st Lt. Patk. O'Donoghue
2nd Lt. Patk. Ringrose, John St.

D. Coy. Strength
Captain Patk. Dunford, Deed
1st Lt. Edw. O'Dean
2nd Lt. Thos. Nichill

E. Coy. Strength
Captain Patk. O'Donoghue, Crossgate Link
1st Lt. Wm. Wallace, Crossgate
2nd Lt. Patk. O'Connell

F. Coy. Strength
Captain _____
1st Lt. _____

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Captain James Casey (Necel)

1st Lt. Pat Cahilly U.S.A

2nd Lt. Pat Cahilly, Greenway

B. Coy. Strength _____

Captain Pat Leary

1st Lt. Pat Shaney

2nd Lt. Pat Dawson, Rhybogue, England

C. Coy. Strength _____

Captain Joseph Kelly, Aednacunda

1st Lt. Pat Cahilly, Greenway, John St. Link

2nd Lt. Pat Shaney, Nicholas St. Link

D. Coy. Strength _____

Captain Pat Dawson, Decd.

1st Lt. Edw. O'Sullivan, John St. Link

2nd Lt. Thos. Nihill, England

E. Coy. Strength _____

Captain Wm. Bassett, Greenway, Link

1st Lt. Pat. Bassett, U.S.A

2nd Lt. Paul O'Connell, 7 Castle Bks.

F. Coy. Strength _____

Captain John Farrell, 45 Prospect

1st Lt. _____

2nd Lt. _____

G. Coy. Strength _____

Captain _____

1st Lt. Non-existent "1721"

2nd Lt. _____

1st Lt. M. O'Brien

2nd Lt. Pat Cahilly U.S.A

B. Coy. Strength _____

Captain Pat Leary

1st Lt. Pat Shaney

2nd Lt. Pat Dawson

C. Coy. Strength _____

Captain Joseph Kelly

1st Lt. M. Downey

2nd Lt. M. Ringrose, John St.

D. Coy. Strength _____

Captain M. Downey, Decd.

1st Lt. Edw. O'Sullivan

2nd Lt. Thos. Nihill

E. Coy. Strength _____

Captain M. O'Leary, Greenway, Link

1st Lt. Wm. Wallace, Diamondgate

2nd Lt. D. O'Connell, 46

F. Coy. Strength _____

Captain _____

1st Lt. _____

2nd Lt. _____

G. Coy. Strength _____

Captain M. McNamee, High St. Link

1st Lt. Thos. Hickey, 8 Lock Quay Link

2nd Lt. M. Shandhan, Aednacunda

We, the members of the Mid Limerick Brigade Committee, certify that these particulars are true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

MEMBER _____

MEMBER _____

SECRETARY _____

2nd (Castleconnell) Bn. - Mid Limerick Brigade.

11.7.21.

O/C. Martin Cooke, Anraigh, Murrice
 V.O/C. _____
 ADJT. Pate. Carroll, Anraigh, Murrice
 Q.M. J. Vanghan, Ardaraun, Lisnagney

STAFF

1.7.22.

O/C. S. Coffey, Knockhewlow, Castleconnell
 V.O/C. _____
 ADJT. P. Carroll
 Q.M. Thos. Brennan, Annacally, Limerick

COMPANIES.

11.7.21.

A. Coy. Strength _____
 Captain Edward Carroll, Castleconnell
 1st Lt. Thos. Baggott
 2nd Lt. J. Lyson
 B. Coy. Strength _____
 Captain J. Madden, Abane
 1st Lt. G. Ryan, Cappanore
 2nd Lt. D. Moyrhan, Mullysare St. Link.

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A. Coy. Strength _____
 Captain Edward Carroll
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C. Coy. Strength _____
 Captain L. Geady, Murrice
 1st Lt. P. Campbell
 2nd Lt. Jos. Humphreys, Cappanore
 D. Coy. Strength _____
 Captain M. Mc Namara
 1st Lt. N. Madden
 2nd Lt. D. O'Neill

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E. Coy. Strength _____
 Captain P. Bullock, Annacally
 1st Lt. N. Mc Donagh
 2nd Lt. J. Mc Mahon, Kilmurry
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1st Lt. J. Ryan, Abington
 1st Lt. N. Ryan

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1st Lt. Mrs. Daggall
 2nd Lt. J. Gleeson
 B. Coy. _____ Strength _____
 Captain J. Madden, Athane
 1st Lt. G. Ryan, Cappamore
 2nd Lt. D. Moyrihan, Mulgavert St. Link.
 C. Coy. _____ Strength _____
 Captain F. Leachy, Murroe
 1st Lt. P. Campbell
 2nd Lt. Jos. Humphreys, Cappamore
 D. Coy. _____ Strength _____
 Captain M. Mc Nemara
 1st Lt. N. Madden
 2nd Lt. D. O'Neill
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 Captain P. Butler, Annacobby
 1st Lt. N. Mc Donagh
 2nd Lt. J. Mc Mahon, Kilmurry
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 1st Lt. N. Ryan
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Q.M. _____

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4th Battn. (Caherconlish) - 4th Limerick Brigade.

11th July 1921

S T A F F.

1st July 1922.

O/C. Sean Belford Fedamore Killmallock
 V.O/C. David W. Hennessy Killonan
 ADJT. M. Tuiney Ballybricken
 Q.M. M. Masterson Ballybricken, Ballymore, Ballymore

O/C. Sean Belford
 V.O/C. _____
 ADJT. M. Tuiney
 Q.M. Thos. Dillon Fedamore

COMPANIES

11.7.21

1.7.22.

Killonan. Strength _____
 Captain Pat. McLoon Caherconlish
 1st Lt. Joe Mc Donald
 2nd Lt. John Liddy
 Ballyneety. Strength _____

Killonan. Strength _____
 Captain Pat. McLoon
 1st Lt. John Liddy
 2nd Lt. _____

Captain M. Ryan Ballyneety
 1st Lt. Thos. Griffin Ballyneety
 2nd Lt. Edmond Power Ballyneety

Ballyneety. Strength _____
 Captain M. Ryan Ballyneety
 1st Lt. Thos. Griffin
 2nd Lt. Ed. Power

Fedamore. Strength _____
 Captain Thos. Dillon Skelhill, Fedamore
 1st Lt. Pat. Bawnagh Ballyneety
 2nd Lt. Mae Keogh

Fedamore. Strength _____
 Captain Pat. Bawnagh
 1st Lt. _____
 2nd Lt. _____

Croom. Strength _____
 Captain Wm. Bourke Ballyneety
 1st Lt. Joe Bennett Honeypond
 2nd Lt. Simon Howard (Deed.)

Croom. Strength _____
 Captain Wm. Bourke
 1st Lt. Joe Bennett
 2nd Lt. Simon Howard

Caherconlish. Strength _____
 Captain John Lynch Caherconlish
 1st Lt. Pat. Meehan Newton, Elton
 2nd Lt. Stephen Lynch Ballyneety

Caherconlish. Strength _____
 Captain John Lynch
 1st Lt. Pat. Meehan
 2nd Lt. Stephen Lynch

Ballybricken. Strength _____
 Captain John O'Shaughnessy
 1st Lt. John O'Shaughnessy Stonepark
 2nd Lt. James O'Sullivan (Deed.)

Ballybricken. Strength _____
 Captain John O'Shaughnessy
 1st Lt. John O'Shaughnessy
 2nd Lt. _____

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4th Battn. (Caherconlish) - 4th Limerick Brigade.

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11th July 1921

1st July 1922.

O/C. Sean Colcliffed Fedamore Killmallock
 V.O/C. David O'Hennessey Killman
 ADJT. Mr. Tuiney Ballybricken
 Q.V. Mr. Martin Cummins, Bahavony Link.

O/C. Sean Colcliffed
 V.O/C. _____
 ADJT. Mr. Tuiney
 Q.V. Thos. Dillon, Fedamore.

COMPANIES

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Killonan. Strength

Killonan. Strength

Captain Pat. McLoone, Caherconlish

Captain Pat. McLoone

1st Lt. Joe Mc Donald

1st Lt. John Liddy

2nd Lt. John Liddy

2nd Lt. _____

Ballyneety. Strength

Ballyneety. Strength

Captain Mr. Ryan, Bussagh

Captain Mr. Ryan, Bussagh

1st Lt. Thos. Griffin, Ballynagade

1st Lt. Thos. Griffin

2nd Lt. Edmond Power, Knochen

2nd Lt. Ed. Power

Fedamore. Strength

Fedamore. Strength

Captain Thos. Dillon, Shulehill, Fedamore

Captain Pat. Bawagh

1st Lt. Pat Bawagh, Bahavony

1st Lt. _____

2nd Lt. McC. Keogh

2nd Lt. _____

Croom. Strength

Croom. Strength

Captain Wm. Bourke, Bacon

Captain Wm. Bourke

1st Lt. Gas. Bennett, Honeypond

1st Lt. Gas. Bennett

2nd Lt. Simon Howard, (Deed)

2nd Lt. Simon Howard

Caherconlish. Strength

Caherconlish. Strength

Captain John Lynch, Caherconlish

Captain John Lynch

1st Lt. Pat Hickey, Newton, Colton

1st Lt. Pat Hickey

2nd Lt. Stephen Lynch, Ballylanders

2nd Lt. Stephen Lynch

Ballybricken. Strength

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Captain John O'Shaughnessy, S. S.

Captain John O'Shaughnessy

1st Lt. John O'Shaughnessy, Stonepark

1st Lt. _____

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Pat. O'Connell

1st Lt. Joe Mc Donald
 2nd Lt. John Liddy
 Ballyneety. Strength
 Captain M. Ryan Carraig
 1st Lt. Thos. Griffin Ballingarade
 2nd Lt. Edmond Power Knochen
 Fedamore. Strength
 Captain Thos Dillon Skull Hill, Aidanore
 1st Lt. Pat. Carraig Blindadoole
 2nd Lt. McCreech
 Croom. Strength
 Captain Wm. Bourke Beon
 1st Lt. Joe Bennett Honespoun
 2nd Lt. Simon Howard (Deed)

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 Captain John Lynch Caheroonlish
 1st Lt. Pat. Wickey Newton, Colton
 2nd Lt. Stephen Lynch Ballylanders
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STATEMENTS made before THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE on 4th June, 1936, by LIAM FORDE, and members of a Deputation representing the MID-LIMERICK BRIGADE COUNCIL.

Mr. Forde:

There is one case - Michael Hayes - he was turned down completely.

Q. Has he not an opportunity or remaking his case?

A. He has nothing to add to what he said. Our object in coming up is so that we may have an opportunity of ascertaining on what grounds he was turned down. We believe he has a concrete case for a pension in some form or another.

Q. We have no objection to going into a case with a Senior Officer of the Area, but the idea of a deputation coming up is a different matter. We welcome a Senior Officer coming along and making a case, and we will go into it with him.

A. You asked us to form a Brigade Council. On that account a deputation representing the Brigade was formed. We feel that in the administration there is a grievance. The thing we want to bring out is that we feel that those of the Brigade who stuck to the Republican spirit are very much worse off than under the administration of the 1924 Act.

Q. We cannot discuss the 1924 Act. If you think there is anything wrong we will be only too willing to discuss it with a Senior Officer. Presumably the Senior Officer will know something about it, and whether these things are genuine, and he can verify for the statements made.

A. Would you be good enough to go into one or two cases?

Q. Not with the deputation, but we will do so with the Senior Officer.

A. We have travelled all the way up from Limerick for this purpose.

Q. If you care to make a general statement about any particular case we are prepared to take it down, and the Referee will consider it.

A. With reference to Hayes, his case was turned down.

Q. What have you to say about him?

A. He participated in the Murroe Barrack attack, and was subsequently imprisoned. He made a statement before the Board that he was about eighty yards from the scene of the attack. As a matter of fact he was in the old Chapel Yard. He was placed there by his senior officer as an armed outpost. He could have been in any other position as well as that particular post. Hayes is a scrupulous, conscientious individual. He was nervous when he was before the Board. He is a very bad man to be fighting his own claim. He participated in the attack on the Murroe/

Murroe Barracks. He said he was put as an outpost at about eighty ~~xxxx~~ yards from the scene of the attack, behind a wall in case the enemy arrived from that direction. Subsequent, to the Murroe Barrack attack he was raided by R.I.C. who had information that he participated in that attack, and he was arrested and imprisoned for a period of five months, during which period he underwent fourteen days' hunger-strike, and subsequent to that hungerstrike, his health seemed to be seriously impaired and his activities were more in the way of carrying dispatches, and being out during the column period, and doing duty ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ during the night while the column was operating on this particular point. He was practically engaged all the time carrying arms.

Q. Would this be in 1920?

A. Yes, in January, 1920.

Q. This seems to me stuff we will have to go into again with the individual officers. We want the deputation to feel you put the whole facts of the case before us, and that you are satisfied about it.

A. Yes. On a few occasions he was in position for ambushes. It was not his fault that they did not make contact with the enemy.

Q. When was that?

A. That would be in 1920 also. After coming back from imprisonment, there was one in 1920; I think the other was in 1921. There was one in Ballinagar; that was 1921.

Q. What arms would he have?

A. He had a rifle.

Q. Would he be with the column that time?

A. Yes. I was there myself.

Q. Was he looked on as a man who would be called out with the column when anything was on?

A. Yes. He was available any time we wished to call on him.

Q. What was his position with regard to dispatch carrying?

A. That was during the 1920 period.

Q. Early, 1920?

A. From, I think, July, if I remember rightly. He was liberated then.

Q. He only took dispatches for a while?

A. He was not actually active with the column, but when the column went into his Area he was usually on outpost duty.

Q. He was not a regular dispatch carrier for that Area?

A. He was not a regular dispatch carrier. He was always ready to carry out his duty when called upon. The remainder of his services were, when the column moved into his Area, which was frequent, he was engaged in attending to the column, and being out on outpost duty at night. He was all the time active. He was a recognised active Volunteer.

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Q. What was his job when at home - was he a farmer?

A. He was the son of a farmer.

Q. Therefore he had not the responsibility of the farm on him?

A. Well, no.

Q. Do you remember particularly anything he did in the 7th Period - the qualifying period?

A. No. I have no recollection of his having participated in anything important. It was in that period he was in an attempted ambush in Ballyporeen.

Q. Was that May or June?

A. It was in June. It did not come off, but we were prepared for it. He was in Rocktown Castle with us.

Q. You have made a point about his being particularly associated with the column when the column was around. How many more men of his Company would be associated with the column when it came around?

A. I suppose about ten or twelve.

Q. We take it that the column always looked to certain individuals whom they could rely on for protective duty, etc., and he was one of them?

A. Yes. He was one of the outstanding individuals. What do you mean by protective duty?

Q. Getting billets, carrying dispatches, outpost duty, etc.

A. He would be carrying arms, etc. Everything revolved around him for miles and miles.

Q. I think these men here are under the impression that we have made a great blunder by not qualifying this man; and their position is they want to find out from us what type of man does qualify.

A. Yes.

Q. I do not think there is any reason why we should not explain the type of man who would qualify with the least possible service. There are different types of military service - those qualifying for I.O. work; men on special missions here and there, which would be considered dangerous work; and the ordinary Volunteer serving in the Company all during the Tan War - according to our standards here he must be in at least one major engagement in one of the qualifying periods; also, he would have to be consistently active. There are two qualifying periods in the Act - from the 1st April, 1920 to the 31st March, 1921, is the first; from the 1st April, 1921 to 11th July, 1921, is the second. The last three months is the shortest qualifying period. It is impossible for a man to prove continuous active service for the first qualifying period, for activities did not start till well on.

A. If he was attached to a Flying Column for that period, would it be continuous?

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- Q. Only unless he was there from the beginning - when his service was not broken. According to the Act, an applicant must prove continuous active service in one of the qualifying periods. A man who did any real general work in any column, there is no trouble about qualifying him. Any man who was in any good fight who has a case for continuous service in the 7th Period, we are qualifying him. Apparently this man's case was not made for him, that he was not really in an important fight nor had the service required. Personally I do not think our standards are too high. All we want is that a man must have one good fight - take an active part in one major engagement, not be an auxiliary on outpost, or blocking roads, etc. You will get men claiming for an ambush, and when it is boiled down you find they were on outpost four or five miles away.
- A. But if they were under arms they were running the same risk.
- Q. It is not the same thing. You would not pick a man for outpost who would be a really good man on an actual attack.
- A. There was one execution in the city - Thomas Keane. He was never in any engagement. He was Captain of the Company. He was captured taking arms from one area to the other, and dumping them. Would that be considered active service?
- Q. It would be quite possible for a man to be caught with arms who was not in the I.R.A. at all, who never was a Volunteer.
- A. But he was taking risks?
- Q. We do not want you to think that the service mentioned is the only one; they are various. You may have a good Captain, and he might be so good that you kept him out of fights for a very good reason -
- A. We want to facilitate you in as much as is in our power.
- Q. If what a man did is set down and stated before us when he comes up there is no bother in determining him. The best proof a man was on continuous military service is the fact that he was in at least one major engagement; there are others who had other things and no big fight; but it is not asking too much of a good Volunteer to have been in one engagement in a year and three months
- A. In the case we are arguing it is proved he was in one engagement.
- Q. Was he?
- A. He was. He was in Murroe Barracks, and he was within 70 or 80 yards of the Barracks, told off by me to take up a certain position.
- Q. But he was not actually in the fight?
- A. Certainly he was. Every man around the Barracke was in the fight. You would want to have men there on outpost to see you were not shot in the back.
- Q. A really good Volunteer would have found more opportunities in your area, in a year and three months.
- A. A short time after the attack on the Murroe Barracks he was taken on suspicion as being concerned in the attack, and he was deported, and went on hunger-strike. He came home in bad health, and is still in bad health, and he automatically came along and joined us afterwards. You would not like a man to be on the Flying Column and not in good health.

We appreciate the fact you had numbers of men in the Volunteers who were useless in the strict sense. During the period of the threatened conscription I happened to enrol 2,500 men. These men would call themselves Volunteers. That took place in the Mid. Limerick Brigade. The majority of them were only out to save their own skins. We had big numbers; some were useless. Personally I know Hayes intimately. I know his worth, and I know what he did - I knew his general activities. Though you could not make a very concrete case from the point of view of engagements, he was eternally active.

Q. He is what you might call a necessary auxiliary to a fight?

A. Yes. We went to his house, we looked to him in every way, got him to do this and that, and he was at our disposal in every way.

Q. We are discussing the evidence before us now, but what was the evidence before us then?

A. He was asked if he was in the Murroe Barrack attack, and he said he was about eighty yards away behind a wall on outpost.

Q. If we had a few files here to show you what other Brigade Councils are doing in the matter of verifying for the men, you would see that there is nothing left in doubt. When a man comes before the Board he has certificates from all his Commanding Officers, etc. If he has no real first-class fighting service they stress the importance of the work he was doing outside actual fights. That is an important function of the Brigade Council, and to see that no man entitled to a pension will be turned down, and any information of that kind in connection with the man's service that comes before us will get consideration. This man's case was not well made.

A. Some of these Forms were briefly filled. Many men filled in their Forms and did not explain the points of importance at all. He may have done that.

Q. We have two types - the man who makes his case too well, and the man who does not make his case at all.

A. I have been through the mill in practically all the active periods and in every area, and I knew the men who really did work. On several occasions I spoke to Mr. Humphrey Murphy, because I was given as a reference in most cases, and he gave me to understand in a few interviews that I would be called to give evidence, and I would give perfectly honest evidence about the men to the best of my ability. I was only called on a few occasions. I did not think it was within our scope to build up a case for any particular individual. We left the man to make his own case. We did not interfere in that regard.

Q. There may be a question of organisation involved; there is always the difficulty - you can see what dangers would arise if we did make awards and not have the Organisation in.

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Q. With reference to the question of the 1st Battalion of Mid.Limerick Brigade, it is not clear what became of the 1st Battalion after its suspension by G.H.Q. in 1919. Did the members become absorbed by the other Battalions in the Brigade. The Records show a certain number of Battalions, 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th in the Brigade before 1919; after 1919 there is no reference to the 1st Battalion. That is one point to be cleared up.

With reference to the two critical dates, we have asked in all cases that Organisation Records that are being prepared should be prepared to show Brigade Staffs, Battalion Staffs, and Company Rolls existing on the two critical dates. Individual cases will turn up afterwards when the critical dates may be previous to July, 1921. Then we go to the Brigade Committee who have the general information, and it should be applied solely to the two critical dates, viz. 11th July, 1921, and 1st July, 1922.

With reference to Caherconlish Company, there is nothing to show what particular Battalion it was; what dates it applied to, whether both or neither. It shows pre-Truce men and post-Truce men only. What we are concerned with is, ~~xxxx~~ were they all there on the 11th July, 1921. Pre-Truce men mean absolutely nothing. Were all the men shown on this list in the Company pre-Truce, were they there on 11th July, 1921, or were they members of the Company in 1918, and dropped out when things got hot? There are a number of points of that sort right through the lists.

Take for example the 4th Battalion: there is nothing in the Records of the 4th Battalion to show, from the particulars submitted, who held the respective ranks on the Battalion Staff or in the Companies on 11th July, 1921. There are quite a number of detailed points of that sort that could be set out in writing by the Brigade Committee. We thought it better to hold it over till the deputation came up.

Also, there were cases heard some time ago when Mr. Forde was up here in July of last year. Some of these cases are finished provisionally, and some are held over till the Organisation Records are completed. Once the Records are complete there are a number of cases already heard which can be disposed of straight away. Mr. Fitzpatrick knows from experience, from the way we dealt with the Tipperary Brigade, whether the Organisation Records must be complete first, or not.

A. Would you be good enough to let us have the exact particulars of what you require.

Q. Yes. You would have had them only that you were coming up.

A. I would like to mention that as far back as last May, just twelve months ago, I went into the Secretary here, at the request of Mr. Humphrey Murphy. You had the Battalion Staffs, and the Brigade Staffs, as they existed on particular dates, and I asked were you satisfied. You said they were sufficient as they had been sent in at the time. Later on, applications came down to the different Company officers, and for me to send on the City Battalion Rolls, which I superintended personally. I had no jurisdiction over the outside Companies, etc., but we asked them to

to send up their Rolls, and they did. I admit certain dates have not been put on. We put down dates and the strength of the Battalion - we cannot contradict that.

Q. Experience has shown us the necessity for ~~xxxx~~ having these Rolls resubmitted and certified as correct by the Brigade Committee. The only way we can get down to brass tacks is by throwing the responsibility on the Brigade Committee. If we get in Company Rolls here and we are not satisfied that they are correct, we have to go to the Brigade Committee. The necessity arose of having Brigade Committees established in Mid.Limerick.

A. There ~~xxx~~ was a circular sent up that the 1st Battalion did not exist on the 1st critical date but the members were merged into other Battalions.

Q. It seems extraordinary to us here that in one particular Brigade you should have certain Battalions such as 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th, and no 1st Battalion.

A. That is an old-standing feud in Limerick. It is a peculiar situation. That 1st Battalion dropped out. What happened was, it resulted from the 1916 event. I was Captain of the 1st Battalion, and during the 1916 Insurrection, ~~xxxxxx~~ Ernest Blythe came to Limerick, and the 1st Battalion was suspended. Then the 2nd Battalion sprung into existence in the city, and it formed the nucleus of the Mid.Limerick Brigade. The 1st Battalion was never reinstated, and some time having passed, the members of this who were anxious to participate in the activities down there, merged into the 2nd Battalion. There was a certain amount of rivalry between the 1st and 2nd Battalion in Limerick. The 1st still functioned and carried out parades, etc., and were not recognised by Headquarters, and when the 1st Battalion disappeared the title of the second Battalion remained.

Q. When did this change take place?

A. It was suspended in 1919.

A. I think we could make that plainer about that Battalion. There was a change made in all the Battalions in February, 1921. The numbers were changed.

Q. It will not effect the issue; it was before the 1st critical date. You say you have a point to make in Hayes's case; if you have a case to make for any particular applicant who has been before the Board, and who has not proved his case, or whom you may think has not been given a fair deal, you can make his case.

A. I have a point to make here. It applies to a particular man from Kilmallock, and the Board did not find that he gave any service subsequent to 30th June, 1922. (Reads letter.)

Q. That is a case where he did not come under the 1924 Act, and therefore ~~cannot~~ come under this Act. He was not eligible under the 1924 Act because he was not in the National Army. He can apply under this Act.

A. He has applied in this case.

Q. There are several cases like that.

A. There is one matter much debated, the 1916 Period. In Limerick a number of Battalions were mobilised, and went under arms to participate in the trouble and because of

because of the action of the superior officer, if you like, those prepared to fight were demobilised, not called upon to do so.

Q. They had no fighting?

A. No.

Q. In that case, the Referee has decided that no allowance will be granted for that service, where they were simply mobilised and demobilised, and had no fighting. The same thing happened in Cork - they marched from Cork to Macroom, and the same thing happened in Kerry, and other places.

A. That is definitely ruled out?

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- A. Yes, but he only got a bare acknowledgement of his Appeal, and that is all.

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A. It will be necessary for those cases who have appealed to fill in evidence in writing, submit it to the Brigade Committee, and send it on?

Q. Yes.

A. That settles that point.

We had Maintenance Parties in the Barracks from early March. Does that count as service?

Q. Yes. Any man who was in the Maintenance party for a month, gets a month service, if longer he gets longer, and so on. Your own common sense tells you.

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Q. We cannot discuss the 1924 Act. If you think there is anything wrong we will be only too willing to discuss it with a Senior Officer. Presumably the Senior Officer will know something about it, and whether these things are genuine, and he can verify for the statements made.

A. Would you be good enough to go into one or two cases?

Q. Not with the deputation, but we will do so with the Senior Officer.

A. We have travelled all the way up from Limerick for this purpose.

Q. If you care to make a general statement about any particular case we are prepared to take it down, and the Referee will consider it.

A. With reference to Hayes, his case was turned down.

Q. What have you to say about him?

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Q. Would this be in 1920?

A. Yes, in January, 1920.

Q. This seems to me stuff we will have to go into again with the individual officers. We want the deputation to feel you put the whole facts of the case before us, and that you are satisfied about it.

A. Yes. On a few occasions he was in position for ambushes. It was not his fault that they did not make contact with the enemy.

Q. When was that?

A. That would be in 1920 also. After coming back from imprisonment, there was one in 1920; I think the other was in 1921. There was one in Ballinagar; that was 1921.

Q. What arms would he have?

A. He had a rifle.

Q. Would he be with the column that time?

A. Yes. I was there myself.

Q. Was he looked on as a man who would be called out with the column when anything was on?

A. Yes. He was available any time we wished to call on him.

Q. What was his position with regard to dispatch carrying?

A. That was during the 1920 period.

Q. Early, 1920?

A. From, I think, July, if I remember rightly. He was liberated then.

Q. He only took dispatches for a while?

A. He was not actually active with the column, but when the column went into his Area he was usually on outpost duty.

Q. He was not a regular dispatch carrier for that Area?

A. He was not a regular dispatch carrier. He was always ready to carry out his duty when called upon. The remainder of his services were; when the column moved into his Area, which was frequent, he was engaged in attending to the column, and being out on outpost duty at night. He was all the time active. He was a recognised active Volunteer.

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Q. What was his job when at home - was he a farmer?
A. He was the son of a farmer.

Q. Therefore he had not the responsibility of the farm on him?
A. Well, no.

Q. Do you remember particularly anything he did in the 7th Period - the qualifying period?

A. No. I have no recollection of his having participated in anything important. It was in that period he was in an attempted ambush in Ballyporeen.

Q. Was that May or June?

A. It was in June. It did not come off, but we were prepared for it. He was in Rooktown Castle with us.

Q. You have made a point about his being particularly associated with the column when the column was around. How many more men of his Company would be associated with the column when it came around?

A. I suppose about ten or twelve.

Q. We take it that the column always looked to certain individuals whom they could rely on for protective duty, etc., and he was one of them?

A. Yes. He was one of the outstanding individuals. What do you mean by protective duty?

Q. Getting billets, carrying dispatches, outpost duty, etc.

A. He would be carrying arms, etc. Everything revolved around him for miles and miles.

Q. I think these men here are under the impression that we have made a great blunder by not qualifying this man; and their position is they want to find out from us what type of man does qualify.

A. Yes.

Q. I do not think there is any reason why we should not explain the type of man who would qualify with the least possible service. There are different types of military service - those qualifying for I.O. work; men on special missions here and there, which would be considered dangerous work; and the ordinary Volunteer serving in the Company all during the Tan War - according to our standards here he must be in at least one major engagement in one of the qualifying periods; also, he would have to be consistently active. There are two qualifying periods in the Act - from the 1st April, 1920 to the 31st March, 1921, is the first; from the 1st April, 1921 to 11th July, 1921, is the second. The last three months is the shortest qualifying period. It is impossible for a man to prove continuous active service for the first qualifying period, for activities did not start till well on.

A. If he was attached to a Flying Column for that period, would it be continuous?

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- Q. Only unless he was there from the beginning - when his service was not broken. According to the Act, an applicant must prove continuous active service in one of the qualifying periods. A man who did any real general work in any column, there is no trouble about qualifying him. Any man who was in any good fight who has a case for continuous service in the 7th Period, we are qualifying him. Apparently this man's case was not made for him, that he was not really in an important fight nor had the service required. Personally I do not think our standards are too high. All we want is that a man must have one good fight - take an active part in one major engagement, not be an auxiliary on outpost, or blocking roads, etc. You will get men claiming for an ambush, and when it is boiled down you find they were on outpost four or five miles away.
- A. But if they were under arms they were running the same risk.
- Q. It is not the same thing. You would not pick a man for outpost who would be a really good man on an actual attack.
- A. There was one execution in the city - Thomas Keane. He was never in any engagement. He was Captain of the Company. He was captured taking arms from one area to the other, and dumping them. Would that be considered active service?
- Q. It would be quite possible for a man to be caught with arms who was not in the I.R.A. at all, who never was a Volunteer.
- A. But he was taking risks?
- Q. We do not want you to think that the service mentioned is the only one; they are various. You may have a good Captain, and he might be so good that you kept him out of fights for a very good reason -
- A. We want to facilitate you in as much as is in our power.
- Q. If what a man did is set down and stated before us when he comes up there is no bother in determining him. The best proof a man was on continuous military service is the fact that he was in at least one major engagement; there are others who had other things and no big fight; but it is not asking too much of a good Volunteer to have been in one engagement in a year and three months
- A. In the case we are arguing it is proved he was in one engagement.
- Q. Was he?
- A. He was. He was in Murroe Barracks, and he was within 70 or 80 yards of the Barracks, told off by me to take up a certain position.
- Q. But he was not actually in the fight?
- A. Certainly he was. Every man around the Barracks was in the fight. You would want to have men there on outpost to see you were not shot in the back.
- Q. A really good Volunteer would have found more opportunities in your area, in a year and three months.
- A. A short time after the attack on the Murroe Barracks he was taken on suspicion as being concerned in the attack, and he was deported, and went on hunger-striks. He came home in bad health, and is still in bad health, and he automatically came along and joined us afterwards. You would not like a man to be on the Flying Column and not in good health.

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Q. He is what you might call a necessary auxiliary to a fight?

A. Yes. We went to his house, we looked to him in every way, got him to do this and that, and he was at our disposal in every way.

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A. He was asked if he was in the Murroe Barrack attack, and he said he was about eighty yards away behind a wall on outpost.

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A. Some of these Forms were briefly filled. Many men filled in their Forms and did not explain the points of importance at all. He may have done that.

Q. We have two types - the man who makes his case too well, and the man who does not make his case at all.

A. I have been through the mill in practically all the active periods and in every area, and I knew the men who really did work. On several occasions I spoke to Mr. Humphrey Murphy, because I was given as a reference in most cases, and he gave me to understand in a few interviews that I would be called to give evidence, and I would give perfectly honest evidence about the men to the best of my ability. I was only called on a few occasions. I did not think it was within our scope to build up a case for any particular individual. We left the man to make his own case. We did not interfere in that regard.

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A. It was suspended in 1919.

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A. Yes.

Q. You are positive he did not get Truce service?

A. I am positive. He got Civil War Service, one year and some months for 1920-1921, and three years for the Civil War.

Q. Has he appealed?

A. Yes, but he only got a bare acknowledgement of his Appeal and that is all.

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A. It will be necessary for those cases who have appealed to fill in evidence in writing, submit it to the Brigade Committee, and send it on?

Q. Yes.

A. That settles that point.

We had Maintenance Parties in the Barracks from early March. Does that count as service?

Q. Yes. Any man who was in the Maintenance party for a month, gets a month service, if longer he gets longer, and so on. Your own common sense tells you.

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9 June 1936

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to the discussion which took place on the 4th instant between a deputation from your Committee and the Advisory Committee regarding applications received from former members of the Mid Limerick Brigade, and in order to remove any doubts in reference thereto, I am to confirm that pending the completion to the satisfaction of the Referee, of the necessary organisation records, applicants are not summoned for examination. In this connection I am to enclose for the information of your Committee a summarised statement of the particulars required from each Brigade and I am to state that with a view to ensuring the authenticity of the records supplied they must be certified as correct by the Brigade Committee, the certificate of accuracy being signed by at least two members of the Brigade Committee in addition to the Chairman or Secretary. In order that the necessary certification of the records of the Mid-Limerick Brigade may be effected without delay, the enclosed summary has been prepared from records already supplied -

- (a) by your Committee, and
- (b) by various officers who served in the Mid Limerick Brigade.

and I am to request that this summary be completed to show -

- (a) the officer personnel of the various units, and
- (b) the strengths of the various companies as they existed on the 11th July 1921 and 1st July 1922.

The summary when completed should be certified as required and returned immediately.

As regards (a), I am to state that where a particular officer is shown as having a certain rank or appointment on the 11th July 1921, if he held that appointment owing to (1) the arrest and imprisonment or internment of an immediate predecessor, or (2) the fact that his immediate predecessor was serving with a Column or Active Service on the 11th July 1921, full particulars of all the circumstances connected therewith should be shown.

In regard to (b), I am to state that in case of any material discrepancy between the numerical strengths of the companies as certified by your Committee and that shown on records already supplied, a further communication in reference thereto will be addressed to your Committee.

As soon as the necessary records have been completed to the satisfaction of the Referee, the cases of applicants who have already been examined will be dealt with, and the examination of other applicants from your Brigade will be resumed without delay. In this connection I am to add, for the information of your Committee, notwithstanding the statements which, it is understood, have been made to the contrary, no general examination of applicants from the Mid Limerick Brigade has taken place since April 1935, nor from

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Limerick since November last, nor will the examination of cases from these or any other Brigade be resumed until the organisation records have been satisfactorily completed. It is hoped that the statement of the position regarding the other Brigades in Limerick will indicate to your Committee that the suggestions of partiality in the treatment of cases from your, or any other, Brigade are without foundation.

I am also to refer to the question of expenses incurred by the members of the deputation which attended on the 4th instant and to state that there is no provision in the Act for the payment of such expenses.

I am to add that the cheap travel facilities which are granted by the Great Southern Railway Company to applicants attending here for examination were arranged with the Railway Company by representatives of the applicants, and representations in reference thereto should be made direct to the Railway Company.

Mise, le meas,

E. b.
RÚNAÍ.

Mr. P. Moloney,
6, Lock Quay,
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DAIL EIREANN,
TIGH LAIGHEAN,
BAILE ATHA CLIATH.

(10 Dominick St. Limerick).
4.7.36.

A Chara,

I would be grateful if you will inform me when may
a decision be given in respect of the u/m.

Daniel O'Connell 7 King John's Castle Limerick

William Wallace 15 Quarry Road, Thomondgate, Limerick.

Those men were called to Dublin over eight months ago in
connection with their service pension. Up to the present
they have not heard anything further re their claim.

Mise, le meas,

Sgd. Dan Bourle (Ald.) T.D.,
Mayor of Limerick.

E. Burke, Esq.

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14 July 1936

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to your letter of the 4th instant relative to the applications of Daniel O'Connell, 7, King John's Castle, Limerick, and William Wallace, 15, Quarry Road, Thomondgate, and I am to enclose for your information a copy of letter which was addressed to Mr. P. Moloney, 6 Lock Quay, Limerick, Secretary to the Mid Limerick Brigade Committee, on the 9th ultimo.

Pending the receipt of the required records, duly certified, no further action can be taken as regards the completion of these or any other cases from this Brigade.

Mise, le meas.

Ede
RÚNAÍ

Mr. Dan Bourke (Ald.), T.D.,
Leinster House,
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5 Madden Road,
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M.T.
City of Dublin

To Mr. J. Burrell
Sec. Board of Referees
1934 Pensions Act

Sir

I have been in communication with
the Mid. Limerick Brigade. old. I.R.A. re the
Administration of the above Act in that
Area, and, I find that they have been
left more or less out in the cold, so
much so that very few cases have been
dealt with. I know that this is not the
fault of the Board. but due to the
organisation in Limerick, now the have
come together down there things may be
better.

I held the Rank of. Brigade of. until

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March 1922. They have asked my Co-¹⁸
-operation and you will require my
operation to administer the Act in
the Area I would be glad if you could
grant me an interview

I would be grateful if you could
arrange the interview if granted for the
fore-noon as I could make it fit in
with my business

Yr. mje
Rudolf Dunne

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17 November, 1936.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to your letter of the 8th instant and to state that if you will be good enough to call at the above address on Monday next in the fore-noon, matter concerning the organisation records of the former Mid Limerick Brigade I.R.A. can be discussed.

Mise, le meas,


Kinnaird

Mr. Peadar Dunne,
5, Madden Road,
Fairbrothers Fields,
Donore Avenue,
South Circular Road,
DUBLIN.

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13th Nov 1936

5 Madden Rd.
Fairbrother's Fields
Donore Ave
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Dublin

To Secy Bureau,
Sec. Board of Refrees

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In reply to your communication
of the 12th inst. I will be at Griffiths Bks.
at 10-30 A.M. on Monday morning
"as per said communication"

Yours truly

Seadax Dunne.

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SAORSTÁT ÉIREANN.

IARRTAS AR AGALLAMH
(Application for Interview)

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Dáta.....
(Date)

Ainm
(Name) *Seánac Duane*

Seoladh
(Address) *5 Madden Rd*

Sió na h-**agallmha**
(Business at interview) *R. MacLennan Bgds*

Agallam le.....
(Interview with) *E-u barca*

An bfuil coinne agat?
(Have you an appointment?) *Yes*

NOTAÍ AR AN GCOMHAD
(Notes on interview).

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To the Secretary
Dept. of Pensions
Parkgate St.
Dublin.

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At hand - accompanying this letter are files of membership, names of Brigade, Battalions, Company officers, etc. Cork Brigade, Old IRA, requested by you on 9th June last.

I had to take on Secretaryship of Brigade, owing to resignation of Mr. P. Maloney.

I am instructed to request that you will be so good as to have awards made as soon as possible where men from my Brigade have appeared before the Board, and I will be glad to have names of any you require for examination in future.

Upwards of 30 meetings were held & you are now in possession of complete information re my Brigade.

I remain,

Yours faithfully,
Michael Harty
Hon. Sec. Cork Brigade

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SUMMARY OF ORGANISATION RECORDS.of
MID-LIMERICK BRIGADE.S T A F F:11th July, 1921.O/D. Liam Forde, Lex Weir, Corbally,V. O/C. Owen O'Brien, (Deed)ADJT. PATK. BARRY, B. of Health Offices, Caven-
spaining St. Joyce, on the main office road, Div. StaffQ/ M. Sean Hurley, L.G.B., City Hall, Waterford.I/O. Patrick Hegarty, (Deed)E/O. ROBT. DeCourcy, Up. Henry Street, Limerick.T/O. T. McInerney, Deed.O/C. Comms. Sean Carroll, Castleconnell, Limerick.M.O. Dr. Roche-Kelly.O/C. (Interim) P. Dunne.1st July, 1922.O/C. Liam Forde, Lex Weir, Corbally, Limerick.V.O/C. Owen O'Brien (Deed)ADJT. Miceal Hartney, 14 Prospect Villas, Limerick.Q/M. Miceal Colivet, 46 Park Ave., Sandymount, Dublin.X. I/O. H. Meany, (Deed)E/O. Robert de Courcy, Upper Henry St., Limerick.T/O. E. Hanrahan, Carey's Road, Limerick.O/C. Comms. Arthur Johnson, 3 Parnell St., Limerick.M/O. Peter Coffey, Durdalk.

X. Patk. Moloney (39514) is given as I.O. on
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Patk. Barry Bde. Adjutant 11th July, 1921 was appointed Liaison Officer shortly after that date, being succeeded as Adjutant by the Bde. I.O. Patrick Hegarty, who in turn was succeeded as I.O. by ~~H. MEANY. (DECEASED)~~

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- O/C. Comms. Sean Carroll, Castleconnell, Limerick.
- M.O. Dr. Roche-Kelly.
- O/C. (Intermed) P. Dunne.
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- A. COLUMN LIAM FORDE.
 - B. " D. DUNDON & OWEN O'BRIEN.
 - C. " M.P. COLIVET & S. KENNEDY.
- CITY FORCES
 P. MOLONEY later E. HANRAHAN.

We, the members of the Mid-Limerick Brigade Committee, certify that these particulars are true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

P. Hanrahan MEMBER.
Patrick Dunne MEMBER.
Miceal Hartney SECRETARY.

MID-LIMERICK BRIGADE - 11th JULY, 1921.

STAFF CHANGES.

Appointed.

LIAM FORDE, was ~~appointed~~ Brigade O/C. in succession to P. DUNNE (interned) on 11/7/21

OWEN O'BRIEN, became Vice-Bde. O/C. on the change.

PATRICK BARRY, was appointed Bde. Adjnt. in succession to M. DOYLE - (who went on the run) *then went to Division as Div. Officer*

SEAN HURLEY, was appointed Bde. Q.M.

Engineering, Intelligence, and Transport Officers held their positions from early dates.

BRIGADE STRENGTH.

(estimated by Nos. returned as being on Coy. Rolls.)

11th JULY, 1921.

1st Bde. City Battn. (6 Coys.) 654 approx.
2nd Bde. Castleconnell (6 Coys) 367
3rd Bde. Adare (6 Coys) 559.
4th Bde. Caherconlish (6 Coys) 340.

(TOTAL1920 Approx.)

1st JULY, 1922.

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CITY BATTALION STAFF CHANGES 11th JULY, 1921.

(D. DUNDON, ~~was appointed~~ ~~as Capt.~~ 1921. Was appointed BATTALION O/C. MARCH, 1921 IN SUCCESSION TO J. O'BRIEN

(P. WALSH, was appointed Vice-Commit. as the outcome of merger of First and Second Bgts. in May, 1921.

(J. McSWEENEY was interned in Ballykinlar, and was Capt.)

(B. Coy. when arrested.)

(J. QUILLIGAN, was appointed Adj.)

(J. KEANE, was appointed Q.M.)

Appoints made three weeks prior to truce.

CHANGES IN COY. STAFFS.

.....11th JULY, 1921.

A. COY. City Battn. F. Casey, Nat. Army (Decd) to replace Mical McDann, interned in Ballykinlar.

C. " " J. Kelly in succession to Thomas Kean, R.I.P. (Executed)

E. " " Wm Barratt, succeeded Joseph Saunders, who, likewise succeeded Michael Hartney, arrested October, 1920.

Michael Hartney SECRETARY

Liam Forde MEMBER.

David Dunphy MEMBER.

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The fourth Battalion Mid Tinniside Bde
had ceased to exist before the 1st. July 1922.
The references "1st period"; "1st critical date"
and "1st critical date 1921" represent the
11th. July 1921 and the reference "2nd period"
and "2nd critical date" and "2nd critical date
1922" represent the 1st. July 1922.
H. Company 2nd. Batt. had ceased to exist on
the 1st. July 1922. Four members of the company
were attached to A. Company of that Batt. on 1/7/22.
F. Company of 2nd. Batt. had ceased to exist
on 1/7/22. Eight or ten volunteers who were
members of the company on the 1/7/22 were
attached to other companies in the Batt. on 1/7/22.

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in the 4th. Batt. the volunteers whose name as shown on
the bookend rolls for the 11th July 1931 and who are referred to
as "Three men" joined during the Trench and their names
should accordingly be deleted where given

Signed
Michael Hartney
Edward Churchill
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A. Chora,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to the particulars of organization records for the former mixed military Brigade I.R.A. submitted by your committee on the 15th ult. from which it is noted that "the 4th Batt. (baker's unit) did not participate as a Batt. in the Brigade for the period beginning the 1st July 1922" and that "numbers of officers and men recorded on the rolls as shown for the 11th July 1921 were participants with other units" and I am to state that particulars for the 1st July 1922 of all units in the Brigade which existed on that date should be provided to the Referee notwithstanding that any of them may have ceased to exist from an immediate subsequent date. I am accordingly to enquire whether the 4th Batt. actually existed on the 1st July 1922 and, if so, I am to state that it will be necessary for your committee - ~~to~~ X

to submit particulars of ^{organization records for} the Batt. as it existed on that date and

to amend the record of the remaining three Batts. ^{for the 1st July 1922,} excluding from them the name of ~~any~~ all members of the 4th Batt.

It is also observed that a number of officers and volunteers whose names are recorded on the copies of the ^{company} rolls of the 4th Batt. for the 11th July 1921 are referred to as "Free men" and I am to enquire whether this reference indicates that the persons concerned became

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members of their respective units during the Truce period or that they were members of their respective units on the 11th July 1921, and ceased to be members after that date. ~~during the Truce period~~ If it is indicated the former I am to state that it is not understood how the names of persons who became members of units during the Truce period, can be shown on the copies of the company rolls for the 11th July 1921.

I am also to advert to the references "1st critical date", "1st period 1921" and "1st critical date 1921" on ~~a~~ copies of the company rolls for the 11th July 1921. and I am to state that in view of these references, it is not clear whether the rolls furnished for that date ~~contain~~ ^{include} only the names of officers and volunteers who were members of their respective units on the 11th July 1921 or whether they ~~contain~~ ^{show} names of persons who were members of their respective companies at ^{some} ~~any~~ time prior to the 11th July 1921 and who were not members on that date. If they ~~contain~~ ^{include} ~~any~~ ^{or} of the latter I am to state that it will be necessary for your committee to submit a certified statement showing for each company in the Appendix the name and address of the person concerned. Similarly a report the 1st July 1922 I am to state that "Pre Truce 1922" "2nd critical 1922" and "2nd critical date" are shown on copies of company rolls submitted for that date. It is not clear therefore whether

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then roll ^{include} contain only the names of officers and volunteers who were ^{members} of their respective companies on the 1st. July 1922 or whether they ^{show} contain the names of persons who were ^{not} members of their respective companies at some time or other subsequent to the 1st. July 1922 and who were not members on that date. If they contain ^{include} any cases of the latter I am to request a certified statement showing for each column in the preceding the names and addresses of the persons concerned.

It is noted that F. Co. of the 1st. Batt. ^(82nd) was merged with E. company of that Batt. after the 11th. July 1921 and prior to the 1st. July 1922 and I am to request your committee to submit a certified copy of the roll of -

(a) E. company for the 11th. July 1921 and (b) the combined E. and F. companies for the ^{11th. July 1921} as regards G. company (Ingraves) of the 1st. Batt. I am to state that as the company existed as a separate and distinct unit on the 1st. July 1922 it will be necessary for your committee ⁽¹⁾ to submit a copy of the roll of the company for that date and

(2) to amend the ^{records} roll of the other companies in the roll submitted for the 1st. July 1922, excluding from them the names of members of G. company.

P.T.O.
With a view to early consideration of application from the Brigade I am to state that when forwarding the particulars requested in the

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If and when the Report is selected or regards
the position of the organization now or of the
Board the applicant's arrangements
will be made to have a group of applicants
from the whole name was as shown on
the list submitted to your committee in Nov. last
and whose application forms show a prima
facie case for qualifying, summoned
for examination at the earliest possible
date.

By Mr. Hartney
14 Portland Place
Lincoln

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14 PROSPECT VILLAS,

ROSBRIEN,

LIMERICK.

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E. de Banca, Esq.
Secretary.
Pensions Board.
Griffith Petrs.
Dublin.

At hand. Herewith I send the particulars yourself and your assistant requested, vouched for by available Brigade officers.

I have endeavoured to make items as plain and understandable as I could, & I am assured you the task has not been an easy one. However, there is a pleasure to be derived from assisting the "old crowd," and hence the work has been, in the true sense, a labour of love.

If I have omitted any item - and I do not think I have, judging by the notes I took at our interview - I shall be pleased to answer by return on receipt of request from you.

I would appeal for early decision in cases where men have appeared for examination, & I am confident it is safe to count on your co-operation in that direction.

Regarding your query if names of men in Abington were included in C. Coy, etc

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have gone over names carefully & cannot find any duplication. There are some bearing same surnames, but all are from different townlands.

Attached to "C" Coy. City Batt., is an explanation of Company officers in that Company.

You will also observe that I have given particulars in sheet of "A" Coy. (Castlecumell, 2nd Batt) in reference to J. Cosgrave, J. Tucker, J. Lane & J. Supple, which you specifically asked for.

I am enclosing City Batt. Staff. Also, the names of deceased members & dates of deaths.

Particulars asked for re "E" Coy. City Batt. enclosed. Also, when H. Boyle went to Div. G Coy (City Batt) list enclosed will be forwarded in a few days.

In haste

Michael Hartney
Bug. Pension Com. Secy.

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14 PROSPECT VILLAS,

ROSBRIEN,

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E. de Burca, Esq.
Secretary Pensions Board.
Griffith Bks.
S. C. R. Dublin.

Achara - In reply to yours of 16th inst. I am

to inform you as follows:-

(a) Re E. Coy - McHartney was Capt. until arrested in October, 1920. Michael Daly then took up position of Capt. Daly went to column February, & Joseph Paudea took over Co. Paudea was arrested March & Wm. Barratt acted as Capt. until Truce. Later he joined Nat Army. Daly had been 1st Lieut. up to time my arrest. Timothy Murphy was 2nd Lieut. & became first Lieut., but went to Column holding that rank. He was arrested on 3rd day. Then Pats Hassett became 1st Lieut. and Daniel Stomell became 2nd Lieut. the holders of ranks on 11/7/21. were: W. Barrett, Capt.; P. Hassett, 1st Lieut.; D. Stomell, 2nd Lieut. On release I again took over command but was almost immediately promoted Batt. Adjt. and the holders of ranks on 1/7/22, were - M. Daly, Capt.; Wm. Wallace, 1st Lieut. (Hassett returned to his home place, Co Clare, when truce was signed); Dan. Stomell, 2nd Lieut.

(b) The officers with A. & U. 11/7/21 - M. Daly.

(c) Daly, Paudea, Barratt, Hassett, Wallace, Stomell, as explained above. Hartney (First Co Capt.) arrested 11 Oct. 1920; Daly went to Column Feb. 1921; Paudea, arrested March, 1921; Murphy, arrested, 3rd day, 1921.

Concerning late P. Hegarty. He acted as B Coy. Capt. from July, 1921, to October, 1921. Prior to taking over B Coy. Adjt. he was B Coy. J. O. & for the period mentioned earned out both duties. When P. Barry relinquished position of

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ROSBRIEN,

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Lesson Officer, he again took up duty as Brigade
Adjt. which he held until May, 1922, & P. Hegarty
occupied his old position of Brig. I. O. until his
health broke down in April or May, 1922. Capt Henry
Mearns was then appointed Brig. I. O. which position
he held until killed in Patrickswell in July ~~21st~~ or
~~28th~~, 1922. In d August, 1922. ✱

The above facts are the outcome of a very
lengthy meeting and are known to be true
to those of us who were officers of Brigade &
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Signed Liam Forde (Brig. I. O.)

Michael Hartney,

Late Brig. Adjt and
Hon Sec Brig. Pensions Committee

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E. de Burca.
Secretary, Pensions Board,
Griffith Barracks.

A Chara.

In reply to yours of 16th inst. I am to inform you as follows:

(a) Re. E. Coy. - Ml. Hartney was Capt. until arrested in October 1920. Micheal Daly then took up position of Capt. Daly went to column February, and Joseph Saunders took over Coy. Saunders was arrested March, and Wm. Barratt acted as Capt. until Truce. Later he joined Nat. Army.

Daly had been 1st Lieut. up to time my arrest. Timothy Murphy was 2nd Lt. and became 1st Lieut. but went to column holding that rank. He was arrested on 3rd May, then Patrick Hassett became 1st Lieut. and Daniel O'Connell became 2nd Lieut. The holders of ranks on 11.7.21 were:

W. Barrett	Captain
P. Hassett	1st Lieut.
D. O'Connell	2nd Lieut.

On release I again took over command but was almost immediately promoted Batt. Adj. and the holders of ranks on 1.7.22 were:

M. Daly	Capt.
Wm. Wallace	1st Lieut.
Dan O'Connell	2nd Lieut.

(Hassett returned to his home place, Co. Clare, when Truce was signed).

(b). The officers with A.S.U. 11.7.1921 - Ml. Daly.

(c). Daly, Saunders, Barratt, Hassett, Wallace, O'Connell as explained above.

Hartney (First Coy. Capt). arrested 11th Oct. 1920.
Daly went to Column. Feb. 1921.
Saunders arrested March 1920.
Murphy arrested 3rd May 1921.

Concerning late P. Hegarty - he acted as Brig. Adj. from July 1921 to October 1921. Prior to taking over Brig. Adj. he was Brig. I.O. for the period mentioned. Carried out both duties. When P. Barry relinquished position of Liaison Officer he again took up duty as Brigade Adj. which he held until May 1922 and P. Hegarty occupied his old position of Brig. I.O. until his health broke down in April or May 1922. Capt. Henry Neary was then appointed Brig. I.O. which position he held until killed in Patrickswell 2nd August 1922.

The above facts are the outcome of a very lengthy meeting and are known to be true to those of us who were officers of Brigade and Batt. or Companies for some years.

Sgd.	Liam Forde.	Brigade O/C.
	Micheal Hartney	Late Brig. Adj. and Hon.
	E. Henrahan	Sec. Bds. Pensions Cttee.
	Daithi Duncanson	Bde. T.O.
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14 April 1937.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to the application of Martin Barry, 1, Rossa Villas, Garryowen, Limerick, and to state that this applicant claims to have been Quartermaster, Mid-Limerick Brigade, I.R.A. serving with an Active Service Unit on 11th July 1921. According to records, however, submitted by your Committee, it would appear that Sean Hurley was Brigade Quartermaster, Mid Limerick Brigade, I.R.A. on 11th July 1921 and that no Brigade Officer of that rank was on active service with an A.S.U. on that date.

I am, accordingly, to request the favour of your Committee's observations on the matter. I am also to request a certified statement showing full particulars of the rank (if any) held by this applicant on 1st July 1922.

I am to add that consideration of this application has been deferred pending receipt of your reply.

Mise, le mess,

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