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**ROINN** Rosanta

Fó-Roinn.

**NA CUIRTEAR ÉANTUAIRISC AR AN gCLÚDACH SO.**

Tá annso, leis,

| An Uimhir. | An Gnó. |
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| II / RB / 133 | Quirke James<br>Askgrove<br>Banska<br>Co Tipperary |
| An Uimhir ag Roinn Eile. | Son<br>Edmund<br>Deceased |

| Do cuireadh chun | Dáta. | Do cuireadh chun | Dáta. | Do cuireadh chun | Dáta. |
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LEATHÁN MIONTUAIRISCE.

M.S.C.

Tagairt II R.B/153.

*To*
THE MILITARY SERVICE
REGISTRATION BOARD.

Dons Cláracháid
Faighte
27. MÁR. 1933
Seirbhíse Mílíste

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to transmit the accompanying application of

James Quirke,

Bansha, Co. Tipperary.

for investigation and certificate in accordance with Section 8 of the Army Pensions Act, 1932, and the Regulations made thereunder.

A.S. RUNAI.

Date 25. 3. 33

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LEATHÁN MIONTUAIRISCE. M.S.B.

Tagairt.....

Memo

52/4/6 (Wound) re Service to :-
Dan Breen. Leinster Sqe. Dublin
Michael Fitzpatrick. Market St. Tipperary

12/5/33

Memo

Death Certificate furnished.

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Wound.

ROINN COSANTA.
(Department of Defence.)

MILITARY SERVICE REGISTRATION BOARD,
COLLINS BARRACKS,
DUBLIN.

Ref. No. W L.B./133. 12/5/33.

ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1932.

A Chara,

An application has been made under the above Act by Mrs James Quirke of Ashgrove, Bansha, Co. Tipperary for an Allowance or Gratuity in respect of his son Edmund Quirke (Deceased) who is stated to have been attached to your Command and whose death is stated to have been due to service with Oglaigh na h-Eireann I.R.A. in the period 1922 to 1923.

To enable them to deal with the application, the Board will be obliged if you will furnish at the earliest moment replies to the queries set out overleaf.

I am to point out that, for the purposes herein, a person shall be deemed to have been engaged in Military Service when, but only when, he was on duty as a member of the organisation referred to, or was under arrest as a result of his activities as such member, or being such member was evading capture or pursuit by the armed forces of the British Government or of the Government of Saorstat Eireann or of the Provisional Government or of the Government of Northern Ireland, or being such member was detained in a prison or ship, or an internment camp or by order of any of the said Governments.

Mise, le meas,

M. J. Sheppard.
Runai.

To Michael Fitzpatrick Esq.
Market Street
Tipperary.

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QUERIES:

(1) Between what dates did deceased serve with your Command? — 1923

(2) In what capacity did deceased serve? — Despatch rider to Comdt D. Breen.

(3) In what area was deceased engaged in Military Service? — Glen of Aherlow

(4) Did the deceased receive a wound or injury while engaged in Military Service as defined? If so, please give the following particulars of such wound or injury :— — Yes.

(a) Nature of wound or injury ... — Fatal Gun-shot wounds

(b) Date on which wound or injury was received ... ... ... — 18th Feb. 1923.

(c) Full circumstances in which wound or injury was received — During fight between I.R.A. and Free State troops at Ashgrove, Bansha,

(d) Particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which, in your opinion, should be taken into consideration in determining whether the wound or injury was attributable to Military Service ... ... — /

(5) Particulars of any other matter in support of the applicant's claim or otherwise, on which you desire to comment. ... ... ... ... —

(6) Date of death of deceased ... — 18th Feb. 1923

(7) Have you personal knowledge of the facts of the case as set out by you above, or are your replies based on official reports, or on information otherwise received? — Local information

I declare above statements to be true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature — Wm. Fitzpatrick

Organisation and Rank — late Q.M. 2nd S/Div.

Address — Market St
Tipperary

Date — 13/6/23

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To enable them to deal with the application, the Board will be obliged if you will furnish at the earliest moment replies to the queries set out overleaf.

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Mise, le meas,

M. A. Sheppard
RUNAI.

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To Dan Breen Esq T.D.
Leinster House
Dublin.

QUERIES:

(1) Between what dates did deceased serve with your Command? — In 1922 & 1923

(2) In what capacity did deceased serve? — Despatch + I.O

(3) In what area was deceased engaged in Military Service? — South Fifth Bde

(4) Did the deceased receive a wound or injury while engaged in Military Service as defined? If so, please give the following particulars of such wound or injury :—

(a) Nature of wound or injury ... — Killed.

(b) Date on which wound or injury was received ... ... ... —

(c) Full circumstances in which wound or injury was received —

(d) Particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which, in your opinion, should be taken into consideration in determining whether the wound or injury was attributable to Military Service ... ... — Nil.

(5) Particulars of any other matter in support of the applicant's claim or otherwise, on which you desire to comment. ... ... ... ... —

(6) Date of death of deceased ... — 1923. Cant give date

(7) Have you personal knowledge of the facts of the case as set out by you above, or are your replies based on official reports, or on information otherwise received? — Personal knowledge.

I declare above statements to be true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature — Dan Bourke

Organisation and Rank — Lt Sig Bde

Address — Monteagle

Date — June 14th 1923

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II./R.B./133.

12 December, 1933.

A Chara,

With further reference to the application, under above Act, of Mr. James Quirke, Ashgrove, Bansha, in respect of his son, Edmund, who was killed during an engagement between I.R.A., and Free State Forces at Ashgrove, on 18th February, 1923, I am directed by the Military Service Registration Board to state that the Death Certificate in the case shows the certified cause of death as follows :-

"Bullet wound in head accidentally received."

It is important that the Board should be in possession of the exact circumstances, and they would be very grateful for your observations on the point as to whether the bullet that killed young Quirke was fired by a member of the I.R.A. or by a member of the Free State Forces.

Mise, le meas,

Runai.

Michael Fitzpatrick, Esq.,
Market Street,
Tipperary.

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DOMS CLÁRÚCH
11. JAN. 1934
Seirbhís mhíl.

T. J. Markham, Esq.
Secretary Military Service Registration Board.
Collins Barracks. Dublin.

A Chara,

To acknowledge your Ref. No. II-/R.B./133. of 12th Dec. last, and to apologise for delay in replying.

I have interrogated several of those who took part in this engagement at Ashgrove and find it impossible to discover with any certainty from which side the bullet was fired which killed young Quirke, as there was quite a lot of cross-firing between Byrne's and Quirke's houses, and from parties of Free State troops from other points. I'm afraid it will not be possible to trace the matter any further now.

Mise le meas
Micéal O'Gpatrick

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Deceased, who was only 11 years old approximately at time of his death, was dispatch rider, serving directly under the late Commandant Denis Lacy. He was present at Ashgrove, Banteer with Commandant Lacy's ~~who~~ party on the 18th Feb. 1923 when it was attacked by F.S. Troops.

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ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1932. A.P. 54.

# SERVICE CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE MILITARY SERVICE REGISTRATION BOARD IN RESPECT OF A DECEASED PERSON ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN A MEMBER OF AN ORGANISATION TO WHICH PART II OF THE SAID ACT APPLIES.

Reg. No. of Applicant 2/RB/133. Name of Applicant Quirke, James.

Address of Applicant Ashgrove, Bansha, Co. Tipperary.

Name of Deceased Person to whom Certificate relates Quirke, Edmund.

Late Address of Deceased person ... ... Ashgrove, Bansha, Co. Tipperary.

Relationship of applicant to deceased ... Father.

WHEREAS an application for the grant of an allowance *or* gratuity in respect of the said deceased has been referred to us by the Minister for Defence under Section 8 of the Army Pensions Act, 1932;

NOW, We, the Military Service Registration Board, in pursuance of the said Section 8, hereby certify as follows:—

1. ~~The deceased was not at any time a member of any organisation to which Part II of the said Act applies.~~ *or*

The deceased was a member of Oglaigh na h-Eireann (I.R.A.)

(State organisation or organisations of which deceased was a member.)

2. ~~The deceased was not engaged in military service within the meaning of Part II of the said Act.~~ *or*

The deceased was engaged in military service within the meaning of Part II of the said Act, and the following are particulars of such military service:—

| Organisation or organisations of which deceased was a member | Particulars of military service | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | (*) Period of service | | Nature and extent of military service |
| | From | To | |
| Oglaigh na h-Eireann (Irish Republican Army) | 1922 | 18. 2. 1923. | Despatch Carrier, South Tipperary Brigade. |
| Irish Volunteers ... | - | - | - |
| Irish Citizen Army ... | - | - | - |
| Fianna Eireann ... | - | - | - |
| Hibernian Rifles ... | - | - | - |
| Cumann na mBan ... | - | - | - |

(*) If the service was not continuous throughout, particulars of the period or periods of actual military service should be stated.

3. ~~The deceased did not receive a wound or injury while engaged in military service.~~ *or*

~~The deceased received a wound or injury while engaged in military service and the following are particulars of such wound or injury:—~~

(a) Nature of wound or injury ... ... -

(b) Date on which wound or injury was received -

(c) Circumstances in which wound or injury was received ... ... ... ... ... -

(d) Particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which in the opinion of the Board should be taken into consideration in determining whether the wound or injury was attributable to military service -

4. ~~The deceased did not contract any disease during his military service.~~

or

~~The deceased contracted a disease during his military service and the following are the particulars of such disease:—~~

(a) Nature of disease ... ... ... ... -

(b) Actual conditions under which deceased performed his military service ... ... -

(c) Particulars of any illness from which the deceased suffered during his military service ... ... ... ... ... -

(d) Detailed report on the applicant's statements to, in case the application is on Form A.P. 51, questions 4 D (i) and (ii) on that form, or in case the application is on Form A.P. 52, questions 9 D (i) and (ii) of that form. -

(e) Full particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which in the opinion of the Board should be taken into consideration in determining whether the disease was attributable to military service. -

5. Deceased died on the ... ... -day of-19-

6. ~~The deceased was not killed while engaged in military service.~~

or

The deceased was killed while engaged in military service and the following are the particulars of the date, place and manner of his death ... Deceased was killed during an engagement between Oglaigh na h-Eireann and Free State Forces at Ashgrove, Bansha, Co. Tipperary. on 18th February, 1923.

7. * .....

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* This paragraph will be used for certifying such other particulars in respect of the deceased as the Minister may request the Military Service Registration Board to ascertain and certify.

Signed C. A. Mackey Chairman
E. O'Reilly Member
Jacob Member
of Military Service Registration Board.

Dated this 2nd day of June 1934.

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Quirke James
Lackgrove
Boherlahan
Co. Tipperary

D.P. 3369.
52/ARB/403. (In respect of son Edmund)

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