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Fó-Roinn.

NÁ CUIRTEAR ÉANTUAIRISC AR AN GCLÚDACH SO.

Tá annso, leis,

*DP 4210*

An Uimhir.

An Gnó.

*50/ARB/348*

*Harris Thomas*  
*baragh*  
*naas*

An Uimhir ag Roinn Eile.

*I.B.A./1569* *X27*

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*Co Kildare*

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*Mr Ruddy*

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Ref 37/123 -

1. Requisition File
2. Notate Kardex
3. Notify F.D.P. Section
4. Enter death or cessation in Note book
5. Calculate balance (below) and issue appropriate pro forma
6. Notify death of special allowance holder to A3A
7. Notify death of Military Service Pensioner and/or special allowance holder to A3V
8. Notify Inspector or Taxes

*In file*

Died on 18<sup>th</sup> / 2 / 74. (Per death Cert.)

Monthly Rate £ 77.07.

Paid to 28<sup>th</sup> / 2 / 74.

O/P and £ 27.90.

Funeral Grant £ 50.

less O/P payment £ 27.90.

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AN RÚNAI,

AN ROINN COSANTA (A.3.B.),

COLAISTE CAOIMHÍN,

GLASNAOIDHEAN,

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH, 9.

37/123

16th May, 1974.

A Bhean Mairbh,

Please note that the ~~forwards~~ of 12.2.10.  
referred to in this Department's letter of 9th instant  
will be posted to you in the course of the next few days.

Kindly ignore the letter which was sent to  
you on the 19th instant as a result of your original  
application having been inadvertently misplaced.

Any inconvenience which may have been  
caused to you is very much regretted.

Yours sincerely,

John  
as Rúnai.

Mrs. Hannah Harris,

Baragh,

Reas

Co. Kildare.

P.S. The death certificate which you forwarded is returned with  
thanks.

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Paid on other file.



AN RÚNAI,  
AN ROINN COSANTA (A.3.B.),  
COLÁISTE CAOIMHÍN,  
GLASNAOIDHEAN,  
BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH.9.

37/123.

9th May, 1974.

A Bhean Mairéad,

With reference to the late Mrs Thomas Harris who was in receipt of a military service pension from this Department and who died on 18th February, 1974 I am directed by the Minister for Defence to state that you may claim the balance of a funeral grant due by completing and returning the enclosed form of statutory declaration to this Department.

A funeral grant amounts to £50 but as the warrant for £27.67 for the week ended 28th February, 1974 was issued in lieu of £27.90 for the period from 19th to 28th February, 1974 occurred. This overpayment has been deducted from the £50 grant leaving a balance of £22.10 for payment.

An envelope which does require a postage stamp is enclosed for reply.

Yours sincerely,

G. R. H. W.

Mrs Thomas Harris's

burial

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AN RÚNAI,  
AN ROINN LOSANTA (A.3.B.),  
COLÁISTE CAOIMHÍN,  
GLASNAOIDHEAN,  
BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH, 9<sup>th</sup>

May 1941  
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The Reps of the late  
Thomas Morris.  
Burrough, Meas  
Co. Kildare.

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A bharr,  
With reference to the late Thomas  
Morris, I am to ask you to be  
good to state next of kin. Also  
please state who is responsible  
for funeral expenses, in order  
that the balance of funeral  
grant may receive attention  
Mise to Meas.

Rinn a.

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File No. 24/SP/16780 .....

A/c No. 37/123 .....

Name Thomas Harris, .....

Address CARRIGH, Naas  
Co. Kildare .....

Date of Death 15/2/74 .....

E.D.P.

Please note and arrange to cancel payment

Date [Signature] 26/4/74 .....

A.3.

Noted and arrangements made accordingly.

[Signature] 26/4 .....

A 5/ E.D.P.

Date .....

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D.P. 4210

26 Feb, 1962.

Dear Michael,

With reference to your representations on behalf of Mr. Thomas Harris, who was awarded a gratuity in respect of a gunshot wound attributable to pre-truce military service I wish to say that the Army Pensions Acts provide for the re-consideration of the award of a gratuity in a case such as this within five years of the award of such gratuity. Mr. Harris was awarded a gratuity on the 11th January 1934 and the critical date for re-consideration of his case was therefore the 11th January 1939. As no application for reconsideration was received before that date and as I have no discretionary power to reconsider an award after the expiration of the statutory time limit I regret that no action can be taken in the matter.

I wish to add that it would not be possible to make an amendment to the Army Pensions Bill 1962 to enable this case to be reconsidered.

Yours sincerely,

GERALD BARTLEY

Michael Hilliard, Esq., T.D.,  
Aire Poist agus Telegrafa.

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Rannóg

Óifigeirí Angadai

Freagra led' thoil le haghaidh  
~~me shíniú/síniú an Aire.~~

Al the Comptroller.  
RÚNAÍ AIRE.

20/7/62

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20, Iúil, 1962.

Rúnaí Priobháideach,  
Aire Poist agus Telegrafa.

I am desired by Gearóid Uas.  
Mac Pharthaláin, Aire Cosanta, to  
acknowledge receipt of the  
representations of An tAire Poist agus  
Telegrafa on behalf of Mr. Thomas  
Harris, Carra, Naas, Co. Kildare,  
regarding the question of a Disability  
Pension.

An tAire is having enquiries made in  
the matter and you will be informed of  
the position as quickly as possible.

M. Mac CONCRADHA.

RÚNAÍ AIRE.

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Mr. Gerald Bartley, T.D.,  
Minister for Defence.

Dear Gerald,

I am interested in the case of Mr. Thomas Harris, Carra, Naas, Co. Kildare. He had extended service with the I.R.A. in the 1916/24 period and he is in receipt of a Service Pension. He received a gunshot wound in the leg in 1916. He applied for a disability Pension in 1932 but his application was turned down on the grounds that the degree of disability was not such as to warrant a pension. He was, however, paid a gratuity.

Mr. Harris assures me that he has suffered at all times from the effect of the wound, from sciatica and rheumatism and that many medical men have attributed these troubles to the wound.

I shall be glad ~~if~~ to know whether any amendment could be made in the new Pensions Bill which would enable his case to be re-opened.

Yours Sincerely,

*Michael Hilliard*

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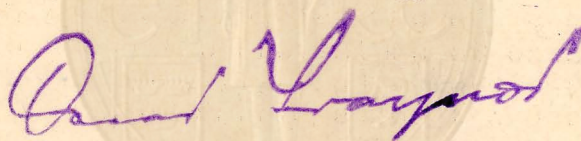
D. P. 4210

20 Iúil, 1953.

Dear Deputy,

With reference to the Army Pensions Bill at present before the Dáil, I have examined the circumstances of your case in which, in 1934, you were awarded a gratuity, under the Army Pensions Act, 1932, in respect of the wound you sustained in your foot in the course of military service in the Irish Volunteers in 1916. The award then made to you could, on application by you, have been reconsidered under section 18 of the Act of 1932, within a period of five years from the date of the award, but there is no statutory authority to review the award at this stage. It would not be possible to alter that position under the present Bill without opening the door to all similar cases, and I regret that a step of that nature would not be feasible.

Yours sincerely,



T. Harris, Esq., T.D.,  
Dáil Éireann,  
Tigh Laighean,  
Baile Átha Cliath.

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Re Mil Service Pensions  
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la bay - boy an dyro  
Faor

Ta se mi - sayza

T. Harris T.D.

Write to say his case  
was examined  
& regch nothing can be  
done



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# DÁIL ÉIREANN.

## FÓGRA CEISTE

(NOTICE OF QUESTION)

Chun a fhiafraí den Aire  
To ask the Minister for

*Taoiseach*

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| FACHTA.           |
| Dáta              |
| Uair              |
| Cléireach na Dála |

Ainm an Teachta  
(Name of Member)

Dáil-Cheanntar  
(Constituency)

Dáta

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ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1932.

**REPORT BY ARMY PENSIONS BOARD ON AN APPLICATION FOR  
A WOUND OR DISEASE PENSION, OR A GRATUITY UNDER  
SECTION 10 OF THE ABOVE-MENTIONED ACT.**

Ref. No.....

Ref. No. 50/APB/348

To the Army Pensions Board.

To the Minister for Defence.

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

of Thomas Harris  
Baragh, Naas, Wicklow.

for report and investigation in accordance  
with the Army Pensions Board (Investiga-  
tion of Applications under Part II of the  
Army Pensions Act, 1932) Regulations,  
1933. The relevant service certificate is  
also sent herewith. The report should  
take the form of replies to the questions  
set out herewith.

The following members of the Army  
Pensions Board attended :—

Mr. John McCoy.

Dr. E. O'Hogain.

Major D.J. Doyle.

The report of the Board is as follows :—

(Where the findings of the Board are  
not unanimous, separate reports signed  
by the individual members of the Board  
should be furnished.)

Signed John McCoy  
Chairman of the Board.

Date 25th NOVEMBER 1933.

1. What is the nature of the disablement  
(or disablements) from which the applicant  
suffers ?

) Gunshot wound right foot  
) attributable to Pre Truce  
) Military Service in  
) Irish Volunteers.

2. What is the cause of the disablement  
or disablements ?

3. (In case it appears from the service  
certificate that the applicant received a  
wound or injury while engaged in military  
service) is the disablement due to the  
wound or injury stated in the service cer-  
tificate issued in respect of the applicant  
to have been received by the applicant  
while engaged in military service ?

YES.

4. (In case it appears from the service  
certificate that the applicant contracted a  
disease during his military service) is the  
disablement caused by the disease stated  
in the service certificate issued in respect  
of the applicant to have been contracted  
by the applicant during his military  
service ?

N.A.



5. What is the present degree of disablement of the applicant—assessing separately, where necessary, the disablement in each case.

.....  
less than 20% (twenty) full.....  
.....per cent.....months.

6. Was the disablement attributable to the applicant's own serious negligence or misconduct?

.....  
No.....

7. Is the disablement permanent or temporary? If permanent, is it in its final condition?

.....  
Permanent and final.....

8. Would medical or surgical treatment prove beneficial, and, if so, to what extent?

.....  
N.A.....

9. State the nature and the duration of the treatment recommended, and how it may be best carried out?

.....  
N.A.....

10. Is the provision of any medical or surgical appliance considered necessary?

.....  
No.....

11. Were there any special circumstances connected with this case which the Board consider should be taken into consideration by the Minister? (Note section 10 (5) of the Army Pensions Act, 1932.)

.....  
N.A.....

12. Was applicant medically examined by the Board?

.....  
The applicant was medically examined by Dr. O'Hogain and Major Doyle, who assessed his disability at less than 20% (twenty) full.

.....  
The Board, having considered the case, recommend that a gratuity of £75 (seventy five pounds) be awarded.

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Reference No..... 50/APB/348



(Wound or Disease).

Expiry of  
current Award.**MEDICAL REPORT ON AN EX-MEMBER OF THE IRISH VOLUNTEERS, AND**  
**OGLAIGH NA h-BIREANN (I.R.A.)**

Name Thomas Harris, Army No. Rank  
Unit and Corps Age last Birthday  
Date of entry into Service 1916 Date of discharge from Service 1922  
Former trade or occupation Farmer Home Address Caragh, Neas,  
Co. Kildare.

NOTE:—The foregoing particulars are to be filled in by the Medical Board before the man presents himself for examination by the Board.

**Statement of Case by the Medical Board.**

1. State concisely the essential facts of the history of each disability recorded in the man's Medical History, and other relevant official documents, giving (a) date and place of origin of the disability, and other relevant particulars of the history; to these should be added (b) any supplementary details given by the man himself; when such details are from the man's own statements only, this will be clearly indicated.

Applicant claims for G.S. wound in right foot resulting in traumatic Arthritis of the joints of the foot with rheumatic pain and stiffness of the muscles.

Wound was received while on active service in the G.P.O., Dublin in April 1916.

Treated in Dublin Castle Hospital from April to July 1916, and in Kildare Infirmary in October 1916.

2. Was an operation performed? If so, when, and what was its nature?

Operation for Osteomyelitis.

3. If an operation was advised and declined, was the refusal unreasonable?

N.A.

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## Opinion of the Medical Board.

### NOTES:—

1. Clear and definite answers are to be filled in by the Board, as in the event of a man suffering from a disability it is essential that the Army Pensions Board should be in possession of full and accurate information to enable them to report upon the man's claim to pension.

Expressions such as "may," "might," "probably," etc., are to be avoided.

2. A report is to be made on any disability claimed. If it is found not to exist, this should be made clear. If it exists but it is not considered to be attributable to any form of military service, it should be reported on as fully as if it were attributable to service. The words "no disability" should never be used as equivalent to "no disability attributable to Service."

4. State precisely the nature of the wound or injury, or disease.

G.S.W. right foot.

5. (1) Give the diagnosis and particulars of any disability claimed or discovered (1), (2), (3), etc.

(2)

(3)

- 5 6. The present condition thereof, giving—

(i.) Symptoms and physical signs.

(ii.) Effect of disability on function. *Physical signs*

C/O weakness and pain in R. foot easily fatigued, pain extends up to knee occasionally.

Depressed adherent scar  $1\frac{1}{4}$ " long on outer side of foot over 5th metatarsal. Clean healed scar  $1\frac{1}{4}$ " long on dorsum of foot between 1st and 2nd metatarsals. Linear scar 1" long on under side of heel, healed, movement of all toes normal.

See X-ray report.

7. Disability or disabilities in respect of which the claim for compensation should be considered (1), (2), (3), as per para. 5. (If no disability exists, enter NIL).

- 6 8. State whether each disability (as per para. 5) is attributable to

Wound,  
Injury, or  
Disease, attributable to  
service in the Forces.

Wound attributable to Pre Truce  
Military Service in Irish  
Volunteers.



9. If the claim is in respect of a wound or injury attributable to service in the Forces, is the present condition solely due to that wound or injury?

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10. Does the man claim in respect of any other disability from which he suffered during service with the Forces or in respect of a disability (naming it) medically identifiable with it?

11. If the man makes a claim as per paragraph 9, or 10:

(a) Had the man recovered from the disability before his discharge?

(b) If not, is it established that the present disability is continuous with that claimed for per paragraph 9 or 10 and that it is not a fresh attack unconnected with his service?

(i.) Is there direct evidence consisting entirely of medical reports and certificates covering the period since his discharge;

(ii.) Is there a continuous history of overt symptoms of ill-health since discharge, established by evidence partly or wholly of a non-medical character.

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- (c) Where a part of the period since discharge is not covered by evidence, is it considered that the disability must have persisted throughout, and, if so, for what reasons?

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12. If the man claims in respect of a disability attributable to service, but that such disability arose subsequent to discharge, what evidence is there in support of the claim that the disability claimed for is attributable to service,

- (a) Has this been established by a continuous history of overt symptoms of ill-health since discharge, consisting of evidence partly or wholly of a non-medical character;

- (b) Where a part of the period since discharge is not covered by evidence, is it considered that the disability must have persisted throughout, and, if so, for what reasons?

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13. If evidence is furnished of a continuous medical history state whether—

- (a) The disability from which the person is now suffering is attributable to his service with the Forces;



- (b) State briefly the reasons for the opinion given in answer to (a), and if the answer is in the affirmative, the nature of the conditions (as stated by claimant) which caused the disability.

14. If no evidence of a continuous medical history is furnished, but the disability is one which for certain reasons the Board hold to be attributable to the conditions of the person's service in the Forces, state fully the medical grounds for the opinion and the evidence on which it is based (where the Board consider that the medical evidence for and against the claimant is not sufficiently definite, or otherwise feel doubt as to the expression of a confident opinion one way or the other on the question of entitlement, they may leave the question unanswered and instead set out in their report the pros and cons of the medical evidence).

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7. 15. If there is evidence that any disability was due to serious negligence or misconduct on the part of the man, such evidence will be recorded here.

No.

8. 16. Is the disability in a final condition?

Yes.

If not—

How long is the present degree of disablement likely to last?

9. 17. At what period will the Board require a further Examination?

N. A.

10. 18. Does the man require further treatment? Is further treatment likely to benefit his condition, and if so, to what extent?

11. 19. In the case of an amputated limb the following particulars will be entered—

(1) Limb affected.

(2) Site of amputation.

(3) Measurement of stump as defined in the fourth schedule of the Act.

(4) How long is stump soundly healed?

(5) Is patient fitted with an artificial limb?

N. A.

12. 20. Report of any X-Ray examination. Diagram or radiograph where available to be attached.

See X-ray report.

13. 21. Report (if any) of oculist, dentist, pathologist, or other specialist to be attached.

N. A.

14. 22. Does the claimant's disability require any Surgical or Medical appliance? If so, state what appliance is needed.

N. A.



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ARMY PENSIONS BOARD,  
ST. BRICIN'S HOSPITAL,  
DUBLIN.

23.11.1933.

To/

Radiologist,  
Richmond Hospital.

No. \_\_\_\_\_

Rank. \_\_\_\_\_

Name: THOMAS HARRIS, T.D.,

14844.

Disease :

X-Ray report required: Right Foot.

Old Comminuted fracture of proximal end of 5th metatarsal. Bony union never occurred, lateral view demonstrates 3 separate fragments. Numerous metal fragments and dust in muscles on both dorsal and plantar aspects of foot.

SIGNED; T. GARRETT HARDMAN.

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15.23. In the case of a nerve injury, the following particulars will be required:—

- (1) Nerve involved.
- (2) Muscles affected.
- (3) Area of loss of sensation—
  - (i) to pinprick.
  - (ii.) to cotton wool.
- (4) Reaction to faradism.
- (5) Reaction to galvanism.
- (6) Is R.D. present?

Indicate on charts (and attach) where possible the site and extent of the injury.

N. A.

#### ASSESSMENT.

16.24. What is the degree of disablement at which, in the Board's opinion, claimant should be assessed, having regard to his present condition?

Less than 20% (twenty) full.

17.25. What is the degree of disablement attributable to service (where there is more than one disablement separate assessments should be shown)?

Less than 20% (twenty) full.

Board recommend a gratuity of £75 (seventy five pounds).

Assessment to be stated in words as well as in figures.

Signatures:—

John McBoyle  
E. Hogan  
D. Doyle

CHAIRMAN.

} Members

Date... 25th NOVEMBER 1933.



ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1932.

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

Registered No. of Applicant..I./R.B./1569.

Name of Applicant .....Harris, Thomas.....

Address of Applicant .....Caragh, Naas.....  
.....Co. Kildare.....

WHEREAS an application for the grant of a pension or gratuity to the said applicant 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 applicant was not at any time a member of any organisation to which Part II of the said Act applies.~~

The applicant was a member of Irish Volunteers and Oglagh na h-Eireann,  
(State organisation or organisations of which applicant was a member.) (I.R.A.)

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

The applicant 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 applicant was a member | Particulars of military service |      |                                       |
|---|---------------------------------|------|---------------------------------------|
|   | (*) Period of service           |      | Nature and extent of military service |
|   | From                            | To   |                                       |
| Oglagh na h-Eireann<br>(Irish Republican Army)                | 1917                            | 1922 | Brigade Commandant Kildare.           |
| Irish Volunteers ...  | 1916                            | -    | Volunteer Kildare and Dublin.         |
| 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 applicant did not receive a wound or injury while engaged in military service.~~

The applicant 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 ... .. Gun-shot Wounds... Right Foot...

(b) Date on which wound or injury was received ..... April, 1916.....



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

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

During the evacuation of the G.P.O. in Easter Week, 1916, applicant was wounded in right foot. He has since been operated on for Osteomyelitis, and Dr. Purcell certifies that he is at present suffering from traumatic arthritis of the joints of the foot with rheumatic pain and stiffness of the muscles.

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

~~The applicant 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 applicant performed his military service ... ..

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

(d) Detailed report on the applicant's statements in reply to questions 3 D (i) and (ii) in the application of the applicant ... ..

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

5. \* .....

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

Signed *C. A. Macken* Chairman  
*E. A. O'Neill* Member  
*Michl. Hilliard* Member  
of Military Service Registration Board.

Dated this *5<sup>th</sup>* day of *September*, 193*3*.



1. Amount of Pension Allowance  
Gratuity.

£75. (less than 2 1/2% Full)

II. A.P. 19.  
A.P. 20. and relating  
A.P. 21. documents to

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Ref. No. 50/APB/348

A.P. 14.

ARMY PENSIONS BOARD,  
ST. BRICIN'S HOSPITAL,  
DUBLIN.

13th September 1933

To  
SECRETARY,  
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE.

An application for PENSION or GRATUITY under the  
Army Pensions Acts, 1923-1932, has been received in respect of the following:—

Name Thomas Harris Address Caragh, Naas,

Irish Volunteers and  
Army No. Oglagh na h-Eireann Co. Kildare.  
(I.R.A).

Rank

Date of Wound, Injury or Death Easter Week 1916.

Circumstances, &c. Applicant was wounded while on active  
service in G.P.O., Dublin.

Will you please state below whether any award in respect of malicious injury  
has been made or is being considered by you in this case.

*Klan*

Secretary.

REPLY.

Roinn Áirgid.

16. Meán Fomhair, 1933.

No application received. No award made.

*O. J. Redmond*





FORM *Res* ISSUED  
A.P. 50.  
MAY .33 *R.B*

ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1932.

*I.H. 1569*

Application for a Wound or Disease Pension or a Gratuity under Section 10 of the Army Pensions Act, 1932.

Military Service Registration Board  
Entd. Register. *12/5/33*  
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INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE OF THIS FORM.

1. In every case the name to be inserted as applicant is **that of the person by whom or on whose behalf it is claimed that he is entitled to the pension or gratuity.**

2. This application form is to be signed by the applicant, except where the Minister for Defence authorises it to be signed on behalf of the applicant by another person.

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3. The attention of the person signing this form is directed to the declaration at the foot hereof to be made by such person.

4. The signature of the person signing this form is to be attested by a witness. (As to who may be a witness, see foot of this form).

5. In the event of the person making the application being unable to write he or she is to sign by affixing his or her mark and the attesting witness is to insert the name of such person.

Name of Applicant (To be *HARRIS* (Surname)  
written  
in Block  
Capitals) *THOMAS* (Christian Names)

Age last Birthday *37 years*

Present Address *Caragh Nass*

Nearest Garda Síochána Station *Near*

Distance of Nearest Railway Station from Residence *5 miles*

Distance of Nearest Bus Route from Residence *5 miles*

Whether Railway or Bus is the more economical *Bus*

Method of Transport between residence and Dublin *Private Motor*



NOTE.—Before answering the questions below, the person making the declaration at the foot of this form is to note that:—

- (a) The statement made by him will be checked.

The Army Pensions Act, 1932, imposes a summary penalty for a false declaration:

“ Every person who, with a view to obtaining the grant or payment of a pension, allowance, or gratuity under Part II of the Army Pensions Act, 1932 either for himself or for any other person, makes, signs, or uses any declaration, application, or other written statement knowing the same to be false shall be guilty of an offence under this section and shall be liable on summary conviction thereof to a fine not exceeding twenty-five pounds or, at the discretion of the court, to imprisonment for any term not exceeding six months or to both such fine and such imprisonment.”

(Section 12 (1) of Army Pensions Act, 1923, as applied by Army Pensions Act, 1932.)

- (b) In answering question 3D (1) any special circumstances involved in applicant's service which, it is considered caused any unfitness from which he may be suffering should be clearly stated.

If the declarant is unable to read, the above notes should be read over to him by the witness, who should so testify in his attestation of the claim.

1. Give particulars of applicant's service in any of the undermentioned Organisations:

| ORGANISATION                                    | Period of Service* |                                   | In what capacity he served     | In what areas he served | Name of his Commanding Officer |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------|
|   | From               | To                                |                                |                         |                                |
| (a) Oglagh na h-Eireann (Irish Republican Army) | November 1915      | Release from internment July 1916 | In the ranks from 1915 to 1916 | Waldare Dublin          | Captain Tom Byrne              |
| (b) Irish Volunteers                            |                    |                                   |                                |                         | Lieut. Eamonn O'Kelly          |
| (c) Irish Citizen Army                          | 1917               | 1922                              | 13th Com. Brigade Com.         | Waldare                 | Attached to G.H.Q.             |
| (d) Fianna Eireann                              |                    |                                   |                                |                         |                                |
| (e) Hibernian Rifles                            |                    |                                   |                                |                         |                                |
| (f) Cumann na mBan                              |                    |                                   |                                |                         |                                |

\* If the Service was not continuous throughout particulars of the period or periods of actual military service should be stated.

2. What is the nature of any wound or disease for which applicant now claims a pension?

- 3 (a) When, where, and in what circumstances was any such wound received or such disease contracted?

- (b) Who was applicant's Commanding Officer at the time?

- (c) Give the names of any persons who can corroborate the answer to (a) above.

Communited Compound fracture of 5th Metatarsal bone of right foot & traumatic arthritis of the joints of the arch of foot with consequently diminished movements & rheumatic pain and stiffness of right leg. during the evacuation of the G.P.O. April 29 1916

Lieut. Eamonn O'Kelly

Mr Ryan Minister for Agriculture  
Capt. Tom Byrne  
Lieut. Eamonn O'Kelly  
Leinster House



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**3D.** Replies to questions 3D. (i) to (v) to be filled in **only** by applicants in respect of Disease.

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- (i) In what way is it claimed that applicant's disease is connected with his Military Service, and what are the grounds for the claim?  
(A detailed statement of the facts with dates should be given.)
- (ii) Were there any particular conditions affecting applicant's service which it is claimed caused the disability or disabilities? Did the applicant suffer from any illness during the period of his service? If so, give particulars, including any treatment received.
- (iii) Give particulars of the applicant's health for the 3 years prior to joining the particular Force in which it is claimed he incurred the disability (or disabilities). If possible, certificates should be furnished:—
- (a) from his doctor, and
  - (b) from his approved Society for the 3 years prior to joining the particular Force, or if he was not an insured person, certificates should be furnished by the Medical Practitioner who ordinarily attended him during these 3 years. A statement will also be required from his Employer or Employers in respect of the 3 years prior to his joining the particular Force.
- (iv) Give the names and addresses of the applicant's Employers:
- (a) During the 3 years prior to joining the particular Military Force in which it is claimed he contracted any disability referred to in the reply to Question 2 above.
  - (b) During the period of his Military Service referred to at 1.



(c) During the period since the cessation of his Military Service.

(v) Was the applicant at any time prior to his service referred to at 1, a candidate for any appointment which necessitated a medical examination? If so, state the nature of the appointment and the result of the medical examination.

4. Give the names of the hospitals where the applicant has been treated for any Wound or Disease stated in reply to Question 2 above, and the approximate dates of admissions and Discharges.

*Dublin Castle  
Admitted on surrender of volunteers  
in Moore Street Dublin April 1916  
removed from Hospital about July 1916  
Kildare Infirmary Oct-1916 for two  
weeks*

5. Did the applicant suffer from any Wound or Disease mentioned in above answer to Question 2, or anything like it, prior to his service as stated in reply to question 1? If so, give details and dates.

*No*

6. Give the names of any hospitals in which the applicant received treatment as an in-patient or an out-patient, prior to the period of his service, and the nature of the ailment for which treatment was provided.

7. What was the nature of the applicant's employment?

*Farmer*

(a) Before his Military Service referred to at 1. (State name and address of last employer).

*with at Home  
Prosperous, Naas, Co. Kildare*

(b) During the period of his Military Service referred to at 1.

*at Home Prosperous Naas*

(c) After the cessation of his Military Service referred to at 1.

*On my own farm Caragh Naas,  
Co. Kildare*

8. Give particulars of any period, or periods, of unemployment since the cessation of the applicant's Military Service, and the cause of it (e.g., trade depression, ill-health, etc.).

*Owing to disability caused by  
wound I have been unable to work  
regularly and constantly on farm  
which necessitated the  
employment of a farmworker*

9. Has the applicant received compensation from his Employer, or from any person or body in respect of any accident, injury, or disease. If so, give full particulars and state the amount of such compensation.

*None*

10. Give the names and addresses of



any doctors who attended the applicant since the cessation of his Military Service, and particulars of the ailments for which they attended him.

*Dr Coady (deceased)  
Kildare Infirmary  
Dr Michael Purcell  
No.*

11. If the applicant has been treated at a hospital (either as an in-patient or an out-patient) since the cessation of his Military Service, give the name of the hospital or hospitals, dates of admission, or commencement of treatment, and the nature of the ailment for which treated.
12. Give particulars of the applicant's health since the cessation of his Military Service. These should be supported by:—
  - (a) medical certificates from any civilian doctors who have attended him and reports from non-military hospitals he has attended;
  - (b) certificates from his employers as to health and time lost.
13. Has the applicant received, in respect of any wound or disease mentioned in answer to Question 2 above, any payment;
  - (a) on a decree under the Criminal Injuries (Ireland) Acts, 1919 and 1920;
  - (b) on an award made by the Personal Injuries Committee;
  - (c) From or on behalf of the person alleged to be responsible for the act which caused such wound;
  - (d) from any other source.

If so, give full particulars.
14. Give the name of the applicant's National Health Approved Society and (if possible) his Membership Number.
15. Has the applicant at any time since the cessation of his Military Service been registered at a Labour Exchange? If so, give particulars as to the name of the Exchange and the period.
16. Is there any other information

*Certificate attached from  
Dr Purcell*

*No*

*No*

*No*

*No*

*No*

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*No*



which you can give, which is material to the Applicant's claim?

(Note.—Section 10 (5) of the Army Pensions Act, 1932).

17. Did the applicant make a claim for a certificate of Service under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924? If so, what was the result of his claim?

*No*

18. Did the applicant make a claim for a pension or gratuity in respect of any wound or disease referred to at Question 2 above under the Army Pensions Acts, 1923, and 1927? If so, what was the result of his claim?

*No*

19. Give particulars of any pension or gratuity awarded to the applicant under the Army Pensions Act, 1923, or under the Army Pensions Act, 1927, in respect of a wound or injury received or disease contracted in the course of duty with the Irish Volunteers, Irish Citizen Army, 1916, or National Army.

*None*

20. Has the applicant served at any period with any of the following Military or Police Forces: (a) British; (b) Australian; (c) New Zealand; (d) South African; (e) Canadian; (f) American (U.S.A.); (g) Royal Irish Constabulary; (h) Dublin Metropolitan Police; (i) Garda Síochána; (j) National Army; (k) Defence Forces. If so, give particulars of service.

*No*

21. (a) Give full particulars of any pension allowance or gratuity which the applicant holds, or at any time held in respect of any wound or injury received in or disease contracted in the services mentioned in your reply to above question.

*None*

- (b) State clearly the source from which payment of such pension allowance or gratuity is made or has been made.

Additional particulars to be given if by reason of applicant being a married man a further pension in accordance with the terms of the Act is claimed.

22. If applicant's wife is alive:—

- (a) State the date of his marriage.

- (b) State the name of his wife.



(c) Is his wife dependent on him?

(d) Does she ordinarily reside with him? (Certificate of marriage to be attached.)

23. (a) If the applicant's wife is dead, or the marriage has been annulled or dissolved, state the names and ages of any:

Sons under 18 years of age.

Unmarried Daughters under 21 years of age.

(Certificates of birth of living children to be attached.)

(b) State whether the children mentioned above are dependent on the applicant, and where they are living.

(c) State whether any of the above children are married.

I declare that—

- (a) I am the applicant mentioned in the foregoing particulars.
- (b) the said particulars have been read over by or to me before signing this declaration,
- (c) the said particulars are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature of Applicant..... *Thomas Harris*

Address of Applicant..... *Caragh Naas Co. Kildare*

or where application is sent in by another person on behalf of applicant—

I declare that—

- (a) this application is made by me on behalf of the above mentioned applicant,
- (b) that the foregoing particulars have been read over by or to me before signing this declaration,
- (c) that the said particulars are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature of Declarant.....

Address.....

Description.....

Signature of Witness..... *Michael Purcell* Address..... *And. Mor. Naas*

(See Note overleaf)

Qualification..... *P. Physician & Surgeon* Date..... *24/4/33*



NOTE.—To be signed by one of the following:—

- A Commissioned Officer serving in the Defence Forces.
- A Permanent Civil Servant (active or retired) whose salary is or was not less than £200 and on a scale rising to not less than £300.
- A District Justice.
- A Peace Commissioner.
- A Barrister-at-Law, a Solicitor, or a Commissioner for Oaths.
- A Minister of Religion (denomination to be stated).
- A Registered Physician or Surgeon.
- Managers, Secretaries, Chief Cashiers and Accountants of Banks, and Officials in charge of Branch Banks.
- A Member of the Garda Síochána.
- A Postmaster or Postmistress in actual charge of a Post Office.
- Head Teachers of Secondary or National Schools.
- A Secretary of a Registered Friendly Society.

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April 24<sup>th</sup> 1933.

This is to certify that I have today examined Mr Thomas Harris, Baragh, Naas. I found that he had previously sustained a compound comminuted fracture of the fifth metatarsal bone of his foot. This has resulted in a traumatic arthritis of the joints of the foot, with rheumatic pain and stiffness of the leg muscles. On a prior occasion he has consulted me regarding the loss of power in this limb, but the condition is not amenable to treatment and is, in my opinion, of a slowly progressive nature.

Michael B.H. Purcell.  
M.B.B.Ch., D.P.H., B.Sc.(P.H.).



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Harris.

Caragh

Nas

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The Secretary  
Dept. of Defence  
(Pensions Branch)

re Caragh

Please forward me  
form A. P. 50 as it is  
my intention to apply  
for a disability pension  
under the Army Pensions  
Act-1932 more or less.

Thomas Harris

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