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Loo Kennedy, Josephine Ahern, Eilis Ryan,
P. Ryan, Mrs. Mulcahy, Mrs. Clerke,
Mrs. Ceannt, Eilis Aughney, Mdme Markievicz,
Miss Breen, Madge Daly, Miss Mullens (Monaghan)
Maureen McAvick, Miss MacSwiney, Dr. Ada English. (Galway)
Brigid O'Mullane, Roson Doherty (Armagh)

Unfortunately there seems to be no records left after the many raids, so it is only my memory that serves me, and above are the prople L have in my mind, who were around me on the platform as the Executive at the Convention Extraordinary held in the Mandion House during 1921(early Spring) or perhaps January, 1 forget which month.

Let me know if I can give you any further information. As I have given your name in reference, I enclose copy of my service. I have a chance of getting a loan of the book "Leabhar na mBan" which contains my photo and mentions me as being a member of the Executive. As this was published in 1918 or 19 it should prove interesting for the earlier years. I remember Mrs. Wyse Power mentioning you as a very efficient Secretary in her 'resume' and paying a great tribute to your work for Cumann na mBan.

Drop in to me any afternoon you like,

In haste,

Brigies O. Pullang

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#### Military Service Pensions

#### APPLICATION TO THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE FOR A SERVICE CERTIFICATE.

This form must be filled in by every person who seeks a Service Certificate, and must be signed by him and his signature witnessed. The completed form must reach the Minister for Defence on or before the 18 MARCH 1954. In the event of an applicant being unable to write, he should affix his mark, such act being witnessed.

Name (to be written in..... block capitals). CEANNT

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Note.—Before answering the questions below, the applicant is requested to note that:

- (a) This form is divided into three parts. Part I. is to be completed where the applicant had, in addition to the required pre-Truce Service, Service in the Forces in the period commencing the 1st July, 1922. Part II. is to be completed where the applicant's qualifying service in the Forces was pre-Truce only. Only one of those two parts is to be completed by any one applicant. Part III. is of general application and should be completed by all applicants.
- (b) Before completing particulars as to rank the applicant should read carefully the First Schedule to the Act and also the definitions of the expressions "first critical date" and "second critical date" which are appended to this form for the information of applicants. He should then complete his replies to the questions in the terms of Rules 1 and 2 of the First Schedule which are applicable to his case, e.g. :-

was "a Divisional Adjutant" or

was "a Battalion Quartermaster whose Battalion was (at the critical date) not less than one hundred in strength," or

was "an officer of Fianna Eireann commanding one hundred members

If applicant's case falls within either Rule 3 or Rule 4 of the First Schedule full particulars of the claim as required by those Rules should be given if necessary, in a separate statement.

(c) All statements made in this application will be carefully investigated, and satisfactory evidence must be forthcoming on request to substantiate each and every statement made.

(d) "If any person with a view to obtaining either for himself or any other person a grant or payment of a pension under the Acts, makes, signs, or uses any declaration, application or other written statement knowing the same to be false, such person shall be guilty of an offence under this section and shall be liable on summary conviction thereof to a fine not exceeding £25 (twentyfive pounds) or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months or at the discretion of the Court to both such fine and imprisonment." (Sec. 19 (1) of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934).

(e) "If any person so convicted as aforesaid is in receipt of a pension obtained by reason of such false declaration, application, or other written statement he shall forfeit such pension as from the date of such conviction." (Sec. 19 (2) of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934).

If the applicant is unable to read, the above note should be read to him by the witness.

SERVICE IN THE FORCES, THAT IS IN THE FOLLOWING MILITARY BODIES, OGLAIGH NA h-EIREANN (IRISH REPUBLICAN ARMY) OR IN THE IRISH VOLUNTEERS OR IN THE IRISH CITIZEN ARMY OR FIANNA EIREANN OR IN THE HIBERNIAN RIFLES OR IN CUMANN NA mBAN.

For each of the periods set out in Parts I. and II. in which you claim to have rendered active service, state the name of the unit or units, name and address of the O.C., the names and addresses of three reputable references who can verify your service.

The following circumstances shall not be deemed to constitute a breach in the continuity of service:

(a) Absence from duty following arrest, imprisonment, internment, or deporation under the Defence of the Realm Act, 1914, the Restoration of Order in Ireland Act, 1920, or any regulations made thereunder;
(b) Absence from duty following arrest, imprisonment, or penal servitude in respect

of sedition, treason or treason felony prior to 11th July, 1921;

(c) Absence from duty by reason of duties necessitating such absence undertaken at the instance of or on behalf of the Cabinet of the First Dail Eireann or of the Second Dail Eireann;

(d) Absence from duty while under arrest as a result of activities as a member of

the Forces.

If you claim to have been absent from duty under these conditions, give particulars of the circumstances with respect to each such period of absence, and state its duration.

#### PART I.

#### TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANTS WHO HAD PRE AND POST TRUCE SERVICE IN THE FORCES\* AS FOLLOWS:-

- (a) who served in the Forces at any time during the week commencing on the 23rd day of April, 1916,
- (b) who served in the Forces continuously during either of the following periods, the period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1920, and ending on the 31st day of March, 1921,

(c) the period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1921, and ending on the 11th day of July, 1921, and in addition

who served in the Forces at any time during the period commencing on the 1st day of July, 1922, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923.

\* The following Military Bodies, and those only, are included in the term "the Forces,"

Oglaigh na h-Eireann (Irish Republican Army) or the Irish Volunteers, or the Irish Citizen Army, or Fianna Eireann, or Management and State and St the Hibernian Rifles, or Cumann na mBan.

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Note.—You will subsequently have to furnish any further particulars and to submit any evidence which the Minister for Defence, or the Referee appointed under the Military Service Pensions Acts, or any person or persons duly authorised by them may require in connection with this application for a Service certificate. In this connection attention is directed to the fact that Section 8 (4) of the Act prescribes that the onus of proof shall rest on the applicant.
Careful consideration shall be given to any documentary evidence which you may wish to submit herewith. You may also at your discretion write hereunder a statement of any additional information which you consider may be of assistance in determining your application.
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Date. 1-st September 1953.
* Witness must be 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 a Secondary or National Schools.  A Secretary of a Registered Friendly Society.  A Notary Public.  A Consul-General.
A Consul. A Vice-Consul.

#### APPENDIX.

#### FIRST SCHEDULE.

#### RULES FOR DETERMINING NOTIONAL GRADES OF RANK IN THE FORCES HELD BY PERSONS SERVING IN THE FORCES.

1.—(1) Any person who at any date was either Chief of Staff, Deputy Chief of Staff, Adjutant General, a Divisional Officer Commanding, or Quartermaster General shall be deemed to have held at that date Rank A.

(2) Any person who at any date was either—

(a) A General Headquarters Officer acting as Director of any one of the following services, namely Organisation, Intelligence, Engineering and Munitions, or (b) a Brigade Officer Commanding whose brigade was at that date not less than one

thousand in strength,

shall be deemed to have held at that date Rank B.

(3) Any person who at any date with either—

(a) a Brigade Officer Commanding whose brigade at that date was less than one thousand in strength, or

(b) a Divisional Vice Officer Commanding, or

(c) a Divisional Adjutant, or

(d) a Divisional Quartermaster, or (e) a Battalion Commandant whose battalion was at that date not less than three hundred

(f) a Brigade Vice Officer Commanding whose brigade was at that date not less than one

(g) a Brigade Adjutant whose brigade was at that date not less than one thousand in thousand in strength, or

(h) a Brigade Quartermaster whose bridgade was at that date not less than one thousand in strength, or
(i) a Column Commander whose column was at that date not less than thirty in strength,

(j) a General Headquarters Officer who at that date was acting as Director of Medical

(k) a General Headquarters Officer who at that date was acting as Director of any Service, other than that of Medical Services, or one of the Services mentioned in subparagraph (a) of the immediately preceding paragraph, shall be deemed to have held at that date Rank C.

(4) A person who at any date-

- (a) was a Battalion Commandant whose battalion at that date was less than three hundred in strength, or
- (b) was a Company Captain whose company at that date was not less than sixty in

(c) was, at that date, a Captain on the General Headquarters Staff or on a Divisional

(d) was, in the case of a company which at that date was not less than one hundred and twenty in strength, where the company had at that date one Lieutenant only, such Lieutenant or, where the company had at that date two Lieutenants only, one or other of such Lieutenants, or, where the company had at that date three or more Lieutenants, one or other of the two Lieutenants who were at that date respectively second or third in command, or

(e) was, in the case of a company which at that date was less than one hundred and twenty in strength but not less than one hundred in strength, where such company had at that date one Lieutenant only, such Lieutenant or where such company had at that date two or more Lieutenants, the Lieutenant who was at that date second

(f) was a Brigade Officer, other than a Brigade Officer who is deemed by virtue of paragraph (2) or (3) of this Rule to have held at that date either Rank B or Rank C, or paragraph (2) or (3) of this Rule to have held at that date either Rank B or Rank C, or was a Battalion Vice Officer Commanding whose battalion at that date was not less

than one hundred in strength, or
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(1) was a General Headquarters Officer other than a General Headquarters Officer who was at that date acting as a Director of any Service, or

(k) was a Divisional Officer other than a Divisional Officer Commanding, a Divisional Adjutant or a Divisional Quartermaster, or

(l) was a Column Commander whose column at that date was less than thirty in strength,

or

- (m) was a Medical Officer other than a General Headquarters Officer who at that date was acting as Director of Medical Services,
- shall be deemed to have held at that date Rank D.
  - (5) Any person who complies with the following conditions, namely:
    - (a) was at any date an officer, and
    - (b) is not deemed by virtue of any of the preceding paragraphs of this Rule to have held at that date any grade of rank,

shall be deemed for the purposes of this Act to have held at that date Rank E.

- (6) Any person who at any date held the rank of non-commissioned officer or private shall bedeemed to have held at that date Rank E.
- (7) None of the foregoing provisions of this Rule shall apply to any person who at any date was a member of Fianna Eireann or of Cumann na mBan and was not at any date a member of Oglaigh na hEireann (Irish Republican Army) or of the Irish Volunteers, and in lieu thereof the following provisions shall have effect in relation to any such person, that is to say:—
  - (a) any person who at any date:
    - (i) was a member of the headquarters staff or executive of Fianna Eireann or Cumann na mBan, or
    - (ii) was an officer of Fianna Eireann or Cumann na mBan commanding one hundred members or more of either of those bodies, or
    - (iii) was an officer of Fianna Eireann or Cumann na mBan senior to an officer of either of those bodies commanding one hundred members or more of either of those bodies,

shall be deemed to have held at that date Rank D, and

- (b) any person who at any date was a member of Fianna Eireann or Cumann na mBan and who is not deemed by virtue of the foregoing sub-paragraph (a) of this paragraph to have held Rank D, shall be deemed to have held at that date Rank E.
- 2. Where an officer whose grade of rank at any date is, under Rule 1 of this Schedule, to be determined both by his actual rank in the Forces and the strength of the unit to which he belonged at that date, and such officer is, at that date, absent from duty by imprisonment on account of his activities as a member of the Forces, the following provisions shall, for the purposes of the said Rule I, have effect in relation to such officer, that is to say:—
  - (a) such officer shall be deemed to have held at that date the actual rank in the Forces which he held at the date of his arrest, and
  - (b) such unit shall be deemed to be at that date at the same strength as it was at the time of his arrest.
- 3. Where the case of any person does not fall within the provisions of Rule I of this Schedule, the Referee may determine the particular grade of rank which such person is to be deemed to have held on any date, and in so determining the Referee shall have regard to the following matters, that is to say:—
  - (a) the appointment held by such person,
  - (b) the services performed by such person,
  - (c) the principles of grading set forth in the said Rule I.
- 4. Where any person, whose case at a particular date falls within the provisions of Rule I of this Schedule, was, at that date, engaged in service of a special character, the Referee may, in making his report under this Act in relation to the grade of rank held by such person on such date, report that the grade of rank held by him on such date is a grade of rank higher than the grade which, but for this Rule, would be the grade of rank held by him on that date.

#### DEFINITION OF THE FIRST AND SECOND CRITICAL DATES.

1. In the case of a person who served in the Forces during the period commencing on the 1st day of July, 1922, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923,

The expression "the first critical date" means the 11th day of July, 1921; and the expression the second critical date means:—

- (a) in the case of a person who served in the Forces on the 1st day of July, 1922, the 1st day of July, 1922, and
- (b) in the case of a person who did not serve in the Forces on the 1st day of July, 1922, but who served in the Forces at any time during the period commencing on the 2nd day of July, 1922, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923, the date during that period on which such person first served in the Forces.
- 2. In the case of a person who did not serve in the Forces during the period commencing on the 1st day of July, 1922, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923, but who has either:—
  - (a) served in the Forces at any time during the week commencing on the 23rd day of April, 1916, or
  - (b) served in the Forces continuously during the period commencing on the 1st day of April, 1921, and ending on the 11th day of July, 1921,

the expression "the first critical date" shall be construed as meaning the date during the said week, or if he did not serve during the said week, during the said period, on which he first served in the Forces in such week or such period (as the case may be), and the expression "the second critical date" shall be construed as meaning the earliest date in the period between the first critical date in respect of such person, and the 12th day of July, 1921, on which such

person held his highest rank in such last-mentioned period in the Forces.

SIXTEEN, WHITEHALL ROAD, TERENURE, DUBLIN. 3nd Septe 1953. a taring, a come mus Ceannt, widew of Eamonn Cearmt has applied for a persion as a member of the Executive of Cumans na mban fram 1916 onwards. She is in receipt of £ 500 a year free of tase as widow of a signature of the Proclamation of Easter Week. The is in a very low state of health and oring to long closes and various other misfartimes, she fends herself in very reduced cinamistances hence her application. I feel that mos Ceannt is not long for this would and if anything can

be done to relieve her ofher forancial wornes it would want to be done quickly? For this reason I ask you to do all in your power to have her application shoult with as quickly and as generously as possible. I know that her case will have your sympathy and I am sure that this would apply also to the members of the Gavernment, if the full circumstances were lenoven to them. as I am writing this letter without the knowledge of home count on her son, I would ask you to treat it as very confidential. For all I know they night resent ongthing in the nature of an ad misercondian apapial. ly mape, be meny lean bluncy

# Military Archives

Ref. No. 63426.

Having examined the application beneath

we, the members of the Advisory Committee/Board

of Assessors, grade it as indicated below:-

### Military Archives

MSP./63426.

15. Meán Fomhair, 1953.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to your application under the Military Service Pensions Acts, and to state that in order to deal expeditiously with the application the Referee would be obliged if you would arrange to see him at your home on any day between the 28th instant and the 2nd proximo. You will, no doubt, inform the Referee of the date and time which would be convenient.

I am to add that if you would be good enough to name any witnesses you desire to have heard, arrangements will be made to take their evidence at this office.

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My momes, who is recovering from an ellners, has asked not to thank you for your letter of yesterday's date, as me is, at present, inequal the gram of letter whiting. The has asked into to say that she greatly affrecates the lowery and counderation of the referred in proporting to Virit her here instead of requiry her to attend at his office, and the suggests 3 pm on Tuesday of in other months as a suitable time and date, provided it is also comercient for the referred.

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put them to the trouble of dong so.

Perhaps, however, your offer to hear other witheners
in the office refers to additional witnesses and, if this he the Cash, of
may say that my homer had not considered it necessary to
secure further wineres in suffert of his claim. The could, no
doubt, propell other witnesses to reslify on her behalf but
will await a reply to my query before getting in towers with
them.

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21, Meán Fómhair, 1953.

A Chara.

With reference to your letter of the 16th instant, relative to the application under the Military Service Pensions Acts by Bean E. Ceannt, I am directed to state that the Referee will arrange to call on Tuesday, the 29th instant at 3 p.m.

Regarding the question of witnesses I am to say that the Referee will discuss the matter when he calls and in the meantime the matter may be left in abeyance.

Mise, le meas,

RÚNAÍ.

Rónán E. Ceannt, Uas., Naomh Seosamh, Churchtown, CO. DUBLIN. leatán miontuairisce.



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Summary of Evidence given by Aine Bean E. Ceannt, at her home, St. Joseph's, Churchtown, Dublin, on 29th September, 1953.

Applicant joined Cumann na mBan in January/February, 1914, and was attached to Central Branch.

Rising she was continually busy up to the time of her husband's departure at 11 a.m. on Monday. Her house was a Headquarters and as her husband did not wish to appear in Public until it was time to leave it fell to her to interview all callers, receiving messages from them for her husband and giving them messages from her husband. She conveyed a message from James Connolly asking for her husband's attendance at a meeting. She interviewed Cathal Brugha and Liam Mellows. She was particularly busy with callers coming and going from dawn on Monday until her her husband left. Practically every officer of the 4th Battalion was in the house at some time or other on Sunday and early Monday.

As her own house in Dolphin's Barn was likely to be in the line of fire she was instructed to leave. She did so shortly after her husband's departure and remained for the rest of the week in Mrs. Brugha's house.

Following her husband's execution on 8th May, 1916, she resumed her Cumann na mBan activities with the Central Branch. She was elected in August to the Central Executive and continued to serve on the Executive. She visited Cork and spent a few days there settling a local dispute that had arisen. Her main work as an Executive member was the organisation of the Cumann na mBan. The Executive members acted as a body and not as individuals.

During 1920-21 her house was at the disposal of Michael Collins who used it for a period of about 9 months. He left documents which she kept safely for him. Others besides Collins used her house. Joe Reilly called every evening and left a bag which she kept safely for him until he called again to collect it the next morning. She supplied meals for Collins while he used her house. She copied documents for Collins. On one occasion a spy attempted to plant and ammunition but was not successful.

During the Truce she continued with the Routine Cumann na mBan organisation work.

On the outbreak of Civil War she presented herself for work and was later in charge of First Aid Station at St. Enda's. She collected many and arranged for transfer of it to the North. She visited Prisoners and sent parcels to them. She devoted much of her time to propaganda work. She carried dispatches and continued her work as member of Cumann na mBan Executive. Her house was continually raided.

Mr.

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Daoms Stosans Churchtown, Duklin, 30th September, 1953

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I lapa, when The Reference and his colleague (un incivilliams?) had correlated the heavy of my memer's evidence, yesterday, Mr Jorbes told her that if hehaffened to recall any further particulars, after he had left, g mound make as role of them and send them on for Consideration

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To that reason, ny nomer dud not withally refer to some of the adminis (such as the lare of prisoners and the shelking of men on the run) which she has now asked my to include in the enclosed memorandum.

parning me menorandum to the Reference or the Committee, for consideration.

Roman & Ceannt

(MSP/63426)
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MEMORANDUM OF DETAILS OF SERVICE GIVEN TO MR THOCH FORBES, THE
REFEREE, BY 29th SEPTEMBER, 1953) IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION UNDER
MILITARY SERVICE PENGIONS ACTS.

#### PERIOD COVERED.

1916 - ENSTER WEEK.

DETHILS OF SERVICE OR ACTIVITIES

On Triday of Easter Week, g piloted Mrs

Cathal Brigha to the South Dualin Umon

to See her husband wo was in 16 Hospilal

there. She did not know the layout but of was

familiar withit and was able to act

as quidl. We were accompanied by Mins

Kne Mon (mrs Brigha's sister) and of a

Miss O'Sullivan, wo is now wife of

Senator Barter. On that occasion, g

Visited my thome in Dalyhn's Bain, in

Company will miss O'S allman, and

found it had been whethed you

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1916 - lotermyear.

The remainder of 1916 was largely devoled to the Care of the prisoners in gails and for forts 10 hour function them released. I was also actively engaged in the mangusation of the National And Society being in rearry daily confermed with Mr John archeleacon Murphy of U.S. A., in represented the Sporisons in america.

1917

one of the first activities of Coursess use Mbarns, learly in 1917, was the preparation of hint Field Grennys (for use by the Palmeers) and many of those drennys were made up by me and y Mers working with me, in my home 1917 - CONE.

Ourny 1917, g was one of a few who established the Raneloigh (grun-speaking) Branch of Cuman Jumbann:

1917-1918

beformers, my advises in these two years (apart from the points about voted) were warney of a palitical nature; it is hard now to distinguism between my role as a member of Cumans pansbams and that as a member of Sim Fein as I was on the Executive Commettees of lim Bodies

1919-1920

after his escape from Mountjoy Sail, in Notice Barton remained in my house, while on the run until his arrest (on the Railway Rubantiment helmed they house mobility Road) in January, 1920 - about much mouths mall, while in my house, the Barton Conducted there the affairs of his Department (il agriculture). an hour or so after his arrest (neardawn) quant Collected this official papers and removed them to a "Safe" house in americal removed them to a "Safe" house in americal upon.

Milita Pension Durny the same period (1919/1920) a room my house was frequently used for meetings, principally by Michael Colems, Richard Mulcaly, Rory O'Cornor and (gihne) Cathal Brugha 1920 Cont

resident (a member of I.R.A) asked into house a Collection of ferearchs (many) small arms) and g kept there hidden while the Same wan asked for them back some months later.

on the autumn (g think) of 1920, Counters de Markieviez, wo was their Munner for Lahour, Mayed in my house for about a month, while on the zem.

1920-1921

Surrightis period, I was afformled you mustry of Labour to replace wall officials in the holding of artifications and Labour distributes and I went to Various parts of the Country (eg Emis, Drighand, Simulationel, Castle could and Fernory) in difficult (and sometimes dangerous) travelly conditions to hold artifications in secret (it without the Krowledge of the British authorities)

When Jeremials Mel and his Couracles resigned from the R. I.C., it was essential to get work for them and my home was used as a Cleary house for those men, who were chrected to it of the Hom. Mary Spring-Rice.

During the wole of the Black and Tans
period, about half of the officel
hees and documents of he Mingley of
Labour were kept budden, each
night, in my house, the other half
heng tohen charge of elsewhere.

1922

In the first few days of the Civil war, y, as a number of Cuman Ja Mbann, prombed myself forduly at "Tara Hall" and Worked there unite lunch hours. Then, as food was scarceff arranged to make my way home to Ranelagn for lunch, molead. On my way home, y Called to republican HQ, 23, Suffolic Greet where g was haveled a \$50 Cheque (drawn by ms Erskue childrens) and told to cash it willrout fail as the money was urgently needed for the republican tores. Having succeeded in Carting the thique, una Rallumes Shep, of returned with the money to Suffalk Shelt. Thereupon of was instructed to set up ( m conjunctions With Mrs A. Hyland) a "Base Hospital" at St Enda is, Danley road (This horpilal was required, g was told, for treatment of-Casualdies expeded from the Blessington Urla). The setting up of the Hospital entailed the Collection of equipment and provisions, some of these things herry horrowed and some provided lyme at my own expense.

1922-1923

when were Robert Barton and Joseph mai Derray were arrested in the Summer of 1922, gristed them at Portabello Barrachs I from which they and many others escaped the west ment). A few days after me escape the Petert Barlon Came to my house, where he remained on the run for about sex weeks 2 them left because of Laids. Subsequently,

1922 - Cont.

he was arrested (on Northunderland Road and galled in Mountjoy and, until his release, g looned after his Welfare by delinery pareels to the fail and by Collecting and return his family. Jalso, at in Barlon's request, provided a like served for David L. Retusors and for certain fellow-presoners (www had no friedreds in Duhlm to look after them) Mr Barlon providing the funds to key the food & contamed in the passels. My Sires, mis fely OBreman, was also in fail at this tul and g had to see to her welfare too, the whole entailing frequent Journeys to mountjoy (and also to Kilmaniham, where my girles was pra time) With pariels and saforth.

Both Seplentin, 1953.

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# SCHEUしLLE

SP.10798 500d 10 52 2/40321

# Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

Was the applicant a member of the Irish Volunteer Executive Relevant paragraph of First Schedule. (a) sub-para. (j) of para. 3 of Rule I of the First Schedule? .... at any time prior to 11th July, 1921? Is the applicant a person to whom the Act Applicant's Name Aune Down & Count Address Lanin Jasen 2nd critical date..... Rank or Grade Does applicant's case fall under-1st critical date...... applies? Equivalent for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule year(s) vear year year Duration of active to the satisfaction ......... period period period service established period of the Referee. which active service Particular military body or bodies in was rendered. Reference No. 63476 (2) (a) 1/4/16 - 22/4/16(b) 30/4/16 - 31/3/17(1) 23/4/16 - 29/4/16(3) 1/4/17 - 31/3/18(4) 1/4/18 - 31/3/19PERIOD

vided by the Oireachtas or out of the Central Fund or allowance payable out of public moneys whether pro-Does the applicant state in his application whether he is at present in receipt of any remuneration, pension or でで by means of the Poor Rate or any other rate imposed by a Local Authority ... as widen of one of

year(s)

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Does the applicant state in his application whether he applied for or is in receipt of unemployment assistance under the Unemployment Assistance Act, 1933? if so, quote the number of his qualification certificate if given by him

TO THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE.

I submit hereon my report in this case.

The year(s)

TOTAL

period

period

1/3 year(s)

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(b) sub-para. (m) of para. 4 of Rule I of the First Schedule? ....

(6) 1/4/20 - 31/3/21

(5) 1/4/19 - 31/3/20

(7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/21

(8) 12/7/21 - 30/6/22

(9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23

(10) 1/4/23 - 30/9/23

Applicant's Name 63426 Ref. No.

MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACTS, 1934 - 1949.

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REFERENCES.

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EXPENSES. MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACTS, 1924-1949 - FORM OF CLAIM FOR WITNESSES!

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When car (a) In cases where expenses are incurred in respect of car hire, receipted vouchers should be attached. When used is the private property of the witness, the fact should be stated. Car Registration Number should be shown in all cases. (b) In cases where an amount is claimed in respect of loss of wages,

a certificate from the employer as to the amount

I certify that the foregoing particulars are correct: Signature of of loss should be furnished.

the period I certify that the witness named hereon attended before the Referee and Advisory Committee during

claimant;

I further certify that this attendance was on the Public Service.

Date: