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An Uimhir

An Snó

D.P. 2488X

An Uimhir as Roinn
Eile

Croke Julia (Mrs),
23, Cottimore Lane,
Walter-on-Thames,
Surrey.

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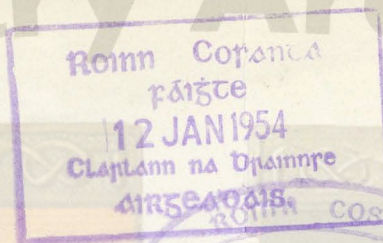
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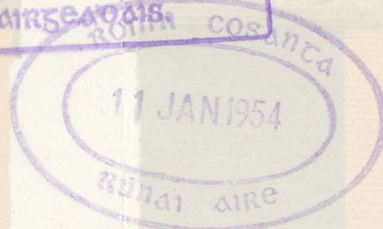
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DAIL ÉIREANN

BAILE ATHA CLIATH
(Dublin)

Murphy
8 Jan 54

Sláinte,

Can you send me a form to fill in,
on behalf of Mrs Julia Croke, 23 Cottonmore
Lane, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey (Widow)

to enable her claim an allowance under
the Army Pensions Acts in respect of her
brother George M^c Dermott, Muran who
was killed in engagement while on active
I. R. A. service July 1922.

Will send the form when filled in,
to Mrs Croke for her signature

N/T
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Form used

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M. Hilliard

23 Costinor Lane
Walton-on-Thames
Surrey

28th Feb 1954

Dear Sir

Thank you for letter
form received on Monday 22nd Feb

I have had same completed
which I trust you will
find in order.

Inclosed are the two
Certificates you asked for.
Will you return them to

me when finished with please.
Any expense you have
on my behalf. I will
gladly refund to you.
With many thanks for
your kind assistance.
D. Hoping for the best.

Yours faithfully.
Julia Croke.

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one, cross-reference and attach and return to this
Section.

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HEREof Registers.

Please confirm that there are no previous papers dealing with a claim in respect of the death of George Mc Dermott, Navan Co. Meath. If not, please open m.m.s. file in the case, attach, cross reference and return both files.

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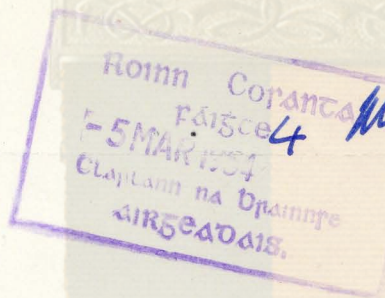
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DAIL EIREANN

BAILE ATHA CLIATH

(Dublin)



Siopa,

Enclosed form & documents
from Mrs Crooke in respect of her
claim under Army Pensions Acts.
Will forward death cert.
of her brother George M.C. Dermott as
soon as I get it.

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to me up

M. Hilliard

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ARMY PENSIONS ACTS, 1923-1953



Application for an allowance under Part II of the Army Pensions Act, 1953, by or on behalf of the widow, parent, sister or permanently invalided brother of a deceased person

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 she or he is entitled to the allowance.**
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.
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 written in Block Capitals) CROKE JULIA MRS
(Surname), (Mr., Mrs., or Miss). (Christian Names)

Address 23 COTTMORE LANE Walton on Thames Surrey

Name of Deceased Member M^r Dermott George

Date of (Address)

Navan Colfeath

NOTE.—Before answering any of the questions below, the person making the declaration at the foot of this Form is to note that the statements made will be checked.

The Army Pensions Acts impose a summary penalty for a false declaration. The following are the terms of Section 12(1) of the Army Pensions Act, 1923, as amended by Section 3 of the Army Pensions Act, 1949 :—

“If, for the purpose of obtaining or continuing for himself or any other person a pension, allowance (including a special allowance), or gratuity under this Act or for the purpose of obtaining or continuing for himself or any other person a pension, allowance (including a special allowance), or gratuity under this Act at a higher rate than that appropriate to the case, any person makes any statement or representation (whether such statement or representation is written or oral) which is to his knowledge false or misleading in any material respect, such person 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 imprisonment.”

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

1. State relationship of applicant to deceased and such of the following particulars as are appropriate :—

(a) If widow, date of marriage (certificate of marriage to be attached).

(b) State whether applicant is a parent of deceased.

X (c) If applicant is a sister of deceased state whether unmarried or a widow. If a widow (a) the marriage certificate and (b) the death certificate of husband should be attached. If a permanently invalid brother, a medical certificate should be attached. State also if applicant was dependent on deceased at the date of the latter's death and, if so, to what extent. The full circumstances as to dependency should be set out in a separate statement if necessary.

2. State whether any claim has been made, or is being made by the applicant in respect of any other member of any of the bodies mentioned in 6.

3. State whether any claim has been made or is being made by any other person in respect of the deceased.

4. (a) When and where did the deceased die, and what was the cause or causes of death? (Certificate of death to be attached).

Sister

✓

✓

Widow

Marriage Cert. &
Death Cert. attached.

no

no

July 1922 at Curraghmore
Navan Co. Meath from
Gun Shot Wounds received in
engagement with F.S. Forces.

- (b) If the deceased died as a result of refusing to take nourishment while detained in prison, or died by violence while a prisoner, give details of the date, place and circumstances.

no.

5. State whether the deceased was married.

no.

6. Give particulars of the service of the deceased in any of the undermentioned bodies:—

BODY	Period of Service		In what capacity he served	In what areas he served	Name of his Commanding Officer
	From	To			
(a) Oglaigh na h-Eireann (Irish Republican Army)	1920	1922	Vol	Navan	James Byrne
(b) Irish Volunteers ..					Dunmoe
(c) Irish Citizen Army ..					Navan
(d) Fianna Eireann ..					
(e) Hibernian Rifles ..					
(f) Cumann na mBan ..					
(g) National Army or Defence Forces ..					

7. (a) When and in what area did the deceased receive the wound or injury or contract the disease which resulted in death?

Received wounds at Curraghmore
Navan July 1922

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

Michael Hilliard Navan Colmeath

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

James Byrne, Dunmoe Navan
Patrick Stapleton Dunmoe Navan

7. (d) Replies to Questions 7 (d) (i) to (v) to be filled in **only** in case of death due to **Disease**.

- (i) In what way is it claimed that the disease which was the cause of death was connected with the Military Service of the deceased 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 the service of the deceased which it

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is claimed caused the disability (or disabilities)? Did the deceased suffer from any illness during the period of his service? If so, give particulars, including any treatment received.

(iii) Give particulars of the health of the deceased for the three years prior to joining the particular body in which it is claimed he incurred the disability (or disabilities) which caused his death. If possible certificates should be furnished:—

- (a) from his doctor, and
- (b) from his approved Society for the three years prior to joining the particular body, or if he was not an insured person, certificates should be furnished by the Medical Practitioner who ordinarily attended him during those three years. A statement will also be required from his Employers in respect of the three years prior to his joining the particular body.

(iv) Give the names and addresses of his Employers:—

- (a) during the three years prior to joining the particular body in which it is claimed he contracted any disability referred to in the reply to Question 4 above.
- (b) During the period of his Military Service referred to at 6.
- (c) During the period since the cessation of his Military Service.

(v) Was the deceased at any time prior to his service referred to at 6 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.

*British Army and
James Dowdall, Knockumber
Navan.*

*James Dowdall, Knockumber
Navan.*

British Army.

8. Give the names of the hospitals where

the deceased was treated for the disability (or disabilities) stated in reply to Question 4 above, and the approximate dates of admissions and discharges, if possible.

9. Did the deceased suffer from the disability (or disabilities) mentioned in above answer to Question 4, or anything like it, prior to Military Service? If so, give details and dates.
10. Give the names of any hospital or hospitals, in which the deceased received treatment as an in-patient or an out-patient, prior to the period of his service, and the nature of the ailments for which treatment was provided.
11. What was the nature of the employment of deceased—
 - (a) before his Military Service referred to at 6,
 - (b) during the period of such Military Service,
 - (c) after the cessation of such Military Service?
12. Give particulars of any period, or periods of unemployment since the cessation of the Military Service of the deceased, and the cause of it (e.g., trade depression, ill-health, etc.).
13. Did either the deceased or the applicant receive compensation from the deceased's Employers, 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.
14. Give the names and addresses of any Doctors who attended the deceased since the cessation of his Military Service, and particulars of the ailments for which they attended him.
15. If the deceased was 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.

Farm Labourer

Same

No

16. Give particulars of the health of deceased since the cessation of his Military Service. These should be supported by:—

- (a) medical certificates from any civilian doctors who attended him, and reports from non-military hospitals which deceased attended.
- (b) certificates from deceased's Employers as to health and time lost.

17. Has the applicant received, or did the deceased receive, in respect of the disability, or disabilities, which caused his death 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 disability;
- (d) from any other source?

If so, give full particulars.

18. Give the name of deceased's National Health Approved Society, and (if possible) his membership number.

19. Did the deceased make a claim for a certificate of service under the Military Service Pensions Acts? If so, what was the result of his claim?

20. Did the applicant, or did the deceased, make any claim under the Army Pensions Acts, in respect of the wound or disease which caused the death of the deceased? If so, what was the result of such claim?

21. Give particulars of any pension or gratuity awarded to the deceased under the Army Pensions Acts, in respect of a wound or injury received or disease contracted in the course of duty with any of the bodies mentioned at 6 above.

22. State whether deceased was at any time in receipt of a pension, allowance or gratuity, in respect of

no

no

no

no

none

no

injuries received or disability incurred in the course of service 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 Siochana.

23. (a) Give full particulars of any pension, allowance or gratuity which the deceased received in respect of any wound or injury received or disease contracted in the services mentioned in the reply to above question.

none

(b) State clearly the source from which payment of such pension, allowance or gratuity was made.

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24. Give particulars of any payments the applicant has received from Army Funds since the death of deceased.

none.

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.

X

Signature of Applicant.....

Julia Crooke

Address of Applicant.....

*23 Cottam Lane
Walton on Thames Surrey*

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.....

(OVER)

* Signature of Witness.....

Address.....

Qualification of Witness.....

Date.....

* To be signed by one of the following:—

- A Commissioned Officer serving in the Defence Forces.
- A Permanent Civil Servant (active or retired) of a rank not lower than that of Staff Officer (Grade III).
- 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.
- A Manager, Secretary, Chief Cashier, or Accountant of a Bank or an Official in charge of a Branch Bank.
- A member of the Garda Síochána.
- A Postmaster or Postmistress in actual charge of a Post Office.
- A Head Teacher of a Secondary or a National School.
- A Secretary of a Registered Friendly Society.

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Reference Para 1(C)

I was not dependant on deceased at the date
of his death. But from the date of his death
I assisted to support my widowed mother

Julia Croke.

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24 Márta, 1954.

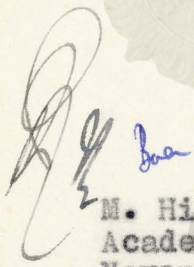
A Chara,

With reference to your representations on behalf of Mrs. Julia Croke, 23, Cottimore Lane, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, England, and to the form of application forwarded by you in connection with her claim under the Army Pensions Act, 1953, in respect of the death of her brother, Mr. George McDermott, I am directed by the Minister for Defence to state that the claim will be considered as quickly as possible and Mrs. Croke will be notified immediately a decision is reached.

Mise, le meas,

SGO DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE

RÚNAÍ.

 M. Hilliard, Esq., T.D.,
Academy St.,
Navan,
Co. Meath.

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24. Márta, 1954.

A Chara,

With reference to your representations on behalf of Mrs. Julia Croke, 23, Cottimore Lane, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, England, and to the form of application forwarded by you in connection with her claim under the Army Pensions Act, 1953, in respect of the death of her brother, Mr. George McDermott, I am directed by the Minister for Defence to state that the claim will be considered as quickly as possible and Mrs. Croke will be notified immediately a decision is reached.

Mise, le meas,

RÚNAÍ.

M. Hilliard, Esq., T.D.,
Academy St.,
Navan,
Co. Meath.

D.O. 24887.

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DÁIL ÉIREANN



BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH
(Dublin)

Roinn Coranta
Fáilte

31 MAR 1954

Clárann na Driamair

AIRGEADAIS.

Maven

30 March 54

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Death Cert. in
application from Mrs
Julia Croke herewith.

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le meuf

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16/4/54 *M. Hilliard*

To/
The Military Service Registration Board.

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


23, Cottinore Lane, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey
who claims an allowance under Part II of the Army Pensions Act, 1953, in respect of the death of her brother,

George M. Bennett.
and I am to request the Board to ascertain and certify, in accordance with Section 9 of the Army Pensions Act, 1953, the following particulars, i.e.:—

- (1) Whether the deceased was a member of an organisation to which Part II of the Act of 1932 applies and, if so, which of the said organisations.
- (2) Whether the deceased was engaged in pre-truce military service and/or post truce military service during the period 1st April, 1916, to 30th September, 1923, and, if so, particulars of such service. For the purposes of Part II of the Act of 1953 "military service" has the meaning assigned to that expression by Section 5(1) of the Act of 1932.
- (3) Whether the deceased received a wound during the period beginning on 1st April, 1916, and ending on 30th September, 1923, while engaged in military service and, if so, particulars of such wound.
- (4) Whether there is any evidence that the deceased contracted any disease during his military service in the period beginning on 1st April, 1916, and ending on 30th September, 1923, and, if so, particulars of such evidence.
- (5) The date of death of the deceased.
- (6) Whether the deceased was killed before 1st October, 1923, while engaged in military service and, if so, particulars of the circumstances of his death.
- (7) _____

Date

20/4/54

9.  RUNAÍ.

ARMY PENSIONS ACTS, 1923-1953.

SERVICE CERTIFICATE ISSUED BY THE MILITARY SERVICE REGISTRATION BOARD IN RESPECT OF A DECEASED PERSON IN RESPECT OF WHOM AN APPLICATION UNDER PART II OF THE ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1953, HAS BEEN MADE.

Reg. No. of Applicant III/MSRB/131

Name of Applicant Mrs. Julia Croke

Address of Applicant 23 Cottimore Lane, Walton-on-Thames,
Surrey, England.

Name of Deceased Person to whom Certificate relates George McDermott

Late Address of Deceased Person Navan, Co. Meath.

Relationship of Applicant to Deceased Person Sister.

WHEREAS an application for the grant of an allowance in respect of the said deceased has been referred to us by the Minister for Defence under Section 9 of the Army Pensions Act, 1953;

NOW, We, the Military Service Registration Board, in pursuance of the said Section 9 hereby certify as follows:

1. ~~The deceased was not at any time a member of any organisation to which Part IX of the Army Pensions Act, 1932, applies~~

XOX

The deceased was a member of Óglaigh na hÉireann (I.R.A.)
(State organisation or organisations of which deceased was a member.)

~~XOX The deceased was not engaged in military service in the period beginning on the 1st day of April, 1916, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923, within the meaning of subsection (1) of section 5 of the Army Pensions Act, 1932.~~

XOX

The deceased was engaged in military service in the period beginning on the 1st day of April, 1916, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923, within the meaning of subsection (1) of section 5 of the Army Pensions Act, 1932, 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 Pre-truce		*Period of service Post-truce		Nature and extent of Military Service
	From	To	From	To	
Oglaigh na hÉireann (Irish Republican Army)	1920	11th July 1921	12th July 1921	5th July 1922	Volunteer, E. Coy., 4th Battn., 2nd Meath Brigade.
Irish Volunteers ...					
Irish Citizen Army ...					
Fianna Éireann ...					
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 in the period beginning on the 1st day of April, 1916, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923.

XXX

The deceased received a wound or injury while engaged in military service in the period beginning on the 1st day of April, 1916, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923, 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. There is no evidence that the deceased contracted any disease during his military service in the period beginning on the 1st day of April, 1916, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923.

XXX

There is evidence that the deceased contracted a disease during his military service in the period beginning on the 1st day of April, 1916, and ending on the 30th day of September, 1923, and the following are the particulars of such evidence:

- (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 questions 7 (d) (i) and (ii) of the application 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 5th day of July, 1922.

~~6. The deceased was not killed before the 1st day of October, 1923, while engaged in military service.~~

XXXX

The deceased was killed before the 1st day of October, 1923, while engaged in military service and the following are the particulars of the date, place and manner of his death:—

While on guard on 5th July, 1922, he was surprised by Free State troops and was shot while defending his post.

*7. --

* 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: John Mc Coy Chairman

S. M. Chasler Member

James Robinson Member

of
Military
Service
Registration
Board

Dated this 11th day of June, 1954.

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Iúil, 1954.

An Rúnai,
An Roinn Airgeadais.

1. I am directed by the Minister for Defence to state that he has under consideration a claim under Part II of the Army Pensions Act, 1953, from Mrs. Julia Croke, 23 Cottimore Lane, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, England, in respect of the death of her brother, George McDermott, late of Navan, Co. Meath, who died on 5th July, 1922, from gunshot wounds stated to have been received on that date at Curraghtown, Navan, Co. Meath.
2. I am to enquire whether your Department would be in a position to state whether the case was the subject of a decree for compensation under the Criminal Injuries (Ireland) Acts, 1919 and 1920 or whether an application for compensation was received by the Compensation (Personal Injuries) Committee. In the latter event I am to request that you would be good enough to forward to this Department the relevant file which will be returned when it has served the purpose for which it is required.

(Sd.) S. ua Moráin

RÚNAÍ. *Cantha*

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17 Iúil, 1954.

An Rúnai,
An Roinn Airgeadais.

1. I am directed by the Minister for Defence to state that he has under consideration a claim under Part II of the Army Pensions Act, 1953, from Mrs. Julia Croke, 23, Cottimore Lane, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, England, in respect of the death of her brother, George McDermott, a member of Óglaigh na h-Eireann (I.R.A.) late of Commons, Navan, Co. Meath, who died on 5th July, 1922, from gunshot wounds stated to have been received on that date at Curraghtown, Navan, Co. Meath.

2. I am to enquire whether any application for compensation was received in the case by the Compensation (Personal Injuries) Committee and, if so, I am to request that you would be good enough to forward to this Department the relevant file which will be returned when it has served the purpose for which it is required.

(Sd.) S. ua Moráin

RÚNAÍ. *laurel*

19/7/54
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Seo an fhreagra chun:-
(Address any reply to:-)

AN RÚNAÍ
(The Secretary)

faoin uimhir seo:-
(quoting:-)

D 19/73/54.



AN ROINN AIRGEADAIS,
(DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE)

SRÁID MHUIRBHTHEAN UACHT.,
(UPPER MERRION STREET)

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH.
(DUBLIN)

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An Rúnaí,
An Roinn Cosanta.

I am directed by the Minister for Finance to refer to Mr. Ua Mórain's minute of 17th July, 1954 (DP 24887) relative to a claim under Part II of the Army Pensions Act, 1953, from Mrs. Julia Croke, in respect of the death of her brother, George McDermott, late of Commons, Navan, Co. Meath, stated to have died from gunshot wounds at Curraghtown, Navan, on 5th July, 1922. I am to inform you that there is no record in this Department that any application for compensation was received in the case by the Compensation (Personal Injuries) Committee.

(K.S.B.)

21 Iúil, 1954.

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A Chara,

With reference to the enclosed application form submitted by you in connection with your claim for an allowance under Part II of the Army Pensions Act, 1953, I am directed by the Minister for Defence to request that you kindly complete the form where marked X on page 2.

Mise, le meas,

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W
L. RÚNAÍ.

Mrs. Julia Croke,
23, Cottimore Lane,
Walton-on-Thames,
Surrey,
ENGLAND.

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The Secretary,
Irish Embassy.

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to state that he has under consideration a claim under the Army Pensions Act, 1953, from Mrs. Julia Croke, 23 Cottimore Lane, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, in respect of the death of her brother, George McDermott, who was killed on the 5th July, 1922. In order to deal with the claim, the Minister requires a report on the degree of applicant's dependency on the deceased at the time of the latter's death and also on applicant's present financial circumstances. I am, accordingly, to request that you will be good enough to arrange for the completion of the attached form A.P.16 in the case.

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D.P. 24887

29 Meán Fómhair, 1954.

The Secretary,
Irish Embassy,
17, Grosvenor Place,
London. S.W.1.

I am directed by the acting Minister for Defence to state that he has under consideration a claim under the Army Pensions Act, 1953, from Mrs. Julia Croke, 23 Cottimore Lane, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, in respect of the death of her brother, George McDermott, late of Navan, Co. Meath, who was killed on the 5th July, 1922, while engaged in military service with Oglagh na hÉireann (I.R.A.).

Mrs. Croke states that she was not dependent on her deceased brother at the date of his death, but in order that full consideration may be given to the claim a report is required as to the family circumstances at the date of death of the deceased and also as to the present circumstances of the applicant.

I am, accordingly, to request that you would be good enough to arrange for the completion of the attached form A.P.16 in the case.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE
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(ARMY PENSIONS ACTS).

LIÚNTAS NÓ AISCE DO CLEITHIÚNAÍ
(Dependant's Allowance or Gratuity).

An t-Oifigeach Fiosrúcaín
(The Investigation Officer).

An application for an award under the Army Pensions Acts in respect of the death
of George McDermott who died on or about 5th July, 1922.

.....has been received from

Mrs. Julia Croke, 23, Cottimore Lane,
Walton-on-Thames, Surrey.

I am to request that you will kindly furnish a report, as to the occupation and general financial condition of the applicant and as to the degree of the applicant's dependency on the deceased at the date of his death. The report should take the form of replies to the questions herein.

It will be of great assistance if you will definitely express the opinion you have formed as to whether the applicant was dependent on the deceased, and, if so, whether wholly or mainly.

Rúnaidhe,

1. Did the applicant enjoy any private income prior to the death of deceased?	<i>Yes - in service - full time.</i>
2. Was the applicant in employment prior to the death of deceased? If so, furnish particulars, stating period of employment and weekly earnings.	<i>Yes. 130 years in service plus full board and lodging. 1911 - 1930.</i>
3. Where the applicant is brother or sister to deceased and claims to be permanently invalided, from what cause does she claim to be so invalided and prevented from earning? If the applicant is a sister, is she unmarried?	<i>a) Not applicable b) widow.</i>
4. Where the applicant is father to the deceased and under 60 years of age, does he claim to be incapacitated by ill-health and if so, from what cause?	
5. Has applicant any other children living?	
6. If so, what are their ages and occupations?	
7. What are their earnings?	
8. Do they contribute to the upkeep of claimant? If so, how much does each contribute per week and what is the profit to applicant from each contribution?	
9. What was the occupation of deceased and what were the periods of his employment?	<i>Farm labourer until 1914.</i>
10. What were his wages and contributions to claimant? (a) Prior to his army service. (b) During the period of his army service.	<i>Not known, but he paid claimant nothing.</i>

11 (a) What was the constitution of the household at the time of the death of deceased, stating the names, ages, employment, earnings and contributions of the members.

*No household.
Applicant was in service.*

(b) What was deceased's age at the time of his death?

Not known.

(c) What was the extent of applicant's dependency on deceased?

None.

12. What is the PRESENT constitution of the household stating the names, ages, employment, earnings and contributions of the members and also the profit from each contribution?

Applicant lives alone.

13. What is the yearly value of any property belonging to claimant (not being property personally used or enjoyed by him) which is invested or otherwise put to profitable use by him or which though capable of investment or other profitable use is not so invested or otherwise put to profitable use by him? (Calculations to be made according to present basis for Old-Age Pensions.)

None.

14. What is the yearly value of any advantage accruing to Claimant from the use or enjoyment of any property belonging to him which is personally used or enjoyed by him, except furniture and personal effects? (Calculations to be made according to present basis for Old-Age Pensions.)

None.

15. What is the income which Claimant might reasonably expect to receive during the succeeding year in cash, excluding any sums received on account of dependant's allowance under Part VII of the Army Pensions Act, 1937, and excluding any sums arising out of property as described in Question (13)? (No account shall be taken of any sums received during a period of not more than six months in any year by a person or by the husband or wife of a person (as the case may be) under a medical certificate as sickness benefit from a Friendly Society or Trade Union or under the National Health Insurance Acts (1911-1926).

*32/6 week - Retirement Pension.
30/- 16 40/- week earnings as part time domestic worker.*

In calculating the income from this source the income for the past year may be taken in the absence of a better means for calculating the income.

16. Where Claimant resides with and is maintained in the house of a relative of the first degree:

(a) Where the house is on an agricultural holding owned by such relative, and the means of the household are derived solely from such holding, state—

(i) The number of adults (excluding claimant) in the house.

(ii) The number of children

(iii) The valuation of the holding

(b) Where the house is not on an agricultural holding owned by such relative and is situated in an urban area, state—

(i) The number of adults (excluding claimant) in the house.

(ii) The number of children in the house

(iii) The total weekly means of the household

(c) Where the house is not on an agricultural holding and is situated in a rural area, state—

(i) The number of adults (excluding claimant) in the house.

(ii) The number of children

(iii) The total weekly means of the household

(d) Where the house is on an agricultural holding and is situated in an urban area and the means

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are derived partly from the holding and partly from other sources, state—

- (i) The number of adults (excluding claimant) in the house.
- (ii) The number of children in the house
- (iii) The weekly amount of income from all sources.
- (iv) The valuation of the holding
- (e) Where the house is on an agricultural holding and is situated in a rural area, and the means of the household are derived partly from such holding and partly from other sources, state—
- (i) The number of adults (excluding claimant) in the house.
- (ii) The number of children in the house
- (iii) The weekly amount of income from all sources.
- (iv) The valuation of the holding

17. Where the claimant received lodging or a house free of rent from any source, what is the value of such free accommodation?

None.

18. What is the yearly value of any other benefit or privilege enjoyed by claimant?

None.

19 (a) Is claimant and/or any member of the household in receipt of Old Age Pension or Widow's Pension? If so, please state the rate of pension and the commencing date.

Retirement Pension from 1948.
Widows Pension from 1939

(b) If not in receipt of either of above, is claimant and/or any member of the household likely to qualify during the coming twelve months and if so, what will be the commencing date and probable rate of pension?

(Please set out your assessment of means for Old Age Pension or Widow's Pension Act purposes independently of any award which may be recommended under the Army Pensions Acts).

20. Where the claimant is one of a married couple living together in the same house, what are the total means of such married couple? Set out the wife's means (if any) separately.

21. Has claimant directly or indirectly divested himself of any property or income at any time after 26th October, 1942? (State whether such property or income was assigned by conveyance or transfer by operation of law or by *bona fide* sale for valuable consideration in money or money's worth amounting to not less than 4/5ths of the value of the property or income, or whether the estate or interest therein, which was the subject of the sale or the property of which the person has divested himself consists only of a farm of land assigned to a child on marriage).

No

22. Where a claimant has been voluntarily supported by any relative and has ceased to be supported at any time after the 26th October, 1942 has the cessation of such support been due to the death or bankruptcy of the said relative or because the means of such relative have so diminished as to render the continuance of such support impossible?

SIGNATURE : *OR willshire*

Visiting Investigation Officer.

Woking Area Office STATION.

DATE : *10/11/54*

National Assistance Board,
Lampeter House,
York Road,
WOKING, Surrey.

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Notes for the Benefit of the Investigation Officer

The expression "agricultural holding" means any hereditament which is—

- (a) entered as land in the valuation lists under the Valuation Acts, and
- (b) is not mainly used for purposes other than agricultural or live-stock production.

The expression "valuation" means valuation under the Valuation Acts.

The expression "urban area" means any area which is either—

- (a) a county borough, or
- (b) an urban district (not being a county borough) the population of which (as shown by the census of population which is for the time being the latest such census) exceeds seven thousand.

The expression "rural area" means any part of Éire which is not an urban area.

The word "adult" means a person who is aged eighteen years or upwards.

The word "child" means a person under the age of 18 years.

For the purposes of determining the census of population which is the latest such census within the meaning of the definition of the expression "urban area" contained in the immediately preceding sub-rule—

- (a) The census of the population of Éire taken in the year 1936, shall be deemed to have been taken on the date of the passing of this Act, and
- (b) whenever a subsequent census of the population of Éire has been taken, the Minister shall certify the date of the publication of every such census, and every such census shall be deemed to have been taken on the date of publication so certified in respect thereof.

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Particulars Of Applicant's Household At The Time Of The
Death Of Deceased (Including Members Living Away From
Home)

Particulars Of Applicant's Household At Present (Including Members Living Away From Home)

SEVEN, AWAY FROM HOME)

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TELEGRAMS:

"HIBERNIA," PICCY LONDON.

TELEPHONE: REGENT 4716.

(CUSTOMS: REGENT 1941).

Please reply to

The Secretary

and quote No.



IRISH EMBASSY,

33-37 REGENT STREET,

LONDON, S.W.1.

2nd December, 1954

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The Secretary,
Department of Defence,
Dublin.

I am directed to refer to your minute of the 29th September, 1954 (Ref. D.P. 24887) concerning an application for a special allowance under the Army Pensions Acts from Mrs. Julia Croke, 23, Cottimore Lane, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey. I am to enclose form A.P.16 in respect of Mrs. Croke, which has now come to hand.

As can be seen from her replies to the questions on the form, Mrs. Croke was clearly not dependent on her brother, but she told the National Assistance Board Visiting Officer that she applied for an Army Pension because she felt that she should be compensated for helping to maintain her widowed mother from 1911 until her death in 1923.

Seamus O'Connell
Counsellor

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Memorandum



Claimant:

Mrs. Julia Croke, 23 Cottimore Lane,
Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, married 1930,
widowed 1939. *sister of*

Deceased.

George McDermott, who was killed on
5th July, 1922.

1. Applicant stated on an enclosure with her application form "I was not dependent on deceased at the date of his death. But from the date of his death, I assisted to support my widowed mother."

2. The Irish Embassy was requested to investigate the dependency aspect of this claim. The Embassy reported:-

"As can be seen from her replies to the questions on the form, Mrs. Croke was clearly not dependent on her brother but she told the National Assistance Board Visiting Officer that she applied for an Army Pension because she felt that she should be compensated for helping to maintain her widowed mother from 1911 until her death in 1923."

3. Applicant was in full time service earning £30 per annum plus full board and lodging from 1911 to 1930. Deceased was a farm labourer until 1914. His wages are not known but he did not contribute to claimant.

4. Applicant (64) who does not claim to be invalided at present lives alone. She works as a part-time domestic, earning 30/- to 40/- per week. She is also in receipt of 32s. 6d. per week retirement pension.

of Pembroke.

J.O.

No action

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13th Nollaig, 1954.

Mrs Armstrong A70

Please see above. Having regard to para. 4 I consider that this is not a strong case for a favourable recommendation under Section 4(1)(c)(ii) of the 1952 Act.

*W. H. M. H. M.
21/12/54.*

J.O.

There was no dependency at date of death and the present circumstances of applicant do not show any particular reason for a favourable recommendation under S. 4(1)(c)(ii).

Submitted accordingly that no such rec. be made.

W. H. M. H. M.

6-1-1955

P.T.O

Ruairi Cuntle

I agree with the views expressed overleaf,
i.e. that no recommendation be made.
Submitted for the Minister's direction, please.

E. C. Cunniff
8/1/55

Agree / Agree and submit.

J. A. Cunniff
10.1.55

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24 Eanáir, 1955.

An Rúnaí,
An Roinn Airgeadais.

1. I am directed by the Minister for Defence to state that an application under Part II of the Army Pensions Act, 1953, has been received from Mrs. Julia Croke, 23 Cottimore Lane, Walton-on-Thames, Surrey, in respect of the death of her brother, George McDermott, who was killed on 5th July, 1922, and who is a deceased person in respect of whom Part II of the Act applies. Mrs. Croke was married in 1930 and became a widow in 1939.

2. As it does not appear that applicant was dependent on her deceased brother at the date of his death, the case is not one in which an award could be made under Section 4(1)(c)(i) of the Act. The papers in the case are, however, forwarded herewith to enable consideration to be given to the claim by the Minister for Finance, under Section 4(1)(c)(ii). If the Minister for Finance decides to exercise his discretion in favour of the applicant under the latter section, a formal proposal to grant an allowance to Mrs. Croke will be submitted.

S. Ó CEARNAIGH

(a) RÚNAÍ.

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23 Cottimore Lane.
Walton-on-Thames
Surrey
England.

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Dear Sir

With reference to my application
for an allowance under part II
of the army pensions act 1953.
dated March last.

Perhaps you are now in a position
to advise me whether my
application is being granted.
your reference is D.P. 24887.

I shall be glad if you
will kindly return my

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Marriage Certificate also my
husbands death Certificate
which were sent to you
last March.

yours faithfully.

Julia Croke.

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Roinn Cosanta,
Brainse Airgeadais,
Colaiste Caoimhin,
Glasnaoidhean,
Baile Átha Cliath.

14 Feabhra 1955.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Minister
for Defence to refer to your claim
under the Army Pensions Acts, and to
return herewith the under-mentioned
documents furnished by you in
support of your claim. *your claim is at*

present under consideration
Mise, le meas,

dy
RÚNAÍ.

Mrs. Julia Broke.
23 Bottimore Lane,
Wotton-on-Thames, Surrey

____ Birth Certificates.

____ Baptismal Certificates.

1 Marriage Certificates.

2 Death Certificates.

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Births and Deaths Registration Acts, 1863 - 1880.

Certified Copy of Entry in the Register Book of Deaths - See Endorsement.

a.

19____ Deaths Registered in the District of Navan in the Superintendent Registrar's District of Navan in the County of Meath.

No.	Date and place of Death	Name and Surname	Sex	Condition	Age last Birthday	Rank, Profession or Occupation	Certified cause of death and duration of illness.	Signature Qualification and Residence of Informant.	When Registered.	Signature of Registrar.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)
122.	1922 Fifth July Cunnaghtown Navan	George Mc Dermott from Commons Navan	Male	Bachelor	34 years	Labourer	gunshot wounds in both legs. no medical Attendant	Eugene Mc Dermott. Brother of Deceased Commons Navan	Twentieth July - 1922	Denis Davis.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Entry No. 122 in the Register Book of Deaths.

Patrick J. Dignan
asst. Registrar of Births and Deaths.

Meath.

Id. Stamp

Office County Home Lim.

Date 18th March 1954.

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É I R E.

Certified copy of entry in the Marriage Book, deposited in the Superintendent Registrar's Office -
See Endorsement.

Marriage solemnized at the Roman Catholic Church of St Enkanella in the County of Essex

Essex Ave. Walter - Thomas Jones

No.	When Married	Name and Surname	Age	Condition	Rank or Profession.	Residence at time of Marriage	Witnesses	Marriage Ceremony performed by
246	First September 1930	James Broke	46 years	Bachelor	General Labourer	4 West Grove Villas Walton on Thames	William O'Neale	Stephen A O'Beirne
		Julia ne Dermott	42 years	Spinster	Housemaid	Dial House Shepperton	Nellie Curran	

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true Copy of Entry No. 246 in the Marriage Register Book in my Office.

1st September 1930 Office
1st Sept. 1930 Date

N. G. Hall
Superintendent Registrar of Births
Deaths and Marriages for the District
of Chertsey in County of Surrey)
ld. stamp

Certified a true Copy.

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Births and Deaths Registration Acts, 1863 - 1880.

Certified Copy of Entry in the Register Book of Deaths - See Endorsement.

1939.

Deaths Registered in the District of Surrey North Western in the Superintendent Registrar's District of _____ in the County of Surrey.

No.	Date and place of Death	Name and Surname	Sex	Condition	Age last Birthday	Rank, Profession or Occupation	Certified cause of death and duration of illness.	Signature Qualification and Residence of Informant.	When Registered.	Signature of Registrar.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)
367	Twenty Sixth July 1939 2 Falmouth Rd. Hersham Wotton	James Broke	Male	55 years	55 years	clerk (Commercial)	1 a Auricular Fibrillation Certified by W. G. Bigger M.B.	Julia Broke Widow of deceased present at the death 2, Falmouth Rd. Hersham	Twenty Seventh July 1939	P. Shorman.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Entry No. 367, in the Register Book of Deaths.

P. Shorman (Percy Shorman)

Registrar of Births and Deaths.

Office _____

Date _____

24th July 1939

Wotton & Weybridge

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Seol aon fhreagra chun:-
(Address any reply to:-)

AN RÚNAÍ
(The Secretary),

faoin uimhir seo:-

(quoting:-)

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AN ROINN AIRGEADAIS,
(Department of Finance)

SRÁID MHUIRBHTEAN UACHT.,
(Upper Merrion Street)

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH.
(Dublin)

An Rúnaí,
An Roinn Cosanta.

With reference to Mr. Ó Cearnaigh's minute (D.P.24887) of the 24th January, 1955, regarding an application under Part II of the Army Pensions Act, 1953, received from Mrs. Julia Croke, I am directed by the Minister for Finance to state that he is not of the opinion, having regard to all the circumstances of the case, that the applicant should be treated as a dependant of her deceased brother, George McDermott.

Your Department's papers in the case are returned herewith.

Inclosure

24 Feabhra, 1955.

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Guthan 75641
(Telephone)

Uimhir Thagartha
(Reference No.)

DP24887

An Roinn Cosanta,
Coláiste Caoimhín,
Glasnaoidhean,
Baile Atha Cliath.

Gu Málra 1955.

A Chara,

Army Pensions Act, 1953.

I am desired by the Minister for Defence to state that your claim under Part II of the above Act in respect of the death of your brother, George M^c Dermott, has been duly investigated. The Minister regrets that for the following reasons no award can be made to you.

- (1) It has not been established that you were dependent on your deceased brother at the date of his death.
- (2) The Minister for Finance is not of the opinion, having regard to all the circumstances of the case, that you should be treated as a dependant of your deceased brother.

Mise, le meas,

Y
Sgd. B. Bae ARMSTRONG.
a/s. RÚNAÍ.

Mrs. Julia broke,
23 Bottimore Lane,
Walton-on-Thames,
Surrey, England.

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