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57/34/Refree

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An Uimhir as Roinn
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Marron James
Castle Hill
Carlingford
Co. Louth

7 JAN 1935

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Mr. Swamy

24/4/35

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Report GHD

19/6/35

Mr. Swamy

3/2/41

Mr. change

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NO CHANGE RECOMMENDED

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8/4/41

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Appeal to M.D.

Podhla—Wt. 4639—Gp. 50—10,000—2/40—R 9010.
Wt. 44—Gp. 50—8,000—4/40—S 115.

REF. No. 318

APPLICANT'S NAME *Merron, Jas.*

REFeree R.3.
ADDRESS

UNIT
2nd Bde, 4th N. Div.

(a) PERIOD	(b) Service claimed	(c) Active service allowed	(d) Equivalent for Pension purposes	REMARKS
(1) 23/4/16 — 30/4/16				(7)
(2) (a) 1/4/16 — 22/4/16 } (b) 30/4/16 — 31/3/17 }				(8)
(3) 1/4/17 — 31/3/18	<i>Full Period</i>			(9)
(4) 1/4/18 — 31/3/19	<i>do.</i>			(10)
(5) 1/4/19 — 31/3/20	<i>do.</i>			(11)
(6) 1/4/20 — 31/3/21	<i>do.</i>			(12)
(7) 1/4/21 — 11/7/21	<i>do.</i>			(13)
(8) 12/7/21 — 30/6/22	<i>do.</i>			(14)
(9) 1/7/22 — 31/3/23	<i>Part Period</i>			(15)
(10) 1/4/23 — 30/9/23	<i>Full Period</i>			(16)

NO CHANGE RECOMMENDED
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CONFIRMED
JOD
9 APR 1941

(a) First critical date. (b) Second critical date.

Rank claimed on *Sol.*

Rank allowed Total of Column (d)

SIGNED—*James Robinson*

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(1) Newry boy 4th Nthn Div.

Ref. No. 318. Applicant's Name Marron, James Address Castle Hill, Banlingford, Co. Louth. Unit _____

(a) Period	(b) Service claimed	(c) Active Service allowed	(d) Equivalent for pension purposes.	Remarks
(1) 23/4/1916-30/4/1916	Nil	/	/	
(2) (a) 1/4/16-22/4/16 (b) 30/4/16-31/3/17.	Nil	/	/	
(3) 1/4/17 - 31/3/18	Full Period	/	/	
(4) 1/4/18 - 31/3/19	Full Period	/	/	
(5) 1/4/19 - 31/3/20	Full Period	/	/	
(6) 1/4/20 - 31/3/21	Full Period	$7\frac{2}{3}$	$1\frac{1}{3}$	<i>Finished</i>
(7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/22	Full Period	Full	1 yr	<i>Full 8 subject to statement of Mr Fearon</i>
(8) 12/7/21 - 30/3/22	Full Period	$7\frac{2}{3}$	$3\frac{1}{4}$ yr	<i>as to applicant's activities in that period</i>
(9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23	$\frac{4}{22} - \frac{9}{22} + \frac{10}{22} - \frac{31}{23}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{3}$ yr	<i>comp</i>
(10) 1/4/23 - 30/9/23	Full Period	/	/	<i>LKR 7/5/35</i>

(a) First critical date; (b) Second critical date.

Rank claimed on _____
Rank allowed:- _____

Vol. _____
Vol. _____

Total of column (d) $3\frac{5}{12}$ years

Signed:- Commissioner

John McCoy

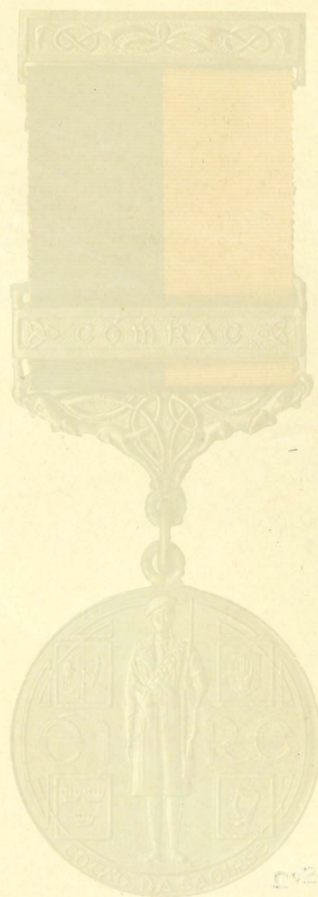
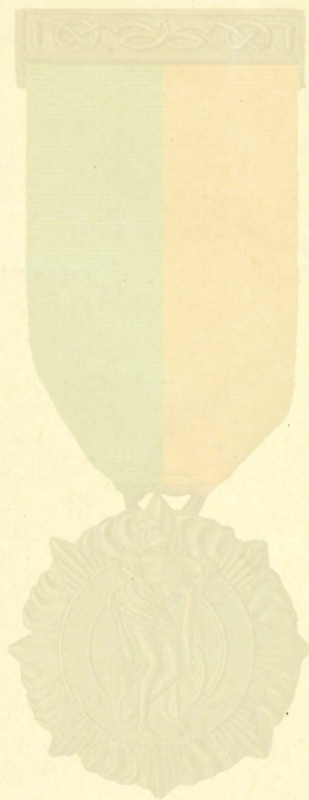
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L. M. Fitzgerald

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34/S.P./269

30 April, 1941.

Rúnaidhe,
Roinn Cosanta (F.3).

I am directed by the Referee to refer to Mr. Egan's minute of the 25th February, 1941, relative to the appeal of James Marron, Castle Hill, Carlingford, Co.Louth, against the findings of the Referee in his case, and I am to state that the Referee has reviewed his Report in the light of the additional evidence, and has confirmed his findings as set out in said Report.

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RÚNAIDHE.

Please acknowledge receipt.

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RÚNAIDHE.

TC/KC

7/5/41.

MSP/34/Referee 318

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m. Brennan

RÚNAIDHE.

Please acknowledge receipt.

m. Brennan

RÚNAIDHE.

TC/KC

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m.s.c.

JAMES MARRON

casairc. 318.

Applicant is appealing against the service granted for the 8th and 9th periods.

8th Period - It is noted in the file that he would get the "full 8th Period subject to a statement by M. Fearon".

M. Fearon has not forwarded this statement.

Applicant was released from prison in Feb. '22. He claims he was under the doctor's care for a month, then went into Dundalk bks. and was later in Ravensdale camp. He took part in the Altnabeigh reprisals.

I think applicant is entitled to the full 8th Period.

9th Period. After the Altnabeigh reprisals applicant claims that he suffered from nerves. He was unfit for active service from about June '22. He was attended by a doctor. He applied for a Disability Pension and did not get it.

He received a sixth of the 9th Period. If applicant was suffering from nerves as a result of the Altnabeigh reprisals and if he was unfit for active service I believe he is entitled to the full period.

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20th March, 1941.

PM/AMCD

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ROINN COSANTA,

GEATA NA PAIRCE,

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH.

34/SP/269. (E116).

MSP/34/Ref: 318.

P.S.M.

OIBIG AN RIAIN
FAIGHTE

26 FBH. 1941

25 February, 1941.

Rúnaidhe do'n Réiteoir.

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to
state that Mr. James Marron, Castle Hill,
Carlingford, Co. Louth.

has appealed against the findings of the Referee in
his case. The Minister directs that the Referee
will be good enough to review his report in the light
of the additional evidence furnished by the applicant.

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a/p. Rúnaidhe.

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R17 did not issue in this case

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OFFICE OF THE REFEREE,
MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934,
~~GRIFFITH~~ BARRACKS,
DUBLIN.

18.2.1941.

Rúnaidhe,
Roinn Cosanta. 73

With reference to *your* minute of 28/1/1941
regarding the appeal of James M. Carr
Castle Hill Carlingford
the evidence now produced is in my opinion additional
evidence as defined by the Attorney General.

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RÚNAIDHE.

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JAMES MARRON

318.

CAGAIRC.....

Applicant is satisfied with the award made to him for the 6th and 7th periods. He is appealing against the award made for the 8th and 9th periods.

On the file it is noted that he would get the "full 8th Period, subject to a statement by M. Fearon as to applicant's activities in that period".

has not
M. Fearon ~~could have~~ forwarded this statement.

Applicant in his sworn statement claims that when he was before the Board he did not mention taking part in the Altneaveigh reprisals as Mick Fearon, who was in charge of that operation, asked him not to mention it.

After these reprisals he suffered from nerves and left Ravensdale Camp and returned to Newry where he was attended to by a doctor for his nerves. *He claims he was unfit for active service from June 1922.*

When applicant was released from prison in February, 1922, he claims that he was under the doctor's care for a month and then went into Dundalk Barracks. He applied for a Disability Pension and appears to have been turned down.

28 translations

8th February 1941.

PM/EF

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These are documents

*alleging that his name
not previously available
is now available.*

*There is reasonable
ground for the allegation
within the view of
the AG's opinion.*

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3 FEB. 1941

ROINN COSANTA,
(Dept. of Defence),

GEATA NA PAIRCE, *Coliste Brannin,*
(Parkgate),

BAILE ATHA CLIATH.
(Dublin).

34SP/269 (E 116)

MSP/34/Ref: 318.

11 January 1941.

James Marron

Castle Hill, Barkingford, Co. Louth

The General,
~~Mr. Burke,~~

The above-named has appealed against the findings of the Referee in respect of his application under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, and in support of his appeal has forwarded the enclosed documents, purporting to contain additional evidence not previously available.

Will you please state for the Minister's information whether the evidence now produced is, in your opinion, additional evidence as defined by the Attorney General.

Rgan

Rúnaidhe.

Military Service Pensions Collection

Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

Ref. No. 34SP/269Ref. No. M.S.P/34/Referee - 318

To:

THE REFEREE.

To:

THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE.

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to transmit for report in accordance with Section 8 and the Regulations made under the Act the accompanying application of

I submit hereunder my report in this case.

Marron, James.
Castle Hill, Carlingford, Louth.
 for a Service Certificate.

Report transmitted to CHQ 21- 18/6/35

The report should take the form of replies to the questions set out herewith.

Recorded 18/6/35
 Registered 19/6/35

(SIGNED) J. K. O'CONNOR

Referee.

Date.....

7. 1. 1935.

Date.....

1. Is the Applicant a person to whom the Act applies? Yes
2. If so, total actual service in the different service periods, as established:
 - (1) Nil (2) Nil
 - (3) Nil (4) Nil (5) Nil (6) $\frac{3}{4}$ of Entire Period (7) Entire Period
 - (8) $\frac{3}{4}$ of Entire Period (9) $\frac{1}{6}$ of Entire Period (10) Nil
3. Total service for pension purposes as defined by Second Schedule of the Act.

3 $\frac{1}{2}$ years
4. Grade or rank, quoting relevant paragraph of First Schedule under which allowed: —
 - (a) On first critical date. Grade E. Para. 1(6)
 - (b) On second critical date. Grade E. Para. 1(6)
 - (c) Was applicant a member of the Irish Volunteer Executive at any time prior to the 11th July, 1921. No
 - (d) Does applicant's case fall under either of the following sub-paragraphs, and, if so, which, viz., sub-paragraph (j) of paragraph 3 of Rule I. of First Schedule

No

or under sub-paragraph (m) of paragraph 4 of Rule I. of First Schedule, as a Medical Officer. No

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5. Does the applicant state in his application whether he is at present in receipt of any remuneration, pension or allowance payable out of public moneys whether provided by the Oireachtas or out of the Central Fund or by means of the poor rate or any other rate imposed by a local authority ?.....

no

6. 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.....

Applicant has applied, but has not as yet received a certificate.

7. THE WEEK COMMENCING ON THE 23RD DAY OF APRIL, 1916.

- (1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

nil

- (2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

- (3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.....

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

8. THE PERIOD COMPRISING :—

- (a) THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1916, AND ENDING ON THE 22ND DAY OF APRIL, 1916, and

- (b) THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 30TH DAY OF APRIL, 1916, AND ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1917.

- (1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

nil

- (2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.....

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

9. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1917, AND ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1918.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

nil

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

nil

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.....

Irish Volunteers

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

Newry Coy., 4th Northern Division

10. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1918, AND ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1919.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

nil

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

nil

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.....

Irish Volunteers

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

Newry Coy. 2nd Brigade, 4th Northern Division

11. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1919, AND ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1920.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

nil

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act. *nil*

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces. *Oglaigh na h-Éireann*

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.

Newry Coy. 2nd Brigade, 4th Northern Division

12. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1920, AND ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1921.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

$\frac{2}{3}$ of entire Period

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.

$\frac{1}{3}$ years

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces. *Oglaigh na h-Éireann*

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.

Newry Coy 2nd Brigade, 4th Northern Division
Interned

13. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1921, AND ENDING ON THE 11TH DAY OF JULY, 1921.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

entire Period

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.

1 year

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.....

Oglaigh na h-Ireann

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

Interned
Newry Coy. 2nd Brigade 4th Northern Division

14. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 12TH DAY OF JULY, 1921, AND ENDING ON THE 30TH DAY OF JUNE, 1922.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

$\frac{3}{4}$ of Entire Period

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

$\frac{3}{4}$ of 1 year

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.....

Oglaigh na h-Ireann

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

Newry Coy. 2nd Brigade, 4th Northern Division

15. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF JULY, 1922, AND ENDING ON THE 31ST DAY OF MARCH, 1923.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

$\frac{1}{6}$ of Entire Period

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act.....

$\frac{1}{3}$ of 1 year

3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces.....

Oglaigh na h-Ireann

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

Newry Coy. 2nd Brigade, 4th Northern Division

16. THE PERIOD COMMENCING ON THE 1ST DAY OF APRIL, 1923, AND ENDING ON THE 30TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1923.

(1) Duration of active service during the period as established to your satisfaction

..... *nil*

(2) Equivalent of active service for pension purposes as defined in the Second Schedule of the Act..... *nil*

(3) State—

(a) The particular military body of the Forces..... *Óglais na h-Éireann*

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant.....

Newry Coy. 2nd Brigade, 6th Northern Division

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ROMA CORANCA
FÁISCE
18EAM 1941

CLANLAIN NA DRAMHOIR
AITHSEADAIR

battle Hill,

Barlingford.

Co. South. Jan 16th, 1941

A bhara,

In Reply to your communication of the 15th, inst. Re further evidence as regards my appeal to the Military Service Pensions Board (1934 Act.) for an increase in my service pension. I have no complaint to make as regards my pre truce service assessed by the Board. It is the second period 22-23 that I am not satisfied with.

I am making this appeal for two reasons.

(First) When I was released from prison in Feb 22. my health was impaired and for some time I was under the care of Dr. H. Grant of Newry, which the Disability Board are already aware of, as they have his certificate to that effect. It was no fault of mine that I got ill health in prison.

(Secondly) when I was before the Service Board in April 1935, I saw Mick Fearon who was in charge of Ravensdale Park during 22. He said to me when you are making your statements to the Board, do not let them put in writing anything about

Altnaveigh. as I am doing likewise. We had a talk over it and we came to the conclusion, that if it was ever known, that our lives would be in danger, and we had no guarantee that it would not be known. Now I do not want to be misunderstood, I am not casting reflection on any one, we just had that feeling, natural instinct I suppose, and he lived near Altnaveigh and so did I, we knew the people and saw them every day, we were well disguised on the job and are not known as yet to have been on it, that was the main reason why we gave as little as we ^{information} could to the Board regarding this job. The people of the south do not know what we have been up against in the north, therefore we have got to be careful. If you look up any statements I have made, you will see one, which I answered to Mr Fahy, and Mr Humphrey Murphy (R.I.P.) when they asked me had I any engagements against the Free State Troops, I said no, that I was not fit, owing to ill health, I have also made this statement on my service pension form regarding ill health for that period.

In May or June 22. We raided Altheaigh, which is on the outskirts of Newry. we Burned down every house and shot Dead 8 person in all, 7 males, members of the B. Force murder gang in Newry, at that time, the other person was a woman. Had it been an engagement against armed forces I would not have cared, seeing that it was a murder job, it got on my nerves and worked me up a lot with worry, the Result of which I had to go to another Doctor in 1923 (early) with my nerves. The Disability Board are aware of this, as the have Dr. Floods certificate for that period.

What I want to make clear is this, that this job up set my nerves so much at the time, that it left me unfit to continue active service from June 22 till the cease fire in Sept: 1923. I am now of the opinion that I am entitled to an increase in my service for the above mentioned periods. June 22 - Sept 23 inclusive.

I am making this Declaration On oath, and is as truthful as I can make it.

Mick Learon, is in America, and so are all the other men who took part in it, as I haven't seen one of them these years.

I am yours Faithfully

James Mandon.

Squad Leader.

L. D. F. Carlingford.

Section.

Department of Defence
Parkgate
Dublin.

Oath Administered by me

J. J. Delany

Recd Commissioner.

Carlingford.

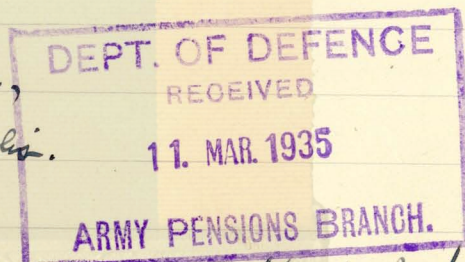
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7.3 (m. 2.P.)
Put with reply

Castle Lee,
Baringford,
8. March, 1935.

Mr. Frank Siken,
Minister of Defence,
Park Gate Dublin.



Dear Sir,

I have received yours of the 4th inst, and wish to say, that you have misunderstood me, perhaps I have not given you proper explanation.

Your name, & Mr McBoys, are not solely two out of the three necessarily required, I have given 7 others who can be used as references. Hoping this explanation will suffice.

Yours Faithfully
James Mann

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4th March, 1935.

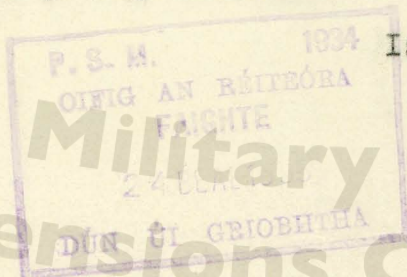
Mr James Marrow
Castle Hill,
Carlingford,
Co. Louth.

A Cara,

Mr Aiken desires me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 27th ultimo and in reply to say that it will be necessary for you to furnish the names of some individuals as reference other than his and Mr McCoy's. The position is that the Minister cannot allow his name to be given as reference and it is undesirable that Mr McCoy should be named as a reference unless as a last resort in view of the fact that he is a member of the Advisory Committee under the Act. Mr Aiken considers that you should have little difficulty in giving the names of two others as reference

Is mise le meas,

Runai Aire.



P.S.M. 1934
OIFIG AN BÉITEÓRA
FÁBHTÉ
24 FEB 1935
DÚN UÍ GEIOBHETHA

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Battle Hill,
Banlingford.

Co. Louth. 27 Feb. 1935.

Mr. Frank Aiken,
Minister of Defence,
Park Gate, Dublin.

DEPT. OF DEFENCE
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ARMY PENSIONS BRANCH.

Dear Sir,

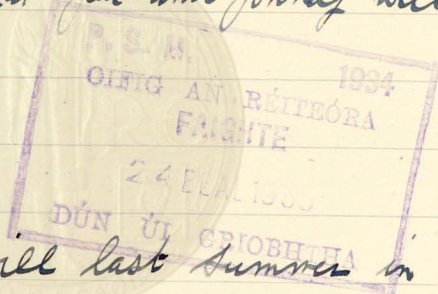
I take the liberty of writing you a few lines and I wish to let you know that I have used your name on my Pensions form (1934) as the officer in command at the attack on Newtownhamilton R.I.C. Barracks May 9 1920. It was you that picked us out for the attack, you remember it was Saturday night and it was late on Sunday morning when we left, the Barracks was burning at the time. We took over the Public House next door as the sprayer didn't work on the Barrack door, we put in four charges two up stairs and two down stairs, and blew in the walls, Lady Fearon, & Johnny Mc Boy, were at the front, you will find it hard I am sure to remember us all, Frank Doran, & Jack Mc Elbow, yourself, Johnny Brady, & Lady Cam and my-self were in that house, the were others but to tell you the honest truth I cannot recollect them, unless the came to me and brought the subject round. (see over)

I also remember seeing Pat Casey, Charlie, & Willie Grant, they were guarding the road on the outskirts of the village. I am writing to Johnny Mc Boy, I have also been speaking to Paddy Fearon, I also used your name as C.O. of Dundalk Barrocks, I was on the first squad that took it over, I had a row with Doherty, you remember him I am sure, I remember him to; Arthur Mc. Magill and the Harts and other chaps from Mullaghtown left with me, they went to Drumgoolie camp, I went down to Mickey Fearon (Slater) at Ravenesdale camp, and carried on there, the night you came in to Ravenesdale camp. ~~to~~ with a squad from Dundalk to attack the Fork Hill patrol we were going out to Althaveigh, we shot about six or eight that night and burned all the houses, if you can remember it was a reprisal for the shooting of a chap named Craggan out about your place on Whitecross, we took Nick Craggan with us you know him, I think the lad was a brother or some thing to him, after a raid for arms on the Orange Hall in the commons, I was arrested and sentenced to two years, Johnny Mc Boy & Mickey were with me in the Crumlin Road Belfast. This is just to refresh your memory, as the years are going round very fast, and I do sincerely hope that you will not think that I am taking any advantage of your position, as I know you are honest, and I will be honest with you,

in anything you would like to in the line of information, I never have had the pleasure at any time of speaking to you personally, but I do hope I may at a future date, I have helped around here at your election, and out side Peter Thornton, I don't care much for the people you could not trust them very much. I will come to a close now, and in your spare time if you think it necessary you can answer this letter.

I remain yours very sincerely
Jimmie Mannon

P.S I do hope that Dr. Ryan, will not forget me in this job at Greenore, I know that you and John will do your best.



I was speaking to Arthur Magill last summer in Newry, I think he is on the Guards now. If you like you can write him for any further information about me as I am sure he will give it to you.

12 Margaret Place
Bath Ave.

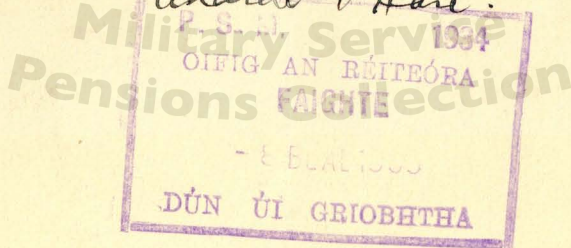
Beapa,

Applicant, Mr. James Marron
Ref. no. 318. Served as a volunteer
during this period. Was stationed in
Ravensdale camp. Dundalk Bks.
and I think Dungoolley camp. During
this period, was I believe at attack
in Dungoolley, and Drumontée Ambush
and a few others, was a good
volunteer, always willing to do the
work allotted to him. Did also a
prison sentence, or rather was
sentenced to 2 years in 1930 for
arms raid. Was attached to Fianna 1917

Mythelma.

A. O'Byrne.

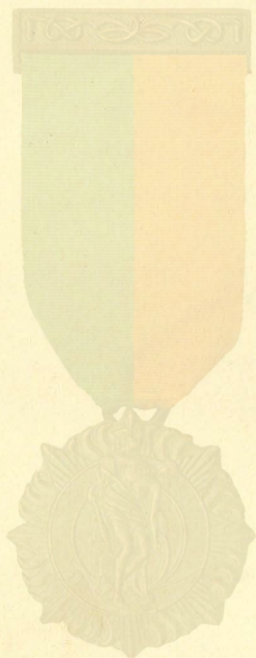
Andrew O'Hare.



This is a list of Brigade staff
so far as I can remember:-

Officer. Andrews. Caulfield Place

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27th April 1935

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to the application of (318) Mr. James Marron, Castle Hill, Carlingford, Co. Louth, and to request you to submit a detailed statement of any military operations, or engagements or services rendered with the Forces by the applicant during the period - 12th July 1921 to 30th June 1922.

Mise, le meas,

E. S. Bulca
RÚNA Í.

Mr. Andrew O'Hare,
12, Margaret Place,
Bath Avenue,
Sandymount,
DUBLIN.

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Taobairt

Mr. Sweeney

Clegg

Prepare letter similar to men of 17th inst. to Mr. Deane
for issue to Andrew Stan 12 Margaret Place Bath Ave.
Sandymount.

Ar. posted in the
usual course

Cusack
27/4/35.

You might also include to him a copy of the Adm. Org.
Circular

S. O. B.
26/4/35.

Military Service

Dublin
April 25th 1935.

Sir.

With reference to the case of
(318) Mr. James Marron Castle Hill
Barlingford Co. Louth.

I have made investigation, and find
that he was an active member of
the Forces, and a very good soldier.

But as he did not belong to
my Batt. I cannot give a statement
of his military services.

I would refer you to Andrew O'Hare
O.C. Henry Brigade to which Marron
was a member, I believe you
have got O'Hare's address on file,
he lives in Dublin.

M. J. Fearon.

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17th April 1935

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to the application of (318) Mr. James Marron, Castle Hill, Carlingford, Co. Louth, and to request you to submit a detailed statement of any military operations, or engagements or services rendered with the Forces by the applicant during the period - 12th July 1921 to 30th June 1922.

Mise, le meas,

E. S. Burke
RÚNAÍ.

Mr. M.J. Fearon,
3, Charlemont Street,
DUBLIN.

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SWORN STATEMENT MADE BEFORE ADVISORY COMMITTEE BY JAMES MARRON ON THE

2nd APRIL, 1935 - NO. 318.

3rd and 4th Periods.

- Q. Drilling, ordinary Company routine. Anything else during that period?
- A. At that time we tried to break up recruiting meetings and we had a Coy. of about 20. We would go outside the town for rifle and revolver practice. We did a lot of things on our own to assist the Staff.

5th Period.

- Q. Anything else to add in that period?
- A. There were numerous small things. I have no memory since my release from prison.

6th Period.

- Q. Attack on R.I.C. Barrack, Newtown Hamilton?
- A. I was in the party that was in the attack on the Barrack. Johnny was in charge.
- Q. How were you armed?
- A. With a revolver and a bomb. We spent about 4 hours there. We put four charges alongside the wall.
- Q. What was the date of that?
- A. I think the 9th May, 1920.
- Q. Arrested and convicted. Where did you spend your term in jail?
- A. Three months in the Crumlin Road along with Mick McCoy. We were deported from there to Walton in Liverpool. We were sent from Walton to North Hampton.
- Q. What were you charged with?
- A. Rioting and the use of fire arms. We raided the Orange Hall and the Protestant area. There was a systematic raid for arms for the Coy. We got 6 or 7 shot-guns and three or four revolvers.

8th Period.

- Q. When were you released?
- A. About a month after the Treaty was ratified - February 1922.
- Q. What did you do after your release?
- A. When I came home I was in bed for a month. The O.C., Doherty, joined the Free State crowd. I got a job on the Battn. Staff at signalling - it was all I was able for at the time. When they took over Dundalk Barracks I was there for a while. I went to Ravensdale Camp. I was not feeling too well but I tried to stick it as much as I could. I made application for a Disability Pension to Cosgrave's Government.
- Q. You applied to the Board of Assessors in 1924?
- A. Yes. There were small things we did on our own, such as going outside the town and watching the mail train to see what soldiers were going through.
- Q. Did you not have any fighting with Free State soldiers?
- A. After that I did not, I was not feeling too well.

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Q. When did you go home?

A. In Sept. or Oct. I left Dundalk in '22. In Newry we tried to get round and keep the crowd together and keep up the prestige of the work.

Q. They did not molest you?

A. They did. I was under supervision for three or four months. The Head Constable told me I would have to be in my own home at 6 o'clock. But I was not fit to be out - my nerves were smashed up.

Q. Did you hold any rank any time?

A. No.

Q. Did you apply for a Disability Pension at all?

A. I applied in 1924. I got nothing definite. Pat Casey and Charles Grant joined the Free State and they knew my views.

Sworn before me on... 2/4/35.....

.....*Joseph K. O'Connor*.....
REFEREE.

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ARMY PENSIONS BRANCH.

Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

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 signature witnessed, on or before the 31st day of December, 1935. 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).

SURNAME.

CHRISTIAN NAMES.

MARRON. JAMES.

PRESENT ADDRESS.

(to be written in
block capitals).CASTLE HILL. CARLINGFORD.
CO. LOUTH.

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 or more."

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 this Act, 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 (twenty-five 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 IN 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 deportation 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,
- or
- (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,
- or
- (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," viz. :—

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

(1). ACTIVE SERVICE AT ANY TIME DURING THE WEEK COMMENCING ON THE 23RD DAY OF APRIL, 1916.

(a) Did you render active service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916. If so,
from what date in that week ?.....

(b) Unit or Units.....

(c) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

(d) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

(e) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(f) In what way do you claim that your service was active service.....

(g) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during
the week.....

(h) Absence from duty and cause.....

(i) References who can testify as to your statements above :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

(2). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD COMPRISING—

(a) period from 1st April, 1916, to 22nd April, 1916, and

(b) period from 30th April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service ?.....

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during
the period.....

(g) Absence from duty and cause.....

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

(3). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1917, TO 31ST MARCH, 1918.

(a) Unit or Units... *H Northern Division Newry Company* ^(Irish Volunteers)

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service... *All the year During the above Period of 1917 - 18*

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered... *Newry*

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance... *Patrick Rankin*

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? *Drilling by orders H & V Learning to use gun. Preparing to fight against conscription.*

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period... *Trying to break up British Recruiting Meetings None Fire practice. Drilling. Marching. Learning Morse code signaling.*

(g) Absence from duty and cause... *None*

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Patrick Rankin *Curragh Dublin (Painter)* ^(Kildare)

Andy O'Hare *Dublin*

John M. Coy *Pensions Board Dublin*

(4). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1918, TO 31ST MARCH, 1919.

(a) Unit or Units... *H Northern Division Newry Company* ^(Irish Volunteers)

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service... *All the year During the above period 1918 - 19*

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered... *Newry*

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance... *Patrick Rankin & Willie Grant*

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? *Drilling by orders H & V Learning to use a gun. Standing by. For Orders.*

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period..... *Carrying Dispatches. Drillings.*

..... *Fire practice. Assisting at Elections. Learning Morse code signal.*

(g) Absence from duty and cause..... *None*

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>Patrick Rankin</i>	<i>Burrage Dublin (Painter)</i>
<i>Andy O'Hare</i>	<i>Dublin</i>
<i>John McBoyle</i>	<i>Pensions Board Dublin</i>

(5). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1919, TO 31ST MARCH, 1920.

(a) Unit or Units..... *H Northern Division Hewmy Company (Irish Volunteers)*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service..... *All the year during the above period 1919-20*

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered..... *Hewmy*

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... *Frank Siken T.O. + Podge O'Rourke in America*

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service?..... *out to attack a Military Escont. with R.I.C. Carrying Gelgenite.*

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period..... *Fire practice (Revolver) Drillings;*

..... *Marchings. Learning Morse code. Signaling.*

(g) Absence from duty and cause..... *None*

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>Frank Siken T.O.</i>	<i>Dublin</i>
<i>John McBoyle</i>	<i>Pensions Board Dublin</i>
<i>Lady Fearon</i>	<i>Dublin</i>

(6). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1920, TO 31ST MARCH, 1921.

(a) Unit or Units..... *H Northern Division Hewmy Company (Irish Volunteers)*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service..... *All the year during the above period 1920-21*

- (c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered. *Newry. And Newtown Hamilton. + commons out side Newry.*
- (d) Officer Commanding in each instance. *Adge. O'Rourke Frank Aiken T.D. Pat Brady.*
- (e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? *Raiding goods trains for arms. Attack on R.I.C. Barrocks*
- (f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period. *Holding up goods trains at night for arms etc. Attack on R.I.C. Barrocks at Newtown Hamilton. May: 9th Raiding for arms at the commons out side Newry.*
- (g) Absence from duty and cause. *Arrested and convicted after raiding on evidence of two Protestants. Sentence 2 years. Prison Period from September 1920 to Jan 1922.*
- (h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>William Barr</i>	<i>31 Water St Newry Co. Down</i>
<i>Pady Fearon</i>	<i>Dublin</i>
<i>John Mc Boy</i>	<i>Pensions Board Dublin</i>

(7). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1921, TO 11TH JULY, 1921

- (a) Unit or Units. *H Northern Division Newry company (Irish Volunteers)*
- (b) Duration (giving dates) of service. *Prison During the above period.*
- (c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered. */*
- (d) Officer Commanding in each instance. */*
- (e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? *Prison*
- (f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period. */*
- (g) Absence from duty and cause. *Prison (Brimlin Rd. Belfast) Walton (Limerick) Northampton) England.*

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
William Barr	31 Lower Water St Newry
Lady Fearon	Dublin
Mathew Gray	Sugar House Quay Sugar Island Newry

(8). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 12TH JULY, 1921, TO 30TH JUNE, 1922.

- (a) Unit or Units... *H Northern Division Newry Company* ^(Irish Volunteers)
- (b) Duration (giving dates) of service... *All During the above Period (in Prison.) taking over Dundalk Military Barracks*
- (c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered... *Dundalk & Newry. Reprisal Raid on Altnaveigh.*
- (d) Officer Commanding in each instance... *Frank Siken T.O. Mick Fearon (Slater)* ^{in America}
- (e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service?... *Raiding Drilling using Fire Arms and all other Duties in Barracks*
- (f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period... *Taking over Dundalk Military Barracks and performing Duties there-in. Raid on Altnaveigh (Reprisals)*
- (g) Absence from duty and cause... *None*

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
Arthur Magill	Mullaghpawn (now in the Garda)
Lady Fearon	Dublin
Michael Hugh Mc Avoy	Cloghogue now in America

(9). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST JULY, 1922, TO 31ST MARCH, 1923.

- (a) Unit or Units... *H Northern Division Newry Company* ^(Irish Volunteers)
- (b) Duration (giving dates) of service... *Gave up after Dan Hogan took Dundalk owing to ill Health in September 1922*
- (c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered... *Dundalk*
- (d) Officer Commanding in each instance... *Frank Siken T.O.*
- (e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service?... *Resisting the then Free State troops and Refusing to join up with them*

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period. *Taking the jail and Military barracks from Dan Hogan.*

(g) Absence from duty and cause. *Ill Health after Sept 1922*

Took up again in Oct. 1922 assisted every way I could to help the cause. Refused a Commission with Dan Hogan on the Army on to join the Garda. Have supported Fianna Fail all along and intend to do so at any time.

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Frank Aiken T.D.

Dublin

John Mc Boy

Pensions Board

Dublin

Andy O'Hare

Dublin

(10). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1923, TO 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1923.

(a) Unit or Units.

4 Northern Div 2nd Coy. Company

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.

All during the above period

1st April 23 to 30 Sept 23.

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.

Sandwich & 2nd Coy.

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.

Frank Aiken T.D.

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service?

Watching movements of Free State troops and seeking information.

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.

Watching movements of Free State troops and seeking information. Helping Mick Ferguson of Booley to get put up in Kerry for a rest. Refused offer of Commission to join Free State forces

(g) Absence from duty and cause.

None

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Andy O'Hare

Dublin

Mick Ferguson

Booley, Sherone

John Mc Boy

Pensions Board, Dublin

PART II.

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANTS WHOSE QUALIFYING SERVICE IN THE FORCES* WAS PRE-TRUCE ONLY, *i.e.* :—

(a) who served in the Forces at any time during the week commencing on the 23rd day of April, 1916,

or

(b) who 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.

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(1). ACTIVE SERVICE AT ANY TIME DURING WEEK COMMENCING ON 23RD APRIL, 1916.

(a) Did you render active service in the week commencing 23rd April, 1916? If so,
 from what date in that week.....

(b) Unit or Units.....

(c) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

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(d) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

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(e) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(f) In what way do you claim that your service was active service?.....

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(g) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during
 the week.....

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(h) Absence from duty and cause.....

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* The following Military Bodies, and those only, are included in the term "the Forces,"
viz. :—

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

(i) References who can testify as to your statements above :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

(2). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD COMPRISING :—

(a) period from 1st April, 1916, to 22nd April, 1916 ;

(b) period from 30th April, 1916, to 31st March, 1917.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service ?.....

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

(g) Absence from duty and cause.....

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

(3). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1917, TO 31ST MARCH, 1918.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service ?.....

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(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

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(g) Absence from duty and cause.....

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(h) References who can testify as to your statements above :—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

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(4). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1918, TO 31ST MARCH, 1919.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

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(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

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(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service ?.....

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(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

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(g) Absence from duty and cause.....

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(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

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(5). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1919, TO 31ST MARCH, 1920.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

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(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

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(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service ?.....

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(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

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(g) Absence from duty and cause.....

.....

(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

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(6). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1920, TO 31ST MARCH, 1921.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

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(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

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(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service ?.....

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(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

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(g) Absence from duty and cause.....

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(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

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(7). CONTINUOUS ACTIVE SERVICE DURING PERIOD FROM 1ST APRIL, 1921, TO 11TH JULY, 1921.

(a) Unit or Units.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service.....

.....

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered.....

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(d) Officer Commanding in each instance.....

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service ?.....

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(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period.....

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(g) Absence from duty and cause.....

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(h) References who can testify as to your statements above:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

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PART III.

GENERAL.

TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS.

- (1). State in terms of the First Schedule to the Act the rank and nature of appointment held on the first and second critical dates, respectively:—

(a) On first critical date.

Ordinary Volunteer (Private)
During Period

(b) On second critical date.

Ordinary Volunteer (Private)
During Period

References who can testify as to your statements:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
William O'Connell	31 Lower Water St. Newry Co. Down.
Lady Fearon	Dublin
Mathew Gray	Sugar House Quay Sugar Island Newry.

- (2). Did you serve in the National Army as well as in the Forces on the 1st July, 1922, or on any subsequent date. If so, did you apply for a certificate of military service under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924, and, if so, with what result. If you did not so apply, give your reasons for not doing so.

No

- (3). If you did not serve in both the National Army and the Forces on the 1st July, 1922, or on any subsequent date—state whether you applied for a Certificate of Military Service under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924, and, if so, with what result.

I applied for a ~~Service~~ ^{Service} Pension, but it was turned down owing to my having no service with the then National forces. Had I joined the State army on Garda in 1923 I would have been considered.

(4). Did you apply for a wound or disability pension under any of the following Acts ? :—

Army Pensions Act, 1923.
Army Pensions Act, 1927.
Army Pensions Act, 1932.

If so, with what result.

(As stated at bottom of opposite column)

(5). Have you applied for, or are you in receipt of Unemployment Assistance under the Unemployment Assistance Act, 1933 ? If so, quote the number of your qualification

certificate

Have applied, but have not received
a certificate as yet, or any other assistance

(6). Were you a member of the Irish Volunteer Executive at any time prior to the 11th July, 1921 ? If so, give the dates between which you served.

No

(7). Are you now, or were you at any time during the period for which you claim service, in receipt of any remuneration, or allowance payable out of public moneys, whether provided by the Oireachtas or out of the Central Fund, or by means of the poor rate or any other rate imposed by a local authority, state details.

(8). Are you in receipt of any pension in respect of service :—

- (a) As a member of the Civil Service.
- (b) As a member of the Garda Síochána.
- (c) As a member of any other Police Force.
- (d) As a member of the Prisons Service.
- (e) As a National School Teacher.
- (f) As a Secondary School Teacher.

- (g) As an Officer of any Local Authority.
 (h) In any other employment.

If so, give details.....

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 Act, 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 will 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.

I have not got any documentary evidence, as it was not our orders to keep any. During the Periods. Any of the old Army Volunteers whom you may chose can I think verify any of the statements I have made. My two best Pals during the Periods I mention, are in America (unfortunately) have to go

Signature (or Mark) of Applicant.....

James Marron

Battle Hill Carlingford Co. Louth

* Witness to signature or (where applicant is unable to write) to mark of applicant.

John Devlin,

Address of Witness.....

Carlingford,

Co. Louth

Qualification.....

Clergyman (Catholic).

Date.....

22nd Nov. 1934

* 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 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 was 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 in strength, or
- (f) a Brigade Vice Officer Commanding whose brigade was at that date not less than one thousand in strength, or
- (g) a Brigade Adjutant whose brigade was at that date not less than one thousand in strength, or
- (h) a Brigade Quartermaster whose brigade 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, or
- (j) a General Headquarters Officer who at that date was acting as Director of Medical Services, or
- (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 sub-paragraph (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 strength, or
- (c) was, at that date, a Captain on the General Headquarters Staff or on a Divisional Staff, or
- (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 and 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 in command, or
- (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
- (g) was a Battalion Vice Officer Commanding whose battalion at that date was not less than one hundred in strength, or
- (h) was a Battalion Adjutant whose battalion was at that date not less than one hundred in strength, or
- (i) was a Battalion Quartermaster whose battalion was at that date not less than one hundred in strength, or

(j) 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 Vice 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 be deemed 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 Oglagh 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 I 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 reason of 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.

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