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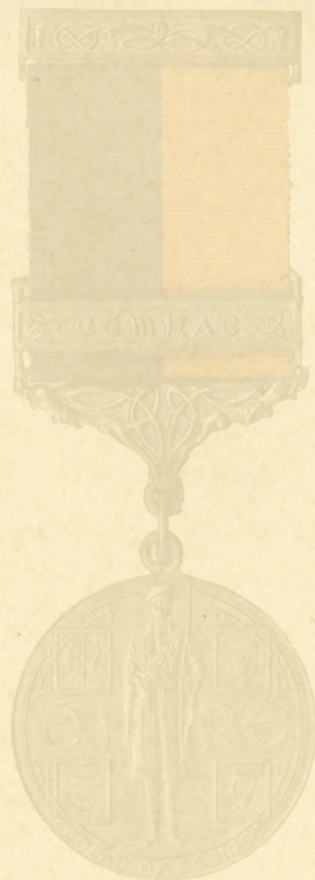
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REF. No. 28141APPLICANT'S NAME Quinn PeterADDRESS Lr. Bloughoge Newry Co. Down.UNIT bloughoge boy. St. Bde 4th N. Div.

| (a) PERIOD | (b) Service claimed | (c) Active service allowed | (d) Equivalent for Pension purposes | REMARKS |
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| (1) 23/4/16 - 30/4/16 | | | | (7) |
| (2) (a) 1/4/16 - 22/4/16 } (b) 30/4/16 - 31/3/17 } | | | | await report. $\frac{15}{2}$ 39. (8) |
| (3) 1/4/17 - 31/3/18 | | | | (9) |
| (4) 1/4/18 - 31/3/19 | | | | (10) |
| (5) 1/4/19 - 31/3/20 | | | | (11) |
| (6) 1/4/20 - 31/3/21 | Full Period. | | | (12) |
| (7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/21 | do. | | | (13) |
| (8) 12/7/21 - 30/6/22 | do. | | | (14) |
| (9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23 | do. ? | | | (15) |
| (10) 1/4/23 - 30/9/23 | | | | (16) |

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

Rank claimed on 2nd Lt. Lt. 2nd Lt.

Rank allowed Total of Column (d).....

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APPEAR TO APPLY

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Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

Ref. No. *M.S.P./23574*

Ref. No. *28171*

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.

Quinn, Peter

Lower Blanghoge, Newry Co. Down.
for a Service Certificate.

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

J. J. Morgan

Date *31 JUL 1936*

Date

Referee.

1. Is the Applicant a person to whom the Act applies ? *no*
2. If so, total actual service in the different service periods, as established
3. Total service for pension purposes as defined by Second Schedule of the Act.
4. Grade or rank, quoting relevant paragraph of First Schedule under which allowed : —
 - (a) On first critical date
 - (b) On second critical date
 - (c) Was applicant a member of the Irish Volunteer Executive at any time prior to the 11th July, 1921
 - (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 or under sub-paragraph (m) of paragraph 4 of Rule I. of First Schedule, as a Medical Officer

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 ?.....

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.....

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

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

(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

(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.....

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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

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

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(3) State—

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

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

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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

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

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(3) State—

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

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

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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

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

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(3) State—

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

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

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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

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

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(3) State—

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

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

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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

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

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(3) State—

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

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

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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

.....

(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.....

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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

.....

(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.....

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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

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

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(3) State—

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

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

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MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

Form R. 18.

Ref. No. 28171

APPLICANT'S NAME *Quinn, Peter*

For Discussion with *Messrs. Woods & Eldon, Leamington, Quinn & McInerney* Date *28/1/41*

| PERIOD | OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE | PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT |
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| (1) | <i>Eng. Lt.</i> | |
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| (6) | <i>Trans. Sec. - Wellington int. S.R.A. Adair's detachment No!!!</i> | |
| (7) | <i>Bamburgh G. H. H. H. H.</i> | |
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OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

(a) First Critical Date..... (b) Second Critical Date.....

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

Date.....

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MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

Form R. 18.

Ref. No. 28141

APPLICANT'S NAME Quinn, Peter

For Discussion with Messrs. Gormley, Grant, Doyle, O'Hanlon and Cooney. Date 26/11

| PERIOD | OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE | PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT |
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OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

(a) First Critical Date..... (b) Second Critical Date.....

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

Date.....

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Advisory Committee.

7th November, 1940.

28171 PETER QUINN.

Heard 1st June, 1938, graded 11. by Interviewing Officers.

Claims the rank of 2/Lieutenant on the 1st critical date and also on the 2nd critical date.

Applicant does not appear to have had any engagement pre-Truce with the exception of a few holds-up of trains. On one occasion when a train was derailed at Anyalla he was sent three miles away with instructions to light a signal fire when he had ascertained that troops were on it. He did so. The signal was successful, the rails were lifted and the train was derailed.

During the 8th period he took part in Altnaveigh reprisals. He was armed with a rifle and took part in the shooting at two houses, and carried oil with which the houses were set on fire.

His case was not discussed with Verifying Officers;
Hold for discussion with them.

JFS/KMF.

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MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS ACT, 1934.

Form R.18.

Ref. No. 28771

APPLICANT'S NAME Quinn, Peter

For Discussion with Ganda J Grant

Date 4/8/38

| PERIOD | OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE | PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT |
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OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

(a) First Critical Date..... (b) Second Critical Date.....

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

Ref. No. 28171

APPLICANT'S NAME Quinn Peter

For Discussion with Messrs Grant & O'Hanlon

Date 15/2/39

| PERIOD | OBSERVATIONS ON SERVICE | PROVISIONAL ASSESSMENT |
|--------|---|------------------------|
| (1) | <p>See synopsis of Evidence</p> <p>Officers not able to verify</p> <p>Holds for further inquiry</p> | |
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OBSERVATIONS ON RANK—

(a) First Critical Date..... (b) Second Critical Date.....

RESULT OF DISCUSSION.

May 6th 1940.

COPY/ 9948

4124 Wickham Ave.,
Bronx New York City.

Sir,

Your letter of April 18th received today. Sorry for delay in getting these names for Referee.

The following are a list of the names who took part in the Adayvoyle train ambush.

James Loughran, Sefin, Co.Armagh

Peter Byrnes - -

John Hanaway - -

Peter J. Rice Ayohage - -

Joe Kelly Meegh - -

"Myself" M. Fearon

Frank Aiken T.D. & two men from Mullabawn Company. I do not know their names but Mr. Aiken can help you out on this I am sure.

Their were some men who took part in scouting, cutting wires & blocking roads. The following are their names.

Thomas McGinnity Ballydermot, Co.Armagh

Michael McEvoy Cloughoge, Co.Armagh

Peter Quinn - -

Terence McGivern - -

Leo McEvoy - -

Thomas McGill - -

Their may have been some others at this work but these are the men I know were their.

4124 Wickham Ave.,
Brooklyn New York City.

May 6th 1940.

Michael McGill Mullaghbawn

M. Cunningham Clonlur

P. Loughran Dundalk &

Peter McGee Clonghoge

may have been out scouting or blocking
roads, but I do not think so.

Yours

(Sd.) M. Fearon

Note changed address.

Their were some men who took part in
scouting, cutting wires & blocking roads.
The following are their names.

Thomas McGinley Ballymore, Co. Wick
Michael McGinley Clonghoge, Co. Wick
Peter Quinn
Terence McGovern
Leo McGinley
Thomas McGinley

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Ref. No. 3430.

Office of the Referee,
Griffith Barracks,
Dublin.

18 April, 1940.

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(Military Service Pensions Act, 1934).

A Charn,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to my letter dated 1st November last, a copy of which is enclosed, and to enquire if you are now in a position to forward a reply thereto.

In this connection I am to add that it is understood from Mr. F. Aiken, T.D. that the total number of actual participants in the operation did not exceed six. I am to request you to confirm if this was so, and if not, to include in your reply the names of all of the participants, showing in respect of each participant the actual extent of his services.

Yours, &c.,

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(Signed) Edw B

RONALD E.

Mr. M. J. Fearon,
444 East 147 St.,
New York City,
NEW YORK, U.S.A.

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COPY.

1 November 1939.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to applications made under the above Act by certain former members of the 1st Brigade, 4th Northern Division, and to request you to be good enough to furnish for the information of the Referee a list of the participants in the Adavoyle troop train ambush, 24th June 1921, showing in each case degree of participation.

I am to add that the undermentioned, amongst others, claim participation:-

| | | |
|-------|-------------------|---|
| 9943 | McGill, Michael | 14 Commercial St, Middleboro Yorks, England, - formerly Mullaghbawn, Dundalk. |
| 11586 | Loughran, Patk. | 7, Culhane St. Newry. |
| 24295 | Cunningham, Ml. | Glencur, Killeavey, Newry. |
| 28171 | Quinn, Peter | Lower Cloghogo, Newry. |
| 48202 | McGee, Peter | Usserivone, Mullaghbawn. |
| 54461 | McGivern, Terence | Lr. Cloghogo, Newry. |

Mise, le nous,

SD. EAMONN DE BURCA.

RÚNAÍDE.

Mr. Michael J. Pearson,
444 East 147 Street,
NEW YORK CITY.

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SUMMARY

PETER QUINN (No. 28171).

Heard on 1/6/1938.

Grade II

Joined May 120.

He was 2nd Lieut. of the Coy., which numbered 23 at the first Critical Date and 50 or 60 on the second Critical Date.

- (6) Applicant mentions two train holds-up but he was not concerned in them.

During the Camlough bks. attack he was on outpost duty at Green Rd. armed, for two hours.

At the train hold-up at Wellington cutting he was on outpost duty a quarter of a mile from them, nothing happened.

Altnaveigh train hold-up, he actually participated in this.

- (7) Blocked roads 3 times. Cut wires 12 times.

Did armed patrol duty each night for one week.

A troops train was de-railed at Anyalla. Applicant was sent 3 miles away with instructions to light a signal fire when he would ascertain definitely that the troops train had come. He did so. The signal was successful, rails were lifted and the train was de-railed.

He also took part in a raid for tools for this job.

He burned a house which was about to be occupied by enemy forces in Fatham.

Helped to make 7 dumps and one dug-out.

Spent 3 or 4 nights making ammunition.

Took part in 5 raids for arms - no shooting.

He was sleeping away from home occasionally.

- (8) Spent one week in Killeavy camp and went to Ravensdale camp when it was set up. He helped to shift the dumps to Ravensdale. He was there for about 3½ months.

He took part in the Altnaveigh reprisals, was armed with a rifle and participated in the shooting at two houses. He also carried some oil which was used in setting fire to the places. There was no return fire.

He was dispatched to take part in the attack on Jonesboro bks. but when he got there a truce had been called.

He was disbanded from Ravensdale, went on the run for one month and afterwards went abroad.

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SWORN STATEMENT MADE BEFORE ADVISORY COMMITTEE BY
PETER QUINN ON 1st JUNE, 1938, (REF.NO. 28171).

Q. Have you any references with you?

A. Yes.

Q. When did you join the Vols.?

A. Somewhere about May '20.

Q. Had you been in the Vols. before that?

A. Not sworn Vols.

Q. Were you in the Vols. at all before that?

A. I just knocked about with them.

6th Period

Q. Harrassing the enemy by holding up trains at Meigh, and Bessbrook. Was that on two occasions the train was held up?

A. Yes.

Q. What was the train held up for?

A. At Meigh we went to hold up the train and it was called off.

Q. Were you at Bessbrook?

A. No.

Q. Did you take part in the attack on Camlough bks.?

A. Yes.

Q. What part did you take?

A. In the ambushing party in the Green Road, outpost.

Q. How far was that from Camlough?

A. I suppose it would be about a mile or a mile and a half.

Q. Were you armed?

A. Yes, I had a shotgun and a revolver.

Q. Did you have a fight there?

A. No.

Q. How long were you there?

A. About 2 hours, or 3 hours.

Q. Were you in some train hold-up?

A. Yes, at Wellington Cutting and Altnavea. I was at four trains altogether in the whole periods.

Q. Was there a train held up at Fatham?

A. That is the Wellington cutting.

Q. You have it down here during the truce. When did it happen?

A. It was prior to the truce.

Q. What happened at Wellington cutting?

A. We held up the train and took the mails.

Q. Were you in the holding-up party?

A. No.

Q. What were you doing?

A. I was on outpost.

Q. Where?

A. About at Burkes.

Q. How far away was that?

A. On the hill on the road leading to that particular cutting, it would not be more than a quarter of a mile from the place.

Q. Did you have any shooting there?

A. Nothing happened except the burning of the train and when everything was off the whistle went to dismiss.

Q. What was the next train hold-up?

A. Altnaveigh.

Q. That is Fatham?

A. No, Altnaveigh.

Q. What did you do there?

A. I was actually at the train there.

Q. Was it for Belfast goods?

A. Yes.

Q. Were they got?

A. They got the train, destroyed the train and destroyed the goods.

Q. Burned the train and goods?

A. Yes, the stuff was put out on the line and burned. The train was not destroyed unless it was destroyed by the heat of the stuff on the side of the rail, that is to be correct.

7th Period

Q. Trenching roads and knocking trees?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you cut wires?

A. Yes.

Q. How many times altogether would you say you did that kind of work?

A. I cut wires I suppose a dozen times and we we only trenched roads when we were wanted to.

Q. Did you do it half a dozen times?

A. I might do it half a dozen times on the one night.

Q. How many nights were you out on the job?

A. I can say three.

Q. What do you mean by blockading of enemy lorries - is that knocking trees?

A. Yes, felling trees.

Q. "One of our comrades being taken out and shot. Special guard every night at new church". What had you to do with one of your comrades being taken out and shot?

A. We had to stop out and keep guard for further reprisals.

Q. How long were you doing that?

A. Until the truce.

Q. When did it start?

A. I am not definitely sure, I remember the truce stopped us.

Q. Were you doing it for a week?

A. I suppose a week or more until the truce came.

Q. That was armed patrols?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you ever have an encounter with the military or Specials?

A. No, only the attack on Jonesboro' bks.

Q. When was that?

A. At the latter end, and the attack on Altnaveigh.

Q. What about the troop train that was derailed?

A. That was in Anyella.

Q. What had you to do with it?

A. I lit the first signal fire.

Q. That was in June '21?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you light the first signal fire after the job had been done?

A. No, before the job was started. There were three trains coming, troops and passenger trains intermediate, they wanted the third troops train and not a passenger train and as they wanted to get time to derail the train I was sent about three miles away to light a signal fire to show them definitely that this was the troops train coming, the third one.

Q. How did you know it was the troops train?

A. I knew because I was on a hill overlooking the rail. When I was sure of the troops I lit the fire and my signal was taken up immediately from a hill facing the ambush.

Q. Was it a success?

A. Yes.

Q. The train was de-railed?

A. Yes.

Q. Was there any fighting there?

A. No.

Q. Special constabulary very active. Were you people very active too?

A. Yes, we were active.

Q. Were you doing patrols or burning houses or anything like that?

A. Yes. We burned houses.

Q. Was that at Fatham?

A. Yes, one at Fatham and houses in Altmorc.

Q. Burned house to be occupied by enemy?

A. Yes, that was in Fatham.

Q. Were you making dug-outs or dumps?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you spend much time at that?

A. A long time.

Q. How many dugouts did you make?

A. We had one main dug-out in the mountains.

Q. Were there small ones as well?

A. No, there were plenty of small dug-outs.

Q. Did you spend a week at that?

A. Yes and far more, ~~xxxx~~ because the work was done during the night and we carried the stuff a long way.

Q. Did you make dumps?

A. Yes.

Q. How many?

A. About seven temporary dumps and one main dump.

Q. Did you have any raids for arms?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you go to many houses?

A. Yes, we took the whole district.

Q. How many houses did you visit?

A. I visited about five.

Q. Did you have to shoot in any of them?

A. No, it was not necessary.

Q. Were you making ammunition or explosives?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you spend much time at that?

A. A night a week for 3 or 4 weeks, getting the stuff and making the stuff.

Q. Procuring implements for derailing troops train. Was that raiding for them or collecting them from friendly people?

A. We raided for them, took them off the railway.

Q. Were you living at home all this time?

A. Yes.

Q. You did not have to go on the run?

A. I was out at night just.

Q. Sleeping away from home?

A. Yes, sleeping out.

Q. For how long did that last?

A. I don't know how long. Sometimes I would go home, that was on and off nearly all the time.

Q. What did you work at?

A. Farming.

8th Period

Q. Did you go into any training camp in the truce?

A. Yes, I was in Killeavy.

Q. How long were you there?

A. A week.

Q. Any other camps?

A. Ravensdale camp afterwards.

Q. You say you were doing work in connection with the training camp. Does that mean you simply went there or were you doing anything to help to set up the camp?

A. I don't know.

Q. Burned goods train at Fatham - you told us about that.
Burning of vacated house at Fatham.

Special job in June - what was that?

A. I think the special job was Altnaveigh.

Q. Was that the reprisals in Altnaveigh?

A. Yes.

Q. Were you on that job?

A. Yes.

Q. Were you shooting at a house?

A. At two houses.

Q. How were you armed?

A. Rifle and a bottle of oil.

Q. Did you succeed in setting fire to those places?

A. Yes.

Q. Accomplished your object?

A. Yes.

Q. Were you fired on during the attack?

A. No.

Q. That was June '22?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you come from Ravensdale that night?

A. Yes.

Q. How long were you in Ravensdale altogether?

A. We were going up on and off for I suppose two months ~~xxx~~ until after that and then we stopped definitely in Ravensdale for about six weeks.

Q. After that?

A. We were disbanded in Ravensdale.

Q. Did you go home?

A. I went away.

Q. You had nothing else after that?

A. I had to go and look myself at home and stop at home as well as I could.

Q. Were you let stay at home?

A. No.

Q. Were you on the run then?

A. Yes.

Q. How long were you on the run?

A. About a month, and then I went away.

Q. Did you go abroad?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you do anything else while you were in Ravensdale? Had you any attacks on bks. or anything like that?

A. No, only the attack on Jonesboro.

Q. What about that?

A. We were going down to relieve a sniping party but there was a truce called or something. It was stopped anyway.

A. When I got down that length I had nothing to do only keep guard to see that they kept it.

Q. Did that occur while you were in Ravensdale?

A. Yes.

Q. You had no shooting to do there?

A. No.

Q. Is there anything else you wish to tell us about your service

A. I think that is all.

Q. This affair in Altnaveigh appears to have been the only one you had any shooting in. There was shooting in Altnaveigh?

A. Yes, there was.

Q. You had no shooting apart from Altnaveigh?

A. No, no other battle.

Q. Did you take part in clearing dumps and conveying ammunition to the camp in Ravensdale Park? Making explosives?

A. Yes.

9th Period

Q. Continuous guard against reprisals until the end of July?

A. Yes.

Q. Armed guard?

A. Yes.

Q. You were 2nd Lieut. of your Coy.?

A. Yes.

Q. Were ~~you~~ there many in the Coy. when the truce came?

A. There were about 23.

Q. How many after the truce?

A. I suppose there would be 50 or so. Maybe more, 50 or 60.

AMcD

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REFEREE R.15.

Military Archives

Organisation Records supplied by H. J. Season, Baltn. Ofc.

show that applicant was

(a) 2nd Lt. Bloughogey Bay. 11.7.1921.
Mullaghdown Bn.
Strength 71

(b) 2nd Lt. Bloughogey Bay 3rd Bn. 1st Bde. 1.7.1922.
4th N. Div.
Strength 78

Signed: 30
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/KR.

To Military Service Pension Board
Dublin

Bloughoge Coy I.R.A.

A Chara
This is to certify that we the undersigned
as members of Bloughoge Coy. I.R.A. can verify the activities
(as stated hereunder) of bearer "Peter Quinn" of Bloughoge
to be a true and correct statement. We agree to give any
further information to the Board if required at anytime
to the best of our knowledge and belief

Signed *Wm. Knight* *Wm. Math* *Wm. Jackson*

Activities of Peter Quinn Bloughoge Coy. I.R.A. 1st Lieut.

1920 found Bloughoge Coy formed in may. Raids.
for arms collecting Levys. regular. Full Meetings
takings Instruction to use of revolver rifle and bombs
Target Practice meeting three times weekly. Attack
on Comlough Barracks Blocking roads ~~carrying~~
carrying out of Boycott

1921 Usual Practice Burning of goods train Mail
Raids at Tathom Bridge and Altnavough road
trenching. wire cutting Burning House to be
occupied by R.M.S.C. Making dug outs, Main Dumps
1920 Temporary Dumps etc. Wirecutting making Exposives
signaling procuring implements for derailing
of troop train at ~~offence~~ relay night Patrols
till end of service

over

1922 Naval practice, At Burning
of goods train at Wilby on Petty
Attendance at Training Camp
Killeney Belleted off in
sections on whole of his duties
clearing all dumps & covering
ammunition etc to camp
in Roundale Park
Attack on Bonabro Barracks

Attack on Attuery's
continuous guard against
repurals up to end of July 1922
disbanded in Roundale
about that time
Signed Peter Quinn

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28 DEC 1935
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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). QUINN, PETER.
SURNAME. CHRISTIAN NAMES.

PRESENT ADDRESS. LOWER CLOUGHOGH
(to be written in block capitals). NEWRY

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.....

(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.

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

(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.

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

(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.

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

(a) Unit or Units.....

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

Drilling and Instructions in the Handling of arms, etc

C. Loughrey Coy. IRA

Continuous Regular

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered. *Within radius of ten miles*

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance. *Frank Aiken*

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? *obeying the orders of my superior officers on all occasions*

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period. *Harassing the enemy by folding up trains at Meagh. Resbrook + attack on Camlough Barracks*

Preparation for events enumerated by collecting arms
 (g) Absence from duty and cause. *Implements Etc*

Not absent

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

George McHugh
[Address]

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

(a) Unit or Units. *Bloughage Coy I.R.A.*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service. *(continues) Mob for Special job*

at camlough (called off) goods train burned in Meagh

(c) District or Districts in which active service was rendered. *Boycott of Belfast goods*

Bloughage
Kathom Droinalane adavyle camlough

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance. *M. H. McEvoy Mich. Taron*

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? *obeying the orders of my superior officers on all occasions*

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period. *trenching tree falling wire cutting*

General blockading of enemy lorries One of our comrades taken out and shot special guard ent night at new church
hoop train derailed in Meagh Special constabulary very active
 (g) Absence from duty and cause. *continuous service during period*

None

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

M H McEvey

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *Bloughog Coy I.R.A.*

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

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

Fathom Killeary Ravensdal

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... *Frank Aiken Mick Fearon M.H. McEvey*

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

the orders of my superior officers on all occasions

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

the period..... *Work in connection with training camp*

burning of goods train at Fathom Burning of vacated house at Fathom to occupied by specials special job in past

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

Not absent

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

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

(a) Unit or Units..... *Bloughog Coy I.R.A.*

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service..... *July August*

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

Within radius of ten miles

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... *Mick Fearon Mick H. McEvey*

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

carrying on, as stated in paragraph (7) F

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

*Regular service in Rammsdale Camp
carrying out the duties of my office - i.e. Second
Lieutenant*

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

None

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

NAME.

ADDRESS.

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

(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.

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.....

(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.....

* 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 ?.....

(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.

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

(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.

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

(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.

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

(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.....

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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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(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.....

.....

(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.....

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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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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.

(1st) *First Lieutenant from May 1920 to*
End of June 1921
 (2nd) *Second Lieutenant July 1921 to July 1922*

(b) On second critical date.

(2nd) *Second Lieutenant from June 1921 to*
End July 1922

References who can testify as to your statements:—

NAME.

ADDRESS.

Thomas Cassidy Michael H M' Coy Co Captain
Michael Fearon Batt Commandant

- (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

I never served in National Army

- (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.

Not in Nott Army

I never applied for a Certificate of Military
Service under the Military Service Pensions
act of 1924

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

Army Pensions Act, 1923. *no*

Army Pensions Act, 1927. *no*

Army Pensions Act, 1932. *no*

If so, with what result.

(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 *no*

(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 *no*

(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.



no
no

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

If so, give details.....

No
I am not in receipt of any Pension

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.

My Battalion officers can vouch for the accuracy of the statements made. Some of them are Mich Fearon Batt. Commandant M. H. M. Crof. Co., Captain. Being not sure of unit I put Bloughy coy P.R.A., but I believe it to be. B Coy, 2nd Batt, 4th Northern Div

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

Peter Quinn

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

Amastin.

Address of Witness.....

Dublin Rd. Newry.

Qualification.....

Head Teacher. National Schools.

Date.....

9th December 1935.

* 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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