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Cosanna

F. C. I.

Fó-Roinn.

NÁ CUIRTEAR ÉANTUAIRISC AR AN GCLÚDACH SO.

Tá annso, leis,

DP2510

An Uimhir.

An Gnó.

1/C/2023

Sammon, Edward,
John's Row,
Westport,
Co. Mayo.

An Uimhir ag Roinn
Eile.

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Edward Samuel John Row Westport
To the Secretary
C. Mayo

Department of Defense

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ARMY PENSION BRANCH

Sir as regards the
further information
as regards application
for gratuity as I
stated in my first letter
I am not applying for a
Pension, as in the
Reading of the form
There is only one man
as far as I know would
come under it

in my area, as the But
of an accident I met with
The night Previous to the
Taking of Clifden from
the Free State forces
By the Republican Army
has not rendered me
unfit to work. I do
suffer a little from my
head I have never been
examined by a Doctor
as I am sorry to say my
dealings with Doctors
for the last four years
has cost me more than I
can afford.

and I also have sent in an
application to my Society
A. O. H. to see if they
would grant me a pair
of glasses as I was
Recommended by the
Optician Mr Connolly
west of course I am
~~now~~ saying that was
brought on by any-
thing I went through in
active service it may
and at may not, or I do
not know what effects
the knock on the forehead
may bring on

as I grow Older I will leave
that to you Gentlemen to
Decide and any information
Regarding my service or
Character can be had from
either Mr M Kilroy J. D
M E ^{Moane} ~~Moane~~ my Comrades
Officer. and Mr James
Malone I do not know
what is ~~Kane~~ ^{Kane} exactly
he is the Present man appointed
by you hoping you will
give it your kindest ~~consider~~
consideration I went as
near as I could to giving
the information Required

~~Respectfully~~ Your Obedient
servant Edward Tammam Westport
John Rowe



Johns Row westport

23/4/34

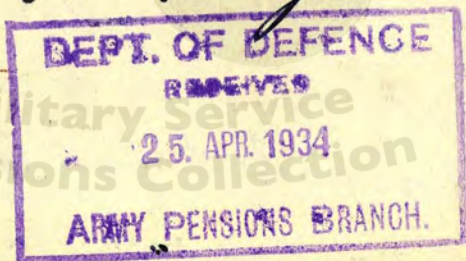
The Secretary Dept of
Defence

Sir as regards my
Application for Gratuity
which I made some few
months ago and received
a reply from you that
it was receiving attention
if you would let me know
if there has been anything
further since I received
your letter I would be
very Thankfull for

any further information
or if you have made inquiries
from the men I mentioned
to you as to the statements
I made when applying for
gratuity and I don't think
there is any need to go over
those statements again
except one I did not mention
that is that I gave up my
job in Manchester in
the firm of Brooks and
Doxies and came back
and reported for duty
inside one week and am
pressed for debts incurred

by my People who are now
Dead and which I would
Like to Clear up if I possibly
could hoping you will give
this your kindest
considerations I remain
your Obedient Servant
Edward Sammon

Johns Row Westport
Co Mayo



NOTE: It would expedite the investigation of your claim if you would furnish the present addresses (if known) of all persons whose names are given by you in this form, whether the addresses of such persons are asked for or not.

ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1932.

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

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE OF THIS FORM

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

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

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

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

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

No record
application under
A. P. Act 1923 & 1927.
Initials *gkb*
Date *25/4/34*

Name of Applicant (To be written in Block Capitals) *Sammon (SAMMON)*
Edward (EDWARD)
(Surname)
(Christian Names)

Age last Birthday *44 years*

Present Address *John's Row, Westport*

Nearest Garda Síochána Station *Westport*

Distance of Nearest Railway Station from Residence *1/4 Mile*

Distance of Nearest Bus Route from Residence *1/4 Mile*

Whether Railway or Bus is the more economical *Approximately the same*

Method of Transport between residence and Dublin *Bus and Rail*

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

ORGANISATION	Period of Service*		In what capacity he served	In what areas he served	Name of his Commanding Officer
	From	To			
(a) Oglagh na h-Eireann (Irish Republican Army)	1913	1923	Quartermaster of 3rd Battalion	Mayo & Galway	Liamonn Moore.
(b) Irish Volunteers					
(c) Irish Citizen Army					
(d) Fianna Eireann					
(e) Hibernian Rifles					
(f) Cumann na mBan					

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

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

wound on forehead

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

on the night previous to the taking of Clifden

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

Outside Letterfrack

Peter J Mc Donnell Deputy C.O. 4th Western Division

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

Thomas Harney Lonsburgh
Michael Tunney Derrakella
Westport

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

- (i) In what way is it claimed that applicant's disease is connected with his Military Service, and what are the grounds for the claim?

(A detailed statement of the facts with dates should be given.)

No Disease

- (ii) Were there any particular conditions affecting applicant's service which it is claimed caused the disability or disabilities? Did the applicant suffer from any illness during the period of his service? If so, give particulars, including any treatment received.

yes

*Treatment Received from
Red Cross for wound
on Forehead*

- (iii) Give particulars of the applicant's health for the 3 years prior to joining the particular Force in which it is claimed he incurred the disability (or disabilities). If possible, certificates should be furnished:—

good Health

- (a) from his doctor, and

- (b) from his approved Society for the 3 years prior to joining the particular Force, or if he was not an insured person, certificates should be furnished by the Medical Practitioner who ordinarily attended him during these 3 years. A statement will also be required from his Employer or Employers in respect of the 3 years prior to his joining the particular Force.

Had no Doctor

- (iv) Give the names and addresses of the applicant's Employers:

- (a) During the 3 years prior to joining the particular Military Force in which it is claimed he contracted any disability referred to in the reply to Question 2 above.

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

*The Manager of the firm
Messrs R. & H. Hall
who I worked under previous
to joining Force is Dead
His name was Mr W. H. Palmer*

*Service
Collection*

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

10. Give the names and addresses of

Labourer

*R. & H. Hall Ltd
Westport Quay*

Labourer.

*12 months un-employed after
cessation of military service
working part-time till 2 years ago.
and half-time at present.
Cause: — Depression of
trade.*

No.

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

11. If the applicant has been treated at a hospital (either as an in-patient or an out-patient) since the cessation of his Military Service, give the name of the hospital or hospitals, dates of admission, or commencement of treatment, and the nature of the ailment for which treated.

12. Give particulars of the applicant's health since the cessation of his Military Service. These should be supported by:—

(a) medical certificates from any civilian doctors who have attended him and reports from non-military hospitals he has attended;

(b) certificates from his employers as to health and time lost.

13. Has the applicant received, in respect of any wound or disease mentioned in answer to Question 2 above, any payment;

(a) on a decree under the Criminal Injuries (Ireland) Acts, 1919 and 1920;

(b) on an award made by the Personal Injuries Committee;

(c) From or on behalf of the person alleged to be responsible for the act which caused such wound;

(d) from any other source.

If so, give full particulars.

14. Give the name of the applicant's National Health Approved Society and (if possible) his Membership Number.

15. Has the applicant at any time since the cessation of his Military Service been registered at a Labour Exchange? If so, give particulars as to the name of the Exchange and the period.

16. Is there any other information

No

Fair
Suffers a Little from
Pain across Forehead

No Doctor has attended me

No Time Lost
Could not afford to had no
other means

No

No

No

No

A. O. H.

No. 226519

Yes; Westport Labour Exchange.
Registered part of every year
since 1925

as applicant only received

which you can give, which is material to the Applicant's claim? (Note.—Section 10 (5) of the Army Pensions Act, 1932).

Application Form this morning to give 8th Dec. he was not in a position to give any further particulars at present as Form had to be in tomorrow 9th Dec

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

No.

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

No.

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

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

No.

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

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

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

22. If applicant's wife is alive:—

Yes.

- (a) State the date of his marriage.

2nd Dec. 1923.

- (b) State the name of his wife.

Bridget Hallinan (Mrs Bgt Sammon)

(c) Is his wife dependent on him?

Yes.

(d) Does she ordinarily reside with him?

Yes.

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

Sons under 18 years of age.

One

Unmarried Daughters under 21 years of age.

Three

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

Yes; with applicant at John's Row, Westport

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

No.

I declare that—

(a) I am the applicant mentioned in the foregoing particulars.

(b) the said particulars have been read over by or to me before signing this declaration,

(c) the said particulars are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature of Applicant. Edward Sammon

Address of Applicant. John's Row Westport

Signature of Witness. J. Gunnigan
(See Note overleaf)

Address. The Presbytery Westport Co Mayo

Qualification. R.C. Clergyman

Date. 8th Dec 1933.

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

I declare that—

(a) this application is made by me on behalf of the above mentioned applicant,

(b) that the foregoing particulars have been read over by or to me before signing this declaration,

(c) that the said particulars are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature of Declarant.....

Address.....

Description.....

Signature of Witness.....
(See Note overleaf)

Address.....

Qualification.....

Date.....

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

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

ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1932.

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

Registered No. of Applicant I/RB/3401.Name of Applicant Sammon, EdwardAddress of Applicant John's Row,Westport.

WHEREAS an application for the grant of a pension *or* gratuity to the said applicant has been referred to us by the Minister for Defence under Section 8 of the Army Pensions Act, 1932;

NOW, We, the Military Service Registration Board, in pursuance of the said Section 8, hereby certify as follows:—

1. ~~The applicant was not at any time a member of any organisation to which Part II of the said Act applies.~~

or

The applicant was a member of Oglaigh na h-Eireann (I.R.A.)

(State organisation or organisations of which applicant was a member).

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

or

The applicant was engaged in military service within the meaning of Part II of the said Act, and the following are particulars of such military service:—

Organisation or organisations of which applicant was a member	Particulars of military service		
	(*) Period of service		Nature and extent of military service
	From	To	
Oglaigh na h-Eireann (Irish Republican Army)	1916	1923	Volunteer, Mayo Brigade.
Irish Volunteers	-	-	-
Irish Citizen Army	-	-	-
Fianna Eireann	-	-	-
Hibernian Rifles	-	-	-
Cumann na mBan	-	-	-

(*) If the service was not continuous throughout, particulars of the period or periods of actual military service should be stated.

3. The applicant did not receive a wound or injury while engaged in military service.

or

~~The applicant received a wound or injury while engaged in military service and the following are particulars of such wound or injury—~~

(a) Nature of wound or injury

(b) Date on which wound or injury was received

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

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

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

or

~~The applicant contracted a disease during his military service and the following
are the particulars of such disease:—~~

(a) Nature of disease -

(b) Actual conditions under which applicant
performed his military service -

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

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

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

5. *

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

Signed.....

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Chairman
Member
Member
of
Military
Service
Registration
Board

Dated this..... day of..... April,..... 1937.....

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Army Pensions Acts, 1923-1932.

Claim of Edward Sammon.

Aire.

Submitted that this claim be rejected, please.

John MacGillivray

Rúnaí.

Rúnaí.

I agree.

20 APR 1937

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Aire Cosanta.

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Pensions Collection

4 MAY 1937

MD.



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Ref. No. DP. 2510.

ROINN COSANTA,
(DEPT. OF DEFENCE),

GEATA NA PAIRCE,
(PARKGATE),

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH.
(DUBLIN).

24 August, 1937.

A CHARA,

Army Pensions Acts, 1923 to 1932.

I am desired by the Minister for Defence to state that your claim under the above Acts has been duly investigated. The Minister regrets that for the following reasons no award can be made to you.

You did not receive a wound or injury while engaged
in Military Service.

Mise, le meas,

Issued 24/8/37
Initials RS

Tealans naemairinne

207.
Mr. Edward Sammon,

RUNAL.

John's Row,

Westport, Co. Mayo.

30/837 John Row Westport
The Secretary Department
of Defence

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PENSIONS BRANCH

Sir I received a form
from your Department
stating that no award can
be made to me, that I did
not receive a wound or
injury while engaged in
military service its
strange news to me seeing
that I was told of as one of
an advance Party fully
equipped. Starting from a
Place called Shirdag and
bound for Ladifden, it was
while thus engaged that I
received the injury

while actually going into
~~and~~ or Preparing for action
very near the Scene of
Operations when it occurred.
and did take Part in the
engagement from start
to finish until Clifden
was taken with my head
bandaged in that case I
fail to see how can state
it was not on Military
service, well I have Proven
military service already
to suggest that I was not
on military service amounts
to me trying to obtain
something by false Pretences
and Leaves me open to the

Charge of trying to defraud
I can produce the Proof of
military service if
required to do so. I
will say no more on the
matter until I hear further
from you.

I am yours Respectfully,
Edward Samner
Johns Row
Westport

Please excuse the writing
as I have got a sore
finger

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D.P. 2510

25 September, 1937.

A Chara,

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo, applying for reconsideration of your claim for a pension under the Army Pensions Act, 1932, and to state that the decision conveyed to you on the 24th August last was based on the Certificate furnished to the Minister in your case by the Military Service Registration Board on the 6th April last.

The Minister regrets that he is unable to reconsider your claim unless you are in a position (a) to furnish further evidence in support thereof, and (b) to show that you could not have produced such evidence before the date of the Board's certificate.

Mise, le meas,

J. M.
af Rúnaí.

Mr. Edward Sammon,
John's Row,
Westport,
CO. MAYO.

2579/37
RS

Military Service
Pensions Collection

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