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O' Malley Myles.
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REFEREE R.3

Ref. No. 3577 Applicant's Name D' Malley Hyles Address Old Head, Louisburgh, Co. Mayo.
 UNIT: 1st Louisburgh Coy, 4th Bn., West Mayo Bt.

(a) PERIOD	(b) Service claimed	(c) Active Service Allowed	(d) Equivalent for Pension purposes.	REMARKS
(1) 23/4/16 - 30/4/16.	<i>Nil.</i>	/	/	<i>Hold! Bile. Off. $\frac{15}{3}$ (7)</i>
(2) (a) 1/4/16-22/4/16 (b) 30/4/16-21/3/17	<i>Nil.</i>			<i>finished. $\frac{16}{3}$ (8)</i>
(3) 1/4/17 - 31/3/18	<i>Nil</i>			<i>57. (9)</i>
(4) 1/4/18 - 31/3/19	<i>Full Period</i>	/	/	(10)
(5) 1/4/19 - 31/3/20	<i>do.</i>			(11)
(6) 1/4/20 - 31/3/21	<i>do.</i>			<i>1/3 yrs. "Gun" men (12)</i>
(7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/21	<i>do.</i>	<i>2 yrs.</i>	<i>1 yrs.</i>	(13)
(8) 12/7/21 - 20/6/22	<i>do.</i>	<i>1/2.</i>	<i>1/2 yrs.</i>	<i>Conf. (14)</i>
(9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23	<i>do.</i>	<i>1/2.</i>	<i>1 yrs.</i>	<i>18/3/37 (15)</i>
(10) 1/4/23 - 30/9/23	<i>do.</i>	<i>Full.</i>	<i>1 yrs</i>	(16)

(a) First critical date

(b) Second critical date

Rank claimed or - 1st Lieut. Captain.

Rank allowed - 1st Lieut. Captain.

Total of Column (d)

WITNESSED: James Robinson John McElroy

S. H. Hynes

John Jordan

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Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

Ref. No. 34 SP/3883

To:

THE REFEREE.

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

O'Malley, Myles

Old Head, Louisburgh, Co Mayo.
for a Service Certificate.

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

J. J. Morgan

Date 9 APR 1935Ref. No. M.S.P./34/Reference - 3547

To:

THE MINISTER FOR DEFENCE.

I submit hereunder my report in this case.

J. J. O'Connell 18 MAY 1937

(SIGNED) J. K. O'CONNOR

Referee.

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.....

② nil③ nil④ nil⑤ nil⑥ 1/6 of

ENTIRE PERIOD

⑦ nil

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⑧ 1/2 of

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⑨ 1/2 of

ENTIRE PERIOD

⑩ nil

ENTIRE PERIOD

3. Total service for pension purposes as defined by Second Schedule of the Act.....

3 1/2 years

4. Grade or rank, quoting relevant paragraph of First Schedule under which allowed:—

(a) On first critical date Grade D. Para. 1(4)(b)

(b) On second critical date Grade D. Para. 1(4)(b)

(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.....

no

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.....

(3) State—

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

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

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.....

(3) State—

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

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

F Coy. Bn. IV, West Mmp Bde

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.....

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

F Coy, Btro. IV, West Mayo Bde.

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

1/6 of ENTIRE PERIOD

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

1/3 of 1 year

(3) State—

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

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

F Coy, Btro. IV, West Mayo Bde.

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—

Oglaigh na h-Eireann,

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

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant. *boy bapt.**F boy, Btr. IV, West Mary Bde.*

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

 $\frac{1}{2}$ of ENTIRE PERIOD

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

 $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1 year

(3) State—

Oglaigh na h-Eireann,

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

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

*F boy, Btr. IV, West Mary Bde, and**F boy, Btr. II, West Bonmahara Bde.*

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

 $\frac{1}{2}$ of ENTIRE PERIOD

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

1 year

3) State—

Oglaigh na h-Eireann,

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

(b) Unit or Units and the position held by applicant. *boy bapt.**F boy, Btr. II, West Bonmahara Bde.*

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

.....
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-Eirann,

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

F Coy, Bn II, West Brunenara Bde

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OIFIG AN RÉITEÓRA,
(OFFICE OF THE REFEREE),
BEAIRICÍ UÍ GRÍOBHTHA,
(GRIFFITH BARRACKS),
CUAR-BHÓTHAR THEAS,
(SOUTH CIRCULAR ROAD),
BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH.
(DUBLIN).

Ref. No. 3577

23rd March 1936.

A CHARA,

I am directed by the Referee to refer to your application under the terms of the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, and in accordance with the provisions of Statutory Rules and Orders 1936, No. 61, I am to notify you that on the evidence submitted, the findings of the Referee in respect of your application are as follows:—

Service Period.	Duration of Active Service during each period, as established to the satisfaction of the Referee.	Appropriate pensionable service.
(1) Week commencing 23/4/16		
(2) (a) 1/4/16 - 22/4/16 (b) 30/4/16 - 31/3/17		
(3) 1/4/17 - 31/3/18		
(4) 1/4/18 - 31/3/19	Nil	Nil
(5) 1/4/19 - 31/3/20	Nil	Nil
(6) 1/4/20 - 31/3/21	1/2 of ENTIRE PERIOD	1/2 of 1 yr.
(7) 1/4/21 - 11/7/21	ENTIRE PERIOD	1 yr.
(8) 12/7/21 - 30/6/22	1/2 of ENTIRE PERIOD	1/2 of 1 yr.
(9) 1/7/22 - 31/3/23	1/2 of ENTIRE PERIOD	1 yr.
(10) 1/4/23 - 30/9/23	ENTIRE PERIOD	1 yr.

TOTAL— 3 1/2 years.

Grade of rank on 1st critical date.....

" " " " 2nd " ".....

I am also to inform you that if you desire to submit any additional evidence or to make any representations with a view to the revision of these findings, such evidence or representations must be submitted in writing to the Referee and must reach this office not later than 14th April 1936.

The Referee will give full consideration to any evidence or representations so submitted, and after such consideration will make his report to the Minister. If no additional evidence or representation is furnished before the date indicated, the Referee will thereupon make his report to the Minister.

I am to add that the report of the Referee, when made, will, subject as mentioned in Section 9 of the Act, become final and conclusive and binding on all persons and tribunals whatsoever.

Mise, le meas,

M. J. O'Sullivan,
Clerk,
Lansdowne,
Dublin.

E. M. Burke,
Rúnda.

File No. 3577

Name of applicant J. Malley, Myles,

For discussion with Messrs Kilroy & Macon 16/3/37.

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Colpitt
63 hrs
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James H Kilroy
by name.

REMARKS

James east 1918. Lonsburgh
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(4) usual

(5) "find" for Arms.

(6) to have no more Colpitt
Funds Court work - a lot
of Court work - had to bring
people to Court. (smile)

Sent by Kilroy) breakpoint for Cannon Kennedy (Riffy)
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he put up his hand - Pretended
to do so & fired right away)
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"in me ever since"

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(7) Lonsburgh fill - Mole (Gully)
A lodge - kills off if

volunteers for all he has left in me
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his eyes & getting things. Lonsburgh
after all - my name upon to see
if I could -

(8)

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in D.H. - 100 not whole time. Then

(9)

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D.H. - 100 for 75 per 6 mts
in D.H. - 100 not whole time. Then

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(1 year)

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Referee R.15.

Organisation Records supplied by (a) E. Moore T.D. & Old I.R.A. Association
(b) ditto

show that applicant was

(a) Coy. Capt. F. Tully Coy, 4th (Roussburgh) Bn. W. Mayo Bdo. 11.7.1921

Strength 63 men per old I.R.A. Association

(b) Coy. Capt. F. Tully Coy, 2nd (Roussburgh) Bn. W. Connors Bdo. 11.7.1922.

Strength 73 men per applicant
do per old I.R.A. Assn.

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SWORN STATEMENT MADE BY MYLES O'MALLEY (3577)

BEFORE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON 1.12.'36.

Q. Did you bring any papers with you?
A. Yes. I only brought two I only got the letter on Saturday when it was late. If you require any more I will get them.

Q. We will be able to indicate as we go through the examination whether you want any more or not. When did you join the Vols?
A. 1918.

Q. Towards the beginning or end?
A. Towards April, the early part of it.

Q. Did you remain in the Volunteers from that date onwards?
A. Yes.

Q. Until when?
A. Until the finish up in 1924.

Q. What rank did you hold?
A. Company captain.

Q. Louisburgh Company?
A. No. F. Company. It was Louisburgh Battalion.

Q. How many in the company?
A. 63 before the Truce, 73 after the Truce.

Q. 63 on the date of the Truce, and 73 on the outbreak of the Civil War?
A. Yes.

Q. Were you still company captain at the outbreak of the Civil War?
A. Yes.

Q. What do you work at usually?
A. Previous to the outbreak of the Civil War I held a shop in Louisburgh, as a result of the activities the business went down and went wallops, the result was I had to go over to England and work in 1925, I got a few pounds and came home and got married. I am working as a gardener in the Eld Head Hotel, I was doing a desperate business at one time, it was all knocked on the head owing to my activities.

4th Period:

Q. In 1918 when you joined the Volunteers you took part in the usual drills and so forth?
A. Yes.

Q. Were there many drills?
A. Drill every night practically.

Q. Nothing else to do was it?
A. No. At night.

Q. You were not drilling every night?
A. Practically every night, not all the men.

5th Period:

Q. Was that going on during the next period also?

A. Yes.

Q. Was there anything of note that occurred ^R you can recollect in those two years?

A. No. Only drilling and organising, and attending Sinn Fein Courts

Q. Did you do any organising outside your own company?

A. No. Only just my own company.

Q. Was there anything in the way of making shot or filling cartridges during 1918?

A. There was not in my area.

Q. Had you raids for arms?

A. Yes.

Q. Did you get much?

A. We got a lot of shotguns.

Q. Did you take part in the raids yourself?

A. Yes.

Q. Took charge of the raids?

A. Yes.

Q. About how many raids would there have been?

A. We had several. I could not give you the approximate number.

Q. Had you 20?

A. Twenty at least.

Q. Any resistance on these occasions?

A. Only in one case.

Q. Was there firing?

A. No. It was resistance in one case he threatened to blow us up if we did not go out.

Q. Did you get the gun?

A. Yes. Got the gun and made sure of that.

Q. You claimed intelligence—that was just observing enemy movements and all that?

A. Yes.

6th Period:

Q. Was it late in 1920 you were made captain of the company?

A. Yes. May 1920 when the battalion was formed.

Q. Up to that what were you?

A. I was only an ordinary private. It was only a company in Louisburgh area then there was a battalion formed and worked by P. J. Kelly.

Q. You had some raids for the collection of arms in this period?

A. Yes.

Q. Were you collecting money for arms?

A. Yes. Certainly we collected money for arms.

Q. And had court work?

A. Yes.

Q.

- Q. Did you appoint men to attend courts?
 A. I used to attend along with some other officers, appoint judges.
- Q. Was there much court work there?
 A. There was a lot of court work in Louisburgh district. We had to bring them in by force into it,
- Q. You would send out a party to bring in fellows that would not want to go?
 A. Yes. Certainly I often went myself.
- Q. The people used to be robbers?
 A. No. The fellows used to beat their wives. Fellows that were opposed to us, and would not want to recognise our courts.
- Q. Was there much of that?
 A. There were several cases.
- Q. Had you any arms this time?
 A. Yes.
- Q. What kind of gun?
 A. A rifle.
- Q. Did you ever have to use it during this period?
 A. No.
- Q. You never had a scrap with the police?
 A. Yes. In 1921 I had scraps with the police.
- Q. In the year ending March 1921, you were in no fight?
 A. Yes. I did outpost duty in Carrowkenedy. I wanted to have a rattle at them. Michael Kilroy was in charge he sent me on to this particular spot to do outpost duty along with some other men, to keep off the enemy if they came with reinforcements. He said I was as well there as in the fight. Previous to this I was sent in for provisions into Louisburgh I felt I was surrounded by the police and Tan patrol, I was armed he told me to put my hands up I pretended to put them up, as soon as I did I fired and jumped over a wall, they started banging, I crossed a river and dived down got up over the other side and got away. They were banging at me the whole time, I returned it.
- Q. This was the police patrol?
 A. Yes. Of about 10 police.
- Q. What happened the provisions?
 A. They got none that night, I had to go about 8 miles to a friend of mine and I got them.
- Q. You went 8 miles after this little escapade?
 A. Yes.
- Q. Did you do outpost on more than one occasion for the column in the year ending March 1921?
 A. That was the principal outpost duty I did-Carrowkenedy.
- Q. There was a fight there?
 A. There was a fight there.
- Q. ~~There was a~~ Kilroy was in charge?
 A. Yes. We beat them.

Q. Did the whole company turn out for this work?

A. My whole company?

Q. Yes.

A. No. Only a few, they had not any arms to turn up.

Q. What kind of rifle had you?

A. A Lee Enfield.

Q. A service rifle?

A. Yes.

Q. Had you any ammunition for it?

A. Often had 50 rounds on me.

Q. There were not many men armed with rifles?

A. No.

Q. Did you go on the run in this period?

A. I was on the run practically ~~the day~~ from 1918, I was on the run in November 1920, they raided for, they did not get me, I had to go on the run, I was on the run ever since.

Q. You gave up the shop?

A. I did.

Q. November 1920 you gave up the shop?

A. 1918. I could not sell anything after Mallin, it was the first time they blew in the shop and smashed it into atoms.

7th Period:

Q. Were you actually in an engagement with the Tans and R.I.C., at Louisburgh?

A. Yes. That was in 1921?

Q. The last three months before the Truce?

A. It would be in April to the best of my knowledge.

Q. What was this?

A. It was after I was mobilised for, we were going to have the attack on Louisburgh Barracks, we mobilised all the men in a place called Gullig Lodge, about 2 miles from Louisburgh. We were waiting for some men from Westport area to come, the police got wise and got back reinforcements. We were in there, well armed; it was called off, we had to go then. We lay in a place called Crosspatrick there all night for the enemy to come, ~~to~~ rattled at them. What did they do—they went around Leenane ~~way~~ way into Westport, took the other road. There were three roads they could go by. Nobody expected they would go but where we were.

Q. This was a planned ambush?

A. Yes.

Q. Was there an actual fight in Louisburgh?

A. No. Only myself I was the only one

Q. This is the occasion where you say you were held up?

A. Yes.

Q. That would be in May 1921?

A. April I think it was to the best of my knowledge, it would be about April 1921.

A. We had a mobilisation to attack, it was after that.

Q. Then you volunteered to go on the column?

A. I would not be let go—I wanted to go the whole time, I was sent back, he could not do without me.

Q. What were you doing in the company area?

A. I was organising and getting provisions that was where the column used to fall back on my area I had to look after them in every shape and form, to see they got food.

Q. This time you were held up and got away was the only time you had to use your gun in the whole period?

A. That was the only time I used the gun, except in Clifden.

Q. That is later on.

8th Period:

Q. Did you go into camp?

A. Yes. Camp and Barracks.

Q. Did you spend much time in barracks? What camps were you in?

A. Ballycroy.

Q. How long were you there?

A. A fortnight.

Q. Being trained? A company officer's camp?

A. Yes.

Q. Was that the only camp?

A. That was the only camp we were in, and the barracks in Louisburgh barracks, then in Castlebar.

Q. Was that during the Truce?

A. Yes.

Q. After camps you went home again?

A. I never went home.

Q. What were you doing in the Truce as regards volunteer work?

A. We were in the barracks.

Q. ~~When~~ The barracks were ~~taken~~ not taken over as soon as that?

A. They were taken over after the Truce. It was early after the Truce I think. It was not very long after the Truce when the bks., were taken over.

Q. Newport Barracks was evacuated early, I do not know about Louisburgh and Castlebar, generally the barrack were not taken over until February 1922, in some areas the police were withdrawn to the central town?

A. I think they were taken over before that, the police left Louisburgh before that, they left shortly after the Truce..

Q. You went into Louisburgh Barracks first?

A. Yes.

Q. How long did you stay there?

A. About 6 months.

Q. How long in Castlebar?

A. I was back and forth in Castlebar they sent me in then some of the men, I would come back.

Q. Was it a military barracks in Castlebar?

A. Yes.

Q. They did not get them until February 1922?

A. I think it would be something about that.

9th Period:

Q. Where were you when the Civil War broke out? How long in Castlebar barracks altogether?

A. Until the day they evacuated.

Q. You did not go in when they took them over in February?

A. I did, and stopped in it until the Civil War broke out.

Q. You spent 14 days in Ballycroy, 6 months in Louisburgh ~~Bkery~~ Police station then you went into Castlebar and stayed there for a further period of 4 or 5 months until the Civil War broke out?

A. Yes.

Q. You were in Castlebar when the Civil War broke out?

A. Yes. Attack on the Four Courts?

Q. Yes.

A. Yes. Then we went to Clifden and took Clifden Bks., off the enemy.

Q. Were you in the fight at Clifden?

A. Yes. I was in the fight in Clifden with my rifle.

Q. Any other fights?

A. No. That was the only fight I had. I had a little skirmish with the Free State Troops in Louisburgh.

Q. This is when you escaped from them?

A. Yes.

Q. Did they attempt to arrest you or what?

A. Yes.

Q. Were you armed?

A. I was of course.

Did you fire on them?

A. I did.

Q. You got away?

A. I got away.

Q. What had you?

A. The same rifle. ~~they~~ If they got me that time I knew it was either one way or the other.

Q. Did you get any of them?

A. I did not.

Q. What kind of position was it, you were in a house in the town?

A. In a house, they surrounded the house, I climbed a wall I got through the gardens at night, they surrounded the place I got

A. I got away through the gardens got under cover got over across the other side.

Q. Did you fire on them?

A. I did.

Q. Did they follow you?

A. They followed me as far as they could find me, one of them I heard got courtmartialled for not getting me. Their idea if they got me at any period—I was no more.

Q. Were you able to go back to your own area?

A. Yes.

Q. Helping in the transport of men and munitions?

A. Yes.

Q. Were you getting any provisions for them?

A. Yes. I was trying to get provisions at all times and making dugouts.

Q. Were you told to do this work definitely?

A. I was by Mr. Ned Mohan, Officer in command, brigadier and Paddy Kelly too.

Q. Did they instruct you to get back to the company area again and do the local work that was necessary to help the column?

A. To help the column to help the brigade staff and all.

Q. Was it Mohan told you do this?

A. Mohan, Paddy Kelly and Tom Heaney was adjutant.

Q. You helped to make dugouts and everything?

A. Yes. I had to stop in the dugout Mohan, ~~Port Royal~~, a crowd of us, I had no other way to go.

Q. Did you keep house for them?

A. Well, I was not a bad cook.

Q. You were active up to the "Dump Arms?"

A. Yes. I was at the last dumping of the arms then.

Q. You were not arrested?

A. No.

Q. You were raided for?

A. I was raided for them they did not get me.

Q. You went home before Christmas I suppose?

A. I think it was after Christmas.

3547. O'Malley, Myles.

Was a shopkeeper in Louisburgh whose shop was smashed up & business ruined by Tans. Still regrets his loss. Is a working gardener now. Service discloses no unusual features till May 1920 when he was made Capt.

6th. In 6th Bn. he was ^{armed} outpost for Connolly Kennedy ambushed. Nothing happened at his outpost. Had to go on run in Novr. 1920. Linked up with Column but ordered to hang round Louisburgh for purpose of servicing Col. Surrounded by Tans when getting food for Column & instead of surrendering, shot his way out. This was a lucky action and was his only armed encounter with enemy.

7th. Servicing Column. No fight.

8th. Louisburgh Barracks appears to have been evacuated early in Truce. He spent 6 mos. there on garrison duty, having done 14 days in camp at Ballycroy. Proceeded to barbed wire Military Bks when handed

over in February 1822 & remained till
outbreak of C.W..

IX Proceeded to Clifden. Captured Bks.
there. He took part in fighting with his
rifle. Had no other fight with F.S.,
except that he escaped under fire when
surrounded. Ordered back to Loughborough
Area to help column & brigade staff.
Assisted in making dugout & "Kept house"
there - did cooking etc.

Not arrested. On run all time.
Could not go home till after Xmas 1823.

A useful man but he did not have
much fighting service. All the time
he was back of the column servicing
them - which was very necessary work.

Military Archives

DÁIL ÉIREANN



SEORSCAC ÉIREANN

TIGH LAIGHEAN
(Leinster House)

BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH
(Dublin)

28-11-36

This is to certify that Myles O'malley
was an active member of the I.R.A.
since its formation in Louisburgh district.
He was at all times an active member
of the organisation. He was on outpost duty
at Carron Kennedy in June 1921 prior to which
he had an engagement in Louisburgh & with
the R.I.C. and made good his escape.
He also took part in the fight and
capture of Ballydoon in 1922. He gave
continuous active service from 1919 to 1924.

J. Moore J.D.

Lt. O.B. Westmeyer Brigade

Military Service
Pensions Collection

Military Archives
Castlebar Road
Westport
28/11/36

This is to Certify that I have known
Captain Myles O'Malley since I organized
that area in March 1920 to be an active
Member of the I.R.A. As a result of
His activities He was raided for by R.I.C.
+ had to go on the run in November 1920
under arms with I.S.U. awaiting attacks
on several occasions, Had engagement with R.I.C.
when sent in for provisions made good.
His escape, Was on outpost duty
at Carrowkenedy ambush + took part
in the attack + capture of Cliften Enemy's
garrison in October 1922.

Military Service
Pensions Collection
Signed P.J. Kelly
of 4th Battalion
West Mayo Bde

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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).

SURNAME.

CHRISTIAN NAMES.

PRESENT ADDRESS...
(to be written in
block capitals).

OMALLEY MYLES
OLD HEAD LOUISBURGH
CO MAYO

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... *Louisburgh Company*.....

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service... *Joined the Volunteers*.....

and April 1918.....

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

Louisburgh District.....

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance... *James Sammon*.....

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

Drilling.....

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

Drilling and Training
and General Intelligence

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

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
James Sammon	Baranmore L. Duisburgh
Jan Sammon	Becanwy Westport
Andrew Harney	L. Duisburgh

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

(a) Unit or Units..... L. Duisburgh Company

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
James Sammon	Baranmore
Jan Sammon	Becanwy Westport
Andrew Harney	L. Duisburgh

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

(a) Unit or Units..... L. Duisburgh Coy. Lt. Batt. Major West
Promoted Captain 2nd Company 1st Brigade

(b) Duration (giving dates) of service..... May 1920

Continuous

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

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance. *P. J. Kelly*

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? *Raiding for and collecting arms*

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period. *Raiding for and collecting arms doing outpost duty in close touch with F. Column collecting and supplying provisions and all other necessities for F. Column and general intelligence*

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

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>P. J. Kelly</i>	<i>Castlebar St. Westport</i>
<i>Thomas Joyce</i>	<i>Shroagh, Louisburgh</i>
<i>Joe Butler</i>	<i>Bridge St. Westport</i>

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

(a) Unit or Units. *2. Coy. 4th Batt. Louisburgh*

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

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

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance. *P. J. Kelly*

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? *Raiding Men doing outpost duty engagement with R. D. G. & Dams*

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period. *Engagement with R. D. G. & Dams at Louisburgh resisted arrest made good my escape under fire volunteered to join 2 Column sent back to Co. by our instructions by D.P.C.*

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

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
P. J. Kelly	Castlebar St Westport
Joseph Baker	Bridge St Westport
Andrew Harney	Louisburgh

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

(a) Unit or Units..... I Company 4th Batt ^{Mayo West Bde} Louisburgh

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

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

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... P. J. Kelly

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? Performing all military duties assigned to me

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

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

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
P. J. Kelly	Castlebar St Westport
J. Flaherty	Westport
Edward Moane	T D Beinsters House

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

(a) Unit or Units..... I Coy 4th Batt Louisburgh

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

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

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance..... P. J. Kelly

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? Resisted arrest from 2 State Troops. Escaped Procuring provisions for men & intelligence

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period. *Helped in transport of men*

and munitions resisted arrest from 2 S. troops and Escaped and General intelligence

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

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>P. J. Kelly</i>	<i>Castlebar St Westport</i>
<i>J. J. Lally</i>	<i>Westport</i>
<i>E. Moane</i>	<i>T D Leinster House</i>

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

(a) Unit or Units. *2 Coy 4th Batt Londisburgh*

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

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

(d) Officer Commanding in each instance. *P. J. Kelly*

(e) In what way do you claim that your service was active service? *Making outposts for Bgea Officers*

(f) Particulars of any military operations or engagements or services rendered during the period. *Making outposts for Bgea Officers
being outpost duty for them and General intelligence for them*

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

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

NAME.	ADDRESS.
<i>P. J. Kelly</i>	<i>Castlebar St Westport</i>
<i>Edward Moane</i>	<i>T D Leinster House</i>
<i>Thomas Harney</i>	<i>Londisburgh</i>

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.....

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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 ?.....

(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 ?.....

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(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.

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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.....

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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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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.

Company Captain
63 Men

(b) On second critical date.

Company Captain
73 men

References who can testify as to your statements:—

NAME.	ADDRESS.
P. J. Kelly	Castlebar St Westport
Dan Sammon	Bearmy Westport
Edward Moane	T. D. Beinsters House
Mrs. Joyce Shraugh	L. Duisburgh

- (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.

I did Not Serve in the 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.

No

(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.

No

(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.

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

If so, give details..... No

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.

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

Myles D. Malley
Old Head Louisburgh
Co Mayo

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

Address of Witness.....

W.H. O'Leary P.C. L.C.P.S.
Louisburgh Co Mayo

Qualification *Peace Commissioner & medical Practitioner*

Date..... *28th Jan'y 1955*

* 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.

NOTE

In March 1919 there was Martial Law proclaimed in consequence of the shooting of Mr. Milling R. M. in Westport and I being a member of the I R. A. and I was doing the principle business in the town of Louisburgh. My carts were stopped going into Westport for goods as I would get no permit with the result my trade was practically crippled and this went on for a considerable time being a married man I was harassed in my business and nothing was bad enough for me my trade was wholly from Westport and day after day my carts had to return without goods which completely crippled my trade and eventually left me in a position I had to give up business altogether.

Signed

My best Malley
Old Head
Louisburgh

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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