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O'Boyle Mrs. Catherine
Ballyteague
Glenhest.
Newport.
Co Mayo.

(In respect of San Patrick)

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Bosanta

F. C. 1.

Fó-Roinn.

NÁ CUIRTEAR ÉANTUAIRISC AR AN gCLÚDACH SO.

Tá annso, leis,

An Uimhir.

An Gnó.

II / RB / 322

An Uimhir ag Roinn
Eile.

*Boyle Mr Catherine
Ballylague
Bloondaff P.O.
Glenhex Newport St Mayo*

*Son
Patrick
Deceased*

Do cuireadh chun

Dáta.

Do cuireadh chun

Dáta.

Do cuireadh chun

Dáta.

LEATHAN MIONTUAIRISCE.

Tagairt.....

To/
THE MILITARY SERVICE
REGISTRATION BOARD.

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

Mrs. Catherine Boyle,

Glenkeel, Newport, Co. Mayo.

for investigation and certificate in accordance with Section
8 of the Army Pensions Act, 1932, and the Regulations
made thereunder.

A.S. Runal

Date *12/4/33*

A.S. RUNAL

ROINN COSANTA.

(Department of Defence.)

MILITARY SERVICE REGISTRATION BOARD,

COLLINS BARRACKS,

DUBLIN,

Ref. No. ILAB/3227/9/33ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1932.

A CHARA,

An application has been made under the above Act by....Mrs. Catherine
O'Boyle..... of Ballytigue, Glenkest, Newport, Co. Mayo
 for an Allowance or Gratuity in respect ofPatrick O'Boyle (son)
 who is stated to have been attached to your Command and while on duty with
Oglaigh na h-Eireann (I.R.A.) in the period.....1918-1923.....
 to have contracted disease which resulted in his death.

To enable them to deal with the application, the Board will be obliged if
 you will furnish at the earliest moment replies to the queries set out overleaf.

I am to point out that, for the purposes herein, a person shall be deemed
 to have been engaged in Military Service when, but only when, he was on duty as
 a member of the organisation referred to, or was under arrest as a result of his
 activities as such member, or being such member was evading capture or pursuit by
 the armed forces of the British Government or of the Government of Saorstát Éireann
 or of the Provisional Government or of the Government of Northern Ireland, or being
 such member was detained in a prison or ship, or an internment camp by or by order
 of any of the said Governments.

Mise, le meas,

J. J. Marshall

RUNAL.

To.....Michael Kilroy Esq. L.D......Carrabawn.....Newport,Westport,Co Mayo.

QUERIES:

(1) Between what dates did deceased serve with your Command?

(2) In what capacity did deceased serve?

(3) In what area was deceased engaged in Military Service?

(4) Did deceased contract any disease during his Military Service as defined? If so, please give the following particulars:—

(a) Nature of the disease

(b) Actual conditions under which deceased performed his Military Service. (A detailed statement of the actual conditions, with dates, under which deceased served, should be given.)

(c) Particulars of any illness from which the deceased suffered during his Military Service. (A detailed statement, with dates should be given.)

(d) Full particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which, in your opinion, should be taken into consideration in determining whether the disease was attributable to Military Service

(5) Particulars of any other matter in support of the applicant's claim or otherwise, on which you desire to comment.

(6) Date of death of deceased

(7) Have you personal knowledge of the facts of the case as set out by you above, or are your replies based on official reports, or on information otherwise received?

I declare above statements to be true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature Michael Hilroy

Organisation and Rank ex o.b. Western Command

Address Newport

Date 3-11-33

yes

T. B.

For further particulars

apply to Mr Michael Wangan

Glondaff P.O. Glamorgan

Newport Mayo. ex Brigade 24th

I am enclosing a certificate from

Dr. Sheridan Mental Hospital

Gastellbar.

Replies based on information received

Mayo.



Ballytigue
Co Londaff P.O.
Newport Mays.

The Secretary.
Scapa.

21st Novr 1933.

In reply to your letter
of the 15th inst Ref No 2/322 I
repeat the statement made
in my application that
my son Patrick did not
have Professional Medical
attendance owing to our
poverty until his health
broke. Physically and
mentally and you have
already received Medical
certificate from Doctor

Sheridan R. M. S. of the
Mental Hospital Castlebar
which I sent you through
Mr Michael Kibroy T. D.
when requested by you
some time ago.

owing to my son
having such a robust
Constitution previous to and
during his Military Service
It was everyones opinion
that he would regain
his health. And since

1923 he did not engage
in any labour injurious to
him

Wife & 4 children
Bathurst ^{her} Boyle
Witness Michael ^{mark} Wangan
Blondett & Co.

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P. A.

I am unable to pay
repeatedly for certificates
of cause of death

B. Boyle

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(Department of Defence.)

MILITARY SERVICE REGISTRATION BOARD,

COLLINS BARRACKS,

DUBLIN,

Ref. No. *II AB/322**7/9/33*ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1932.

A CHARA,

An application has been made under the above Act by *Mrs. Catherine*
O'Boyle of *Ballytigue, Glenbest, Newport, Co. Mayo*
 for an Allowance or Gratuity in respect of *Patrick O'Boyle (son)*
 who is stated to have been attached to your Command and while on duty with
Exp. Coy. 2nd Bn. Eireann in the period *1918 - 1923*
(1-4-A)
 to have contracted disease which resulted in his death.

To enable them to deal with the application, the Board will be obliged if
 you will furnish at the earliest moment replies to the queries set out overleaf.

I am to point out that, for the purposes herein, a person shall be deemed
 to have been engaged in Military Service when, but only when, he was on duty as
 a member of the organisation referred to, or was under arrest as a result of his
 activities as such member, or being such member was evading capture or pursuit by
 the armed forces of the British Government or of the Government of Saorstát Éireann
 or of the Provisional Government or of the Government of Northern Ireland, or being
 such member was detained in a prison or ship, or an internment camp by or by order
 of any of the said Governments.

Mise, le meas,

*J. J. O'Mahony*RURAL. *JCB*

To *Col. P. J. McDonald,*
Leenane,
Maam Cross,
Co. Galway.

QUERIES:

- (1) Between what dates did deceased serve with your Command?
- (2) In what capacity did deceased serve?
- (3) In what area was deceased engaged in Military Service?
- (4) Did deceased contract any disease during his Military Service as defined? If so, please give the following particulars:—
 - (a) Nature of the disease ...
 - (b) Actual conditions under which deceased performed his Military Service. (A detailed statement of the actual conditions, with dates, under which deceased served, should be given.)
 - (c) Particulars of any illness from which the deceased suffered during his Military Service. (A detailed statement, with dates should be given.)
 - (d) Full particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which, in your opinion, should be taken into consideration in determining whether the disease was attributable to Military Service ...
- (5) Particulars of any other matter in support of the applicant's claim or otherwise, on which you desire to comment. ...
- (6) Date of death of deceased ...
- (7) Have you personal knowledge of the facts of the case as set out by you above, or are your replies based on official reports, or on information otherwise received?

I got Command of 4th Western Division towards latter part of 1922. The deceased came up for Field service from Glenhead Company, Newport Battalion, West Mayo Brigade, and fought under my command in one engagement on the 20th December 1922. He would have been attached to other units previous to that in West Mayo. He remained in the unit till end of 1923. as Rifle man whilst with D.I. Unit.

West Mayo Brigade Area.

after break up of units when F.S. Troops occupied the area. Deceased contracted severe cold with bad cough and was very much harassed by continual raids on houses which compelled him often to sleep out in the bogs.

→ mental worry through fear of torture if captured, and Tubercular trouble.

Badly equipped in clothing for continual movement on bogs and mountain during period of incessant enemy activity during winter of 1922-23 and the very wet summer season and autumn of 1923.

Severe Cough and constant worry but he would be subjected to the torture meted out to others from the area captured by enemy.

Deceased was a Total abstemious and non smoker. He was known to be physically stronger than any of his comrades whilst in training at Newport Barr, during early part of 1922. Never a breach of discipline during 1922 or 1923.

Poverty owing to inability of her old husband to work. Loss of the deceased's voluntary earnings since 1923. Previous to that he worked as migratory labourer. Honesty of character.

Not certain of exact date, but claims will have sent you death certificate.

Personal. owing to been frequently with my relatives in Glenhead & also official reports.

I declare above statements to be true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Signature.....

Organisation and Rank..... O/C. 4th Western Div. B. 9.

Address.....

Bename

As Galway.

Date..... 15th Nov 1933

ROINN COSANTA.
(Department of Defence.)

MILITARY SERVICE REGISTRATION BOARD,

COLLINS BARRACKS,
DUBLIN,

Ref. No. *II RB. 1322.*

22. 11. 33.

ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1932.

A CHARA,

An application has been made under the above Act by *Wm*
Calherine O'Boyle of *Ballytiger, Glenkeat, Newport County Mayo.*
for an Allowance or Gratuity in respect of *Patrick O'Boyle (Son)*
who is stated to have been attached to your Command and while on duty with
Blair's North Eireann in the period *1914-1923*
to have contracted disease which resulted in his death.

To enable them to deal with the application, the Board will be obliged if you will furnish at the earliest moment replies to the queries set out overleaf.

I am to point out that, for the purposes herein, a person shall be deemed to have been engaged in Military Service when, but only when, he was on duty as a member of the organisation referred to, or was under arrest as a result of his activities as such member, or being such member was evading capture or pursuit by the armed forces of the British Government or of the Government of Saorstát Eireann or of the Provisional Government or of the Government of Northern Ireland, or being such member was detained in a prison or ship, or an internment camp by or by order of any of the said Governments.

Mise, le meas,

J. Mankham
RURAL

P.S.

To *Michael Mangan Esq.* Present address
Clonclaff P.O.
Glenkeat, Newport County Mayo.
Lisearney P.O.
Newport Mayo.
M. M.

QUERIES:

- (1) Between what dates did deceased serve with your Command?
- (2) In what capacity did deceased serve?
- (3) In what area was deceased engaged in Military Service?
- (4) Did deceased contract any disease during his Military Service as defined? If so, please give the following particulars:—
 - (a) Nature of the disease ...
 - (b) Actual conditions under which deceased performed his Military Service. (A detailed statement of the actual conditions, with dates, under which deceased served, should be given.)
 - (c) Particulars of any illness from which the deceased suffered during his Military Service. (A detailed statement, with dates should be given.)
 - (d) Full particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which, in your opinion, should be taken into consideration in determining whether the disease was attributable to Military Service ...
- (5) Particulars of any other matter in support of the applicant's claim or otherwise, on which you desire to comment. ...
- (6) Date of death of deceased ...
- (7) Have you personal knowledge of the facts of the case as set out by you above, or are your replies based on official reports, or on information otherwise received?

He enlisted under me in Glenhurst Company in 1918 and I promoted him Section Commander. He remained loyal to the organisation and was ready for service in the 1920-21 Campaign if sufficient arms were available. From 11.7.21 till civil war he attended I.R.A. Camp duties. He fought in the Divisional D.S.U. letters part of 1922. Got shot wound in shoulder. As rifle man on Active Service and discharged volunteer duties whilst a member of organisation.

West Mayo Area 4th Western Division
 shot wound in shoulder healed without special attention from doctors. which from his condition of health in 1922. During winter 1922-23 and abnormally wet season of 1923 he contracted severe cough owing to wettings during night journeys across bogs and living in "dug outs" to avoid capture. Pulmonary Tuberculosis is the poor condition of his people left him badly fitted out in the way of water proof clothing. He had a dread of capture owing to brutal treatment suffered by others from the area even on short periods of detention and his sense of duty impelled him to avoid capture. The cough and mental worry aggravated as intensive pursuit by enemy was maintained and aggravated also by the swampy ground and inclement weather. poor equipment and "dug outs" in inaccessible places where volunteers in West Mayo had to hide after "Cease Fire" order 1923.

He was a Total abstainer. Non-Smoker and as eldest son the mainstay of a weak family. Was in perfect health till 1923. Then proved strongest at Trials of Strength among Volunteers during Camp periods in 1921-22.

Extreme poverty and failing health of mother and sisters. The loss of Patrick's earnings from 1922. Till his death inability to get medical services for son was owing to hostility of resident M.O. towards I.R.A. members.

June or July 1932 (I forget at moment the exact date but certificate must have reached now).

Personal. As deceased served in Glenhurst Company and afterwards in Divisional D.S.U. whilst I had Command and during my Control of Div Communications I knew him under conditions I have described.

I declare above statements to be true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Michael Wangan

Signature... Company of 1918 Glenhurst
 Organisation and Rank... Battalion of 1920
 Div D.S.U. of August 1922
 of Div Communications
 1922-23

Address... Presently Liscarny P.O.
 Westport
 Mayo.

Date.....

ROINN COSANTA.

(Department of Defence.)

MILITARY SERVICE REGISTRATION BOARD,

COLLINS BARRACKS,

DUBLIN,

Ref. No. 7/322.....

4/11/33.....

ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1932.

A CHARA,

An application has been made under the above Act by.....*Mrs*
Catherine O'Sayle of*Ballyteague, Glenesh, Newport Mayo.*
for an Allowance or Gratuity in respect of*Patrick O'Sayle (son)*
who is stated to have been attached to your Command and while on duty with
Regiment North-Eireann in the period.....*1918-1923*
to have contracted disease which resulted in his death.

To enable them to deal with the application, the Board will be obliged if you will furnish at the earliest moment replies to the queries set out overleaf.

I am to point out that, for the purposes herein, a person shall be deemed to have been engaged in Military Service when, but only when, he was on duty as a member of the organisation referred to, or was under arrest as a result of his activities as such member, or being such member was evading capture or pursuit by the armed forces of the British Government or of the Government of Saorstát Éireann or of the Provisional Government or of the Government of Northern Ireland, or being such member was detained in a prison or ship, or an internment camp by or by order of any of the said Governments.

Mise, le meas,

H. J. Marshall
.....
RURAL. *[Signature]*

To *Michael Mangon Esq.*
Blondaff P.O.
Glenesh
Newport Mayo.

Deceased was enrolled by me in Glanhost Volunteer Company May 1918. Promoted Section Commander, July 1918. Stood ready for service 1920-'21. Did whole time service at various Bks in West Mayo after Dec 1921 till end of June 1922. Active service in the field from August 1922 till "Cease Fire" 1923. "On the run" till January 1924. As Company C. Both of. Div U.S. M. Comdt and Div Communications Officer I knew O'Keefe as N.C.O. in the organisation and Rifle man in the field.

QUERIES:

- (1) Between what dates did deceased serve with your Command?
- (2) In what capacity did deceased serve?
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- (4) Did deceased contract any disease during his Military Service as defined? If so, please give the following particulars:—
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 - (d) Full particulars of any negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased which, in your opinion, should be taken into consideration in determining whether the disease was attributable to Military Service ...
- (5) Particulars of any other matter in support of the applicant's claim or otherwise, on which you desire to comment. ...
- (6) Date of death of deceased ...
- (7) Have you personal knowledge of the facts of the case as set out by you above, or are your replies based on official reports, or on information otherwise received?

I declare above statements to be true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief.

Date 9 Nov 1933.

Signature

Organisation and Rank

Address

Michael Mangon
late of North Mayo I.R.A.
U.S. M. Comdt and of Divisional
Communications during Civil War
Blondiff P.O. Glanhost
Newport. Mayo.

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

Reg. No. of Applicant 2/BB/322. Name of Applicant O'Boyle, Mrs. Catherine.
Address of Applicant Ballytigue, Cloondaff P.O.,
Glenhest, Newport, Co. Mayo.
Name of Deceased Person to whom Certificate relates O'Boyle, Patrick,
Late Address of Deceased person Ballytigue, Cloondaff P.O.,
Glenhest, Newport, Co. Mayo.
Relationship of applicant to deceased Mother.

WHEREAS an application for the grant of an allowance or gratuity in respect of the said deceased 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 deceased was not at any time a member of any organisation to which Part II of the said Act applies.~~

The deceased was a member of Oglaigh na h-Eireann (I.R.A.)
(State organisation or organisations of which deceased was a member.)

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

The deceased 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 deceased 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)	1918	1923	Served as Volunteer, West Mayo Area.
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 deceased did not receive a wound or injury while engaged in military service.

~~The deceased 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 deceased which in the opinion of the Board should be taken into consideration in determining whether the wound or injury was attributable to military service

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

^{or}
The deceased contracted a disease during his military service and the following are the particulars of such disease:—

(a) Nature of disease **Pulmonary Tuberculosis and Insanity.**

(b) Actual conditions under which deceased performed his military service **Deceased was on active service.**

(c) Particulars of any illness from which the deceased suffered during his military service **Cold.**

(d) Detailed report on the applicant's statements to, in case the application is on Form A.P. 51, questions 4 D (i) and (ii) on that form, or in case the application is on Form A.P. 52, questions 9 D (i) and (ii) of that form.

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

(His C.Os., certify that deceased was on active service, and during winter of 1922/23 contracted severe cough owing to wettings during night journeys across bogs, and living in dug-outs to avoid capture; his people were poor and he was badly clothed; he was "on the run" up to end of 1923; he suffered from cough and from mental worry as a result of intensive pursuit by enemy. He received gun-shot wound in shoulder towards end of 1922. That healed without medical attention.....

Nil.

5. Deceased died on the **18th** day of **June**, 19**32**.

6. The deceased was not killed while engaged in military service.

^{or}
~~The deceased was killed while engaged in military service and the following are the particulars of the date, place and manner of his death ...~~

7. *

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

Signed *C. A. Macken* Chairman
..... *Michl. Hilliard* Member
..... *P. J. Cassidy* Member
of Military Service Registration Board.

Dated this **22nd** day of **February**, 193**4**.

Tagairt. DRB/322

Issued:

Reply Recd.

Query re medical cert. —————

Query to Registrar General —————

A.P. 52 - 7(6) - Disease - M. Kelzoy J.D. —————

" - " - " - E. Moane J.D. —————

" - " - " - P.J. Macdonald —————

16/9/33

7/9/33

KB.

52/yB

Michael Mangon.

2nd appl. 22/9

Eamon Moane

" "

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Memo

Applicant asked for date of first
medical treatment.

D $\frac{15}{11}$
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