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THE PAY OFFICER,

MINISTRY OF DEFENCE,

ARMY PENSIONS DEPARTMENT,

34 MOLESWORTH STREET,

DUBLIN.



A.P. A/cs 4.

NOT TO BE PLACED IN AN ENVELOPE.

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ARMY PENSIONS DEPARTMENT.

LIFE CERTIFICATE.

NOTICE.—This Certificate is Government Property. It is no security whatever for debt.

No further payment of Pension or Gratuity and Allowances will be made until the following Declaration has been filled in, and signed, by the person to whom the Pension or Gratuity and Allowances ^{is} _{are} to be paid; until the Certificate at foot of this form has been signed by one of the persons mentioned in the margin; and until the completed form has been received in the Army Pensions Department.

(1). To be filled in by the person claiming Pension, or, if that person is unable to write, by someone on his/her behalf.

Name (in full, Surname first).....SEARLS Thomas.....

Number of Award Certificate.....2/D/305.....

Rate of Gratuity or Pension and Allowances £.50 Payable in 5 monthly instalments per week of £10 each annum.

Award granted in respect of.....Edward Searls (my son).....
(If you are the Pensioner give particulars of wounds, or if you are receiving allowance as a relative of a deceased soldier state deceased's name and relationship).

~~Received~~ whilst serving as.....Volunteers.....in Volunteers 24th September 1922
(insert rank) National Forces (insert month) (year)

(2). Insert in full occupations of adults, and ages and occupations of children.

Particulars of Adults (other than claimant) included in Pension/Gratuity ^{OR} ~~and~~ Allowances.....
nil

Particulars of Children included in Pension/Gratuity ^{OR} ~~and~~ Allowances.....
nil

(3). To be signed, in the presence of the person who signs the Certificate hereunder, by the person making the Declaration. If he/she is unable to write he/she must affix his/her mark thus "X."

I hereby declare that I am the person named in (1) above, and that I am entitled to the ~~Pension or Gratuity and~~ Allowances specified, I having been notified by the Secretary, Army Pensions Department, that such ~~Pension or Gratuity and~~ Allowances has/have been granted to me. I further declare that those persons mentioned in (2) above are alive on this the.....7th.....day of.....July.....1924

Signature (in full).....Thomas Searls.....

Full Postal Address.....Boyle Street Bandon.....

CERTIFICATE.

This Certificate must be signed by one of the following:—A District Justice or Divisional Magistrate, a Peace Commissioner, an Official of the Civic Guard or D.M.P. not below the Rank of Inspector or Station Sergeant, a Postmaster or Postmistress in actual charge of a Post Office, a Barrister-at-Law, a Solicitor, or a Commissioner for Oaths.

I hereby certify that I have seen the person who signed the above Declaration, alive on the date stated against my name; that he/she was in possession of the Award Certificate bearing the number entered in (1) above; that he/she signed the above Declaration in my presence; and that he/she appears to be the person to whom the sums mentioned above are payable.

I further certify that I know those persons mentioned in (2) above to be alive on the date stated against my name.

Signature.....John McSwiney..... Date.....July 1924.....

Rank or Profession.....Peace Commissioner.....

Full Postal Address.....South Main St. Bandon.....

N.B.—“If any person with a view to obtaining a grant or payment of a pension, allowance, or gratuity 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 and shall be liable, on conviction under the Summary Jurisdiction Acts, to a fine not exceeding five pounds.”

Extract from Army Pensions Act, 1923, Section 12 (1).

Ref. No.....2/D/305.

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A.P. 21.

ARMY PENSIONS ACT, 1923.

CLAIM FOR DEPENDANTS' ALLOWANCE OR GRATUITY.

Applicant's Name.....Mr. Thomas Searls.....

Address.....Boyle Street, Bandon,.....

.....CO. CORK.....

Name of Deceased.....Edward Searls,.....

Rank of Deceased.....Private.....

*Force to which Deceased belonged...National Army.....

Date of Death of Deceased.....27th September 1922.....

Relationship of Applicant to Deceased.....Father.....

PARTICULARS OF DECEASED'S CHILDREN IN RESPECT OF WHOM ALLOWANCE IS CLAIMED.

Name.....	Date of Birth.....
do.	do.
do.	do.
do.	do.
do.	do.
do.	do.

Particulars of Payments made from Army Funds to Applicant since death of Deceased.

NIL.

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* Irish Volunteers, Irish Citizen Army 1916, National Army.

Report as to dependency of Applicant or of the motherless children upon Deceased at the time of his death.

The Civic Guard Report states that the Deceased did not belong to the I.R.A. but joined the National Army after the treaty.

Prior to his joining the Army he was locally employed earning 30/- per week.

The applicant father of the deceased is employed locally earning thirty shillings per week. He had two sons killed in France during the European War and is in receipt of a pension of 11/- from the British Government.

One of the family a girl about 19 is an invalid and there are three younger children attending school.

Particulars of Claim made in respect of educational expenditure within the past 12 months.

NIL.

Particulars of any Payment received in compensation from person responsible for the act which caused death of Deceased. (Section 13 (a) of The Army Pensions Act, 1923).

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NIL.

RECOMMENDATION OF ARMY PENSIONS BOARD.

Army Finance Officer.

I am to request that you will place before the Minister for Defence the recommendation of The Army Pensions Board that in accordance with Section 7, ~~Section 8,~~3rd.....Schedule, para.....8.....of the Act, there shall be

granted to.....Mr. Thomas Searls,.....

a Gratuity of £50 (fifty pounds).

~~an allowance of~~.....per.....in respect of.....his son the late Pte. Edward Searls.

- do.per..... do.
- do.per..... do.
- do.per..... do.
- do.per..... do.
- do.per..... do.

~~The Allowance to be paid as from~~

£10 for five months.

4 June, 1924.

J. J. Hogan
Ruhaidhe.

The Minister of Defence.

Submitted and recommended.

6 June, 1924.

James Gorman
Army Finance Officer.

To/

The Secretary,
Ministry of Finance.

Subject to the consent of the Minister of Finance I propose to grant
pension
a allowance in accordance with the foregoing recommendations of the Army
gratuity
Pensions Board.

T. T. MacCosgrove

Minister for Defence.

To/

Army Finance Officer.

The Minister for Finance consents to the grant by the Minister
for Defence under Section 7 of the Army Pensions Act, 1923, of a
gratuity of £50 payable in five ^{monthly} instalments of £10 each to Mr. Thos.
Searls, Boyle Street, Bandon.

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John Hurlin
23 June, 1924.

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