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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE.

Ref. No. 6/8/8/22.

To the Minister for Defence.

The following members of the Army

REPORT ON A CLAIM FOR AN ALLOWANCE OR GRATUITY.

Ref. No. 1/12/365

To the Army Pensions Board.

I am directed by the Minister for Defence to transmit the accompanying claim for investigation and report in accordance with Section 7 of the Army Pensions Act, 1927, and the Regulations made thereunder. take the form of replies to the questions

Pensions Board attended: he histare hurrey D. I o Hofain The report should Caft H. Wasten set out herewith. The report of the Board on application for allowance or gratuity in respect (d) Horgan of the death of Kerry is as follows: (Where the findings of the Board in respect of the death of her broker are not unanimous, separate reports signed by the individual members of the Board should be furnished). Signed Mac Machana 3
Chairman of the Board. 3rd hounde 1936

of the person in respect of whom the Killer in actions. 1. What was the cause of the death claim is made?

2. From what disability or disabilities did deceased suffer?

3. Was death due solely to such disability or disabilities, and was such attributable to service? If death was due to more than one disability, it should be so specified.

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4. If so due, specify as regards the following Forces:—

- (a) the Irish Volunteers, or
- (b) the Irish Citizen Army, 1916, or
- (c) the National Army.

in each case under 2, the date or period when, in the opinion of the Board, the disability which was the cause of death was incurred.

- 5. Were any of the disabilities under 2 due to any serious negligence or misconduct on the part of the deceased person?
- 6. In case there are more disabilities than one, as set out in question 2, was death solely to wound or to disease, having regard to the provisions of Section 14 (9) and 15 (6) of the Army Pensions Act, 1927.
- 7. Were there any special circumstances connected with this case which the Board consider should be taken into consideration by the Minister?

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Miss Nora Flynn claimed on form A.P. 52 in respect of the death of her brother John, but while the claim was under investigation it was discovered that deceased's mother had previously been awarded a gratuity of £40 under the 1923 Act. Accordingly, as it has been the policy not to grant awards under the 1932 Act to dependents in cases where other dependents had received gratuities under the 1923 and 1927 Acts. Miss Flynn was informed that no further award could be made.

Representations were subsequently made on applicant's behalf and the case was again referred to the A.P.Board, who recommended the award of £72.10. O. under Section 12 of the 1932 Act. (The position, however, seems to be - having regard to the decision in the Ward case - that the claim of Mrs. Flynn) Ar under the 1923 Act enurse for the present applicant.)

Submitted, in the circumstances, that we again inform Miss Flynn that no further award can be made to her.

Signed. P. O Murchadha. 16.6.1936.

(Memo; also inform T.D. P. o M - 16.6.36.)

Secretary.

The case was wrongly, I think, referred to the A.P.B. under the 1932 act, because as recently advised the claim simply enures for the benefit of other persons mentioned in the Schedule under the 1923 act. The only question to be decided, therefore, is whether we should continue our rejection of the claim for an increased gratuity or whether we should ask the A.P.B. to reconsider it under the 1923 act.

Signed. J. O'Connell. 17.6.

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We dealt with this claim on as proper to the 1932 Act, but it appears from the legal opinion referred to at "A" that it is fact simply a continuation of the mother's claim under the 1923 Act. We must treat, therefore, as simply an appeal for a further grant under the Act (the maximum being £100). We have all along followed the procedure, however, of refusing further consideration of these old cases, and in only a few instances have we re-opened them abd made increased awards. In this case we did as a matter of fact in Dec. 1934, refuse further consideration, but gave away in deference to the representations of Deputy McEllistrum. I suggest we should refuse to make any further award.

Signed. J. J. H. 16.6.36.

A.F.O. In all the circumstances the case should be considered by the 1923 Act. Signed. 22.6.36.