# I. MILITARY CAREER

# A. War of Independence, 1917-21

1	-	<b>Cumann na mBan cash book</b> [for the Longford area?] recording income and expenditure under general headings such as dances, collections, concerts, flags and badges; and wages, nd sateen. Included is a statement of Longford er 1918] and a list of members' subscriptions 40pp
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2		Copy typescript autographed letter from E. de Valera [to the editors of unidentified newspapers] concerning post-war self- alarmed lest the "Heligoland of the Atlantic" hands'. Highlights England's fundamental
	1	principle of freedom of the seas. 2pp
3	24 March 1918	Handwritten note from Irish Volunteers General Headquarters, Dublin, to T. Redington, directing him to give his immediate attention to an
	unspecified matter, the subje signature 'M. Collins' added	ct of previous communications. Bottom torn, the
	signature wi commis added	1p
4	[1920/1]	Typescript copy of a note [by MacEoin?]. 'Spent Monday night at Joint No. $1 - Mr$ Devlin's House in where ( <i>sic</i> ) there foregathered with me,
	etc. Plenty of fun and plenty	of Cork, Garoide O'Sullivan and Emmett Dalton of horseplay among these men who were leading rying their lives in their hands every hour of the
	24'.	1p
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April-[August] 1921

12 letters from MacEoin, Mountjoy Prison, to his sister, mainly of a family nature. He makes arrangements for food to be sent; acknowledges

receipt of parcels and letters; mentions visitors he has seen, his health and the progress of his case.

'I shall be court martialled at the City Hall, Dublin Castle on Wed 8 June at 10 am' (28 May 1921, 2pp).

He refers to executions, includes some news of fellow prisoners for their families, and questions her about work being carried out on the farm. Also refers to his election.

"...I got several telegrams of congratulation over election as N[orth] Longford representative [in the May1921 general election]. I feel very grateful for the honour conferred & hope that I shall be able to show my gratefulness later" (16 May 1920, 2pp).

12 items

6 16 April 1921 Letter from MacEoin, Mountjoy Prison, to an unidentified friend, mainly containing family and personal news.

'I have no news this time at all. All the wounds are healed & I am out at exercise with a good few chaps but I know none of them. I was charged Tuesday last. Several charges but sure they don't worry me.'

2pp

7 [April/May 1921] 2 undated letters from MacEoin, Mountjoy Prison, to his mother, both written soon after she had visited him. He hopes the

journey home has not overtired her and exhorts her not to visit again as the circumstances upset them both. He discusses his personal requisites and asks her to thank those who have sent him letters and cards.

4pp

 8 May 1921 Dáil Éireann Trade Department: copies of 2 orders (18 May 1921, 1p; 27 May 1921, 1p) issued on foot of the Importation and Sale of British Goods Prohibition Order No. 4, specifying goods to which prohibition

British Goods Prohibition Order No. 4, specifying goods to which prohibition applies. Includes pictorial calendars as well as tea, coffee, sugar and motor tyres.

2pp

May-December 1921Irish Bulletin published daily by DáilÉireann Publicity Department. Pre-Truce issues<br/>focus largely on atrocities, reprisals and murder

committed by crown forces, with transcripts of statements by victims and witnesses. Individual issues include an account of MacEoin's trial and his statement from the dock [P151/16], the prison records of the 130 Republican elected representatives in Dáil Éireann [P151/22], a chronological record of events leading to peace, annotated by MacEoin [P151/23], an account of MacEoin's continued detention despite the release of all other detained T.D.s [P151/25]. Post-Truce issues focus on the progress of peace moves, partition, pogroms against Catholics in Northern Ireland, and conditions in prisons and internment camps.

9	31 May 1921	vol 4, no 100	5pp
10	1 June 1921	vol 5, no 1	3pp
11	6 June 1921	vol 5, no 4	3pp
12	7 June 1921	vol 5, no 5	3pp
13	8 June 1921	vol 5, no 6	3pp
14	13 June 1921	vol 5, no 9	3pp
15	14 June 1921	vol 5, no 10	4pp
16	15 June 1921	vol 5, no 11	3pp
17	15 June 1921 Supplement: weekly	vol 5, no 11 review of the war in Ireland	4pp
18	16 June 1921	vol 5, no 12	Зрр
19	20 June 1921	vol 5, no 14	4pp

20	21 June 1921	vol 5, no 15	4pp
21	28 June 1921	vol 5, no 19	3pp
22	29 June 1921	vol 5, no 20	5pp
23	30 June 1921	vol 5, no 21	4pp
24	5 August 1921 Supplement: weekly	vol 5, no 47 review of the war in Ireland	2pp
25	8 August 1921	vol 5, no 48	4pp
26	9 August 1921	vol 5, no 49	Зрр
27	10 August 1921	vol 5, no 50	1p
28	11 August 1921	vol 5, no 51	3pp
29	11 August 1921 Supplement: weekly	vol 5, no 51 review of events in Ireland	4pp
30	12 August 1921	vol 5, no 52	4pp
31	17 August 1921	vol 5, no 55	3pp
32	18 August 1921	vol 5, no 56	3pp
33	22 August 1921	vol 5, no 58	3pp
34	23 August 1821	vol 5, no 59	3pp

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35	24 August 1921	vol 5, no 60	2pp
36	26 August 1921	vol 5, no 62	1p
37	26 August 1921 Supplement: weekly	vol 5, no 62 review of events in Ireland	4pp
38	29 August 1921	vol 5, no 63	3pp
39	30 August 1921	vol 5, no 64	3pp
40	1 September 1921	vol 5, no 66	3pp
41	2 September 1921	vol 5, no 67	брр
42	6 September 1921	vol 5, no 69	3pp
43	7 September 1921	vol 5, no 70	2pp
44	9 September 1921	vol 5, no 72	1p
45	12 September 1921	vol 5, no 73	3pp
46	23 September 1921	vol 5, no 82	3pp
47	28 September 1921	vol 5, no 85	2pp
48	6 October 1921	vol 5, no 91	3pp
49	13 October 1921	vol 5, no 96	4pp
50	19 October 1921	vol 5, no 100	3pp

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51	20 October 1921	vol 6, no 1	2pp
52	20 October 1921 Supplement: weekly	vol 6, no 1 review of events in Ireland	2pp
53	25 October 1921	vol 6, no 4	5pp
54	26 October 1921	vol 6, no 5	2pp
55	27 October 1921	vol 6, no 6	2pp
56		vol 6, no 6 review of events in Ireland	2pp
57	4 November 1921	vol 6, no 12	2pp
58	15 November 1921	vol 6, no 19	2pp
59	24 November 1921	vol 6, no 26	2pp
60		vol 6, no 26 review of events in Ireland	3pp
61	25 November 1921	vol 6, no 27	2pp
62	28 November 1921	vol 6, no 28	2pp
63	29 November 1921	vol 6, no 29	2pp
64	1 December 1921	vol 6, no 31	2pp
65	1 December 1921 Supplement: weekly	vol 6, no 31 review of events in Ireland	2pp

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66	6 December 1921	vol 6, no 34	1p
67	8 December 1921	vol 6, no 36	1p
68	8 December 1921 Supplement: weekly	vol 6, no 36 review of events in Ireland	2pp
69	00	Typescript list headed 'Points for Le handwritten annotation on verso 'Le write to Lord Fitzalan [Lord Lieuten the formulation of a plea for miti lacEoin at his court martial.	tter for Mr Duff to ant]'. Points are
70	and cigarettes; and released from prison, and a small number Walsh, a prisoner in commenting on the re Folder marked 'Some	45 letters mainly from well-wishers, neighbours, to MacEoin while in pri Correspondents acknowledge letters rmits to be allowed to visit him; arra enclose news of mutual friends . Also includes letters of congratulat of letters from other prisoners inc another wing of Mountjoy, containin egime. e of the letters in & out of Mountjoy ro' secret channels' and 'Checked 195	son. received from inge to send in food including comrades ion after his release luding 3 from Ned ag prison gossip and Prison, 1921. Some
71	4 August 1921	Telegram from O Heiggeartugh ( <i>sic</i> ) O hEiceartaigh, Secretary to Dáil Éi	

T.D., Mountjoy Prison, informing him of a meeting of the Dáil on 16 August in the Mansion House. 1 item

72	service units, and the writing	Longford Brigade Training Officer's [S. Mac Cuirtín] notes on the scope of his own duties, On general training matters in the brigade, and s such as map reading, the formation of active g of orders. Notes were made in a Field Message me routine brigade communications and notes on purt martial cases. 25pp
73	1921 give special attention, as we libraries and popular lecture	<i>Instructions to Sinn Féin Cumainn regarding</i> <i>programme of work, 1920-21.</i> Includes a description of work to which cumainn should ll as lists of books suitable for the formation of topics. 4pp

# **B.** The Treaty and Civil War, 1921-22

74	6 December 1921	Printed text of the Treaty between Great Britain and Ireland. 2 copies, 1 incomplete (4pp only) with the first 4 articles marked in pencil. 2 items
75	December 1921 speech (19 December 1921) t the Treaty with Document No	Typescript copy of draft speech by Collins on the motion to accept the Treaty. Differs more substantially from the published text of the owards the end of his remarks in a comparison of 2. 9pp
76	14 December 1921 copy of the Treaty signed on	Typescript copy of the report to Dáil Éireann from the Irish delegation of plenipotentiaries to the conference on Ireland, to accompany a 6 December. 6pp

77	16 December 1921 enclosing a cheque for £48-1 accompanying schedule [mis	Henry Kennedy, Secretary, Irish White Cross, 28 Harcourt Street, Dublin, to Commandant MacEoin T.D., Mansion House, Dublin, 5-0 to cover relief grants as specified in an ssing]. 1p
78	19 December 1921	Dáil Éireann orders of the day consisting of a motion by Arthur Griffith that the Dáil approve the Treaty. 1p
79	'Let me remind you that toda death. Do you suppose that h British Governor General in General?' [Savage was killed assassination attempt on the	Dan Breen, Gresham Hotel, Dublin to Comdt. Sean MacEoin I.R.A. T.D. He refers to MacEoin's reported statements in the Dáil nething he and his comrades had fought for. ay is the second anniversary of Martin Savage's ne sacrificed his life in attempting to kill one order to make room for another British Governor d by one of Lord French's escort during the Lord Lieutenant on 19 December 1919]. of the letter have been sent to the press. 2pp
80	1	Handwritten notes by MacEoin for his speech seconding the motion for ratification of the Treaty in Dáil Éireann. Annotated by him at a in Dáil seconding motion of Mr A. Griffith . Notes written in tram car [from] O'Connell .'. 2pp
81	31 December 1921 of the Council endorsing his ratification of the Treaty.	John Kiernan, Clerk of Granard Rural District Council, to Sean MacEoin T.D., Mansion House, Dublin, informing him of a resolution s action in seconding Arthur Griffith's motion for 1p

82	31 December 1921	Handwritten note from Michael Ronan, County Hall, Mullingar. 'Public meeting unanimously approved of ratification of the Treaty'.
		1p
83	31 December 1921	Michael Ronan, County Secretary, Westmeath Farmers' Association, Mount Street, Mullingar, to Seán MacEoin T.D. reporting unanimous
	support for the Treaty at a la Mullingar.	rge meeting of the Association in the Town Hall, 1p
84	5 January 1922	Dáil Éireann orders of the day containing the texts of contrary motions on acceptance of the
	de Valera, the complete text of delegates before the motio	Treaty to be put by Arthur Griffith and Eamon of the President's proposals to be put in the hands on is moved. 1p
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85	9 January 1922	Dáil Éireann orders of the day containing motions by President de Valera proposing his alternative to the Treaty and by Eoin
	MacNeill affirming Ireland a from the will of the people.	as a sovereign nation, deriving its sovereignty 1p
86	10 January 1022	Circular latter from V.P. Steen Honorery
80	rigorous restraint on the dri	Circular letter from V.P. Steen, Honorary Secretary, Catholic Total Abstinence Federation Of Ireland, Middle Abbey Street, Dublin, calling Dáil Éireann 'to the urgent necessity of putting a nk traffic during the present transition period, as
	essential for the maintenance	e of public safety'. 1p

87 January 1922 Text of the agreement between Michael Collins and Sir James Craig (21 January 1922) concerning the composition of the Boundary Commission; the ending of the Belfast boycott and the re-employment of Catholic workmen in the shipyards; the ending of the railway dispute; the replacement of the Council of Ireland; and post-Truce prisoners. Text as published in the Irish Independent, 23 January 1922. 1p 88 24 January 1922 Handwritten note by Michael Collins relaying a decision of the Dáil cabinet that the Belfast Boycott be discontinued. reached after considering a report of the meeting between Collins and Sir James Craig. Annotated by MacEoin at a later date (September 1970) to the effect that anti-Treaty forces ignored the Dáil directive and enforced the boycott with greater vigour. 1p 89 January 1922 Copy of The President's alternative proposals (4pp) containing the articles of an alternative treaty to be put before Dáil Éireann in the form of a motion. Proposed Treaty of Association between Ireland and the British Commonwealth (6pp) with additional articles and handwritten annotations by MacEoin referring to Erskine Childers' view of Canada as 'virtually an Independent State'; and quoting lines of doggerel in support of the Treaty, 'The war is all over so cheer now with me...' 2 items 90 7 February 1922 T.A. Looby, Post Office, Berwick-on-Tweed, to Miss [Kitty] Kiernan, congratulating her on her engagement 'to the first Irish premier' [Michael Collins] which he saw reported in the Glasgow Daily Record. Praises the Treaty as the best settlement possible; remarks cryptically on his regret at being 'mixed up in that affair at Longford'; and wonders at the possibility of his being repatriated. 4pp

91	holds for Ireland under the t interest to American friends	Hayden Talbot, Special Correspondent, Hearst Newspapers, Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin, to Sean MacEoin T.D., I.R.A. Headquarters, Dublin. sh a 'symposium' of opinions on what the future erms of the Treaty, 'a question of the most vital of Ireland'. MacEoin's name is included in a list ad women who are asked to contribute. 1p
92	23 February 1922 Fheis, to prevent a split in the	Typescript transcript from the <i>Irish Independent</i> containing the text of an agreement unanimously carried at the previous day's Sinn Féin Ard e organisation and an immediate election.
		1p
93	1 March 1922	Dáil Éireann supplementary questions consisting almost entirely of questions from anti-Treaty deputies on aspects of the work of Government departments. 2pp
94	2 March 1922	Typescript copy questions to be tabled at that day's session of the Dáil. Questions relate mainly to the position of Ulster in the context of
	the introduction of the Irish army.	Free State Bill at Westminster; policing and the 5pp
95	13 March 1922	S. Mag Cannain, Department of the President, Provisional Government, to MacEoin. At Mr Collins' suggestion, he is sending the attached [missing] for his comments. 1p

96		Michael Collins, Department of Finance, to Desmond FitzGerald, Director of Publicity, asking if anything can be done to get wider n Belfast. Annotated by Collins asking for the . Suggests a news service to deal with the English 1p
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97	30 March 1922	<b>Craig-Collins Pact:</b> typescript copy text of the agreement between the Provisional Government and the Government of Northern Ireland, issued by the Colonial Office, London. 2pp
98	rebel forces occupying buil	George F. Costello, Chicago, Illinois, to MacEoin attaching a brief press report from the <i>Chicago Herald and Examiner</i> (17 April 1922) y averts Sligo battle when General MacEoin awes dings commanding square and Arthur Griffith menacing array of rifles'. Congratulates MacEoin 1p
99	which show that the Army ( maintain unity and avert civit	Printed notice to each T.D. signed by Donal O'Leary on behalf of the Army Council of the I.R.A. Attached [missing] is a summary of Army which have led to the present position and Council has made several unsuccessful efforts to il war. The Dáil should 'revert to the honourable or to the signing of the Articles of Agreement in 1p
100	Treaty question. Refers to ap	Incomplete copy typescript memorandum for Dáil Éireann [by W.T. Cosgrave?] concerning policy with regard to the Army since the l Government and attempts to divide it on the pendices [missing] and describes a trip with the ff of 1 Southern Division and make them an offer. 1p

101		Incomplete typescript fragments of the report of the Committee set up by the Dáil on 3 May to make recommendations for agreed elections and ernment as the basis for Army unity and the cessation of ichael Hayes Papers/P53 pp.7-8] 3pp
102		Copy typescript report of the Republican delegation on the Committee appointed by the Dáil on 3 May. Report focuses on proposals put es and disagreement and discussion on the specific f the quota of candidates on the national panel to be b, pro- and anti-Treaty. 6pp
103	17 May 1922	Dáil Éireann orders of the day including a motion by the President declaring a general election on 16 June. 4pp
104	[May 1922] focus on a scheme for a	Typescript copy report to the Ceann Comhairle of the 'five further prolonged sittings' of the Committee of the Dáil set up on 3 May. Sittings an agreed election. 1p
105	favour of accepting	Typescript copy of a set of proposals from an unidentified source, offered as an alternative to that section of the Army officers' statement he fact that the majority of the people of Ireland are in the Treaty. The alternative proposals consist of ways in which an agreed election might proceed. 2pp

106 July 1922

Typescript copy minute from M.O'C. [Michael Collins] to Arthur Griffith suggesting that the Government issue an official instruction to him

nominating a war council of three and appointing him to act as Commanderin-Chief by special order during the period of hostilities.

'It should be pointed out that in the present fighting the men we have lost have died for something, that the wounded are suffering for something. That they have died and are suffering for the very same principle that we fought the British for – the People's right to live and be governed in a way they themselves choose'.

Copy typescript official instruction to Collins making the suggested appointment.

2 items

10723 August 1922Handwritten and typescript drafts of official and<br/>unofficial statements on the death of Collins<br/>including the announcement of arrangements for

the transport of his remains to Dublin, his funeral and burial. Includes a copy of a statement from Government Publicity (23 December 1922, 1p) annotated 'Not issued'.

4 items

10831 August 1922Dáil Éireann statements of accounts including<br/>trustees' account (1p); Department of Finance<br/>cash account (1p) and Advances by the<br/>Department of Finance (4pp), all for the period 1 July-31 August 1922.<br/>6pp

109	[1922]	List of nominations to Seanad Éireann giving
		name, address, profession and nominators.
		11pp

#### C. O/C 1 Midland Division and G.O.C. Athlone/Western Command, 1921-25

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July-December 1921

Copy lists of brigade and battalion staffs and notification of the appointment of officers; copies of regulations, orders and training

memoranda; reports from O/Cs brigades on individual incidents; communications from the Divisional Adjutant mainly enclosing reports from brigades; battalion reports; communications on the commandeering of civilian property; 2 handwritten notes from Michael Collins to [M.J. Reynolds] O/C 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade, giving orders to mobilise the battalion council to meet himself and O/C Division [MacEoin] (28 August 1921). Annotated by MacEoin at a later date (2 June 1925).

Copy handwritten order from MacEoin, O/C 1 Midland Division, to all O/Cs brigades. 'You will at once issue to all units an order prohibiting them from taking part in any jubilations over report Peace (*sic*) & that strict discipline must be maintained amongst all ranks & that no indulgence in drink or other waste of energy be indulged in but to be ready at shortest notice for any emergency that may arise' (9 December 1921, 1p).

31pp

111	30 July 1921	Handwritten report from the Adjutant, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade, summarising reports received from companies in the brigade and attendance at drills and exercises. 3pp
112	28 August 1921	Handwritten note headed 'Divisional Council', mainly listing battalion areas within the Leitrim Brigade. 1p
113	6	<b>Loose correspondence not yet sorted or filed:</b> file of this title consisting mainly of routine Army communications and representations from cluding: White, Irish Free State Representative at Geneva. finally and he is writing (21 July 1923);

telegram from W.T. Cosgrave, President of the Executive Council, to 113contd. MacEoin, asking him to meet Count John McCormack at Athlone the following Wednesday (14 August 1923); letter from Michael J. Curly, Archbishop of Baltimore, commenting on events in Ireland as perceived in the U.S. and the timbre Irish-American sentiment. 'The feeling here is that the Irish Free State Government has come to stay and I think there is a feeling of admiration at its courage and strength in the face of enormous difficulties. I never heard one word of sympathy expressed for our friend de Valera and if he had been caught before he was and put to death, it would have not caused a stir in this country at least' (19 January 1924, 2pp); letter from Colonel Michael Costello, Director of Intelligence, General Headquarters, Parkgate, to the G.O.C. Western Command, enclosing 'the usual monthly cheque for £10 in respect of payment to an agent' (1 January 1925, 1p); visiting card of Alfred William Cope [former Assistant Under-Secretary for Ireland] with his home address and telephone number handwritten on the reverse (c.1923). 29 items

114 September 1921 2 despatches from Commandant S. Ua Siotháin, O/C South Fermanagh Brigade, 1 Midland Division, Headquarters, Enniskillen, to the Divisional Adjutant, concerning brigade absentees from training camp and the reorganisation of 3 Battalion with the appointment of new staff.

2pp

115 15 September 1921 O[scar] T[raynor], O/C Dublin City Brigade, to Commandant MacEoin. He has given permission for MacEoin's name to be advertised as starting a Dublin v. Leix football game. He is sure MacEoin will not mind as the match is for the benefit of one of the commandants badly wounded during the attack on the Customs House.

1p

11629 November-<br/>3 December 1921Typescript copies of communications between<br/>MacEoin, O/C 1 Midland Division HQ,<br/>Longford, and Cathal Brugha, Minister for<br/>Defence, concerning the issuing of fresh<br/>commissions to officers, in MacEoin's case the position of O/C Midland<br/>Division with the rank of Commandant General, and re-enlistment to all ranks.<br/>Annotated by MacEoin at a later date (1970) with an additional page of

handwritten notes on the significance of the new commissions in establishing

the Army as 'lawful officers of the elected Government of the day', specifically in the context of his taking over Athlone Barracks from British

	forces.	5pp
117	the court martial to resolution that the court martial to resolution the statement	File relating to court martial proceedings against Vice-Commandant John Murphy arising from events in Granard, 2-3 November 1921, and the defence of the town against Crown forces. urphy to MacEoin (3 November 1921, 2pp) requesting live the charge against him (3 November 1921, 2pp), a of the charges (10 November 1921, 2pp). and dence at the trial (26 November 1921, 7pp). C/2 18pp
118	November- December 1921 of a copy of proceedings <i>Original reference no</i> .: O	Communications between the Office of the Adjutant General, General Headquarters, Dublin, and G.O.C. Western Command, concerning the A/G's request for the submission of a court martial at Lanesboro'. C13/4 5pp
119	-	Seán Mac Cuirtín, Divisional D[irector of Training], 1 Midland Division HQ, Longford, to the Acting Adjutant of an unidentified brigade suspension pending court martial. O/C Division has he suspension of all officers of the brigade against as are made. 1p
120	9 December 1921 Brigade, of ratification o	Notification from the Colonel Commandant, 1 Midland Division HQ, Longford, to the Brigade Captain, Scouting and Dispatch, Inny f his appointment by the Divisional General.

1p

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121	23 December 1921 unit is to be kept standing to	S. Ó M., O/C South Leitrim Brigade, to the Divisional Adjutant, requesting to know what the situation is and whether the active service . 'Am I to be a "hermit" for Xmas?' 1p
122	December 1921 December, 1p each) concern	2 routine letters from Henry Kennedy, Director, Irish White Cross, 28 Harcourt Street, Dublin, to Commandant MacEoin, Longford (6, 7 ing grants to cases for relief in Longford. 2 items
123	26 January 1922 to attend the forthcoming Sin	Tomás Ó Conghaile, Drumlish, to MacEoin, O/C 1 Midland Division, informing him of local moves to have anti-Treaty delegates appointed an Féin Ard Fheis in Dublin. 1p
124	and explanation on 'the extra that 'the recent startling deve Copy reply from MacEoin (1 'The position is daily rightin but it will right itself in the oath, an oath to the Republic such a thing as a Free State	<ul> <li>4 letters from Séamus O Seirdain [J.J. Sheridan], Pastor, St Philip's Church, Soldiers' Grove, Wisconsin, to MacEoin, 1 Midland Division, de of MacEoin's, Sheridan seeks some guidance aordinary turn affairs have taken', expressing fears elopments' are leading to Civil War.</li> <li>10 April 1922, 2pp) gives him reassurance.</li> <li>g itself. The Army is certainly split to some extent course of a few weeks because it has taken one c, and will never take another. There will never be Army. We shall remain the Irish Republican Army nd then we will become as any other army in the Y. 5 items</li> </ul>
125	(February 1922) on matters	Communications concerning the appointment of a temporary police force, the maintenance of law and order, and the problem of individuals hostile to the Treaty. Communications from the newly- hÉireann, Beggars Bush Barracks, Dublin such as the maintenance of discipline, the problem emises, and the ratification of brigade

appointments by G.H.Q.; memoranda on training courses and levies on the civilian population; reports on anti-Treaty forces activities; copies of Western Command bulletin *War News*, nos. 2 & 3 (July 1922); field message forms (September 1922, 3 items) giving details of engagements; occasional daily operational reports; communications from Commandant General Lawlor, G.O. Directing Forces in the Field (November 1922, 5pp).
Includes copy of a resolution passed by North Longford Comhairle Ceanntair [Sinn Féin], sent to MacEoin by P. O'Keeffe T.D., Secretary, Sinn Féin. 'That in the event of the majority of the Delegates to the Ard Fheis endorsing the decision of Dáil Éireann in ratifying the Treaty, we respectfully request the Deputies of Dáil Éireann who are opposed to Ratification to either fall in with the views of the majority or if they cannot conscientiously agree to this course to stand aside and allow the wishes of the majority to prevail' (31 January 1922, 2pp).

147pp

126	3 February 1922	Typescript copy letter from MacEoin,		
		1 Midland Division H.Q., Longford,		
		to R. Falconer, President, Master		
	Horseshoers Association of America, acknowledging his letter and, as			
	requested, giving 'a brief sync	opsis of my personal history'.		
	Original reference no.: C22/6	2pp		

14 February 1922A/G, Army H.Q., Dublin, to O/C,<br/>Midland Division, acknowledging<br/>Receipt of 101 men, a captain and<br/>two lieutenants, who had arrived at Beggars Bush Barracks. Annotated by<br/>MacEoin

1p

128	18 February 1922	Telegram to MacEoin, Divisional H.Q.,
		Longford. 'Come Gurteen all costs.
		Bring car. McCabe'.
		1 item

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129	27 February 1922 having received his communication of Sheriff.	Acknowledgement from Staff Commandant S. Mac E., for the Chief of Staff, to O/C Midland Division, of concerning the capture of an ex-High 1p
130	Barracks and its stores (February 19	<b>Taking over Longford Barracks:</b> communications between MacEoin O/C 1 Midland Division, and the O/C discuss the handing over of Longford 922, 4 items). Inventory of the condition iding over to the Provisional Government, 25pp
131		Contemporary typescript transcript of an unidentified newspaper account of the taking over of Athlone Barracks, the by Athlone Urban District Council and lebratory banquest hosted by the Urban 15pp
132	2 March [1922]	Handwritten report by P. Corrigan, Company Adjutant, of the numerical Strength of B Company, 5 Battalion. 1p
133	4 March 1922 barracks vacated by the Royal Irish C	Adjutant, South Leitrim Brigade, to Divisional Adjutant, notifying him of a change of brigade headquarters to the Constabulary. 1p

134	Midland Division, Longford (3pp, to of his position. He was suspended	2 handwritten letters from Hugh Sheerin, formerly Adjutant, Athlone Brigade, to the Adjutant General, I.R.A. acks, Dublin (3pp) and the Adjutant, 1 orn, text missing), requesting a resolution from the I.R.A. in December 1921 and ourt martialled on whatever charges have 2 items
135	10 March 1922 Farrelly, appointing him O/C South I	Handwritten instructions from Antoine Ó Leathlabhais, Adjutant, 1 Midland Division, to Vice-Brigadier James Leitrim Brigade. 1p
136	10 March 1922 He has inspected a number of barractic conditions and lack of discipline.	James Farrelly, Inspecting Officer, 1 Midland Division Headquarters, Longford, to O/C Division. ks in 2 Brigade and found unsanitary 1p
137	10 March 1922 appointed as temporary O/C Brigade refusal to work under him.	H. McK., Vice-Commandant, South Leitrim Brigade, to Divisional Adjutant. He outlines his objections to the man and his and other brigade officers' 1p
138	area, to attend an anniversary mass for	Handwritten authority from Adjutant, 1 Midland Division, appointing Lieutenant Commandant Seán Mitchel, isional representative in the South Leitrim or fallen comrades and to assist in her with a handwritten page outlining 4pp

139		Handwritten report from R.W., O/C 5 Brigade/West Cavan Brigade, 1 Midland Division, to the Divisional Adjutant, of George Cartright, near Arva, and steps of the house and property and those of the t whom threats had also been made. 4pp
140	[March 1922]	Typescript copy list of proposed staff officers of 3 Battalion, Athlone Command. 1p
141	March-May 1922 for admission to the Civic Guard, ma General Headquarters, Dublin, and th	•
142	names of brigade staff remaining loy 'The Police are amongst mutineers dreadful, and absolutely no attempt	Handwritten report from W.D. Coyne, Solicitor, Ballyhaunis, to MacEoin, on Army notepaper, on the situation in then who wish to 'attach to H.Q.' and gives ral. The loot going on in the whole area is is made to trace or check it My own car t following an anti-Treaty meeting '. 2pp
143	[April 1922] taking over and occupying garrison and Ballinamore, with the assistance Battalion has no men for patrols or ra	

144	resolutions passed by Lor some handwritten reports	Unfiled correspondence of a routine military, political and personal nature. Includes a letter from Darrell Figgis, 14 Kildare Street, Dublin (26 April 1922, 1p), requesting MacEoin's y on our side in Westmeath'; material relating to ngford County Council on the state of the country; by MacEoin on military operations; occasional Office of the Chief of Staff; and material relating to Solicitor for Longford. 38pp
145	Brigadier General George	Handwritten communication from Seán Fitzpatrick, Gymnasium Camp, Custume Barracks, Athlone, to MacEoin, on behalf of the ned for more than six days after the fatal shooting of Adamson. He demands either an immediate enquiry ention or unconditional release. 2pp
146	1 May 1922 are 'comandeering and loc	Handwritten report from the Brigadier, North Leitrim Brigade, to MacEoin, on the occupation of Finner Camp by '250 unofficial troops' who oting all over the country'. 1p
147	6, 9 May 1922	Completed forms of undertaking by released prisoners 'to come up for Trial or Court of Inquiry when called on by order of major General MacEoin'. 35 items
148		<b>Quartermaster General's Department:</b> typescript copy with handwritten annotations [not by MacEoin] of regulations issued by the 022, relating to such matters as the supply of ad the submission of reports. 3pp

149		Confidential handwritten note from S. Connaughton, 95 South Circular Road, Portobello, Dublin, on Dáil Éireann Department paper, to MacEoin, Military Barracks, Athlone, r details of a British Army soldier who is anxious 3pp
150	-	Handwritten letter from Aodh MacAodha, Vice- Commandant, 3 Brigade, 1 Northern Division, Army of the Irish Republic, Mountcharles, act of courtesy, I invite you to come and see our t respect one another in peace. Wishing you every your marriage.' 1p
151		Communications from Brigadier J. Murray, on behalf of the Brigade staff, Headquarters, 4 Brigade, 1 Northern Division, to Commandant ongratulating them on their marriage and inviting in the Marine Hotel, Bundoran. 1p
152		2 typescript copy reports from Commandant John P. McCann, 5 Battalion, Sligo Brigade, on the capture of the pro-Treaty post at Executive Troops; and on his and his fellow ar Jail from which he escaped on 7 July. Copies 2pp
153		Handwritten report from [A.O.C.], I.R.A. Barracks, Mount Bellew, to O/C 2 Western Division, on the composition and activities of ing column operating in and around Woodlawn les and ammunition would leave me in a position 1p

154	18 July 1922 Castlereagh, together with rot	Handwritten and typescript copies of a Western Command Operations Order relating to a move of 150 men into Roscommon, Ballymoe and ugh handwritten notes by MacEoin. 5pp
155	'The reception we are getting and seems to be increasing as people make it their business	Handwritten letter from E.J. [Ned] Cooney, Imperial Hotel, Claremorris, to MacEoin. Requests a train with provisions including cigarettes. Describes their progress. in every town is something to write home about, it goes on. The intelligence is top hole. The to let us know all they knowWe have just but Ballinrobe. They are flying before us like hell 4pp
156	[July 1922]	Typescript report on ten positions in Sligo, giving details of men and armaments [anti- Treaty forces?]. Marked 'Comdt. General Lawlor's copy'. 2pp
157	[July 1922]	Handwritten note on military activity in the Ballina and Crossmolina areas. Refers to a 'Gun boat for that district'. 1p
158	July 9122	Copies of <i>War News. Western Command</i> <i>Bulletin</i> , nos 2, 5, 6 (1p each) reporting successful engagements with anti-Treaty forces. 3 items
159	immediately. 'I have done n	Copy typescript minute from MacEoin, H.Q. Western Command, Custume Barracks, Athlone, to Luke Farrell, Ballyleague, Lanesboro. on before his trial which he proposes to have hy best to make matters easy for you and him but yern the place instead of those who are authorised 1p

160	Richard Mulcahy, Chief of G	Micheal Ó Coileain, Commander in Chief, General Headquarters, Dublin, to the Chief of General Staff, enclosing letters from de Blacam, f curiousity'. Annotated and returned by General General Staff (11 August 1922) suggesting that de a martyr of by being arrested or made the subject 1p
161	schedule giving the proposed men throughout the Comman 2pp) referring to MacEoin's I the necessity of implementing 'We are simply going to breat longer in small parts, and do	General Richard Mulcahy, Chief of General Staff, Portobello Barracks, to O/C Western Command concerning his proposals for the nd (7 August 1922, 4pp) and enclosing a I total establishment as well as the distribution of nd. Further letter from the C/S (14 August 1922, letter of 10 August [not present] and emphasising g the proposed reorganisation. k up what we have of an Army if we leave it any not give it proper military training. We are also of any small band of Irregulars with a "punch" in 3 items
162	newspapers. 'I also read the statements of conspicuous by his absence in know that you are in good fa cannot understand why you a	Seamus Ó Seirdáin [Fr J.J. Sheridan], St Philip's Church, Soldiers' Grove, Wisconsin, to MacEoin, condemning in virulent terms the age of the Free State Government in U.S. of His Grace of Baltimore, who by the way was in the Irish line when you were on the hillsI aith, I know that your heart is true as ever, but I re with the Free State. I may never hear from you erstand that no matter what you may think of me, and I am still your friend'. 1p
163	Treaty forces (15 September note from the Adjutant passir	Incomplete typescript memorandum from the Provost Marshal's Office, Custume Barracks, Athlone, to the Command Adjutant, pointing acks' defence against a possible attack from anti- 1922, 1st page only); with a handwritten covering ag the memorandum for the attention of oney (16 September 1922, 1p). 2 items

164	soldiers (6 November 1922, 1	<b>Report re irregular conduct in</b> <b>Ballaghadereen by troops:</b> file of this title which includes a copy of a complaint made by a businessman in the town, Frank Shouldice, alism, and indiscriminate shooting by Free State p); but also includes occasional reports from eaty forces activity and the military situation
	Original reference no.: C13/9	) 12pp
165	September 1922- January 1923 forces, their suspension from investigation, and the results <i>Original reference no.</i> : C13/5	-
166	Command. Reports relate to the minu organisation throughout the capture of Republicans; patro on Army and Civic Guard ba	<b>Intelligence Officers' Reports:</b> file of intelligence and daily operations reports mainly routed from area and divisional intelligence officers, reports officers and adjutants, through fricer, Reports Officer and Adjutant to the G.O.C. tiae of anti-Treaty forces activity and Army command, including deaths and casualties; ls and searches; road blocks; looting; and attacks rracks. Includes occasional reports of intelligence s and copies of captured anti-Treaty documents. 8A 103pp
167	October- December 1922 including a summary of the e <i>Original reference no.:</i> C29/1	

168	2 November 1922	Handwritten copy of a message from the Adjutant General, Portobello Barracks, Dublin, to all commands, requesting attendance at a
	meeting in his office on 5 No	
169	November 1922 shortly after his arrival (21 N	2 communications from Commandant General Lawlor, Directing Field Operations, Claremorris, reporting on the local situation November 1922, 2pp, 1p); acknowledgement from
	MacEoin, H.Q. Western Con all the machine guns he has.	mmand, Athlone, informing Lawlor he is sending
	Original reference no.: C11	4pp
170	November 1922	Fr T. Lavin, Tulsk, Castlerea, asking MacEoin's help in securing the release of two falsely-
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	accused parishioners, Cullen and Neary eter from the Governor, Military Prison, Custume ease of the two men (17 November 1922, 1p). 2 items
171	November 1922	Correspondence between Seán Lyons T.D., Moate, and the G.O.C. Western Command,
	Hughes; copy letter from the to Lyons's approach.	concerning a prisoner from Longford, Charles e G.O.C. to the Minister for Defence, alerting him 3pp
172	November 1922	William Sears T.D., Leinster House, to
	McGillan, for whom he is pr 1922, 1p). Copy reply from 1	MacEoin, requesting a permit for a Mrs McGillan, Baal, County Mayo, to visit her son; at 20% of prisoners could be released, including repared to give a personal guarantee (6 November MacEoin pointing out McGillan's absolute refusal g as a condition of his release.
		2pp

173	November 1922	Communications between Lieutenant Commandant Columb, H.Q. 3 Brigade, Avonmore Barracks, Clara, and G.O.C. Western		
		employment in Custume Barracks of an ex-R.I.C. had been involved in his own arrest, prosecution e War of Independence.		
174	November 1922- June 1923	<b>Money due for requiem High Mass:</b> file of this title containing correspondence between Canon Joseph Guinan, Ardagh, General Richard Mulcahy, Chief of Staff, General Headquarters,		
	O/C 1 Brigade, 1 Midland D saying a requiem High Mas	Dublin, MacEoin, G.O.C. Western Command, O/C 1 Midland Division, and O/C 1 Brigade, 1 Midland Division, concerning a fee due to Canon Guinan for saying a requiem High Mass for the late Thomas Kellegher, a member of the Longford Brigade, and liability for payment of the fee.		
175	November 1922- January 1923	<b>Billeting:</b> communications between the G.O.C. Western Command and O/Cs and Adjutants, Western Divisions, and with the Adjutant General, General Headquarters, Dublin,		
	concerning general procedur and the payment of specific <i>Original reference no.</i> : C9/5	es, regulations and level of payment for billeting ; billeting accounts.		
176	November 1922- May 1923	Correspondence between the Ministry of Defence, the G.O.C. Western Command, and Commandant General Lawlor concerning		
	compensation due to the commandeering a postman's <i>Original reference no.:</i> C9/1	Post Office by Lawlor on account of his scape.		
177	November 1922- May 1923	Correspondence mainly between MacEoin and Eoin O'Duffy, Garda Commissioner, concerning		
	Includes a handwritten lett Clonskeagh, to MacEoin, r	recommendations for membership of the force. ter from Madame C. Despard, Roebuck House equesting an interview to speak with him on an importance and, I think, of interest to yourself'.		

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177contd.	Annotations on the file cover the file. <i>Original reference no.:</i> C10/2	consist of a list of documents, not the contents of 9pp
178	4 December 1922 including engagements with t	<i>Daily Bulletin/Iris An Airm</i> vol 1. no. 22. Chronology of events in the various commands, the enemy and arms seizures. 5pp
179	11 December 1922 Command for the person and <i>Original reference no</i> .: C22/3	
180	report (2pp) concerns the ap other (59pp) is the monthly concentrating on operations	<b>Operation reports Western Command:</b> 2 handwritten reports from Commandant perations in the West, to G.O.C. Athlone. One pointment of a chaplain to Lawlor's forces. The report on operations in the West for December against anti-Treaty forces in North Mayo with a d subsequent moves into South Mayo. 61pp
181	December 1922 Kilroy, for an interview with <i>Original reference no.</i> : C29/5	
182	Command, concerning wh	Communications between Commandant General Lawlor, Western Field Force, Athlone, and onnell, Administrative Medical Officer, Western at Lawlor regarded as irregularities in the of a medical officer to Lawlor's command. 4pp

183	December 1922 Hall, a National Army post, Original reference no.: C60/	Reports and statements relating to events surrounding the commandeering of Sligo Town by anti-Treaty forces on 9 February 1922. 4 10pp
184	-	Weekly appreciation report: file of this title containing typescript copy of the Western No. 1 headed 'Comdt. General Lawlor's copy', general situation in the command area and the 16p
185	Communications between the Adjutant, 1 Midland Divisio	Communications relating to an application from John Lynch, Tullygullion House, Granard, to have two revolvers and a rifle, loaned to the he War of Independence, returned to him. he G.O.C. Western Command, and the O/C and n, concerning the weapons which are at present in who 'is now holding Irregular views'. 1 6 items
186	December 1922- [December 1923] confiscation of two horses, County Cavan. <i>Original reference no.</i> : C9/1	Communications, mainly between the G.O.C. Western Command and the Chief of Staff, concerning the circumstances surrounding the the property of the late William Latimer, Mohill, 3 11 items
187	-	Correspondence concerning compensation due to George W.K. Gilliland, Ballymahon, County Longford, for the burning of his house, n June 1920, including handwritten statement by that the burning was carried out on his orders 1 5 items

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189	1922	Handwritten note by MacEoin of the numbers of men, rifles and machineguns in various Midland areas in 1922. Marked 'Part of the Force Plan, 1922'. 1p
190	[1922] especially Thompson machin on matters to be done and a l	Handwritten notes by [the Divisional Adjutant?] on the armament needs of 1 Midland Division, ne guns, grenades and explosives. Includes notes ist of officers. 5pp
191	[1922] concerning reasons for the re Mullingar Brigade to Athlone	Incomplete handwritten report from an unidentified Battalion O/C [page 1 missing] efusal of battalions in the brigade to transfer from e Brigade. 2pp
192	customs posts on the border situation generally and the tr	be searched by a Comdt. if believed to be armed.
193	divisional area. The majority	Notebook titled <i>Commandant's Order Book</i> and initially used (September 1921-February 1922) ord of matters in hand and disturbances in the y of the volume is given over to a detailed report tern Command (April-July 1924) with comments

193contd.	persons to whom shots	gun permits were issued (Fe	ional uses include a list of bruary-May 1922) and a list issued and required (March 107pp
194	-	Defence and the G. uestion to the Minister conce the bridge at Athlone by the	ween the Ministry of O.C. Athlone Command, in erning the alleged posting of military authorities. 2 items
195		to the Governor, er, John Daly, from Moat the prisoner has been move	G.O.C. Western Command, Military Prison, Athlone, e (16 January 1923, 1p). ed to Mountjoy (17 January 2 items
196		Roscommon, and g the completion by Micha Form of Undertaking to di	ween Rev. Dr. Kielly, the G.O.C. Western ael Hanley, a native of the ssociate himself from anti- 3 items
197		wireless message I Commandant McCabe, Do out, on investigation, not orig	ncerning the origin of a received by MacEoin, onegal Command, urging the ginating from McCabe. 10 items
198		Ballinalee, Count resident, concerning expedi- tose cases had been success	ween MacEoin, residents of y Longford, and the iting awards for rebuilding sful but who were awaiting 9 items

199	to the G.O.C. Athlone O Order 10, mainly in Ros Annotated by MacEoin	'Checked 25 October 1970. File finished but for future litional documents not on the file.
200	the area including leve attitude of the civilian	
201		Unfiled intelligence reports consisting mainly of short reports from battalion O/Cs to the G.O.C. Athlone; from the Command I/O to the G.O.C. C. Athlone to the Chief of Staff and the Minister for some captured anti-Treaty force documents. 22pp
202	of prisoners to jails (M Inquiry into the destruct Inspection Report on the Athlone to the Comman reports on railway protect (June-July 1923, 3pp). Includes a handwritten Government to MacEon denunciation of 'peace re 'We have shown patient	Intelligence reports on anti-Treaty activity; reports on engagements with the enemy; Communications relating to the convening of orders and directives on matters such as the committal arch 1923, 4pp); copy of the findings of the Court of tion of Sligo station (February 1923, 4pp); copy of an he southern part of the Command from the G.O.C. nder in Chief, G.H.Q. Dublin (19 March 1923, 3pp); ection (April 1923, 6pp); report on Athlone Command letter from Liam T. Mac Cosgair, Irish Provisional in (c.June 1923, 2pp) containing an uncompromising resolutions' and anti-Treaty activity. ace, forebearance & generosity to those who menaced e who attempted to strangle the economic future of

02contd. Ireland. If they have enough war let them say so & be honest about it. meet them again as brothers – but this squealing is dishonourable & un we are not going to risk another Four Courts.			
	We are going to establish a people's peace which will last & which will be a warning to all evildoers that Irishmen intend to be masters in their own country'.		
	Also includes communicatio Infantry Battalion, Longford reporting on a meeting of bat instructions received at Cur O'Connel ( <i>sic</i> ), Cork Com	n from Commandant Luke Sn l, to G.O.C. Athlone Comman ttalion officers called 'In acco ragh from Major Gen. Tobin mand re starting of Battalion oined in an organisation who re Army policy'.	nd (c.May 1923, 1p) rdance with n, Dublin and Com. Club with a view of
203	G.O.C. Athlone Comman	<b>Cert[ificates] of Executions</b> of this title containing a com d O Suilleavan ( <i>sic</i> ), Adjut id, requesting the return with executions carried out in h	ant General, to the of certificates of
204		Tom Carter T.D., Sean Conr Longford, to the G.O.C. We oner from Drumsna, James M by MacEoin to the Office of	stern Command, Iaxwell (20 February
	Original reference no.: C29/	10	4 items
205			Adjutant General, pensation by a
206	Ballinalee which the owner v supporter named Gormley.	Copy statement made by the Command and sent to the M culture [Patrick Hogan], conce was coerced into letting by an	inisters for Defence erning land in anti-Treaty
	Original reference no.: C46/	2	2 items

207	April 1923	<b>Billeting account:</b> routine correspondence between MacEoin, the National Land Bank,
	-	fice, Athlone Command, concerning arrangements
	for the payment of the billet	-
	Original reference no.: C9/	6 2 items
208	April 1923 concerning violence, theft a Free State soldiers searching	
	Original reference no.: C29	9 items
209		Communications between the G.[eneral] S.[taff] O.[fficer], Staff Duties, Office of the Chief of arracks, Dublin, and the G.O.C. Western
	Infantry Corps. The G.S.O.	rference being offered to members of the Special requests an inquiry into specific allegations. File the with a list of unrelated papers.
	Original reference no.: C46	4 items
210	April 1923	Routine communications concerning the arrest of Michael J. Kelly, Ballygar, ordered by the G.O.C. Athlone Command.
	Original reference no.:C29/	
211	April-May 1923	Correspondence between Canon John Keville Drumlish, County Longford, the G.O.C.
		Compensation Section, Ministry of Finance, at of the National School, Drumlish.
212	April-May 1923	<b>Intelligence Officers' reports:</b> copy of a report from the I/O Athlone Command to the Director
	April 1923, 2pp). General H	ral situation in the Command area, as requested (27 <i>Report No. 1</i> referring to the situation in five 6, 5pp). Copy of Western Command <i>Operation</i>
	Order No. 1 (undated, 14pp	
	Original reference no.:C57/	

213	Inchicore, Dublin, and the mainly concerning the root on the S.G.S.W.R. line b	General Headquart uthern and Western Railwa he Railway Protection, Rep epair and guarding of Kilg between Ballycumber and	ween the Chief of Staff, ers, the G.O.C. Western ay Chief Engineer's Office, pair and Maintenance Corps, garvin and Bladdery bridges Athlone.
	Original reference no.:	C13/4	25pp
214	April 1923- August 1925 subsequent claim for co restored to him on his re <i>Original reference no.</i> : 0	mpensation for parts missi lease.	-
215	MacEoin, G.O.C. Troop May 1923, 1p) enclosin Architect, Suffolk Street Athlone, commending t	proposals to give over the building of a new church os, Athlone Command, to g maps [not present] and a c, Dublin, to Very Rev Can the project and giving a de on of an Ordnance Survey	ch: material relating to er a site from Custume ch. Includes copy letter from the Commander in Chief (3 letter from Ralph H. Byrne, on Crowe, St Peter's, tailed report based upon his map (1914) of the town with 3 items
216	1923, 1p) enclosing cop General, I.R.A. The cap include communications and divisional officers; 2 meetings. Copies forwa	of a letter from the D Dublin, to each Command pies of documents capture otured documents (Novem s with other I.R.A. Genera Army Orders, weekly report rded for his information to Dfficer (18 May 1923, 1p).	the G.O.C. Athlone by the

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May-June 1923 Correspondence between John Finnegan, Aughnacliffe, County Longford, and the G.O.C. Western Command, concerning difficulties surrounding the payment to Finnegan of a grant awarded for the reconstruction of his house. Includes related correspondence between MacEoin and the Department of the President, and the Reconstruction Committee of the Irish White Cross which had previously advanced Finnegan a loan. Original reference no.: C47/4 14 items

218 Correspondence between the G.O.C. Western May-June 1923 Command, the Office of the President, and Rev J.J. Casey Drumshambo, concerning Fr Casey's attempt to claim compensation for his wounding by anti-Treaty soldiers as a result of which he had already undergone several operations. Original reference no.: C9/17 6 items

219 May-December 1923 Correspondence between Miss Annie Duffy, Ballinalee, County Longford, and the G.O.C. Western Command, concerning a claim by the Land Commission for arrears

of rent on her mother's holding; and related correspondence with the Land Commission and the Ministry of Agriculture concerning Mrs Duffy's inability to meet the arrears due to the farm being out of use as a result of burning and destruction by the Black and Tans. 14 items

Original reference no.: C47/7

220 May 1923-February 1924 Intelligence Officers' reports: file consisting mainly of short reports from battalion Intelligence Officers routed through the Command I/O to the G.O.C. Command. Includes an incomplete letter (5 June 1923, p.1 only) from the Office of the Director of Intelligence, General Headquarters, Parkgate, to the G.O.C. Athlone, describing the intelligence service within the Athlone Command as 'deplorable' and itemising causes for complaint; and a Special General Report from the I/O, 2 Infantry Battalion, Roscrea, to the Command I/O (19 June 1923, 5pp) describing anti-Treaty forces organisation in the area. Original reference no.: C57/18B 45pp

221 June 1923 Thomas Igoe, Kelleter, County Longford (8 June 1923, 2pp) concerning a bicycle of his commandeered by the Volunteers in 1921; with copy letter from MacEoin instructing a battalion officer to take a statement (9 June 1923, 1p). Original reference no.: C9/15 2 items 222 June 1923 Correspondence between Maggie Earlie, Ballinalee, County Longford, and the G.O.C. Western Command, concerning her application for a position as a Dairy and Poultry Instructress, with related correspondence between MacEoin and the Ministry of Agriculture. Original reference no.: C47/5 7 items Inserted is an additional file of correspondence between Mr Patrick Earlie, Ballinalee, and MacEoin, concerning his claim for compensation for the burning of his house and business by British forces; with related correspondence between MacEoin and the Office of the President (February 1922-June 1923). Original reference no.: MG 1160 10 items 223 June 1923 Documents relating to a court of inquiry into the escape of six prisoners from detention in Custume Barracks, Athlone on 10 June 1923. Includes the order constituting the court (11 June 1923, 1p) and a handwritten record of its findings (15 June 1923, 5pp). Original reference no.: C13 брр 224 June-July 1923 Statements made by James Reilly, Denis Foran and Maggie Foran, concerning their detention and interrogation by the Northern Ireland authorities at the military post at Garrison, County Fermanagh, while on a pilgrimage to Lough Derg; sent by the Acting G.O.C., Athlone Command, to the Chief of Staff for his information. Original reference no.: C46 15pp 225 June-August 1923 Confidential draft typescript letter from MacEoin, Headquarters, Athlone Command, to the President [W.T. Cosgrave]. Following his visit to Geneva, MacEoin advises the President on the necessary consular and diplomatic procedures to give authority to the Free State consul at Geneva and promote Ireland's

225contd. application for membership of the League of Nations; as well as ratifying some of the Treaties between different groups of nations (19 July 1923, 3pp). Unsigned letter to MacEoin, on League of Nations International Labour Office headed notepaper, concerning developments in relation to Ireland's forthcoming membership of the League.
'...Kevin O'Shiel arrived in Geneva yesterday where he will remain for some days to make a detailed study of the League machinery ... I have no doubt but that his return to Dublin will assist in securing a proper preparation of the

Delegation to the Assembly' (8 August 1923, 2pp). Copies of League papers (April-July 1923, 90pp) including memoranda, opinions and resolutions, relating mainly to Treaties of Mutual Guarantee and attempts at arms reduction [proceedings while MacEoin was in Geneva?].

Original reference no.: C57/3

94pp

- July 1923 Handwritten letter from E.D. McCann, Secretary, Longford County Council, Court House, Longford (18 July 1923, 2pp), appealing for MacEoin's assistance in a case where the Race Committee had been fined £50 for failure to pay amusement tax on a race meeting, with a further prosecution pending. The Council's offer of a settlement had been refused. Copy letters from MacEoin referring the case to the Ministry of Home Affairs (21 July 1923, 2pp). Original reference no.: C47/2 3 items
- 227 July 1923 Communications concerning protests made direct to Dr Joseph Hoare, Bishop of Ardagh and Clonmacnoise, by two officers commanding the infantry garrisons at Carrick-on-Shannon; correspondence between the bishop and the G.O.C. Athlone Command and copies of correspondence between the bishop and the Command chaplain, Athlone. Correspondence mainly concerns the actions of the two officers as contravening military discipline and protocol in not referring the matter to the military authorities in the first instance, the object of the protests being remarks allegedly made by a priest saying Mass in Carrickon-Shannon, extremely critical of the Army. *Original reference no.*: C46/6 9 items

July 1923 Typescript copy report on Athlone Command for the period 19 June-13 July 1923.
'I took over the Athlone Command on the 19 June and have to report the following alteration in the Administration and Organisation'.

229 July-August 1923 Correspondence mainly between MacEoin and members of the O'Reilly family, Granard, mainly concerning the possibility of compensation for Philip O'Reilly, a former member of the Civic Guards, who had lost an eye in an accident at Neenagh Guard Station. Original reference no.: C9/23 8 items

230 July-August 1923 Despatch from Colonel Liam Archer, Commanding Army Signal Corps, to MacEoin, Custume Barracks, Athlone, requesting the return of a motorcycle issued to him on 21 February 1922 (31 July 1923, 1p). Copy reply from MacEoin declining to return the machine until requested to do so by the same authority that issued it [Chief of Staff] (2 August 1923, 1p). Original reference no.: C41/3 2 items

231 July-September 1923 Communications concerning a prisoner, John McGrath, detained at the Curragh Camp, who refused to sign a form of undertaking as a condition of his release. Includes letters from his aunt, appealing on his behalf, and communications between the G.O.C.s, Athlone and Curragh Commands. Original reference no.: C29/6 10 items

232 September 1923 Frank McNally, Mountjoy Prison, Dublin, to MacEoin, requesting his assistance in securing either his release or a trial (18 September 1923, 2pp) and briefly stating the facts of the case. Copy letter from MacEoin to the Minister for Home Affairs recommending his release (19 September 1923, 1p). Original reference no.: C29/11 2 items

233 October 1923-Communications concerning the case of January 1924 Charles Pinkman, Mohill, County Leitrim, serving as a brigade officer since 1921 and as a National Army officer until September 1923, but who had only ever received four weeks pay; had been dismissed from his post as a rates collector; and had a summons issued against him for misusing rates collected. Includes officers endorsing statements by fellow his service record and communications between the G.O.C. Western Command and the Adjutant General's Office, General Headquarters, Dublin. Original reference no.: C13/10

13-19 November 1923 Communications between Colonel F. MacEnrí, Discipline Office, Office of the Adjutant General, General Headquarters, Parkgate, Dublin, to the G.O.C. Athlone, concerning reports of a political meeting in Athlone being interrupted by a soldier in uniform; and between the G.O.C. Athlone and the O/C 23 Infantry Battalion. Includes typescript copy report on the incident from the soldier's O/C (17 November 1923, 1p).

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Handwritten letter from Commandant John J.

Hearne, Command Headquarters, Athlone, to

MacEoin. He has been offered an appointment as Assistant Parliamentary Draftsman, an offer he has accepted.

'I have had the honour to serve under you in the Army for over twelve months during what will probably be regarded as one of the really great episodes in the epic of Irish national endeavour. I have tried to serve you loyally and faithfully...I shall never forget the time during which I was an officer – I wish I could say soldier – in your Army...I have come to know a great deal of the life and character of one of the greatest men the country has ever known. Long life to him'. 3pp

236	different categories of courses of action in each	(2pp) letter from the ence, concerning the gen prisoner detained, and a case.	2pp) and typescript copy e G.O.C. Western Command neral position with regard to recommending appropriate
	Original reference no.:	29/13	2 items
237	November 1923 Arva, County Cavan, co his house in 1921.	of the President, M	ainly between the Department acEoin and Francis O'Reilly, npensation for the burning of
	Original reference no.:	C9/16	6 items
238	November-	Correspondence	between MacEoin and
	December 1923	Laurence H. Reyno	lds, Ballinalee, County

Longford, concerning compensation for a pair of field glasses, the property of Reynolds, commandeered by MacEoin in November 1920. *Original reference no.*: C9/22 4 items P151/

239 November-Correspondence between Tom O'Donnell, a former T.D., 67 Mountjoy Square, Dublin, the December 1923 G.O.C. Western Command, and the President, concerning assistance for O'Donnell in the aftermath of attacks on him and the burning of his house. Original reference no.: C11/3 6 items 240 November 1923-Scheme of Army Organisation: letter marked December 1924 'Secret' from General Seán MacMahon, Chief of Staff, General Headquarters, Parkgate, to the G.O.C. Athlone Command (30 November 1923, 2pp), heavily annotated by MacEoin, enclosing a new scheme of organisation (59pp) including a change from Command to Brigade organisation and the appointment of MacEoin as O/C, Army School of Instruction, Kildare, with the rank of Colonel. The proposed comprehensive scheme is to be discussed at a meeting of the G.O.C.s at General Headquarters on 6 December. Handwritten notes by MacEoin (4pp) are intensely critical of the scheme. 'There seems very little to add to all that has been said, yet to my mind the scheme is so preposterous that one could speak on the matter for days'. Handwritten letter from Dan [Hogan, G.O.C. Dublin Command], Collins Barracks (undated, 1p), enclosing a copy of an amended scheme (60pp) prepared by the G.O.C.s, Cork, Kerry, Limerick, Waterford and Claremorris Commands. Typescript copy of secret comments by four Major Generals [not identified by name on the copy], Collins Barracks, Dublin, critical of the amended scheme 'put up as an alternative to two other schemes' (3 January 1924, 8pp). Original reference no.: C/57 132pp 241 15 December 1923 Richard Mulcahy, Minister for Defence, to the G.O.C. Athlone Command, appointing him a member of a committee of investigation set up to inquire into the officer personnel of the Army and to make recommendations for demobilisations, to the extent of 1,000 officers; together with a note by the Minister (1p) on the composition, purpose and proposed timetable of the committee. Original reference no.: C22/5 2 items 242 [December 1923] Typescript lists with handwritten additions by MacEoin, of officers in the Western Command, on headquarters staff and at brigade and battalion level. Original reference no.: C22/8 10pp

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December 1923-<br/>February 1924Communications<br/>Northern Bank Buildings, May Street, Belfast,<br/>and the G.O.C. Western Command. Hadden, a<br/>former employee of the Land Commission, had been transferred to the Land<br/>Purchase Division of the Imperial Civil Service and now wishes to resume his<br/>former employment and return to Dublin. Communications between MacEoin<br/>and P. Hogan, Minister for Agriculture, concerning the case.<br/>Original reference no.: C47/1710 items

244 [1923] Notebook containing rough handwritten notes of a tour of inspection of battalion and company headquarters, mainly in the Leix/Offaly area, including Clara, Tullamore, Geashill, Mountmellick, Maryborough, Mountrath and Cloughjordan. Includes details of the strength of each garrison and the availability of arms, ammunition and suppliers; comments on the general appearance, presentation and cleanliness of both men and accommodation; the state of the area and the level of anti-Treaty force activity; the attitude of the local populace and the quality of intelligence work. Occasionally gives names of commanding officers. 56pp

245February 1924Communications and reports relating to a<br/>disagreement between the Mess Committee,<br/>Command Staff Mess, Athlone, and Colonel Lawlor, Second in Command,<br/>Athlone Command, as to the manner in which the Committee sought to collect<br/>outstanding subscriptions including Colonel Lawlor's. Includes reports fom<br/>both sides to the dispute, submitted to the G.O.C.<br/>Original reference no.: C/3815pp

246 February-October 1924 Copies of *Staff Duties: Appointments and Discharges Memo 13* and *Memo 14* (March, May 1924) issued by the Department of General Staff, giving lists of Staff appointments on Army reorganisation; copy of *Special Operation Order No.1* issued by the Department of General Staff (16 August 1924, 13pp) concerning arrangements for the Parade of Troops in conjunction with the Griffith-Collins Commemoration; copy memorandum from Commandant General Diarmuid Ó hEigceartaigh, Director of Organisation, to the O/C Western Command, concerning the Volunteer Reserve (24 August 1924, 2pp). 10 items

March 1924 247 Originals and copies of warrants for the arrest and detention of Patrick, Richard and Henry Smith and Michael Fuller, Main Street, Roscommon, under the Public Safety Temporary Provisions Act, 1924, issued by the Minister for Defence to the G.O.C. Athlone Command. Original reference no.: C29/1 18pp August 1924 248 Tables giving the results of examinations held at the School of Instruction, Kildare, 5-7 August 1924. Results are for 81 officers listed in order of merit for a range of courses including drill, tactics, musketry, legal, and map reading. 2pp October 1924 249 Copy of *Operation Order No. 1* issued by the G.O.C. Western Command, relating to the Enforcement of Customs Regulations. Includes detailed schedules of approved and unapproved border crossing points with Northern Ireland; instructions for men employed at frontier post stations and patrol stations detailing inspection and enforcement procedures (17pp) and details of items liable to customs duties. Original reference no.: C11/2 47pp 250 November-Masses offered by Archbishop Curley for December 1924 those who died for Ireland: correspondence between Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore [a native of Athlone] and MacEoin, concerning the Archbishop's intention of saying Masses for the soldiers who gave their lives under MacEoin's command (November 1924, 5 items). Copy form letter from MacEoin to the relatives of the deceased informing them of the Archbishop's intention (November 1924, 1p) and 19 letters of thanks from those relatives (November-December 1924). Original reference no.: C57/6 26pp 251 [c.1924] Lists of officers arranged by rank of Generals, Colonels and Commandants, with each divided into Groups A and B. File cover is entitled Captains in National Army but lists include [all commissioned officers?] including reserve officers. Details include rank, name and present posting. Original reference no.: C57/25 37pp

252 26 January 1925 **Notes on Swiss Army:** Swiss Army *Staff Guide Book*, translated by Technical Staff, Intelligence Department, General Headquarters. Consists of a comprehensive guide to the organisation of the Swiss Army, staff and services, and the order of battle. *Original reference no.*: C57/1 178pp

### **D.** Army Enquiry Committee, 1924

253	-	Copy typescript text headed <i>Brief History of</i> <i>Events</i> , giving an account of developments from the Army crisis and appending copies of relevant from the viewpoint of the Tobin faction. 5pp
254	11 April 1924	Copy of the verbatim report of evidence given before the Committee by General Richard Mulcahy T.D. 17pp
255	of the Ministry and the responsibilities of the Inspe- File title indicates content t	File consisting mainly of documents presented and read before the Committee by Mr C.B. Ministry of Defence, concerning the constitution duties of its Secretary; and the position and ction Branch of the Chief of Staff's Department. to be otherwise, <i>i.e.</i> verbatim report of evidence Mulcahy T.D., Seán Ó Muirthile, General Seán Sullivan. 37pp
256	7, 23 April 1923 documents, made before the former General Staff Officer	Copies of 2 statements, together with copies of related correspondence and supporting Committee by Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Ryan, Training and Operations. 40pp

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26 April 1924 Copy of the statement submitted to the Committee by Colonel O'Connell. J.J. containing 'a pretty accurate representation of the Army in its various phases, as viewed from my standpoint as G.S.O. (2) in charge [of the] Inspection Branch of the Chief of Staff's Department from 1 June 1923 to 29 February 1924'. 230pp

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28 April 1924

Letter from Liam T. MacCosgair, Oifig an

Uachtaráin, Saorstát Éireann, to J.C. Meredith, Cathaoirleach, Army Inquiry Committee, Government Buildings. Cosgrave refers to a request from Meredith for a copy of an opinion presented by the Attorney-General to the Executive Council as to whether allegations made against certain Army officers, in what was known as the Kenmare Case, could be made the subject of criminal proceedings and the Attorney's opinion that there was no evidence on which a prosecution could be sustained. He is unable to comply with the request to supply a copy of the opinion. He refers at length to the collective and confidential nature of the responsibility of the Executive Council.

'If such immunity from investigation and such mutual confidence are not to be maintained in respect of the deliberations of the Executive Council, no one could undertake the responsibility of Executive Government in the Saorstát. It would be against every canon of public policy to permit any breach of a protection so vital to the full and anxious exploration of the problems of Government by responsible Ministers ... This being the first instance in which such a request has been made in this country, I have given it most earnest thought and I have to say, with every respect to your Committee, that my considered opinion is that I should not create this precedent, and therefore I find myself unable to comply with the request to furnish a copy of the opinion given by the Attorney-General to the Executive Council'.

Includes a draft handwritten letter from Meredith to Cosgrave submitting the report of the Committee of Inquiry.

'The Report is unanimous, but I have felt obliged to make my concurrence subject to a reservation as to completeness. I shall submit in the course of the next two days such addenda as I feel would be necessary if my own personal views are to be adequately reflected'. 4pp

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1 May 1924

Copy of the statement submitted to the Committee by Colonel F. MacEnrí [Henry], formerly Provost Marshal with control of the Military Police.

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260	6 May 1924	Copy of the second statement submitted to the Committee by Colonel J.J. O'Connell. 12pp
261	May 1924 Committee by Colonel J.J. C	Copy of Inspection Notes on Commands, Battalions and Posts, submitted to the Connell. 21pp
262	6	Copy of the statement of General Seán MacMahon, made to the Committee in sections, own positions as Adjutant General, February- of Staff, September 1922-March 1924. 145pp
263	6 May 1924 Neligan, Detective Branch Director of Intelligence.	Copy of the statement submitted to the Committee by Chief Superintendent David , Dublin Castle, formerly Colonel and Army 5pp
264	19 May 1924 ex-Captain Denis Cronin, Mulcahy.	Copy of the verbatim report of evidence given to the Committee under examination by General Seán MacMahon and General Richard 106pp
265	22 May 1924 Cullen and General Richard	Copy of the verbatim report of evidence given to the Committee under examination by Mr John Mulcahy. 49pp
266	May 1924 reference and its findings coulack of discipline within the	Copy of the summary findings of the Committee, setting out its apparent terms of ncerning the general causes of the Army crisis and Army generally. 8pp

## E. G.O.C. Curragh Training Camp, 1925-27

267	13 February 1925	Letter from Lieutenant General Peadar MacMahon, Chief of Staff, Department of
		acEoin, G.O.C. Athlone Command, ordering him G.O.C. Curragh Training Camp. 1p
268	[February 1925]	Notes by MacEoin for a speech to his senior officers at their first meeting after his
	appointment as G.O.C. Curra	gh Training Camp. 2pp
269	• • • •	Correspondence with Mrs J. McLoughlin, Granard, concerning her two brothers, one a convicted prisoner, the other a Civic Guard gs; and between MacEoin and the Department of ting to a local appeal on behalf of the imprisoned offence in Mohill in 1922.
	Original reference no.: CR71	
270		Copy letter from MacEoin, G.O.C. Curragh Training Camp, to the Minister for Justice, h by Philip Davis, Shanmullagh, Longford, for his house and effects during raids by R.I.C. and 1.
	Original reference no.: CR71	/16 2pp
271	-	Copy of <i>Special Orders by G.O.C. Curragh</i> <i>Training Camp</i> , outlining the procedure for the entation of the flag to the G.O.C. on St Patrick's undwritten notes by MacEoin for a speech on the 4pp

272 18 March 1925 Statement by MacEoin in support of a Military Service Pension application by James Flynn,

> Westmeath. Original reference no.: CR71/35

3pp

273 March-May 1925 MacEoin's copies, as G.O.C. Curragh Training Camp, of extracts from British and American military and civilian publications, supplied by Brainnse C, Furionn an Feasa, Ceann Ceathrúna Generalta, An Tigh Dearg, Geata na Pairce [Branch C, Intelligence Section, General Headquarters, The Red House, Parkgate]. Publications are predominantly the *Army and Navy Journal* [U.S.] and the *Naval and Military Record* [U.K.] and extracts relate to a wide variety of matters including gas masks, experimental observation aircraft, the U.S. Army Band concert programme, the nature of government during wartime, national military expenditure, submarine cable telegraphy, the balance of naval power in the Pacific, the laws of war with particular reference to the anniversary of the sinking of the Lusitania, and British Army manoeuvres.

29pp

274March 1925-August 1926Correspondence with Monsignor P. Markey,<br/>Clonbroney, Edgeworthstown, mainly<br/>concerning the administration of the National Schools in Ballinalee, County<br/>Longford, of which Markey is manager, including memoranda by him and<br/>representations by MacEoin to public representatives and the Department of<br/>Education. Also includes material relating to representations by Markey on<br/>behalf of a parishioner seeking employment.<br/>Original reference no.: CR71/4043pp

275 March-August 1925 Correspondence with Mrs M.A. O'Reilly, Munster Street, Phibsboro', Dublin, concerning the progress of her application for compensation for harbouring and billeting members of MacEoin's flying column during the period 1920-21. *Original reference no.:* CR71/49 10 items 276 April 1925-June 1926 Correspondence with Mr Joseph J. Maguire, River View House, Arney, Enniskillen, County Fermanagh, concerning his claim for compensation for imprisonment in Britain arising from his conviction for involvement in a raid on Belcoo Barracks, a raid which had in fact been carried out by MacEoin's flying column. 12 items Original reference no.: CR71/59 277 May 1925 Correspondence concerning the application of Nicholas Jordan, Ballynacargy, County Westmeath, for a military service pension, and support for his application from MacEoin. Original reference no.: CR71/28 5pp 278 May 1925 Correspondence with Mr Tom Robinson, Clarinda Park East, Dún Laoghaire, a former member of the Longford Brigade and an applicant for a military service pension. Original reference no.: CR71/230 3 items 279 May 1925-January 1926 Correspondence with Fr J. Feely, Military Chaplain, Athlone, mainly concerning the applications of Patrick Monaghan for a portion of land and of Christopher Marshal for admission to the Garda Síochána. Includes a letter from Owen [O'Duffy, Garda Commissioner], Officers' Mess, The Depôt, Phoenix Park, to

> MacEoin, mentioning Marshal's application among other matters. 'I am not very happy over the Boundary business – many good friends in Monaghan & across the Border think I should resign as a protest – but I do not see where that would bring us. I think the best was made out of a very bad position which was allowed to develop' (16 December 1925, 2pp). *Original reference no.*: CR71/188 14pp

280 May 1925-July 1926 Correspondence with Seán Garrahan, Clonbroney, Kenagh, County Longford, concerning his requests for character references in seeking employment and in applying for a visa to enter the United States. *Original reference no.:* CR71/80 7pp 281 May 1925-March 1927 Correspondence with a number of acquaintances in County Longford, mainly Michael Lennon, James Prunty and John Sexton, concerning MacEoin's support for their applications for portions of land on estates divided by the Land Commission. *Original reference no.*: CR71/81 14 items

282June 1925-July 1926Correspondence concerning the application of<br/>Leo Hughes for a military service pension,<br/>including correspondence with Archbishop Michael J. Curley, Athlone.<br/>Original reference no.: CR71/1046 items

283June 1925-<br/>November 1926Correspondence with Seán O'Sullivan,<br/>Drumlish, County Longford, concerning his own<br/>application for a military service pension;<br/>applications by acquaintances of his for old age pensions; and requests for<br/>assistance in his business affairs.<br/>Original reference no.: CR71/10944pp

June 1925-August 1926 Correspondence with Matthew Brady, Steward, and May Caffrey, Secretary, County Home Longford, concerning their attempts to resolve difficulties arising from their intention to marry, as the Secretary was prohibited from residing in the County Home and the Steward was required to. Includes correspondence concerning approaches by MacEoin to James Burke, Minister for Local Government and Public Health, on their behalf.
 Original reference no.: CR71/130 15pp

285June 1925-January 1927Correspondence mainly with A. Le Brocquy,<br/>Honorary Secretary, League of Nations Society<br/>of Ireland, 4 Zion Road, Rathgar, Dublin, concerning the Society's programme<br/>of activities and MacEoin's membership.<br/>Original reference no.: CR71/13920 items

286		Letter from Charles R. Russell, Griffith Barracks, Dublin, to the Chief of Staff, general criticism of the Army' and Chapter VIII, m on national defence (pp.47-63). 18pp	
287	applicant for a military ser respective applications. Als		L •
288	July 1925-July 1926 O'Flanagan, Coolcar, to sell Original reference no.: CR7	Correspondence with J.J. Slevin, Granard, mainly concerning the wishes of a Mrs her farm to the Land Commission. 1/160 17pp	
289	11 August 1925 the forthcoming Griffith-C reference to the Bóthar Buad	Copy of <i>Adjutant General's Memorandum</i> <i>No. 74</i> outlining the protocol and programme for collins Anniversary Ceremony with particular ha Parade. 9pp	
290	August 1925 his application for employme <i>Original reference no.:</i> CR7	Correspondence with Joseph Dooner, Edgeworthstown, County Longford, concerning ent with the Customs and Excise Service. 1/163 6 items	
291	August 1925 'Enemy forces are everywhe	Copies of operation orders and reports relating to military exercises in the Curragh area. re busily occupied entrenching'. 3 items	

292	including a retreat to be	Correspondence with Fr Chr Abbey, Galway, on a nu conducted by him at the C applying for positions or pens 1/173	umber of subjects, Curragh Camp; and
293	August 1925- August 1926 change employment. <i>Original reference no.:</i> CR7	Correspondence with Joseph Barracks, Athlone, concern for a military service pensior 1/177	ing his application
294	August 1925- November 1926 a military service pension a Excise service. <i>Original reference no.</i> : CR7	Correspondence with Thoma of staff of Customs and Exci County Donegal, concerning and for an established post i	se, Castlefin, this applications for
295		Swiss men to come to Irela Includes correspondence bernd Industry and Commerce.	witzerland, mainly support for the nd to work for the
296	5 September 1925	Copy of <i>Camp Routine Orde</i> MacEoin, listing duty officer day.	-
297	September 1925 recommendation for her bro seeking employment. <i>Original reference no.:</i> CR7	Correspondence with Miss M Circular Road, Dublin other Thomas P. Brady, Edge 1/183	, concerning a

298		Correspondence with Michael Collins, North Circular Road, Dublin, concerning his Application for employment. Includes t Andy McKeon, Sean MacEoin's brother, Garda lin, concerning Collins' application. 10 items
299	necessity for its preservation; 'As an officer in the Army y take part in the routine work that Ireland's Army should b been during the past decade'.	MacEoin's copy of a circular letter in Irish and English from Gearóid Ó Suilleavain, Portobello the significance of the Irish language and the and urging him to join the Gaelic League. You will find it very difficult if not impossible to of the language movement. It is highly desirable e in the vanguard of the movement now as it has form, explanatory notes, and 2 leaflets on the 6 items
300	September- November 1925 Original reference no.: CR71	2 letters from B. O'Connor, Finea, Westmeath, a publican who is being prosecuted wrongly for having customers on his premises after hours. /190 2 items
301		Correspondence with Thomas F. Smyth, Auctioneer, Mohill, County Leitrim, who is selling premises he thinks would be suitable for be opened at Drumnsa; and with James O'Reilly, a candidate for admission to the Garda Síochána. /191 14pp
302	September 1925- May 1927 Resignations and Dismissals <i>Original reference no.:</i> CR 7	•

303	October 1925- May 1926 Original reference no.: CR 7	Correspondence with Thoma County Longford, a candida the Garda Síochána. 71/194	
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305	November 1925 May 1926 applicant for a military servi <i>Original reference no.:</i> CR7	-	for admission to the
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307	January-May 1926 candidate for the Garda Sío with the Department of Indu <i>Original reference no.:</i> CR7	•	hose son is a

308	-	Copy letter from the Staff Of Curragh Training Camp, to the Service Pensions, acknowledging ersons named on the attached list	ne Secretary, Board g receipt of MSP7
	with handwritten copies of Midlands and the West	contains 22 names of men pred [Forms are provided for M vice submitted by applicants f	ominantly from the acEoin to endorse
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312 3 July 1926 Handwritten letter from Padraic [Ó Cosáin], Headquarters, Curragh T[raining] Camp, to MacEoin, referring to 'the convention which was held at Croke Park in the month of Nov[ember] 1917. This convention was termed as the 3<sup>rd</sup> General Convention. It would appear that the minutes of this convention are not available now. The delegates were summoned as far as I can remember as Provincial Delegates. I append a list showing the names of those I remember being present. As it is very probable you were a delegate, perhaps you will correct or add to the enclosed'. The list of names appended is accompanied by a brief description of proceedings at the convention. 4pp

313 5 July 1926

Copy of a letter from Lieutenant General Peadar MacMahon, Chief of Staff, to [P. Hughes],

Minister for Defence, forwarded to the G.O.C. Curragh for information, concerning the imperative that the Department's view be considered in any negotiations with the British authorities arising from those sections of the Anglo-Irish Treaty dealing with submarine cables and wireless stations, with particular reference to the stations at Malin Head and Valentia.

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314 21 July 1926

Handwritten letter from Aodh MacNeíll [Major General Hugh MacNeill, Assistant Chief of

Staff], on Hotel Metropole, Cork notepaper but actually *en route* to the United States [for a training programme with the U.S. Armed Forces], to MacEoin, mainly concerning arrangements for circulation of and consultation on the Organisation Board report concerning the organisation and financing of the Army.

'Personally I think that <u>all</u> officers from the rank of Com[man]d[an]t upwards should be asked for their opinions, also <u>all</u> staff officers irrespective of rank. The Board could then hold a final meeting to consider their views & if necessary embody them in their report ... If the whole thing is sanctioned & comes into operation at the beginning of the Financial Year 1927-28 we will be doing very well. For the first time in our lives we will be able to estimate exactly on our requirements in accordance with a definite programme'.

He undertakes to make arrangements for communications as soon as he sees what the situation in the U.S. is.

'I propose sending you a regular monthly report as if we were at home'.

315 July-October 1926 Correspondence with Patrick J. Ryan, Church View, Gowran, County Kilkenny, an applicant for a clerkship in the Army Finance Department. Original reference no.: CR71/262 5 items 316 July 1926-April 1927 Correspondence with Garda Michael Leavy, County Cork, Banteer, concerning his application for a military service pension. Gives details of his I.R.A. service In Longford, 1917-21. Original reference no.: CR45/212 3 items 317 August-December 1926 Correspondence with Mrs Mollie Curley, Golden Island, Athlone, concerning her cousin Jack Dolan, who is seeking employment. 4 items Original reference no.: CR71/282 318 September 1926-Correspondence with Fr J. Judge P.P., March 1927 Killeshandra, County Cavan, mainly concerning the procurement of explosives for quarrying stones for the construction of a new church in Arva. Original reference no.: CR71/277 9 items 319 October 1926 Correspondence with John Forbes O'Ferrall, Viewmount, Longford, who is moving his family to Dublin and who seeks an interview with MacEoin. Original reference no.: CR71/282 4 items 320 October-November 1926 Correspondence with Michael Kane, Moatefarrell, County Longford, an applicant for a portion of an estate to be divided by the Land Commission. Original reference no.: CR71/287 2 items

321 October-November 1926 Letter from Joe O'Reilly, Department of the President, offering his best wishes on hearing of MacEoin's illness (25 October 1926, 1p). Copy acknowledgement (11 November 1926, 1p). Original reference no.: CR71/289 2 items 322 November 1926-Correspondence with 8 applicants to the Irish March 1927 White Cross Winding-Up Association, seeking compensation for losses sustained during the revolutionary period. Applicants are generally seeking confirmation from MacEoin of their involvement in the events of the period. Original reference no.: CR71/283 23 items 323 January 1927 Correspondence with B.J. Kilbride, Longford County Surveyor, whose resignation had been requested by the Department of Local Government and Public Health on account of the level of complaints about the condition of roads in the county. Includes a copy of a report by Mr Kilbride (3 January 1927) on the county's roads and improvements effected by him. Original reference no.: CR71/300 5 items

324 20 January 1927 Letter from Colonel E.V. O Cearbhaill [O'Carroll], Director of Intelligence, General Headquarters, Parkgate, to the Chief of Staff (2pp).

'I have the honour to direct your attention to the cases of:

(1) Ex-Col. P.L. Ahern, late Medical Services and

(2) Ex-Major W. Stapleton, late Engineers

whose resignations were asked for because of their alleged connections with the Irish Republican Army Organisation.

You are, of course, aware that the confidential records of the Headquarters Staff of this Organisation recently fell into our hands. Two officers of the Bureau, who were formerly concerned with the efforts to counteract the activities of this group, and who were reasonably well informed of their doings, thoroughly overhauled these papers. They have prepared a report on their labours and have dealt with the utmost care with all they have seen and examined. A copy of the report is attached' (114pp).

The report examines the origins of the I.R.A.O., gives a list of captured documents, and analyses the organisation's structure and activities, both before and after the crisis. Some of the captured documents are included as appendices. Inside file cover contains a handwritten index to the report.

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325	Medical Officer in Athlone.	Correspondence with Captair Medical Officer, 2 Brig numents Commission for a pos	ade Athlone, an sition as Dispensary
	Original reference no.: CR71	/ 303	4 items
326	January 1927	Correspondence with James I Granard, County Longford, w	
	prison MacEoin had facilitate Original reference no.: CR71		2 items
327		Letter from Commandant C.J Secretary, Organisation Board rkgate, to the G.O.C. Currag ent meeting of the Board held present]	d, General Staff, gh Training Camp,
328	February 1927 parishioner being allowed by occupies at present.	Correspondence with Fr P. M Newtonforbes, County Longf the Land Commission to rem	ford, concerning a
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329	February-March 1927 advice in relation to Garvagh Original reference no.: Cr71/2		
330	MacEoin Includes copies of r	Correspondence with Eoin O Commissioner, concerning ar l, about which representations reports on the incident from Su issioner (16 March 1927, 3pp) 1315/26	h investigation into had been made to aperintendent James

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*List of prisoners of war and political prisoners in English, Scotch (sic) and Irish Free State* 

*Jails*: original file of this title containing a list of prisoners published by the Political Prisoners' Committee, a copy sent to MacEoin with the ironic inscription 'To the gallant blacksmith of Ballinalee' (August 1925, 4pp). List includes details of charges and sentences.

File includes some typescript lists from an earlier period (December 1922) of prisoners in Northern Ireland and British jails and copies of correspondence relating to prisoners (13pp); and some correspondence from a later period (February 1926-March 1927) relating to references for ex-prisoners and payment of compensation to the family of a man interned in England.

44pp

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[November 1923-] January 1928 Correspondence concerning the application by Ex-Lieutenant Stephen MacHale for a grant of compensation or pension as a former member of

the R.I.C. in Northern Ireland who had acted as an agent for the I.R.A. Includes signed affidavits by MacEoin and by Michael Collins (22 July 1922, 1p) attesting to MacHale's service record; correspondence between MacEoin and MacHale and between MacEoin, the Chief of Staff, the Adjutant General, the Garda Commissioner and relevant government departments and their ministers.

File contents begin while G.O.C. Athlone but majority are from his period as G.O.C. Curragh where the file was registered.

Also includes material from a later date (July 1945-December 1952) in an attempt to resurrect MacHale's application, including appeals to the British Home Office through the British Embassy, Dublin.

Original reference no.: Cr71/7

## F. Quartermaster General, 1927-29

1927-29

# Quartermaster General's personal correspondence: series of registered

correspondence files consisting mainly of requests to MacEoin for assistance of various kinds. Requests originate mainly from acquaintances in the Midlands and from Army personnel. Includes applications for interviews and references; for assistance for ex-Army men in gaining employment in the public service such as local government and An Garda Síochána; for admission to the Army Cadet Corps and the Reserve of Officers; for discharge from or reinstatement in the Army; for old age and military service pensions; for portions of land on estates acquired and divided by the Land Commission; for compensation for periods of internment during the revolutionary period; and for refunds of subscriptions to the Dáil Éireann loan.

Also includes some correspondence relating to the personal financial affairs of the Q.M.G., such as insurance, pay, and domestic accounts; to routine Army matters such as arrangements for canteen contracts and for the loan of tents and other equipment for charitable events; and correspondence between the Q.M.G. and public figures and other Army officers to whom he refers requests for assistance, including the Irish Land Commissioners, the Ministers for Justice, Industry and Commerce, Education, and Local Government, the Garda Commissioner, the O/C Army Corps of Engineers, and T.D.s and Senators.

The series consists of a discrete file for each individual, arranged alphabetically and numbered in a sequence which is very incomplete. Many original letters from correspondents are not present, the file containing only the Q.M.G.'s copy reply or the file cover itself.

One file is marked 'Checked March 1956. Old letters. No importance except to remind me of certain facts'.

333	А	3 files	9рр
334	В	20 files	98pp
335	С	27 files	125pp
336	D	17 files	84pp

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337	Е	1 file	8pp
338	F	18 files	79pp
339	G	8 files	34pp
340	Н	17 files	71pp
341	Ι	1 file	16pp
342	J	1 file	8pp
343	К	18 files	78pp
344	L	14 files	58pp
345	М	8 files	114pp
346	Мс	32 files	80pp
347	Ν	5 files	19pp
348	0	24 files	137pp

349	Р	7 files	30pp
350	Q	10 files	39pp
351	R	12 files	47pp
352	S	2 files	8pp
353	Т	6 files	18pp
354	V	1 file	4pp
355	W	2 files	23pp
356	mainly 'P[ut] A[way	<b>Personal files and transit b</b> volume recording the file nu ef indication of subject and, occasic ]' or 'File Closed'. Entries refer to th s [P151/333-355]. Only occasion	mber, name of the onally, action taken, e Q.M.G.'s personal
357	the volume was us addresses of [applic handwritten memora	Personal letters dispatched book recording name and ad date of dispatch and occas of letter'. The entries are not maintai ed by MacEoin at a later stage to cants for military service pensions' andum by MacEoin (23 February n Ireland and the World today?'.	dress of addressee, ional remarks, most ned by MacEoin but record names and ?]. Also includes a

357contd. Entries in this volume would appear to refer to a separate series of correspondence than the Q.M.G.'s personal correspondence files. Although some of the names in this volume do appear in that series, the entries here refer to different letters. 40pp
 358 1927 Department of Defence General Staff, Defence Plans Division (Temporary), *Combat Orders*: includes general principles, technique of field and administrative orders, examples and abbreviations. Compiled from a publication on combat orders issued by the General Service Schools, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, U.S.A.

47pp

359 January 1928 **Installation of the Governor General:** copies of memoranda and operation orders from the offices of the Assistant Chief of Staff and Adjutant General, setting out the ceremonial to be followed on the installation of James MacNeill as Governor General on 1 February 1928. 12pp

360 5 March 1928 Copy typescript minute from the Q.M.G. to the Chief of Staff. He has consulted the Army Finance Officer concerning the basis on which charges for laundry are made. 1p

20 June 1928 Department of Defence General Staff, Defence Plans Division (T), Special Memorandum No. 1.
 Preparation for War. Secret. Covers Government defence policy in general as well as the likely policies of the opposition parties and the present status and requirements of the defence forces; but concentrates on Ireland's strategic importance, relations with Britain, and the significance and implications of partition for defence and neutrality on the basis that 'continuous and close intercourse across the border make it impossible for us to view the subject of our defence without realising that we can hardly hope to remain neutral while the six counties are at war'.

362 23 August 1928 Handwritten draft report by MacEoin for the Minister for Defence, concerning the quality of intelligence provided by [Michael Collins] the Commander in Chief about British troop movements in MacEoin's area in 1920 and the possible source of such information.
'On the formation of the Div.[ision] 1st Mid.[land] in Sept. 1921 he was handing over to me the communication lines of the whole area which included Westmeath. He also told me the names of the agents he had in the area. But the principle one was a Mrs Goddard ... a wife of a British officer then serving in the British Army. She was the daughter of the local postmaster'. 2pp

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Applications from MacEoin, Q.M.G., to Desmond FitzGerald, Minister for Defence, for permission to wear mufti and for special

leave days. Mostly consists of handwritten applications by MacEoin specifying dates, times and purpose, usually recreational, personal and business; agreed and endorsed by FitzGerald and returned. Includes a typescript letter from the Minister's private secretary to MacEoin (12 October 1928, 1p) outlining the general circumstances in which the Minister would approve of the Q.M.G. wearing mufti.

Original reference no.: Q.M.G./Personal/Q.358

12 October 1928-

9 February 1929

1 November 1928

8 items

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Copy typescript letter from Lieutenant General D. Hogan, Chief of Staff, to the Minister for

Defence, for the information of the Q.M.G., marked 'Personal and Confidential'. Refers to the position of Army officers, the likelihood of a substantial number of redundancies in their ranks and the lack of proper pension provision. Recommends the fixing of the total number of serving officers and the introduction of a scheme of gratuities to those retiring or resigning. 1p

36531 November 1928Copy typescript letter from Lieutenant General<br/>D. Hogan, Chief of Staff, to the Minister for

Defence, for the information of the Q.M.G. and marked 'Personal and Confidential'. Further to recent discussions and memoranda, the C/S submits for the Minister's consideration recommendations as to consolidation and location of posts, and posts suggested for closure and evacuation. 'It has been obvious for a considerable time that this question will have to be now finally decided on ... The continued policy of reducing the Army year after year shows that the condition of the country is regarded as normal and

therefore I consider the time has arrived to take definite steps as outlined or else increase the Army to 10,000 All Ranks, which is the lowest strength at which it is possible to perform duties at present and maintain the desired standard of training and efficiency'. 4pp

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#### Department of Defence General Staff, Defence Plans Division (T), *Special Memorandum No. 5*.

Secret. Copy numbered No.2 of the final memorandum issued by the temporary Defence Plans Division, 'to summarise in a convenient form the various proposals submitted in *Special Memoranda 1 to 4*, and to submit suggestions covering the immediate detailed steps necessary to inaugurate this Scheme of National Defence'.

Covers all aspects of defence policy, the organisation of the defence forces in both war and peace, and the training of officers. 37pp

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Typescript copy of a statement for publication

by 'A broken-hearted wife' of a soldier, lamenting the pay and conditions under which she, her husband and their two children are expected to survive; and the continued failure to pay the promised marriage allowance.

'Picture Mr FitzGerald or Mr Blythe living on 19/3 per week or even twice that amount'. 2pp

# G. Chief of Staff, February-June 1929

368	20-24 February 1929	Telegrams and letters of congratulation, many from Army colleagues, on MacEoin's appointment as Chief of Staff. 21 items
369	extension of military servic between MacEoin as Chief	File entitled 'Major General Seán MacEoin Personal file' consisting mainly of routine correspondence such as applications for istance in securing housing or employment, and e; but also including occasional communications f of Staff and the Minister and Department of rms and conditions of his appointment as C/S, wances. 44 items
370	Applications are overwhelm include attendance at w applications from MacEoin,	File of applications from MacEoin, C/S, to Desmond FitzGerald, Minister for Defence, nufti and for special and annual leave days. hingly for recreational and sporting purposes but veddings and funerals. Includes handwritten endorsed and returned by the Minister; as well as ting from the Minister's office. 19 items
371	'I was in Saxonland and did hasten to offer you my sin	Letter from Joe McGrath [Director of Labour on the Shannon Scheme], Siemens- e, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin, to MacEoin. d not hear of your advancement until yesterday. I cere congratulations and sincerely trust you will deal longer than the regulation period'. 1p
372	2 March 1929	Handwritten minutes by MacEoin of an interview with the Minister for Defence. Consists of a list of points agreed. 1p

373	Tactical Organisation Cotter hesitates 'to Memorandum, and cri main principles are not Cotter's criticisms are	Secret typescript memorandum from Major J.P.M. Cotter, Second Bureau, Department of the Chief of Staff, concerning <i>Memorandum No.2</i> , <i>of the Defence Forces</i> . submit views contrary to the tenor of the above ticise its contents I am, however, convinced that the tright, if not definitely wrong'. founded on the proposal to adopt the British scheme of analyses the memorandum from policy, tactical and 8pp
374	13 May 1929	Handwritten letter from Major P. Mulcahy, Artillery Barracks, Kildare, expressing regret at MacEoin's resignation.
	'The news of your resignation came as a surprise to us in Kildare and I am really very sorry that you have left us, even tho' you go to carry on the good work in the political arena'. 2pp	

### H. Reserve of Officers and the National Defence Association, 1929-31

1928-30

**Relief of unemployment among ex-members of the National Army:** material relating mainly

to the policy of government departments of giving preference to demobilised members of the National Army. Includes copies of correspondence between the National Defence Association and the Department of Defence and copies supplied by the Department of communications with other government departments including Finance, Industry and Commerce, Local Government and Public Health, Agriculture and the Commissioners of Public Works (May 1929-July 1930) concerning their general policy and the operation of specific schemes; copy of the minutes of the second meeting of the Employment for Ex-National Army Committee (25 July 1930, 1p); copy of a report by Commandant J. Smyth of an interview with the Chief Employment Officer, Department of Industry and Commerce (21 August 1930, 3pp).

376	July 1929 are usually given, includin indexed address book.	Notes taken at a series of lectures on a military training course. Titles of lectures and lecturers ng Colonel Costello. Notes are recorded in an 18x11x1cms
377	August 1929 Barracks, for a Field Offic by MacEoin.	Course notes relating to tactics and map reading, issued by the Army School of Instruction, Pearse cers' Course for the Reserve of Officers, annotated 5pp
378	August 1929- September 1930 Typical subjects of talks a defence'.	Notebook containing handwritten notes by MacEoin taken at a series of training lectures On aspects of military procedure and strategy. are 'Communications' and 'Machine guns in 20x12x1cms
379	from the Irish Land Co behalf of Lieutenant Mich to be divided by the Co	Letter from Captain Seamas Ó Floinne, National Defence Association, McKee Barracks, April 1930, 1p) enclosing a copy of a reply received mmission in response to representations made on hael Browne's application for a holding on an estate ommission; and enclosing forms of application for opy of the objects and conditions of membership of 4 items
380	forthcoming meeting, a dr	Circular letter to all members of the Council of the National Defence Association/Cumann sust 1930, 2pp) enclosing an agenda (1p) for a raft of the first annual general report of the Council e motions for the annual general meeting of the 4 items
381	Officers' Course, designer regarded by MacEoin as a the case and corresponder	Correspondence and memoranda arising from protests by MacEoin, a Lieutenant General in t being detailed for training on the Infantry Field d for training Battalion Commanders, a course a 'degradation'. Includes statements by MacEoin of nee with the G.O.C. Curragh Training Camp, and his application for an interview with the 30pp

382 September 1930 Course materials issued by the Army School of Instruction, Pearse Barracks, for a Field Officers' Course for the Reserve of Officers. Materials relate to exercises and problem solving and include handwritten notes by MacEoin mainly relating to aspects of behaviour under attack. 22pp 383 September 1930 Notebook containing notes taken on a Reserve of Officers Training Course, Army School of Instruction, Pearse Barracks, Curragh District. Includes a timetable for part of the course (2pp) together with some lecture handouts (11pp). 17x20x1cms384 October-November 1930 Material relating to the activities of the National Defence Association after the decision of the Minister for Defence to withdraw his approval. Includes a copy of the published statement issued by the Association critical of the administration of the Army (22 October 1930, 6pp); letter from Ernest Blythe, Vice-President and Minister for Finance, to MacEoin, one of the signatories of the statement, highly critical of the Association and the statement (22 October 1930, 2pp); handwritten notes by MacEoin of an interview with [W.T. Cosgrave] the President (25 October 1930, 4pp); handwritten notes by MacEoin and others, circular letters and press cuttings concerning the winding-up of the Association. 21 items 385 19 November 1930 Cutting from the Irish Independent reporting the circumstances of MacEoin's resignation of his commission in the Officer Reserve, following the publication of the statement by the Executive Committee of the National Defence Association, critical of Army administration. 1 item 386 19 November 1930 Letter from Thomas F. Murphy, 200 Franklin Street, Boston, Mass., enclosing a short cutting from a Boston newspaper referring to MacEoin's resignation from the Officer Reserve. 'He was one of the four signatories to a document published last week which criticised the administration of the Free State Army'. Murphy remarks that 'Things here are very unsettled and were made worse by the election which made unemployment the great issue; but I'm quite sure things will be better after Christmas'. 2pp

28 May 1931 Letter from Lieutenant General Peadar MacMahon, Secretary, Department of Defence, to MacEoin, Touraine Hotel, Torquay, enclosing two copies of a wound pension claim form and hoping he is enjoying his stay in Torquay (1p). Attached is one of the copies of the form, completed by MacEoin, giving details of his military career and the circumstances of his wounding. 2 items

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November 1931

Cutting from the Irish Independent (2 November 1931) reporting a speech by MacEoin at a Cumann na nGaedheal Party meeting at Edgeworthstown, during which he referred to the dispute he had had with the Government in 1930 over the administration of the Army; and the circumstances in which a statement he had signed was published without his consent. 3 further cuttings from the same newspaper (November 1931) containing 2 letters to the editor from retired Army officers and members of the executive committee of the National Defence Association, contesting MacEoin's version of events and a letter from MacEoin confirming his stated views; originals and copies of correspondence between MacEoin and Colonel T. Fitzpatrick, Wynn's Hotel, Dublin, concerning their different version of the events (November 1931, 6 items).

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389 December 1931 Letter from T. Fitzpatrick, Wynn's Hotel, Lower Abbey Street, Dublin, to MacEoin, referring to a recent letter to the press from MacEoin concerning the full facts surrounding the issuing of the 'Army Document' in November 1930. Fitzgerald, a former Vice-President of the National Defence Association, now proposes to prepare a letter for the press which MacEoin may examine and sign (12 December 1931, 2pp). Cutting from the World's News (17 December 1931) containing the letter from Fitzpatrick and Roger E. MacCorley, contradicting certain aspects of MacEoin's statements on his involvement in the signing and issuing of the original document in October 1930. 2 items

# II. POLITICAL CAREER

# A. Teachta Dála: Constituency Matters

## i. Constituency Organisation, 1929-60

390	±	Letter from S. MacMaghnusa County Council, enclosing a c meeting of the Council. Extra MacEoin concerning the ques	copy of an extract ct refers to a letter
391	1930 constituency of Longford-We	Annotated copy of the Regist 1930-31 for the Granard urba estmeath.	
392	1935 have not held their annual me	Copy typescript list of branch constituency, indicating which betings.	
393		Letter from James Finnerty, M Edgeworthstown, to MacEoir rom supporters and referring to cy in inclement weather with o	(2pp) enclosing the difficulty of
394	Longford constituency, in the	Letter from Liam Burke, Gen Fine Gael, Merrion Square, D p) of branches and secretaries context of the forthcoming A ne the list 'in view of the inter it.	Publin, to registered in the rd Fheis. He

395	and booth. In some instances election, usually unidentified relate to the constituency of	Various typescript and handwritten lists of constituency election staff including sub-agents, men'. Lists are usually based on electoral area a list may have been drawn up for a specific , and used again at the next. Many of the lists Athlone-Longford (1937-44) but one handwritten constituency of Longford-Westmeath' (1948). 40pp
396	relates and many would appe election to the next. Includes instructions for personating a a typescript list with handwr	File entitled 'Old list of workers' consisting largely of handwritten lists of election workers impossible to determine to which election any list ear to have been adapted and amended from one occasional lists of campaign meetings; agents; points for speakers (January 1943, 10pp); atten amendments of election staff by polling area from the <i>Irish Independent</i> with the final result (2 June 1951). 49pp
397	[1940s]	2 notebooks containing names [of party activists or organisers] in branches in Counties Westmeath and Longford. 23x18x1cms
398		Copies of claim form M2, completed by MacEoin. Claims are for repayment of fares paid omnibus, char-a-banc etc.'. Details MacEoin's during the period, July-November 1941. 3pp
399	July-September 1945 and the contact details of me Forms have been completed	Completed copies of Forms 1 and 2 listing district centres within the Longford constituency mbers of the controlling group within each centre. by MacEoin. 7pp

400	Westmeath, now Fine Gael resignation from the Party (1 (19 June 1947, 1p) pointing changes which would leave Westmeath. 'I feel that it would be very different platforms at a Gene discuss the matter with Mac	Letter from Richard Mulcahy, Dáil Éireann, to MacEoin (19 June 1947, 1p), enclosing a D. [former Centre Party T.D. for Longford- T.D. for Meath-Westmeath] tendering his 8 June 1947, 1p) and a copy of his reply to Fagan out the strong likelihood of constituency boundary Fagan back in his old constituency of Longford- painful for you and for MacEoin to be standing on eral Election, and I am sure that you would like to Eoin, or with myself and MacEoin, before you there can be no immediate hurry'. 3 items
401	speech by Erskine Childers, MacEoin had lowered the st	Copy letter from MacEoin, Dáil Éireann, to the Director of Broadcasting, Radio Éireann, complaining about references in a broadcast Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, alleging that andard of political controversy in Longford- nds an apology to be broadcast in the station's 1p
402	constituency. Lists names of	Printed volume originally intended as a public house stock book but used to record details of areas within the Longford-Westmeath directors of elections, canvassers, personating olling booths. Includes a list of Fine Gael county r 1950). 34x21x3cms
403	the Longford constituency; g	Copy for MacEoin's information of a letter from P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine Gael, to el, Ballygar, concerning the party organisation in giving a list of affiliated branches and urging the effective branch organisation and functioning. 2pp

404 11 December 1956 Letter from M.J. Quinn, Secretary, Longford Branch, Fine Gael, inviting MacEoin to the annual general meeting of the branch (11 December 1956, 1p) and enclosing a list of local subscribers to the national collection (2pp); copy acknowledgement (1p). 3 items 405 1 July 1957 2 letters from Fine Gael members of Longford County Council, reporting events at a recent council meeting when the party nominee for a vacancy on the council failed to be co-opted due to the action of a party member in leaving the council chamber before the vote was taken, resulting in the election of the Fianna Fáil candidate. Both call for the expulsion of the guilty member to avoid the complete resignation of the local organisation. One of the letters addresses the question of local party organisation in a broad sense, making suggestions in the context of selection of candidates in the constituency for the next general election. 5pp 406 23 March 1958 Minutes handwritten by MacEoin of a meeting of the Fine Gael County Longford Executive. Consists mainly of a summary of a report by MacEoin on 'The present situation both from the economic and local point of view'. 4pp 407 Typescript report from MacEoin [to the Fine 16 May 1960 Gael National Council] of the annual general meeting of the Longford Branch, with details of officers elected and candidates for local elections selected. 2pp 408 9 September 1960 Copy handwritten letter from MacEoin to the President of Fine Gael, reporting on the state of preparedness of the polling booth committees in his constituency and the three week tour of the committees he is preparing to undertake after the harvest. 1p

### ii. Representations on behalf of constituents, 1922-57

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August 1922-August 1943 General and constituency correspondence: the contents of a disintegrated expanding file

folder in no discernible order have been rearranged chronologically. The material for the earlier period, particularly before 1936, is very sparse. The bulk of the folder relates to one year, 1943, with the material containing original registration numbers, *e.g.* Ind 1/43. Consists mainly of correspondence with constituents in relation to applications from them to government departments and representations by MacEoin in support of such applications:

- with the Land Commission concerning all aspects of the administration and division of estates including applications for purchase or tenancy; conveyance of turbary; arrears of rent;

- with the Department of Local Government and Public Health concerning applications for pensions and review of pension entitlements; for construction grants under the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Acts; the allocation of houses and tenancies; and more occasional matters such as the admission of tubercular cases to hospitals as public patients;

- with the Department of Defence concerning military service pensions; agricultural and personal leave for members of the defence forces; the release of soldiers from permanent service and transfer to the reserve; admission to the Garda Síochána; transfers of members of the guards; and, for the Emergency period, representations for the release of internees and prisoners, for travel permits to the U.K. for the purpose of taking up employment, and for quotas and increases in quotas in whiskey, sugar and tea for traders in his constituency.

Also includes routine material relating to his membership of the Knights of Columbanus (1937) including lists of the Council of Directors and provincial officers; correspondence with Liam Burke, General Secretary, Fine Gael, Merrion Square, Dublin, concerning routine party matters such as arrangements for speakers for meetings in the constituency during the 1943 general election campaign; letter from R.Y. Publicity Services, Dame Street, Dublin, to MacEoin, concerning publicity films for showing in cinemas in his constituency during the general election (26 May 1943, 2pp); occasional letters from local party activists on aspects of constituency organisation including a typescript memorandum from Morgan McMahon on agricultural policy with particular reference to the shortcomings of a policy based on subsidising tillage by guaranteeing minimum prices (1943, 3pp); routine correspondence with the Returning Officer, The Courthouse, Longford, concerning polling booths and personation agents in the constituency. Personal and business material concerns insurance, the letting of meadows and the purchase of a car. Annotated 'Checked March 1956. Letters etc. No importance'. 448 items

Pocket notebook with few entries containing details of constituents' requests for assistance. 12x8x1cms

411 [1922-] 1935-37 [-1944]

Standard Army Register of Documents Received

which appears to have been used at various times to record the receipt of different documents. The volume is divided into two sections, each thumb indexed. The first, smaller section lists 'Curragh Files', the content of which appears to be a mixture of routine military and civilian concerns, the latter being the typical representations from constituents. A parallel series of entries in this first section would seem to relate primarily to military matters around the Civil War period.

The second section details constituency correspondence received, recording date, sender, subject and action taken, and gives much greater detail than first section entries. Entries relate mainly to the period 1935-37 but contain isolated earlier and later entries, mainly for 1944.

Inserted occasional documents have been removed to a separate file cover. They relate mainly to constituents' concerns and his own personal household affairs (1927, 1936-37, 1943-44, 39 items). 32x20x2.5cms

412 [c.1936] Indexed pocket address book used to record details of appointments with applicants for assistance and the nature of their cases,mainly pension applications. Contains some diary entries for 1936 while in England. 18x8x1cms

413 May 1937-February 1938 Correspondence mainly concerning constituency affairs and representations made on behalf of constituents to government departments. Also includes material relating to the Longford Board of Health and proposals to purchase the lands of Templemichael Glebe from the Representative Body of the Church of Ireland for the building of a new county hospital; and material relating to the Seanad elections. 16 items 414 March 1938-June 1939 Material relating mainly to applications for

grants under the reconstruction provisions of the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Acts, 1932-37. Includes handwritten notes on applicants; official communications from the Department of Local Government and Public Health to applicants concerning their applications and to MacEoin concerning his representations on their behalf; and correspondence between P. Lyster, Athlone Steam Saw Mills, and D. Murtagh, Solicitor, Athlone, concerning monies owed by the Department and the Irish Land Commission, mainly to utility societies for new house construction, with lists of buildings in Athlone, Offaly, Longford, Westmeath and Roscommon. Marked 'Checked Mar[ch] 1956'. 20 items

Volume intended for use as a public house stock [c.1938-43] control book but adapted by having an alphabetical index inserted manually and used to record brief details of appeals from constituents for assistance in applications for pensions and disability allowances, portions of divided estates, and in attempts to gain employment.

Inserted in the volume and removed to an annexed file were cheques from an earlier period (1922-26, 25 items) signed by MacEoin and payable generally to individuals, drawn on the National Land Bank/Banc na Talmhan Teó, with some Bank of Ireland cheques amended by hand to read National Land Bank.; loose dissociated papers mainly relating to the subjects of the notes in the volume but including correspondence with John Lalor Fitzpatrick, Temple Road, Blackrock, concerning complimentary remarks by MacEoin in Dáil Éireann on the Irish Parliamentary Party with which Fitzpatrick had been associated (December 1938, 2 items) and a letter from Helen M. McKeon, Connecticut (7 September 1938, 2pp) reporting very complimentary remarks about MacEoin made by Oliver St. John Gogarty with whom she had been in touch in the course of her research into her family background.

200pp

Address book used to record brief details of the [1930s] cases of individual constituents, usually in relation to pensions, applications to the Land Commission, for employment, and for admission to the defence forces or the guards.

20x13x0.5cms

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417 February 1945 **Lough Ree fishermen:** letter from Richard G. Emerson, Solicitor, Eyre Square, Galway, to MacEoin (13 February 1945, 1p) enclosing a list of the fisherment for whom he is acting (1p), a statement of their case prepared by him for counsel (5 February 1945, 4pp); and a copy of counsel's opinion (7 February 1945, 9pp) given by Malcom H.G. Ellis, Palmerston Park, Dublin.

4 items

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[c.1948] Indexed pocket notebook containing extensive entries concerning constituents' requests for assistance in relation to matters such as the installation of drains and applications for houses and for employment. 13x8x0.5cms

419 March 1948-March 1949 **Fisheries:** material consisting mainly of representations by MacEoin to Dan Morrissey,

Minister for Industry and Commerce, on behalf of individual fishermen, mainly on Lough Ree, but also relating to the Shannon fishing situation generally, the question of compensation to fishermen for loss of livelihood due to the prohibition on netting in freshwater, and proposals to amend the Shannon Fisheries Act, 1938. Includes a letter from Morrissey to MacEoin (8 May 1948, 2pp) setting out the position with regard to compensating the fishermen and to the introduction of a bye-law allowing coarse fishing with nets in Lough Ree, his comments based on an exhaustive report he has received from the Electricity Supply Board. Material relating to the introduction of similar bye-laws for Lough Bofin and Lough Allen. Copy of a petition from the Shannon fishermen north of Athlone to the Minister for Agriculture, explaining their grievances and requesting that he set up a tribunal to examine the working of the Shannon Fisheries by the E.S.B. and subsequently to take such legislative steps as will enable them to earn their living (December 1948, 4pp). 61 items

420 April 1948-April 1951 Correspondence between MacEoin and Richard Mulcahy, Minister for Education, and various officers of the Office of Public Works, arising from representations to MacEoin from the building contractor engaged on the reconstruction of Kiltycrevagh National School, County Longford, seeking additional payment. Included are statements of grants made by the Department of Education and surveys carried out by O.P.W. staff. 21 items

June 1948-November 1950

February-July 1949

Material relating to the case of Commandant Michael Kilkelly, encouraged to retire from the

Army in the aftermath of the raid on the Magazine Fort and the seizure of arms. Letters of appeal on behalf of Commandant Kilkelly to Dr T.F. O'Higgins, Minister for Defence, including related material submitted by MacEoin, sent to him by his brother Captain James MacEoin; handwritten statement by Kilkelly of his case (30 March 1950, 4pp); letter to MacEoin from the Association of Regular Ex-Servicemen, Parnell Square, Dublin, reporting progress of the case including contact with Cecil Lavery, Attorney General (5 April 1950, 2pp); and copy of a letter from M.J. Costello, Victoria Road, Clontarf, Dublin, to the Minister for Defence (12 September 1950, 3pp) setting out in detail the case for a review of Kilkelly's situation. 12 items

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**Fisheries:** file of this title mainly consisting of

representations to MacEoin on behalf of longline and net fishermen on the River Shannon and Lough Ree, claiming fishing rights on waters vested in the Electricity Supply Board. Includes correspondence between MacEoin and Liam Forde, Director, Shannon Fisheries, with a memorandum from Forde (February 1949, 7pp) dealing with points made by the solicitor for the claimants; correspondence between MacEoin and Dermot P. Shaw, Mullingar, and P.J. Groarke, Longford, solicitors, concerning their clients applications for restoration of their fishing rights; correspondence between MacEoin and James Dillon, Minister for Agriculture, mainly concerning the situation arising from the prohibition of netting for trout in fresh water from 1 January 1948, and the Minister for Agriculture's refusal to amend the relevant legislation; letter from M. O'Doherty, Private Secretary to the Minister for Agriculture, to Alice Meehan, Private Secretary to the Minister for Justice (21 July 1949, 1p) outlining the position with regard to fishing on the Shannon Scheme since the Fisheries Act, 1939, and the effects of bye-laws enacted by the Minister for Agriculture to come into effect from October 1949; and correspondence between MacEoin and M. O'Shea, General Supply Store, Castletownbere, concerning the refusal of the Minister for Agriculture to allow deep sea trawlers operate from the town (May 1949, 5 items). 48 items

November 1949-<br/>February 1951Longford Weavers Ltd.: correspondence with<br/>Martin J. Timlin, St. Mel's Road, Longford,<br/>concerning his application to the Department of<br/>Industry and Commerce for a licence for the erection of a factory and for<br/>associated applications such as the allocation of a quota of cement and a loan<br/>from the Industrial Credit Company; press cuttings on the opening of the<br/>factory (6 May 1950, 2 items); correspondence with the Industrial

in the light of the refusal of the I.C.C. to provide finance.

Development Authority concerning possible sources of funding for a factory

43pp

424January 1950-<br/>February 1951County Longford Vocational Education<br/>Committee: correspondence mainly between<br/>P.B. Walsh, Chief Executive Officer of the<br/>V.E.C., and MacEoin, concerning the Committee's application to the<br/>Department of Education to build a new technical school at Granard. Includes<br/>correspondence between MacEoin and Richard Mulcahy, Minister for<br/>Education, concerning the application.County Longford Vocational Education<br/>Committee:<br/>correspondence mainly between<br/>p.B. Walsh, Chief Executive Officer of the<br/>School at Granard. Includes<br/>correspondence between MacEoin and Richard Mulcahy, Minister for<br/>Education, concerning the application.

425February 1950-<br/>February 1951Carmelite School, Moate: correspondence<br/>mainly between MacEoin and Fr T.A. Walsh<br/>O.Carm., and between MacEoin and the<br/>Department of Education, concerning the Order's request for Government<br/>funding for a new school building.10 items

426 March-July 1950 Correspondence arising from representations to MacEoin from constituents whose relatives had died in the United States, to help secure their interests in the deceased's estates; including copy correspondence between MacEoin and Seán MacBride, Minister for External Affairs, concerning action taken by the Consul General in New York in the two cases. 14 items

May-July 1950 Fisheries: correspondence with R. Segrave-Daly, National Inshore Fishermen's Organisation, mainly concerning the problem of imported fish with particular reference to demersal species (May 1950, 4 items). Department of Agriculture Fisheries Branch map of the fishing grounds of the North Atlantic (July 1950) produced to fulfill an undertaking by the Minister for Agriculture when introducing the fisheries estimate for 1950/51, to indicate the incidence of demersal fish within the waters. 6 items

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December 1950-March 1951 **Army Matters (Miscellaneous):** file of this title consisting of representations to MacEoin, mainly from constituents, on matters relating to

the defence forces; and subsequent communications between MacEoin, Minister for Justice, and Dr T.F. O'Higgins, Minister for Defence, Lieutenant General Peadar MacMahon, Secretary to the Department of Defence, and individual O/Cs, Commands and Camps, mostly in the Western Command. Typical representations concern applications for recruitment to the Army and to the Army Nursing Service; for promotion and for release, including discharge from the Reserve; for transfers and for married quarters; for civilian employment within the defence forces; for increases in wages and for the payment of Reserve Grants. 130pp

429 December 1950-June 1951 File of registered correspondence, mainly but not exclusively with constituents, seeking assistance from MacEoin in making

representations, overwhelmingly in relation to applications for employment. Applications are to government departments including MacEoin's own departments of Justice and, later, Defence, for employment in An Garda Síochána, the prison service and the defence forces; the Department of Agriculture for employment with the Land Commission and the Land Project Scheme; the Department of Education for employment as teachers; local authorities and County Registrars for appointment as presiding officers; semistate bodies such as the E.S.B., Bórd na Móna and Coras Iompair Éireann; and employers in the service and manufacturing sectors such as Guiness, Aer Lingus, the Hospitals' Trust and banking institutions.

Contents of a disintegrated concertina file and, judging from the registered numbers, not complete. 229pp

430 January-March 1951 **Employment:** file of this title containing correspondence with applicants for employment who are seeking references or intervention by MacEoin on their behalf with government departments; state companies or bodies such as the Office of Public Works, Bórd na Móna, Aer Lingus and Dublin Airport; and a wide variety of private concerns such as Guinness, Bolands' Mills and the Irish American Oil Company. A small number of correspondents seek MacEoin's help in appeals against dismissal or for reinstatement. The majority of the applicants are from the Longford-Westmeath area. 145pp

431 January-March 1951 File of requests from constituents for interviews, either in Leinster House or on one of his projected visits to the constituency. Includes requests relayed by party officers and by Mary Reynolds T.D., his fellow Fine Gael constituency representative. The purpose of the interviews is rarely mentioned. 70pp

# 432 March-June 1951 Correspondence mainly with constituents seeking assistance in dealing with government

departments, authorities such as An Garda Síochána, and semi-public and private institutions. Includes requests for assistance in having driving licences restored after suspension for road traffic offences; petitions against fines imposed for breaches of the Licencing Acts; applications for the extension of an electricity supply to a house or for the installation of a telephone; applications for pensions or increases in pensions; for grants for road improvement or house reconstruction; for house allocations, specifically for a new housing development by Dublin Corporation at Phillipsburg Avenue, Fairview; and requests for Dáil admission tickets. Correspondence typically consists of a letter to MacEoin from a constituent; copy of a representation from MacEoin to the relevant quarter, such as the Minister for Finance, Justice, Social Welfare, Local Government, Posts and Telegraphs, or the Chairman of the E.S.B.; reply from them, a copy of which is sent to the constituent. Also includes requests for support from prospective candidates for the new Seanad (June 1951) to be elected in the wake of the general election. Contents of a disintegrated concertina file folder labelled 'General (1)'.

217pp

4 April 1951 Copy of a letter from D.A. MacManus, International Agencies Ltd., Dame Street, Dublin, to M.J. Timlin, Secretary, Longford Chamber of Commerce, enclosing a proposal document for the establishment of a foundry in the town.

3pp

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June 1951 Routine correspondence consisting mainly of representations to MacEoin for support in applications for old age and military service pensions, employment, and home assistance grants. More occasional matters include a request for support for a nomination to Seanad Éireann and the establishment of a wool spinning factory in Clondra, County Wexford. Includes a copy handwritten letter from MacEoin to Gerry [Boland, his successor as Minister for Justice], referring to him the case of a New York man who had appealed to MacEoin as Minister when his goods were seized by Customs.

'He thinks I am a <u>rogue</u>. So perhaps you might be able to convince him'.

24 items

June-September 1952 **Fisheries:** material relating to representations on behalf of the Lough Ree fishermen including a note from Joe Wheatley, Chairman, Athlone Urban District Council, to MacEoin (13 June 1952, 1p) enclosing an *aide-mémoire* of an interview he had with Misters Browne and Ford, Chairman and Director of the E.S.B. to clarify the position with regard to the Lough Ree fishermen (12 June 1952, 2pp); copy of a letter from Tom Walsh, Minister for Agriculture, to MacEoin, (24 September 1952, 2pp) giving a detailed statement of the general position with regard to fishing rights on the Shannon under the Shannon Fisheries Act, 1938; and his own responsibility in the area under the Fisheries Act, 1939, and how these impact on the case of the Lough Ree fishermen.

4 items

436 November 1952-February 1953 **Ballinalee Post Office:** material relating to the dismissal from her position of the postmistress by Erskine Childers, Minister for Posts and

Telegraphs, on foot of alleged accounting irregularities, and the campaign, supported by MacEoin, to have her reinstated. Includes copies of letters from MacEoin to the Minister and to An Taoiseach Eamon de Valera, and their replies; public statements and press releases by MacEoin; letters from supporters; copies of parliamentary questions tabled by MacEoin and other T.D.s on the woman's dismissal and related matters; and copy of the official report of the adjournment debate on the controversy (6 February 1953). 27 items

Ballinalee Post Office: typescript and official 437 February 1953 printed versions of parliamentary questions tabled by MacEoin on the dismissal of the sub-postmistress, annotated by him. 3pp 438 June-August 1954 Longford Weavers Ltd.: correspondence between Martin Timlin, Longford Weavers Ltd., and MacEoin, and between MacEoin and William Norton, Minister for Industry and Commerce, concerning an unsuccessful application to have Longford declared an undeveloped area in order to procure a grant for the firm to enable it to develop capacity to spin poplin. 10 items 439 **Clonmacnoise:** correspondence mainly between June 1954-August 1955 MacEoin, and Rev. F. O'Donoghue P.P., Shannon Bridge, Athlone, County Westmeath, concerning progress on the legal process to transfer to the Commissioners of Public Works the burial ground previously vested in the Representative Church Body, to allow for a scheme of general improvement and future development of the site. Includes some correspondence between MacEoin and the Departments of the Taoiseach and Local Government concerning the subject. 14 items 440 June 1954-June 1956 Correspondence mainly with constituents seeking assistance or intervention in their applications for employment; for allowances and pensions; for the allocation or exchange of a holding on an estate being divided by the Land Commission; and for grants under the Land Reclamation Scheme. Originally maintained as an identifiable sequence of individual files numbered G51-G98, the incomplete series has been amalgamated into one file. The original typical file consisted of an appeal to MacEoin; copy of a recommendation from MacEoin to the appropriate body, usually a local authority or the Department of Social Welfare, Lands or Agriculture; and a reply to MacEoin, a copy of which is forwarded to the applicant. The original letters to MacEoin, having been enclosed by him with his letter of endorsement, are often missing. Includes a letter from Muiris Ó Muineacháin, Secretary to the Government, to the Private Secretary to the Minister for Defence, informing him of a Government decision taken that day, that no Minister or Parliamentary Secretary 'should engage in any activities whatsoever that could reasonably be regarded as interfering, or being incompatible, with the full and proper discharge by him of the duties of his office' (14 June 1954, 1p); and a copy letter from MacEoin resigning his directorships of both the Standard and

440contd. Argus newspapers (14 June 1954, 1p); from a file entitled 'Minister. Resignation of Directorships'. Correspondence with Eoin O'Mahony, Anti-Partition Association, Pearse Street, Dublin, concerning the admission of '6 county M.P.s' to the Dáil and objections to the forthcoming royal visit to Northern Ireland (June 1954, 6 items). 222 items

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September 1954-February 1957 Representations to MacEoin, mainly from constituents, for assistance in applications for employment in both the public and private

sectors including the Garda Síochána and the defence forces; for old age, blind, widows' and military service pensions; for disability and unemployment benefit; for holdings and exchange of holdings on estates acquired by the Irish Land Commission; for local authority house purchase loans and for grants under the housing acts, special employment schemes, the Department of Agriculture farm buildings scheme, and the public assistance footwear scheme. More occasional requests relate to matters such as licences for the export of timber, the reassessment of estate duty, and a recommendation to the Quartermaster General of the Defence Forces to buy a horse.

Most representations are made direct to MacEoin but occasionally are chanelled through the local party organisation. Includes a large amount of consequential correspondence between MacEoin and other ministers and secretaries of government departments; the directors of public utilities such as C.I.E.; financial institutions; the Land Commission and local authorities.

This series of registered correspondence covers most of the period of MacEoin's tenure as Minister for Defence but researchers should note that the material is not spread at all evenly over the period, the majority originating in 1955 and clustered overwhelmingly in January and February of that year.

740 items

442January 1955-<br/>February 1957Correspondence between Thomas Kilroy,<br/>Grocer and Provision Merchant, Connaught<br/>Street, Athlone, and MacEoin, mainly<br/>concerning difficulties experienced by Kilroy in fulfilling his contract to

concerning difficulties experienced by Kilroy in fulfilling his contract to supply seed potatoes to the Department of Agriculture and consequent penalties levied on him; and a prosecution against him by the Revenue Commissioners for possession of uncustomed goods. Includes correspondence between MacEoin and James Dillon, Minister for Agriculture, and R.P. Rice, Chairman of the Revenue Commissioners, concerning representations on Kilroy's behalf. 83 items 443 1955-57

File of representations on behalf of constituents, consisting overwhelmingly of letters of appeal

from constituents seeking assistance in dealing with government departments, local authorities and semi-state bodies; copies of representations made by MacEoin on their behalf; replies received by MacEoin and copy replies sent by him to his constituents.

Representations are made by MacEoin as Minister for Defence, typically to the Minister for Lands and the Land Commission concerning applications for portions of divided estates and transfers of holdings; to the Minister for Social Welfare concerning applications for pensions and unemployment benefit; to the Garda Commissioner concerning applications for entry to the force; and to the Chairman of the E.S.B. concerning the extension of an electricity supply to applicants' homes.

More occasional representations are to the Minister for Local Government concerning private road repairs; to Independent Newspapers Ltd. concerning the granting of agencies to sell newspapers; to the Longford County Manager and County Secretary concerning housing and construction grants; to the Minister for Justice concerning mitigation of a fine; and to private companies such as Guinness and the Irish Hospitals' Trust concerning employment opportunities. Also includes copy letters from MacEoin to various commercial and government agencies soliciting advertising on behalf of the *Longford News*. 462 items

### **B.** Official visit to the United States, 1929-30

444 September 1929-January 1930 Material relating to MacEoin's promotional and fund-raising tour of the U.S. Includes a letter from Eamonn Duggan, Department of the

President, to MacEoin, Master's Lodge, Royal Hospital Kilmainham, authorising him to proceed to the U.S. as soon as possible (17 October 1929, 1p). Correspondence concerning arrangements for meetings and the progress of fund-raising (15 items) including 3 letters from Liam [Burke?], Hotel La Salle, Chicago, also on a tour and describing his progress. 'I have two groups working – or have promised to work here – the very rich and the rich' (November 1929, 2pp, 2pp, 4pp).

Lists of suggested lectures, venues and contacts (18pp), many with biographical detail; rough notes (7pp) and texts (11pp) of lectures, mainly dealing with economic and social progress since independence; and invoices and notes relating to his itinerary and expenses (6 items). Also contains 3 letters from T.A. Smiddy, Irish Free State Commission, London, introducing Desmond FitzGerald to various contacts in New York (September 1929, 1p each).

445 October-December 1929 Handwritten transcript by MacEoin, on a Cunard passenger ship menu, of an interview he had given a reporter on Boston quay.

2 typescript copies (11pp and 6pp, incomplete but annotated) of the text of an interview given by MacEoin mainly explanatory of Ireland's present constitutional, political and economic position in the context of the War of Independence, Treaty and Civil War.

Booklet, *What the Government of the Irish Free State has done* [1929] printed in the U.S. (6pp) extolling the Government's record; and some routine material relating to travel and accommodation. 8 items

Letter from James J. Phelan, Congress Street, Boston, acknowledging a letter written by MacEoin on board the Cunard S.S. Scythia. He reviews the success of MacEoin's trip to the U.S. in light of the economic recession.
'In any event, let me say that you were a big success, even though it may not show in dollars to the extent you would have liked, but the impressions you left throughout the various communities where you visited are of lasting worth in the way of better knowledge and endorsement of what your government has been doing and will continue to do in Ireland ...' 2pp

### C. Minister for Justice, 1948-51

447 [May 1941-] July 1947 Emergency Powers Orders: orders relating to securing the public safety and the preservation of the State in the event of hestilities: file of this title initially

**preservation of the State in the event of hostilities:** file of this title, initially consisting of copy memoranda from M. Ó Muimhnéacháin, Secretary to the Government, to P. Berry, Private Secretary to MacEoin's predecessor as Minister for Justice [Gerard Boland] relating to orders made or proposed to be made under the Emergency Powers Act, 1939; but increasingly, particularly after 1943, consisting mainly of the Minister for Justice's Private Secretary's copies of notes from the Secretary and Assistant Secretary to the Government, to the Private Secretaries of all members of the Government, confirming decisions taken at Government meetings concerning all aspects of Government business. Also includes notes and memoranda concerning the Presidential Installation Ceremony, 1945 (May-June 1945, 10 items).

64 items

April 1948 Letter from Maud Gonne MacBride, Roebuck House, Clonskea, to McKeone (*sic*), Minister for Justice (24 April 1948, 2pp), concerning the need for prison reform and enclosing 2 memoranda on the origin and nature of the Irish prison system, her own experience as a visitor to Irish and English prisons, and the necessity for reform (7pp, 18pp). Copy of a letter from Máire Comerford to Dr Noel Browne, Minister for Health, concerning conditions in the Central Lunatic Asylum, Dundrum (8 April 1948, 1p). Pamphlet entitled *Prisons and prisoners in Ireland* published by the Labour Party (September 1946, 18pp) with appended comments by Madame MacBride. 6 items

449 Garda Síochána: file of general material April 1948-February 1951 relating Garda to matters. including communications between the Minister for Justice and M.J. Kinnane, Garda Commissioner, concerning unfounded allegations of misuse of petrol and oil stores in Dublin Castle; communications between the Minister and Divisional Officers concerning circumstances surrounding the transfer of individual Gardai, on foot of representations made to the Minister; representations from individuals for review of disciplinary proceedings; material relating to proposals for reorganisation of the force, including copy of a memorandum from D. Costigan, Assistant Secretary, Department of Justice, to the Garda Commissioner (September 1950, 10pp), and copy of a memorandum highly critical of Mr Costigan's proposals from Thomas Woods, Assistant Garda Commissioner (September 1950, 22pp). 20 items

450 29 June 1948 Confidential report from Michael Gill, Director, Detective Branch, Garda Síochána, Dublin Castle, of a meeting of Dublin Corporation to elect a Lord Mayor, at which allegations of Communist sympathies were made against the subsequently elected Labour Party candidate, Councillor J. Breen. 2pp

451 November 1948-January 1949 **U.K. expulsion orders:** material relating to expulsion orders served on ex-I.R.A. prisoners under the Prevention of Violence (Temporary

Provisions) Act, 1939, in particular Joseph Nolan and John Joseph Keane. Includes correspondence between Seán MacBride, Minister for External Affairs, and MacEoin, Minister for Justice, concerning the general situation surrounding expulsion orders and the specific cases of the two men; copy of a letter from Garda Superintendent Michael Gill to MacEoin (8 November 1948, 2pp), specifically concerning Nolan's case, but also the general position with regard to representations made by the Gardai to Scotland Yard on behalf of deported persons; and copies of correspondence between M.J. Kinnane, Garda Commissioner, and Harold Scott, Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police (January 1949, 2 items, 1p each). 17 items 452 December 1948-Correspondence between Rev. Dr Irwin, March 1950 Secretary to the Presbyterian Church Body, the Minister for Justice, and M.J. Kinnane, Garda Commissioner, concerning the Church's wish to recover possession for a new minister, of a house in Carlingford, County Louth, the property of the Church, at present rented to a Garda sergeant. 7 items 453 1948-50 Press cuttings supplied to the Minister for Justice by the Government Information Bureau. Cuttings relate mainly to Justice matters, including reports of speeches by MacEoin, but also to Government policy generally, on the economy and partition, and to events in MacEoin's constituency. 14 items 454 January 1949 Letter from Dr J. McGinley, Letterkenny, County Donegal, to MacEoin (8 January 1949, 1p), concerning disquieting press reports about the Gardai 'getting out of hand' in the context of pay demands, threatened marches and a perception of the Government as being weak. Copy reply from MacEoin (13 January 1949, 1p) reassuring him that the Government would not be intimidated. 'I would be very sorry to see the Gardai stage a march, but if they do I will then be looking for (a) a Commissioner who is responsible for discipline, and (b) for new 2 items Guards'. 455 March 1949 **Emigration:** material relating to the campaign against emigration being conducted by the Irish Press. In response to a suggestion from a constituent (19 March 1949, 1p) MacEoin has the Government Information Bureau draw up tables (3pp) of advertisements for jobs in England that had appeared in the same newspaper during the previous month. Copy letter from MacEoin to Seán MacBride, Minister for External Affairs, enclosing copies of the tables which may be of some use to him (23 March 1949, 1p). 4 items Garda Síochána: handwritten note from J. Mc 456 April 1949 L.[aughlin, Accountant, Accounts Branch. Department of Justice] to Miss [Alice] Meehan [Private Secretary to the Minister for Justice] (6 April 1949, 1p) enclosing a memorandum urging rationalisation of general facilities and staffing matters in relation to the force (3pp). 'I found the papers attached to the inside cover of the file for the Estimate for the Minister for Justice, 1949-50. I think they must form part of the Minister's papers'. 4pp

457 12 May 1929 Letter from John Leyden, Office of the Parliamentary Secretary, Department of Industry and Commerce, to the Private Secretary to the Minister for Justice. At MacEoin's request, he furnishes a statement of the petrol made available to him from the inception of rationing in September 1949; explains why it has taken so long to compile the statement and why it is incomplete; and states the changing criteria on which supplementary allowances were issued over the period. брр 458 24 June 1949 Appointment of coroners: copies of a minute from MacEoin to Dr Noel Browne. Minister for Health (2pp), and from his Private Secretary to the Secretary of the Local Appointments Commission (1p), setting out the Minister's view that the appointment of a coroner is the responsibility of the Department of Justice, not the Local Appointments Commission, and citing the relevant statute and regulations. Arises in the context of the forthcoming appointment of a coroner for East Clare. 2 items 459 Espionage: letter from Valentine Iremonger, 5 July 1949 Private Secretary to the Minister for External Affairs, to the Private Secretary to the Minister for Justice (5 July 1949, 1p) enclosing for the information of the Minister a typescript copy of an article entitled 'Secret Services' which appeared in the United Nations World International magazine (June 1949, 8pp). The article examines the scale of international espionage and analyses the activities of the U.S.S.R., U.K. and U.S.A. 8pp 460 July 1949 Minister's engagements: letter from L.J. Harty, Director, Government Information Bureau, to the Private Secretary to the Minister for Justice (11 July 1949, 1p), requesting advance notification of any functions the Minister would be attending, 'especially public functions which would lend themselves to inclusion in news reel films'. He has made arrangements with two news reel companies. Copy letter of acknowledgement from Alice Meehan (13 July 1949, 1p). 2 items

461 September 1949-Correspondence with Lieutenant Colonel H.P.T. Lefroy, Carriglas Manor, Longford, concerning June 1950 various schemes of his, mainly of an agricultural or industrial nature, such as a scheme for keeping cream fresh for six months; for the growth of vegetables throughout the country in tanks with very small amounts of fertilizer; or for the seasoning of native timber by a process which converts softwood into timber of mahogany quality. Communications between the Departments of Justice, Agriculture, and Industry and Commerce, concerning aspects of Colonel Lefroy's ideas. 13 items 462 28 November 1949 Typescript copy letter from MacEoin to An Taoiseach John A. Costello, referring to their interview earlier that day and reiterating the points he had made relating to the appointment of the Controller of Government Publications, strongly recommending that the position be maintained as a political appointment. 1p463 [*c*.1949] Adoption: booklet published by the Adoption Society (Eire), the Society for the Propagation of Legal Adoption, advocating a Legal Adoption Act and changes in the form of birth certificates. 3pp 464 1949-50 Defence Bill, 1949: copy [Department of Defence] explanatory memorandum on the provisional text of the bill (22pp); copy Department of Defence memorandum for the Government on aspects of the bill (November 1950, 3pp). 2 items Copies of statements by 11 former prisoners in 465 February-March 1950 No. 1 Internment Camp, The Curragh, witnesses to the fatal shooting by a military policeman of a fellow prisoner, Barney Casey, in December 1940, allegedly in reprisal for the burning of huts by prisoners. 15pp 466 April 1950 Copy typescript intelligence report of a meeting of the Irish Rationalist Society at 13 Lower Leeson Street, addressed by Michael Casey of the Irish Workers' League, who focused on the need for opposition to the Catholic Church. 1p

467 May 1950 Letter from Seán O'Sullivan, New York, to MacEoin, (16 May 1950, 1p), enclosing a page from the *Congressional Record* containing the text of a speech by Congressman Vito Marcantonio of New York in the House of Representatives (29 March 1950, 1p) condemning partition. 2 items

468 August 1950

#### Department of Local Government: Minister

for Justice's copies of documents circulated by John Garvin, Secretary, Department of Local Government, at the direction of his Minister [Michael J. Keyes]. Documents consist of correspondence and related memoranda, exchanged between the Department and the Cavan County Manager, concerning the appointment by the Manager of an engineer in connection with a direct labour housing scheme, and the engineer's credentials; informal and confidential investigations into the matter carried out by inspectors of the Department; the possibility of the need for a public sworn enquiry; and consideration by the Minister for Local Government of the Manager's fitness for office. 33pp

469 15 November 1950 **Legal adoption:** typescript copy summary of a statement by the Minister for Justice to a meeting of the Fine Gael Parliamentary Party, on representations made to him on the issue of legal adoption and his views on the difficulties and obstacles associated with the subject. 3pp

470 November 1950-April 1952

**Legal adoption and the short form of the birth certificate:** cuttings from the *Irish Times* (February 1951, 2 items) reporting a statement

by MacEoin on legal adoption and commenting on the need for the introduction of a short form of the birth certificate to eliminate any indication of legitimacy or illegitimacy; statement by the Joint Committee of Women's Societies and Social Workers (4 March 1952, 1p) urging a yes vote on the Vital Statistics and Births, Deaths and Marriages Registration Bill, 1952, allowing, *inter alia*, for the introduction of a short form of the birth certificate; typescript copy statement of MacEoin's explanation of and views on the short birth certificate (March 1952, 3pp); copy of the Bill and Explanatory Memorandum and Amendments (February 1952, 9pp); copy of Dáil Éireann Questions and Order of Business (22 April 1952) including the First Stage of the Adoption of Children Bill, 1952.

471 1950 Film censor: Department of Justice copy minute on the Film Censor's Office in the light of the forthcoming retirement of the present censor, Dr Hayes. Examines the options of extending his tenure or appointing one of two other named suitable candidates. 1p 472 [*c*.1950] Incomplete typescript copy (first 2pp only) of a statement by Mairtín Ó Cadháin, internee in the Curragh Internment Camp, April 1940-July 1944, recounting the events of 14-15 December 1940 in the camp, including the ill-treatment of prisoners, the destruction of their personal belongings, and the firing of weapons into huts by military policemen. 2pp Typescript list of Garda drivers and relief 473 [c.1950] drivers with Fianna Fáil sympathies, indicating former and present sympathies. 'Formerly driving Frank Aiken and now driving Attorney General and Frank Fahy. Lives at Aiken's Gate Lodge'. 1p 474 2 letters from Richard Mulcahy, Minister January-February 1951 for Education, to MacEoin, setting out Education's view with regard to existing school accommodation at Moate. County Westmeath, the numbers of pupils and the likelihood of sanction being given for a new boys' school in the town. 3pp Widows' pensions: file consisting mainly of 475 January-March 1951 representations to MacEoin for assistance in applications for a widow's pension, particularly from unsuccessful applicants who were appealing against the original refusal. Related correspondence between the Departments of Justice and Social Welfare. 37 items 476 23 February 1951 Handwritten minutes by MacEoin of a meeting Longford-Westmeath [of constituency Executive?]. Most of the minuted items are of local interest but reference is included to the Mother and Child Welfare Act (sic). 'Has Minister consulted Maynooth? Has mother to go to Dispensary D[octo]r?' 7pp

477 February 1951 **Baltinglass Post Office dispute:** copies of public statements issued by opposing sides in a dispute arising from the dismissal of the sub-postmistress in the town and the appointment by the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs [James Everett] of a man on whose behalf alleged representations had been made (3 items, 5pp). Copy letter from MacEoin to a member of the local protest committee indicating that he will address himself to the matter at an early date (27 February 1951, 1p). 4 items

February 1951
Child adoption: material consisting mainly of handwritten notes by MacEoin on aspects of the question such as the equivalent legislation in the U.K. dating from 1926; and his meeting with a Labour Party delegation on the subject. Includes copy of a letter from Thomas J. Coyne [Secretary, Department of Justice] to [C.F. Casey] the Attorney General (8 February 1951, 1p) enclosing figures for illegitimate births in a range of countries; and a letter from the Adoption Society of Ireland, 118 St Stephen's Green, Dublin, to the Minister for Justice, being a copy of a letter from the Society to the Dublin daily newspapers (9 February 1951, 1p) questioning those aspects of the Minister's speech to the Fine Gael Ard Fheis dealing with adoption and birth certificates.

8 items

- 479 February-May 1951 **Fishery matters:** file consisting mainly of representations to MacEoin concerning compensation for loss of fishing rights, mainly on behalf of families resident on the Black Islands, Lough Ree, who had lost the right to fish the lake under the Shannon Fisheries Act, 1938, which had vested all fishing rights with the E.S.B. Related correspondence between the Department of Justice and the Fisheries Branch of the Department of Agriculture. 47 items
- 480 19 March 1951 **Committee of Enquiry into An Garda** Síochána: copy note for a meeting of the committee concerned with procedures for the selection of officers in the context of the retirement within the next ten years of the majority of serving officers. Note examines existing procedures for selection and examines practice in the U.K. with specific reference to proposals for the establishment of a police college and the introduction of a cadet system.

5pp

481	The Attorney's paper encaps	Typescript copy text of the address by [C.F. Casey] the Attorney General, replying to a paper tified college society] concerning child adoption. ulates the Government's view on the obstacles in slation to allow for the adoption of legitimate the Attorney's compliments. 12pp
482	11 April 1951 the Mother and Child Scheme	Handwritten note by MacEoin of the meeting of the Inter-Party Government convened to discuss e on the day of Dr Noel Browne's resignation. 1p
483	1951	Garda Síochána estimate, 1951-2: copy of the revised estimate for the Garda Síochána non-capital services vote. 2pp
484	Department of Industry an	Copy typescript intelligence note on David Nevin, alias Donal Nunan, and his communist servant employed in the Statistics Branch of the d Commerce, Nevin was appointed Research Jnion Congress in February 1949. The note lists d associates. 2pp
485		Adoption Bill, 1952: letter from John Charles McQuaid, Archbishop of Dublin, to MacEoin, in MacEoin had made in connection with the Bill. s as good as we can secure in the existing state of Constitution'. 1p

February 1948-June 1951

### **D.** Minister for Defence, 1951, 1954-57

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Communications between M[uiris] Ó

Muincheacháin, Secretary to the Government, N.S. Ó Nualláin, Assistant Secretary to the Government, and [J. Walsh] the Private Secretary to the Minister for Defence, concerning Department of Defence matters before Government such as the Defence Forces (Temporary Provisions) Bill, 1948; abandonment of recruitment for the Construction Corps; a proposed memorial to Thomas Davis; the conditions under which the work of the Bureau of Military History was to be continued; the Connaught Rangers (Pensions) Bill, 1948; review of the Military Service Pensions Acts, 1924 and 1934 and the Army Pensions Bill, 1949; the formulation of policy for an emergency and the appointment of an Inter-Departmental Emergency Preparation Committee.

Communications on general Government matters such as changes in Cabinet procedures; representation at public and religious ceremonies; the appointment of Cabinet Committees on the coordination of employment schemes; the White Paper on Social Security and the Social Welfare (Insurance) Bill, 1950; Estonian and other refugees; estimates for the public service, 1948/9; university education and the accommodation needs of University College Dublin; and an Irish National memorial and the appointment of an advisory committee (December 1950).

Private Secretary to the Minister for Defence's copies of communications from the Secretary and Assistant Secretary to the Government, to the Private Secretaries to other Ministers, concerning matters before the Government sponsored by those departments, including the proposed disposal or termination of the Aerlinte Éireann Teoranta transatlantic service; the position of the Special Criminal Court; Ireland's participation in the European Recovery Programme; and a consular convention with the U.S.

Minister for Defence's copies of documents circulated for consideration of meetings of Government, mainly Finance memoranda on economies in public services, 1948/9.

Contents of the file cover exactly the period of the first Inter-Party Government, irrespective of the change of Minister for Defence when MacEoin switched from Justice in March 1951. File incorrectly titled 'Army Matters (Miscellaneous), 1 January-31 December 1950'.

165 items

#### 487 June 1950-April 1951 **Mother and child health service** proposals:Minister for Defence's copies, from

the Department of the Taoiseach, of memoranda and correspondence relating to the proposals from Dr Noel Browne, Minister for Health, for the establishment of a mother and child health service. Includes copy of the original Department of Health memorandum (June 1950, 24pp); copies of correspondence between the Taoiseach, the Minister for Health and the Catholic hierarchy regarding objections by the church to aspects of the scheme (March-April 1951, 11 items); and copy of a memo for the Government on British press comments on the Minister for Health's resignation (April 1951, 4pp). 18 items

488 October 1950-February 1951

#### **Irish Army reservists resident in Great Britain:** communications mainly between the Departments of Defence and External Affairs

concerning specific cases of individual reservists seeking exemption from liability under the British National Service Acts on the basis of their status as Irish Army reservists and liable to recall, with copies of relevant communications between the British Ministry of Labour and the Irish Embassy in London concerning the general question of liability for service of reservists resident in Britain. Material concerning notification of recall for training served on reservists employed in the Irish Embassy and the problem to the Embassy their return to Ireland would cause; and the general question of how the Embassy should deal with applications for extensions of permission to reside in Britain received from Army reservists recalled to Ireland for training. 28 items

489 December 1950-March 1951 **Civil Defence:** copy of a letter from Peadar Mac Mathghainn [Lieutenant General Peadar

MacMahon, Secretary to the Department of Defence], to each City and County Manager (21 December 1950, 1p), at the direction of the Minister, referring to recent discussions between [Brendan Corish] the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister and the Managers concerning the civil defence services which will have to be set up by local authorities. He encloses a copy of the summary of a statement made by the Parliamentray Secretary (5pp), directing their attention specifically to that section dealing with Civil Defence Officers. Summary of Dáil questions concerning civil defence (December 1950-March 1951, 4pp) and draft civil defence plan (early 1951, 9pp).

490	[c.1951] Copy text of a statement made by the Minister for Defence [either MacEoin or his predecessor, Dr T.F. O'Higgins] to dispel 'the general uneasiness, fear and anxiety' caused by speculation about the imminence of a world war and the country's unpreparedness. The statement examines the likelihood of war, Ireland's preparedness and related matters such as neutrality and civil defence. 8pp
491	January-April 1951 Bog reclamation: letter from M.J. Costello, General Manager, Cómhlucht Siúcre Éireann Teo, to MacEoin, (5 April 1951, 1p) enclosing, as requested, copies of correspondence with the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, and T.J. Austin, Director, Land Project, Department of Agriculture, concerning the sugar company's proposals for the reclamation of bogland in Connemara. Enclosures are a letter from Costello to the Secretary, Agriculture (25 January 1951, 3pp) and 2 letters to T.J. Austin (20 February, 6 March 1951, 3pp each). 4 items
492	5 March 1951 <b>Defence Forces equipment requirements:</b> copy of an <i>aide-mémoire</i> prepared in the Chief of Staff's Department, outlining the present inadequate provision and requirements, mainly in the areas of anti-aircraft defence and ground forces. 6pp
493	17 March 1951Cuttings from Colliers', an American journal, containing an article 'Ireland Today. From GreatFamine to Great Future' concerning the country's growing prosperity under the Inter-Party Government.8pp
494	19 March 1951Minister for Defence's copy, from the Department of the Taoiseach, of the minutes of the 17 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Inter-Departmental Emergency Preparation Committee. Marked Secret.27pp

495	request, of the letter he had s March 1951, 1p) and the le Secretary, Irish Medical Asse to describe his proposed sche	Mother and child scheme: Minister for Defence's copies, sent for his perusal by Patr Department of the Taoiseach, at the Taoiseach ent to Dr Noel Browne, Minister for Health, etter Dr Browne had sent to Dr P.J. Delan ociation. The Taoiseach instructs Dr Browne eme as Government policy 'unless and until that in respect of the matters relating to faith actionable'. 3 items	ch's (21 ney, not you
496	Defence Programme' (16pp), the Secretary of the Departme the Secretary of the Departme	Official Government of Canada copy of a speech in the House of Commons, 5 Febru Minister of National Defence, on 'Canad transmitted by M. Mooney, Private Secretary ent of External Affairs, to the Private Secretary ent of Defence (14 March 1951, 1p). Include ging it to the attention of the Minister v 3 items	da's y to y to es a
497	his speech which contained 's who was there with some Liv	Letter from W.J. Loughrey, Chairman, Executive Committee, Liverpool St Patrick's Eoin, referring to his visit on St Patrick's Day some real home truths. One really Irish Ameri erpool friends met me the week after. He refer terms and then said "Gee, he did everything 2pp	and ican rred
498	antipathy of Army General	Copy typescript memorandum from Oliver J. Flanagan T.D., 'Confidential to the Minister f C.A. is not making more progress'. Mentions Headquarters and lack of resources in all ar sation, equipment and training. 4pp	for the
499	memorandum, Notes on a	Copy letter from Alice Meehan, Private Secretary to the Minister for Defence, to Gen Street, Dublin (1p) enclosing a copy o gricultural policy and the activities of (26pp), which the Minister would like to he an attached list. 2 items	fa <i>the</i>

500	3 May 1951	Minister for Defence's copy of a Department of Industry and Commerce memorandum for the Government on fuel supplies. 2pp
501	viewpoints, it is desirable interview and his oral test initially submitted. 'In numerous cases the prese	Handwritten letter from Judge Eugene Sheehy, Military Service Pensions Referee, Belmont, the Minister, explaining why, from a number of that an applicant for a pension be called for imony compared with the written application nt story is in complete conflict with that formerly that the alleged services are invented by the s bogus'. 4pp
502	24 May 1951	Copy of a Department of Defence memorandum for the Government outlining a draft civil defence plan. 10pp
503	G.O.C. Northern Ireland Dist Discussion centres on the th	Copy No. 1 of a secret minute of an informal discussion between Major General , and Lieutenant General Sir Reginald Denning, trict, at McKee Barracks, Dublin on 2 May 1951. reat of communist aggression, the possibility of and her defence preparedness. 4pp
504	1951	<b>Department of Defence estimate, 1951-52:</b> copy of the estimate for the Department's non-capital services vote. 7pp
505	1951 ex-servicemen, examining er the Civil Service and local au	Copy Department of Defence memorandum for the Minister on employment concessions for nployment opportunities for demobilised men in thorities. 6pp, 1p missing
506	June 1954 Annual Military Commemora 1954.	Minister for Defence's copy of the official programme for the Theobald Wolfe Tone ation Parade at Bodenstown Cemetery on 20 June 7pp

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507	-	Letter from M[uiris] Ó Muincheacháin, Department of the Taoiseach, to the Private or Defence (3 August 1954, 1p) enclosing copies of e Minister, prepared from material supplied by him 2 items
508	relating to speculation abo October 1954); and from	Note from Colonel R. Callanan, Director of Intelligence, Office of the Chief of Staff, to J.A. McDermott, Private Secretary to the formation press cuttings from the <i>Sunday Chronicle</i> but a Cabinet reshuffle and the Minister's health (3 the <i>Belfast Telegraph</i> concerning the trial of eight h and the threat posed by the organisation to the ic (16-17 December 1954). 5 items
509	14 December 1954 the Government Information	Minister's copy of a routine Department of Defence circular concerning cooperation with on Bureau in the issuing of statements to the press. 1p
510	[January/February 1955] and additions, including D	<b>Estimates, 1955-6:</b> <i>Vote 9 – Public Works and</i> <i>Buildings. Schedule B – new works, alterations</i> epartment of Defence projects. 11pp
511	1916-21. Pearse Street, Du consisting of representation entitlements of 1916-21 ve introduction of the necessa memorandum on the finance (c. September 1955, 5pp); Minister and a composite d (14 December 1955, 24pp)	Military Service Pensions: communications between various Old I.R.A. representative organisations including the Associated Abbey Street, Dublin and the Federation of I.R.A., blin, and the Minister for Defence, mainly as for improvements in the pension and other terans; and proposals by the Minister for the ry legislation. Includes an unidentified copy cial implications of the various proposals verbatim transcript of a meeting between the lelegation representing all associations ; and a copy memorandum entitled <i>Military</i> <i>endments suggested by the Referee (c.</i> November 37 items

512	21 February 1955 of officers. Forwarded by the	<b>Council of Defence:</b> minutes of a meeting of the Council, the business confined to the promotion e Council to the Minister's Private Secretary. 2pp
513	Department of Finance a cop Government on <i>The Service</i> <i>the Army Pensions Acts</i> , pa	Handwritten minute from S. Ó Cearnaigh, Finance Officer, Department of Defence (2 at his Minister's request for the information of the py typescript draft of a Defence memorandum for (1917-21) Medal and Special Allowances under rticularly the 1943 and 1946 Acts; with annexed a number of categories as at November 1954. 15pp
514	last evening'. Attached are l	Handwritten note from [a Department of Defence official] to J. McDermott [Private aclosing 'the Minister's papers which he gave me nandwritten notes by the official and by MacEoin arliamentary questions [on the Defence estimates 21pp
515		<b>Army Benevolent Fund:</b> agenda and notes for the 23 <sup>rd</sup> annual general meeting of the Army st of officers (1p); typescript notes containing address [by MacEoin as Minister for Defence] 6pp
516	Minister to have Longford M Defence Forces such as the Includes a minute by Major out the unsuitability of th	Correspondence between Mary Lamb, Town Clerk, Longford Urban District Council, and the ng out of a Council resolution requesting the Ailitary Barracks occupied by some branch of the Army School of Music or the Equitation School. General P.A. Mulcahy, Chief of Staff, pointing e barracks for permanent occupation; and the nent accommodation for the Western Command at gar (23 March 1955, 1p). 6 items

517 16 May 1955 Handwritten minute by S. Ó Cearnaigh, Finance Officer, Department of Defence, enclosing a brief memorandum (14 May 1955, 2pp) on service medals and special allowances; and notes on proposed amendments to the Defence Forces (Pensions) Scheme. 4pp

518 July 1955 Army Pensions Estimates, 1955-56: material relating to the estimate for Army pensions, including copy of the Minister's statement moving the estimate in Dáil Éireann (2pp); together with draft statement and related notes (4pp) prepared for the Minister; copies of parliamentary questions and answers concerning the estimate. 11 items

51913 October 1955Copy typescript [Department of Defence]<br/>memorandum concerning the definition of<br/>'active service' and 'continuous service' for the purpose of the proposed<br/>Military Service Pension Scheme.5195pp

520 14 October 1955 Copy typescript letter from S. Ua Moráin, Assistant Secretary, to [Lieutenant General Peadar MacMahon] Secretary, Department of Defence. The Committee appointed by the Minister has discussed the question of defining active service. The letter refers to two memoranda which are not present. Ua Moráin comments in the letter on the contents of one of the mema, a minute from the Department of Defence Finance Officer concerning the Military Service Pension Scheme. 2pp

521 25 October 1955 Ireland v. Yugoslavia football match: copy typescript letter from MacEoin, Minister for Defence, to [the editors of Irish newspapers], concerning criticism of himself for refusing to allow an Army band to attend the Ireland v. Yugoslavia football game and of the Archbishop of Dublin's view that the match should not take place. MacEoin seeks to deflect criticism by laying blame on the Football Association of Ireland for failing to apply for or secure visas for the travelling Yugoslav party.

522 [October 1956] **Ireland v. Yugoslavia football match:** copy typescript text of a letter [on behalf of the Government?] to [the editors of Irish newspapers] concerning the controversy surrounding the match, arising from the failure of the Football Association of Ireland to advise the Yugoslav authorities of the necessity to apply for visas; and of the misrepresentation of the position of the Archbishop of Dublin by the F.A.I. in their claim that he did not object to the holding of the match. [MacEoin's own letter P151/521, is based very closely on this version]. 2pp

523 21 November 1955 Note from Peadar MacMaithiúna [Secretary, Department of Defence] to the Minister, referring to claims made by the Federation of I.R.A., 1916-21, and enclosing a copy of a confidential Department of Finance circular (19 June 1952, 5pp) on the retention of civil servants in employment beyond the age limit, which he feels may be of interest. 2 items

52431 December 1955Address of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses<br/>of the Borough of Clonmel to General Seán<br/>MacEoin, Minister for Defence. Signed by Denis E. Burke, Mayor, on behalf<br/>of the Corporation.2pp

525 1955 Defence Forces Gazette and Naval List and Directory. Marked 'Restricted' and 'Confidential'`. Amendments to the schedule of postings and appointments of officers, including promotions and resignations. 8pp

526 [1955] Copy typescript memorandum from [Judge Eugene Sheehy] the Military Service Pensions Referee, to members of the Advisory Committee.
'You, as members of the Advisory Committee, have been appointed to assist me in the exercise of my functions and it seems desirable that while you are reading and considering petitions and applications you should have a clear view of my interpretation of the Acts, as it is within the four corners of such interpretation I must make my reports'. Includes a summary (2pp) of relevant parts of the Pensions Acts which he keeps to hand to decide whether an applicant for a pension has a prima facie

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case.

8pp

527	personal details and se	Army General Staff Officers: table showing the present occupants of the posts of Chief of ral and Quartermaster General, together with their ervice histories; alongside the proposed replacements, rails and service histories. 1p
528	Minister for Agricultur Land Commission to m	Memorandum by MacEoin mainly relating to the potential for increases in agricultural e establishment of an Agricultural Council to advise the e; the amendment of the existing Land Act to allow the nake allotments to the sons of farmers; and the provision ral Bank and the Industrial Credit Corporation. 4pp
529		Naval Service: copy secret supplement (1p) to a memorandum on the Defence Forces, dealing the Naval Service [original memorandum submitted in Department of Defence memorandum (2pp) on a survey l of Irish ports. 2 items
530	23 January 1956 Minister for Defence, o available to the United	Handwritten memorandum [from Colonel R. Callanan, Director of Intelligence] for the on the implications of making Shannon Airport facilities States during wartime. 3pp
531	Cosgrave] reports on c Anti-Partition League. 'Mr MacAteer put forv appear to be coming discrimination is only the moment is opportun a view to obtaining son of the Nationalist mino Recommends an appro approach, including th	Minister for Defence's copy of an External Affairs secret memorandum for the Government tion Problem by Peaceful Means'. The Minister [Liam contacts with Edward MacAteer M.P., Chairman of the ward the suggestion that since the Stormont authorities g to the point of view that the continuation of laying the foundation for future outbreaks of violence, ne for a direct approach to the British Government with me amelioration of the economic and political position rity in the Six Counties'. ach at ministerial level and outlines the elements of the e possibility of referral of the problem to the United mbarrassment to the British. 6pp

532 2 February 1956 Note from Colonel [R.J.] Callanan, Director of Intelligence, to the Chief of Staff, enclosing a cutting from the *Clare Champion* that the Minister might like to see. The cutting contains a leading article (28 February 1956) generally sceptical of the whole military service pension scheme.
'A pension scheme was inevitable. It placated those who were dangerous to organised government but not fit for office, and gave the hope of reward or profit to every family in the country'. 2 items

533 February 1956

Letter from R.J. Callanan, Director of

Intelligence, to the Minister (24 February 1956, 1p), enclosing a memorandum setting out the main points of a meeting between himself and Mr Cleveland Cram, an official of the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, who had previously carried out research on Irish political life as an associate at Harvard University. The memorandum (2pp) concentrates on three points: what the official attitude would be to scientists visiting Ireland as part of Russian scientific delegations and seeking to defect; the likely infiltration of the I.R.A. by Soviet agents; and the use of Ireland by Soviet agents as a base for gathering espionage in Britain and the U.S.

2 items

- 53427 March 1956Statement of construction projects undertaken at<br/>Army barracks since 1952, from the Civil<br/>Defence Rescue Range at Ratra House to housing and churches. Drawn up in<br/>the context of an application for promotion of Captain Shanahan, responsible<br/>for the developments.290
- 535 June-October 1956 Admiral Brown commemoration: correspondence with His Exellency Lorenzo McGovern, Argentine Minister, Argentine Legation, Dodder Ground, Milltown, Dublin, concerning arrangements for an Admiral Brown commemoration ceremony in Foxford, County Mayo, his birthplace; and the presentation by the Minister of a cup, Premio Almirante Brown, to be awarded for the Army physical training championships. 13 items

536	Department of Defence officers' married quar (5 June 1956, 5pp), for letter from MacEoin 1957, 1p) concerning	Material relating mainly to the inadequate provision of married quarters for officers, Including a memorandum from Colonel Antoin Curragh Training Camp, to the Quartermaster General, ee, Dublin, concerning the position with regard to ters in the camp and enclosing a copy of the waiting list prwarded to the Minister for his information; and a copy to Gerard Sweetman, Minister for Finance (8 January the compulsion upon himself, as Minister for Defence, against those overholding married quarters. 5 items
537	Military Service Pens	Copy typescript Department of Defence memorandum for the Government on <i>brandum of the Minister for Defence in relation to</i> <i>ions and Medals</i> , focusing on the question of additional by the Defence proposals to reopen claims already 3pp
538		Copy typescript Department of Defence memorandum for the Government referring te problems associated with the present scheme of tons. Memorandum includes a brief review of the current 3pp
539	the Minister for Finan	Copy typescript memorandum from the Minister for defence, consisting of comments for the Government submitted by [Gerard Sweetman] ce concerning proposals for the revision of the system of vice pensions, service medals and special allowances. 4pp
540	<i>the investigation of ap</i> Minister by S. Ó Cea shorter draft (20pp) co (26pp) contains an ado	2 typescript copy draft memoranda containing an <i>Outline of proposals relating to Military</i> <i>for the review of awards of Medals, without bar, and for</i> <i>plications on hand.</i> One draft is forwarded to the arnaigh [Finance Officer], Department of Defence. The ontains some handwritten amendments. The longer draft ditional appendix consisting of an extract from a Firbisigh, the late Referee [Referee and Advisory ant of Defence]. 3 items

541 9 August 1956 Confidential memorandum from Major General P.A. Mulcahy, Chief of Staff, to the Minister for Defence, concerning shortcomings in the performance of the Equestrian School [at the Dublin Horse Show] and making recommendations as to the restructuring of the school and the team. 2pp

542 19 October 1956 Letter from R.J. Callanan, Director of Intelligence, marked 'Confidential, for the Minister', enclosing a copy of a document which recently came into his possession (19 October 1956, 1p). Enclosed is a typescript circular letter from D. MacDiarmada, Adjutant General, General Headquarters, I.R.A., to residents of the U.S. soliciting funds for 'the fight for Irish independence' and giving names and addresses, in both the U.S. and Ireland, to which subscriptions could be sent (24 July 1956, 1p).

2 items

30 October 1956 Eoin MacWhite, Secretary, Department of External Affairs, to [Lieutenant General Peadar MacMahon] the Secretary to the Department of Defence, enclosing for information a copy of a recent report from the chargé d'affaires in Buenos Aires (16 October 1956, 6pp) concerning the forthcoming celebration of the centenary of the birth of Admiral Guillermo Brown and the intention of the Argentine Government to invite the Minister for Defence to the ceremonies.
7pp

544 13 November 1956 W. Smyth, Private Secretary to the Minister for Finance, to the Private Secretary to the Minister for Defence, seeking an estimate of the amount the Minister for defence would require for Secret Service expenditure in the coming financial year. Annotated and dated by MacEoin '£1,000. 19/11/56'.

1p

545 20 November 1956 Typescript note marked 'Very confidential' consisting of a short intelligence report on a recent meeting in the Kevin Barry Hall, Parnell Square, of an unidentified Socialist organisation, attended by Noel Browne and Matt Merrigan, mainly concerned with the viability of a proposed newspaper.

1p

546	the withdrawal from t memoranda relating to request that the matter	Copy typescript letter from J. McDermott, Private Secretary to the Minister for Defence to e Secretary to the Government. McDermott refers to he Cabinet agenda until further notice of Defence Military Service Pensions; and relays his Minister's be reinstated, particularly in light of parliamentary Minister and scheduled meetings with the Federation ject. 2pp
547	20 December 1956 Minister, for the receipt	Receipt from Colonel R.J. Callanan, Director of Intelligence, Department of Defence, for the of £120 to be accounted for in his yearly statement. 1p
548	Includes correspondence	Correspondence and reports relating to the exclusion from Knockalisheen Camp of an <i>Irish Independent</i> reporter who sought to fugees, on the grounds of his obstructive behaviour. the between the camp authorities, the Minister for h, Chief Reporter for Independent Newspapers, Middle 9 items
549		Typescript copy supplementary memorandum by the Minister for Defence, on criticism of the rd of Military Service Certificates and Medals; and t had come to light in recent years. 3pp
550	Referee (December 19	Copy letter from MacEoin to Gerard Sweetman, Minister for Finance, enclosing for his correspondence with the Military Service Pensions 056, 2 items). Correspondence seeks the referee's efinition of qualifications necessary for the award of a te. 3 items

551 12 January 1957 Cutting from the *Connacht Tribune*, supplied by the Government Information Bureau to the Director of Intelligence and forwarded by him to the Minister for Defence. Reports in detail on MacEoin's stated objective 'to devise machinery to enable the question of allowances to be re-examined in full so that persons not entitled to a military service medal may not have one and that nobody shall have the special allowance unless entitled to it'. Gives costs of military pensions under various headings and reports on the Minister's determination to end 'the abuse which has grown out of an Act of the Dáil which had not had sufficient attention in its preparation and administration'. 1 item January 1957 552 Letter from John Cardinal D'Alton, Ara Coeli, Armagh, to MacEoin, enclosing a letter he had

> received [not present]. 'If the information is genuine, I think it well to send it on to you, though possibly you have some information on these lines yourself. The present position is embarrassing for both Church and State ...' (22 January 1957, 1p). Copy typescript reply from MacEoin.

> 'We have some reports on these lines but, so far, we are unable to confirm them ... There is much propaganda in certain circles to create distrust and unrest. I am glad to say there is no disloyalty in either Army or Garda officers, N.C.O.s or men ...' (22 January 1957, 1p). 2 items

- 5531 February 1957Letter from Gerard [Sweetman], Minister for<br/>Finance, to MacEoin (1p), enclosing a list (5pp)<br/>of public works recommended by the Department of Local Government and<br/>sanctioned on the previous day.2 items
- 554 13 February 1957

**Custume Barracks Oratory:** letter from John Canon McCarthy, SS. Peter and Paul, Athlone,

to MacEoin, discussing 'the old question of an oratory in Custume Barracks'; the background to the current situation whereby the Church of SS. Peter and Paul, erected on a site ceded by the Department of Defence, is recognised as the garrison church; his unwillingness to prejudice that arrangement or any rights acquired by the parish; but his willingness to formulate an agreement which would provide for the building of a small oratory while maintaining the parish church as the garrison church. He suggest a short discussion of heads of an agreement he has put together. 2pp

555	Dr Hayes-McCoy would be Museum to represent the Centenary Celebrations in Bu a copy of a letter from Ri Excellency Lorenzo McGov Ailesbury Drive, Dublin, info	Letter from J.F. Dukes, Office of the Minister for Education, to J. MacDermott, Private Defence, concerning the conditions under which given paid leave of absence from the National Minister for Defence at the Admiral Brown uenos Aires (16 February 1957, 1p) and enclosing chard Mulcahy, Minister for Education, to His vern, Envoy Extraordinary, Argentine Legation, orming him of Dr Hayes-McCoy's appointment to fence at the ceremonies (2 February 1957, 1p). 2 items
556		Copy typescript letter from Ignatius O'Rourke, Elm Road, Donnycarney, Dublin, to the editor of pplauding the recently reported establishment of a the system of awarding military service pensions 1p
557		Note from S. Ó Cearnáigh, Department of Defence, for the Minister. He encloses a to increase the pensions of non-commissioned out indicates in his note that the Department of roposals down. 2pp
558		File of cuttings from Spanish and English- language Argentine newspapers reporting norating the centenary of the death of Admiral ounder of the Argentine navy; attended by an Irish led by MacEoin. 8 items
559		Letter from Gerard [Sweetman], Minister for Finance, regretting that it is not possible to agree or increases in the pensions of non-commissioned 957, 1p). He encloses a copy of a Finance minute

2 items

(7 March 1957, 2pp) on the implications of the proposals.

560 [c.1957] Committee of Enquiry into An Garda Síochána: Minister for Defence's copy of the draft final report of the committee appointed by the Minister for Justice [MacEoin], 13 March 1950, to enquire into the duties, organisation and strength of the force; to consider and report whether by reorganisation, reduction of non-police duties or other means, it would be possible to reduce the cost of policing without harming its effectiveness; and to consider the question of recruitment to the force. 150pp

## **E.** Presidential Election, 1945

561	March-July 1945	Routine material concerning the presidential election campaign, including correspondence	
	booths; letters of congratula support and suggestions as speeches; copy letters to	campaign meetings and the manning of polling tion on his selection as a candidate; promises of to the conduct of the campaign; rough notes for to the press; copy letters of thanks and cEoin for financial contributions and campaign 84 items	
562	30 April 1945	Biographical note on Seán MacEoin, issued by his election committee to the press. 2pp	
563	April 1945	Handwritten draft address by MacEoin 'To the Electors of Ireland' (2pp). Handwritten copy	
		my Comrades, Longford Brigade, Old I.R.A.', olution in support of his candidature (30 April 2 items	
564	25 May 1945	Letter from James Dillon, Dáil Éireann, to MacEoin (25 May 1945, 1p) enclosing another	
	letter (25 May 1945, 1p) 'which you in your absolute discretion may publish or treat as private'. The enclosed letter is an endorsement of MacEoin's public career and his candidature. Draft handwritten reply from MacEoin (1p) on		
		per, thanking Dillon for his support. 3 items	

May 1945 Fragments and notes for campaign speeches and 565 letters to the press, mostly unidentified and undated, though some are on hotel stationery. Points mainly concern the nature of MacEoin's candidature, his suitability for office, and the apolitical 7 items nature of the campaign. 566 [*c*. May 1945] Copy typescript points for a campaign speech beginning 'The Japs are not going to drop bombs on us if I am elected President'. 1p 567 [*c*. May 1945] Incomplete typescript text of a speech by John MacEoin B.L., speaking at Newtowncashel in support of MacEoin's candidature. Character, national record and achievement make MacEoin eminently suitable for the position of President. 6pp 568 [c. May 1945] Handwritten notes in an unidentified hand entitled 'Some thoughts on the wisdom of contesting the Presidential Election', largely discouraging in tone. 'It seems therefore as things stand at present that it would be inadvisable to contest this election, defeat in which would entail so much loss of prestige, and possibly dire financial consequences. Accordingly you should consider seeing Dev and ascertaining what his attitude is. If it is unfavourable you should remain in the ring but ready to withdraw at the right moment'. 6pp 569 General material relating mainly to subscriptions May-August 1945 towards MacEoin's election fund including lists of subscribers; letters enclosing subscriptions; some letters of congratulation on his election performance; and material concerning election meetings. Includes a letter from James J. MacNamee, Bishop of Ardagh, enclosing a small subscription (2 July 1945, 1p) which he hopes is not too late. 51 items

570 June-July 1945 Letter from Patrick McCartan, [also a candidate presidential election in the Newtownmountkennedy, County Wicklow, to MacEoin, congratulating him on his 'great personal vote. I suspect you have surprised your own party as much as your opponents...' (19 June 1945, 1p). Further letter from McCartan (5 July 1945, 2pp) dealing mainly with the suggestion from a number of people that the two of them should form a new party. 'As far as I am concerned I feel it would be unfair for me to capitalise the position in which those of C[lann] na T[almhan] & Labour who nominated me put me. At any rate I have no desire to take any further part in politics as one cannot retain one's idealism & be a successful politician'.

2 items

571 22 June 1945 Letter from Richard Mulcahy, Leinster House, to MacEoin. 'All the reports from our most strenuous workers in the country are very heartening'. He does not want to bother MacEoin with Dáil work but has found it necessary to call meetings of the Front Bench, Party and Standing Committee, about which he informs him as a courtesy. 1p

572 June-July 1945 Invoices and receipts relating to bill posting and employee liability insurance for the election campaign. 3 items

> 31 July 1945 Letter from Richard Mulcahy, Fine Gael, 16 Hume Street, Dublin, to MacEoin, enclosing 'a copy of a preliminary letter that I have sent out with regard to Roscommon', together with a list of people to whom the letter was sent (1p). The letter deals with a proposed visit to the Roscommon constituency by the two of them 'for the purpose of meeting those who worked so hard for him [MacEoin] during the Presidential Election, and encouraging them to take an active interest in political organisation in view of the various problems the country is faced with, arising out of difficult world conditions'. 2 items

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## F. Presidential Election and Referendum on Proportional Representation, 1959

574 May 1958-June 1959 Cuttings from Irish and English newspapers concerning the election. Includes early speculation about possible candidates; profiles of MacEoin; results, analysis and postscript. 8 items

575 [late 1958] Leaflet entitled *Our Next President* speculating favourably on the rumour that MacEoin will be 'a unanimous choice for President when Mr Seán T. O'Kelly retires next June'. Reviews MacEoin's character, national record and suitability for the Office of President as 'patriot, soldier and statesman'. 1p

576 21 November 1958 Letters and telegrams from colleagues, constituents, friends and public figures, congratulating MacEoin on his selection as the Fine Gael candidate in the

presidential election. Includes messages from local Fine Gael branches promising full support; and a letter from William J. Philbin [Bishop of Clonfert], St Brendan's, Loughrea (25 November 1958, 1p). 'I was glad to see that your name has appeared as a prospective holder of the highest honour in the State. ... as often as your occasions take you to this part of the country, you will be very welcome here'. 25 items

57711 December 1958Circular letter from P.F. Dineen, General<br/>Secretary, Fine Gael, to each Constituency<br/>Secretary, calling their attention to the likelihood of a referendum on<br/>proportional representation in the New Year and attaching some notes on<br/>statutory procedures for the conduct of referenda.2pp

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578 December 1958-Letters from supporters wishing MacEoin well June 1959 in the election campaign and promising him their votes. Some recall favours he has done for them in the past; some make suggestions about the election campaign, particularly that he should have been the agreed candidate in the light of his not standing against the incumbent President in 1952; and some request representations on their behalf. 26 items. 579 January 1959 Letter from P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine Gael, Hume Street, Dublin, to MacEoin (22 January 1959, 1p), referring to their conversation on the forthcoming Longford Convention and enclosing a copy of a confidential letter to the County Secretary [of the Party constituency organisation] (22 January 1959, 1p). 'The Standing Committee has had under consideration a report from General MacEoin that it is intended to hold a Convention for the selection of a candidate to fill the vacancy which may arise in the Longford/Westmeath constituency as a result of the election of General MacEoin as President of Ireland. It is considered that to do this at this time would be contrary to general policy and do irreparable damage to the candidature of General MacEoin'. 2 items 580 4 February 1959 Letter from P.F. Dineen to MacEoin, enclosing an undated cutting from the Sligo Champion containing a letter from a 'Leitrim Man in Dublin', named in Dineen's letter, highly critical of the Minister for Agriculture and his activities in Leitrim. Dineen suggests that the writer might be a very useful helper in the presidential election campaign. 2 items 581 February-May 1959 Letters and copies of circulars from P.F. Dineen concerning arrangements for election meetings, publicity, canvassing and the general organisation of both campaigns; handwritten and typescript lists of contacts and members of constituency organisations; letters of support and rough notes for speeches. Includes a letter from Michael Browne, Bishop of Galway, to MacEoin, referring to an article by T.F. O'Higgins, former Minister for Health, in the National Observer (April 1959), critical of his, Dr Browne's, intervention in

<sup>4</sup>I am severely criticised for daring to refer to the possibility that some of our foreign office officials are atheists and fellow-travellers like Burgess and McLean. If there is no apology for that article in the next issue, I shall regard myself as free to deal with the matter publicly' (25 April 1959, 1p); copy of the journal containing the offending article; draft reply from MacEoin.

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political life.

582	council, and to each party de Council, concerning the party and referendum. Since the p officially in support of any	Copy circular letter from M. Davidson, Secretary, Labour Party, Earlsfort Terrace, ach branch, constituency, divisional and regional eputy, senator and member of the Administrative y's position in relation to the presidential election earty has no candidate, members must not speak r candidate. All branches and members should roup in the campaign to defeat the proposal to tation. 1p
583	April 1959 encloses a copy of the offi referendum.	<i>Directive to Dublin constituencies, No. 2.</i> Relates to organisation and publicity work and cial ballot paper for both the election and the 2pp
584	3 May 1959 his visit to the U.S. in de V transcript (2pp) of the article.	Cutting from the <i>Boston Globe</i> reporting MacEoin's candidature, his national record and alera's wake in 1930; together with a typescript 2 items
585	15 May 1959	Cutting from the <i>Dublin Evening Mail</i> containing a report of MacEoin handing in his nomination papers. 1 item
586	proportional representation by Nations. 'The almost complete apate alignments implemented by shocked the free world and it treachery involved were full demand for the recall and functioning there. The refere link in the chain and there i effort to liquidate the small p	Letter from Peter [O'Farrell], 9 Dollymount Park, Clontarf, Dublin, to MacEoin, enclosing a nt condemning the proposed abolition of out directed mainly at Irish policy at the United hy of our people at home to the disastrous our representatives on U.N.O. has profoundly is inconceivable that if the frightful extent of the ly appreciated there would not be a nationwide I removal of the Irish delegation at present endum on P.R. if it goes through will be another s so little difference in the mentality behind the parties that the setup takes on a familiar pattern as shing behind the Iron Curtain have reason to 2pp

587	24 May 1959 mainly of a statement by Seá	Cutting from the <i>Sunday Review</i> on who would replace de Valera as Taoiseach, consisting in Lemass, Tánaiste. 1 item
588		Copy typescript text of questions and answers put to MacEoin as a presidential candidate by <i>prican</i> . Relate to recent Irish history, partition, poial and economic progress and the general world 7pp
589	1959 convention, including a m election and wishing him suc	Copy typescript agenda with handwritten amendments for an unidentified Fine Gael action congratulating MacEoin on fighting the excess. 1p
590	May 1959	Election handbill with photograph. A Man of the People. 1 item
591	May 1959	Fine Gael handbill. <i>Hold Fast to P.R. It has served you well for nearly 40 years.</i> 1 item
592	May 1959	Fine Gael campaign poster. Hold Fast to your Rights.38x50cms
593	for Fianna Fáil through the	Fine Gael handbill. <i>Fianna Fáil Designs</i> <i>Unmasked.</i> 'So the whole plan is now clear – to na Fáil through de Valera, to grab the Government abolition of P.R., to grab the people's rights and owers so that patronage may be dispensed to the 14x22cms

594	1959 consisting mainly of an enco	Typescript text of a statement by J.T.S., a parish priest, in support of MacEoin's candidature, mium on his national record. 3pp
595	20 June 1959	Copy of the <i>Longford News</i> reporting the results of the presidential election and referendum. 1 item
596	1959	Table showing votes cast by constituency foreach of the candidates in both the 1945 and 1959presidential elections.1p
597		ainst anyone but Mr de Valera, we would have t as Holy Ghost Fathers, we owe our loyalty to the t own'. 2pp
598	30 January 1932	Cutting from the Longford Leader reporting

MacEoin's remarks at three general election campaign meetings in North Longford. His national record and compensation for those who had suffered loss in the period 1916-21. 1 item

<sup>599 11</sup> December 1936 Typescript copy extract from a speech by MacEoin in Dáil Éireann on the Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 1936. Urges the declaration of a 32 county republic. 1p

600	•	Cutting from the [Longford Leader] reporting the results of the Athlone-Longford Fine Gael ct candidates for the 1938 general election and g his supporters and congratulating the other 1 item
601	1943 as introduced, with particul schemes.	Copy of [a Dáil statement] by MacEoin, drawing attention to defects in the Arterial Drainage Bill ar reference to devolving the cost of drainage 2pp
602	11 May 1945 MacEoin at Carrickmacross o	Cutting from the [ <i>Irish Independent</i> ] reporting a presidential election campaign speech by calling for 'A People's President'. 1 item
603	[May 1945] party and the necessity for the	Typescript text of a presidential election campaign speech in Killarney. Nation above e President to act in the people's interest. 3pp
604	-	Typescript text (3pp) of a presidential election campaign speech in Cork. He would protect the citizen as President as zealously as he had as a <i>unday Independent</i> (27 May 1945) reporting the 2 items
605		Press cutting from the [Sunday Independent] reporting the progress of the presidential a speech by MacEoin at Ballyshannon declaring defend the rights and liberties of the people. 1 item
606	8 June 1945	Typescript text of MacEoin's presidential campaign address to the electorate. His national record as soldier and politician. 2pp

607	[c. 11 June 1945]	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to a presidential election campaign meeting in	
	Dublin. His personal fitness	for office. 1p	
608	[16 June 1945]	Typescript text of remarks by MacEoin, congratulating Seán T. O'Kelly on his election	
	as President, thanking those who had voted for him and commenting upon t nature of the campaign. 2pp		
609	2 February 1948	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a general election campaign rally at the G.P.O.	
	Dublin. Fine Gael policy the	policy of Griffith and Collins. 2pp	
610	6 March 1948	2 press cuttings from an unidentified newspaper reporting welcoming receptions for MacEoin at	
	Mullingar and Longford after his appointment as Minister, and his remarks on each occasion; the policy of the new government 2 items		
611	9 April 1948	Cutting from the <i>Longford Leader</i> reporting proceedings of a large Inter-Party meeting at	
	Strokestown, addressed by the Taoiseach and members of the Government including MacEoin, whose reported remarks specifically concerned the Department of Local Government's drainage scheme. 1 item		
612	23 April 1948	Handwritten notes and typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to the Old Comrades of the	
	I.R.A. in Kilkenny. The re- duties of the citizen.	e re-establishment of the Republic and the rights a 4pp, 5 cards	
613	5 July 1948- 28 October 1950	File of press cuttings from national and provincial newspapers, particularly from	
		MacEoin's own constituency, mainly consisting	
	of reports of speeches by MacEoin as Minister for Justice but including editorial comment and letters to the editor in response to the speeches. Reports		
	relate almost entirely to speeches for which texts exist. Subjects concern		
		cy with particular reference to rural development forestation, drainage, land reclamation and	
	employment creation; but	also relate to the Anti-Partition Campaign, the	
	declaration of a republic and	the local election campaign, September 1950.	
		47 items	

614	[1948] military action at Wilson's H	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin commemorating the 150 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the lospital, Multyfarnham, in September 1798. 3pp
615	[1948] Education, to Mullingar. The Relations Act.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin welcoming General Mulcahy, Minister for the Government's intention to repeal the External 2pp
616	•	Incomplete typescript text [first page only] of a speech by MacEoin to an unidentified meeting. constitutional relationship with Britain since of the repeal of the External Relations Act. 1p
617	17 January 1949 months of the Government wages.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at Kinnegad. The achievements of the first twelve particularly in reduced taxation and increased 2pp
618	8 April 1949	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin concerning the declaration of the Republic. 1p
619	-	Typescript text (2pp) of a speech by MacEoin looking forward to the coming into effect of the the declaration of the Republic on Easter Monday. <i>endent</i> reporting the broadcast. 2 items
620	29 May 1949 Government to run the coun specific reference to partition	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at Castletownbere. The moral right of the try; and the policies on which it was elected with h. 5pp

621	[June 1949] candidate in the West C Government with particular re	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin in support of W.J. Murphy, the Government ork bye-election. The achievements of the eference to budgetary policy. 2pp
622	17 July 1949 policy on relations with the country.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at Newtowncashel; inconsistency of Fianna Fáil's U.K.; the Government's moral right to run the 1p
623	29 October 1949 in Droichead Nua and his re- collection.	Cutting from the <i>Leinster Leader</i> reporting MacEoin's presence at a Fine Gael convention emarks on arrangements for the annual national 1 item
624	November 1949 Government policy and achie healthcare.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin during the Donegal West bye-election campaign. evements in Donegal with particular reference to 5pp
625	`[1949] The Government's policy on	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin given at Dungarvan and Mallow on successive occasions. rural development. 5pp
626		Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at an after-Mass meeting at Ballinahowen [County Fine Gael national collection. Agricultural and ength of the Government's mandate. 6pp
627	[1949] the Fine Gael national collec strength of the Government's	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at an after-Mass meeting in Castledaly in support of tion. Agricultural and rural development and the mandate. 6pp
628	[late 1949] question; agricultural policy and employment policy.	Typescript text of an unidentified speech by MacEoin. Northern Ireland and the national and the Land Development Scheme; budgetary 5pp

629	[ <i>c</i> .1949]	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin, deputising for the Attorney General, Cecil		
	Lavery, at a meeting in Character and achieveme	Kilkenny in support of the 'Save Derrynane' appeal.		
630	12 January 1950	Typescript text of remarks by MacEoin proposing the toast to the Master Builders'		
	Association. Regulation of post-war requirements	of the construction industry in Ireland in the context 4pp		
631	12 January 1950	Typescript draft text of remarks by MacEoin proposing the toast to the Master Builders'		
	Association, marked 'Not used' (4pp); together with a typescript text with handwritten amendments of a speech supplied by the Department of Industry and Commerce, proposing the toast of the Federation of Builders, Contractors and Allied Employers of Ireland (4pp). 2 items			
632	9 February 1950	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at Mullingar. The Government's industrial and		
		for the coming year; increases in employment and County Westmeath; applications for military service 2pp		
633	17 March [c.1950]	Typescript text of a speech by [MacEoin] as Irish Government representative at an expatriate		
		s Day in an unidentified location. Agricultural and in Ireland. Annotations by MacEoin concern 4pp		
634	23 April 1950	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to a Fine Gael meeting at Strokestown. Government		
	achievements and policy on land rehabilitation, rateable valuation and social welfare proposals. Previously given at Moate, 5 February 1950. 3pp			
635	18 May 1950	Typescript text with handwritten amendments (4pp) of a speech by MacEoin at Ballyconnell,		
	County Cavan. The development; forthcomir reporting the Minister's r	Government's budget proposals; agricultural ng local elections. Cutting from the <i>Longford Leader</i>		

636	3 June 1950	Typescript text of brief remarks (1p) by MacEoin opening a fête at Oatlands, Mount		
	Merrion, County Dublin. Le requesting MacEoin to perfo	tter from Fr Ryan P.P. The Rise, Mount Merrion, rm the opening ceremony. 2 items		
637	4 June 1950	Typescript text (3pp) of a speech by MacEoin at after-Mass meetings at Abbeyshrule and		
	housing, land reclamation;	Carrickedmond. The Government programme for rural development including housing, land reclamation; pensions; the forthcoming local government elections. Cuttings from the <i>Offaly Independent</i> and <i>Longford Telegraph</i> (10		
638	23 July 1950	Typescript text with handwritten amendments of a speech by MacEoin at meetings at Moyvore		
	and Ballymore, County Westmeath. The Government's plans for capital spending and agricultural development. 4pp			
639	6 August 1950	Typescript text of a local government election campaign speech by MacEoin at meetings at		
		Tubbercurry. The Government's record and plans agricultural development. 2 copies, 1 with 4pp		
640	13 August 1950	Typescript text of brief remarks by MacEoin at the opening of Ballymacormack Sports Club, County Longford. 1p		
641	27 August 1950	Typescript text with handwritten amendments of		
	Athlone. Government policy housing and healthcare.	a local government election campaign speech and achievements in agricultural developme 9pp		
642	2 September 1950	Draft (3pp) and typescript text (5pp) of a speech by MacEoin for local government election		
	and its effect on Longfo	vernment's economic record in increased pensions ord; policy and achievements in agricultural forestation, rural improvements, housing and 2 items		

643	16 September 1950 to endorse the Government annotations.	Typescript text of a local government election campaign speech by MacEoin. An opportunity 's successful policy. 2 copies with handwritten 3pp
644		Typescript text of a local government election campaign speech at Glenties, County Donegal. success of the Inter-Party Government; benefits to at schemes and rural electrification. 6pp
645	26 November 1950 Glenties, West Donegal. F partition, employment schem	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a conference of Fine Gael branches held in Party policy with reference to social security, les and rural electrification. 6pp
646		Typescript text of a speech or article [by MacEoin?] consisting of a review of the chievements of the Inter-Party Government during existence, with particular reference to increased 8pp
647	[1 February 1951] Motor Traders' Association industry.	Typescript text with handwritten annotations of a speech by MacEoin proposing the toast of the the economic and social significance of the 4pp
648	19 February 1951 Mills Hall. The history of pa or Northern Ireland as a mea	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to a meeting of the Central Branch of Fine Gael at artition and the futility of violence against Britain ns to end it. 3pp
649	17 April 1951	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin opening an exhibition of Ford agricultural products and machinery in Cavan. 2pp

650	29 April 1951	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Fine Gael meeting in Midleton. Government		
		evements; land reclamation and drainage schemes; the		
		by Marshall Aid; his new responsibilities as Minister for ernment's defence policy; the Mother and Child Welfare		
		of the Catholic hierarchy to make representations where		
		oral interests were being affected. 8pp		
651	29 April 1951	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a		
		Fine Gael meeting at Midleton, consisting of the		
		ously delivered at Cavan, 8 April 1951, with appropriate		
		s. The Government's ten point programme with specific		
	provided by Marshall	ural and economic decelopment and the opportunities		
	provided by Marshan	Aid. 7pp		
652	[April 1951]	Typescript text of an unidentified speech by		
		MacEoin refuting assertions of the imminence of		
	world war and of defence and economic unpreparedness. 8pp			
653	14 May 1951	Handwritten text of a general election campaign		
		speech by MacEoin at a meeting in Longford		
	introducing the Taoiseach. The Taoiseach's personal qualities, the record of			
	the Government and t	he extravagance of Fianna Fáil. 8pp		
654	26 May 1951	Cutting from the Longford Leader reporting a		
		speech by MacEoin at a general election		
	campaign meeting in Multyfarnham. The threat posed to the Inter-Party			
	Government's achieve	ements by the return to power of Fianna Fáil.		
		1 item		
655	June 1951	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a		
		Fine Gael general election campaign rally in		
	Dublin. The record of	the Inter-Party Government. 3pp		
656	16 September 1951	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at		
	L	Kenmare, County Kerry, at the unveiling of a		
	memorial to Brigadie of Independence.	r Tom and Captain John O'Connor, veterans of the War 3pp		
	or macpendence.	ЗРР		

657	7 October 1951	Typescript text (2pp) and additional handwritten notes (2pp) of a speech by MacEoin at an after-	
	Mass meeting at Ardagh, C agricultural and economic po	ounty Longford. Criticism of the Government's	
658	11 November 1951	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at Dunbeggan. Criticism of a Central Bank report	
	on the economy and Governm	nent economic policy. 6pp	
659	[late 1951]	Cutting from the [ <i>Longford Leader</i> ] reporting an address by MacEoin to a meeting in	
	organisation in the light of	Longford. The need for strong local party the general election result; Fine Gael policy on nic legacy of the Inter-Party Government. 1 item	
660	5 April 1952	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to the	
	and its affects on the standard	Fine Gael Branch, Bray. Criticism of the budget d of living. 4pp	
661	[June 1952]	Typescript copy text of a speech by MacEoin in support of the Fine Gael and Inter-party	
	candidates in the North Mayo, Limerick and Waterofrd bye-elections. Criticism of the Government's budget proposals and credit restrictions. The record of the Inter-Party Government. 5pp		
662	2 November 1952	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at an after-Mass meeting at Ballinamuck. Government	
	monetary policy making development funds expensive. 4pp		
663	16 November 1952	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin welcoming John A. Costello to a meeting of the	
	policy a half-hearted and	Executive at Mullingar. Government's economic ineffective continuation of the Inter-Party Bank policy to restrict credit.	
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664	Northwest Dublin Fianna Fá	Handwritten text of a speech or statement by MacEoin in response to a speech by Erskine and Telegraphs and a T.D. for Longford, to the il Comhairle Ceanntair, criticising the Inter-Party Eoin refers to current government proposals, ation and sterling assets. 6pp
665	[c. February 1953] Devine, the local postmist Childers, Minister for Posts a	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin before a meeting in Ballinalee, called to support Mrs ress, dismissed from her position by Erskine and Telegraphs. 6pp
666	19 April 1953 meeting at Rathkeale, Cou expenditure and taxation plan	Incomplete (first page only) typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Fine Gael Executive inty Limerick. Criticism of the Government's ns. 1p
667		Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Wicklow bye-election campaign meeting in ving day, to a Fine Gael Executive meeting in s taxation policy; Fine Gael's agricultural policy. 2pp
668		Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at an East Cork bye-election campaign meeting at day, at Cobh. Harsh budgets of the previous two of restricting credit; Fine Gael agricultural policy; Bank creating dear money. 5pp
669	18 October [1953] Inishowen Fine Gael Distric capital development.	Incomplete [first page only] typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a meeting of the t Executive. Fianna Fáil's 'fantastic schemes' for 1p
670	Government's capital project	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at an after-Mass meeting in Moate. Fine Gael ational Loan; questionable benefit of many of the ts; the burden of taxation (4pp). Further copy of endments, to be delivered in another location. 2 items

671	29 November [1953] Criticism of the Governmemployment and local author	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Fine Gael Longford Executive meeting. ment's record on agricultural and industrial rity building. 2pp
672	17 January [1954] Kilcurry. Government is ove	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Louth bye-election campaign meeting at r-taxing and misspending. 4pp
673		Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at general election campaign meetings at ne Gael policy to reduce taxation; the punitive a Fáil Government; the record of the former Inter- 3pp
674	created by the present Gov	Incomplete typescript text (first 2pp only) of a speech by MacEoin at general election campaign Abbeyshrule and Ballymahon. Financial situation vernment; Fine Gael policy to cut penal taxes, ; capital development programme. 2pp
675	20 April 1954 Edgeworthstown and Granar and penal taxation; the Land	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at general election campaign meetings at d. The Government's record of high interest rates Rehabilitation Project. 3pp
676	1 May 1954 Athlone and Edgeworthstov Government's budget.	Cuttings from the <i>Longford News</i> and <i>Longford</i> <i>Leader</i> reporting speeches by MacEoin at wn during the previous week. Criticism of the 2 items
677		Handwritten text of a speech by MacEoin welcoming John A. Costello to a general g in Mullingar. Fine Gael policy of capital and industry, Taxation record of the Fianna Fáil 5pp

678	9 May 1954 The need for a prosperous high taxation and spending.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a general election campaign meeting at Ennybegs. agricultural community; Fianna Fáil's record of 3pp
679		Press cuttings from the <i>Irish Press</i> and <i>Irish</i> <i>Independent</i> reporting a general election n in Tubbercurry. Fine Gael proposals to establish vide cheap credit; agricultural policy. 2 items
680	[May 1954] County Westmeath. Criticism as being of sectional benefit.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a general election campaign meeting at Moate, n of Fianna Fáil's capital expenditure programme 4pp
681	29 June 1954 designed to benefit agricult Fianna Fáil's 'fantastic plans	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin in Clonmellon. Government twelve point policy pure and industry; intention to reduce taxation; ' for capital development. 3pp
682	point plan; Fianna Fáil's 'fan	Typescript text (3pp) of a speech by MacEoin at a public reception and meeting in Longford. Fianna Fáil Government; Government's twelve tastic plans' for capital development. Copy of the ngford Urban District Council (2pp). 2 items
683	occasion (1p); covering note	Typescript notes for a speech by the Minister for Defence at the presentation of the Colour at the ning Camp (2pp); resumé of ceremonies for the from J. Flynn, Adjutant General (22 July 1954, poem 'Fornocht do Chonnach Thú' by Padraig l's motto was taken. 4 items

684	October 1954	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a meeting in Drumlish to welcome him as
	and the Fianna Fáil economic reporting the meeting and Parliamentary Question put allegations by MacEoin in entered into commitments for 1954, 1p). Letter from J. Hea	first official visit to the town. Government policy c legacy (2pp). Cutting from the <i>Longford Leader</i> the Minister's speech. Annotated copy of a down by Deputy Frank Carter, arising from the speech, that the previous Government had r which no financial provision was made (October ly, Secretary to the Department of Finance, to the nister for Defence, concerning responsibility for
685	Ard Fheis; agricultural and recruits. Copy letter from M	Typescript text with handwritten amendments of a speech by MacEoin presiding at the constituency convention (4pp). The forthcoming industrial policy; appeal for Army and F.C.A. MacEoin to P. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine s at the convention and issues raised. 2 items
686		Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin, presiding at Fine Gael constituency conventions ay, in Newtowncashel. The Government's twelve overnment reform and the forthcoming local and development. 8pp
687	15 May 1955 Donegal. Forthcoming local twelve point programme.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Fine Gael convention in Bundoran, County elections; the Government's first budget and its 4pp
688	22 May 1955 Ennybegs, County Longford plan and first budget.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at local election campaign meetings in Drumlish and . The Government's candidates; its twelve point 6pp#
689	29 May 1955 and Legga, County Longfor programme and first budget.	Typescript draft text of a speech by MacEoin at local election campaign meetings at Clomcille rd. The Fine Gael candidates; its twelve point 4pp

690		Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin replying to the toast at a dinner of the St Mary's Past on the occasion of the beatification of the Venerable founder of the Marist Brothers (2pp). Annotated 2 items
691		Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a local election campaign meeting at Ballymahon, arious development and support schemes which Mr
	James Dillon, Minister fo	r Agriculture, has in operation at present. 5pp
692	18 June 1955	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a local election campaign meeting in Athlone. The
	Inter-Party Government's schemes.	s desire and ability to create prosperity; no grandiose 2pp
693	6 November 1955	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at East Limerick bye-election campaign meetings in
	Abbeyfeale and Athea. achievements to date.	The Inter-Party Government's programme and 5pp
694	15 November 1955	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at the opening of a new housing scheme at Blackhorse
	Avenue, Dublin. The de soldiers.	sirability of providing modern housing for married 3pp
695	20 November 1955	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at West Limerick by e-election campaign meetings at
	Croom and Meanus. The Fine Gael candidate, Denis Jones; achievements of the Government, particularly in agriculture and pensions. 6pp	
696	10, 11 December 1955	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at West Limerick bye-election campaign meetings at
	-	ilcoman. The Fine Gael and Labour candidates stand f the Inter-Party Government; achievements in

697	[1955]	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to Executives, District Executives and Branches of
	elections (3pp). Includes an	hem on their performance in the recent local alysis of the figures and reference to the County g law. Attached are tables from Fine Gael Party rote (5pp). 2 items
698	4 December 1955 industrial development and a	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at the Longford County Executive. The Government's gricultural policy is beginning to bear fruit. 5pp
699	4 March 1956	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to a meeting of the Longford Executive of Fine
	Gael. The recent North Kerr schemes.	y bye-election; agricultural and rural development 5pp
700	18 March 1956	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a conference of Fine Gael supporters in Longford.
	The balance of payments de price of cattle.	ficit and increases in the Book of Estimates; the 3pp
701	15 April 1956	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at
		Laois-Offaly bye-election campaign meetings ry. The Government's programme; agriculture as ; the problem of illegal organisations. 6pp
702	27 April 1956	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at
	Clara and Tullamore. T Government's achievements	Laois-Offaly bye-election campaign meetings in The Inter-Party Government candidate; the in maintaining or reducing prices and raising cultural development schemes.
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703		Cutting from the <i>Longford Leader</i> containing the closing portion of the speech by MacEoin as l Éireann, during the debate on the Vote for his	
	Department. Refers mainly Pensions Act.	to Army pensions under the Military Service 1 item	
704	20 May 1956	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at after-Mass meetings in Ballinamuck and	
	Drumlish. The recent budget;	Government unity. 4pp	
705	14 June 1956	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at the commissioning ceremony for F.C.A officers at	
	Finner Camp, County Doneg military age to join the defend	al. In English and Irish. Urges all young men of ce forces. 3pp	
706	17 June 1956	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a meeting of Fine Gael Longford County	
	Executive. The economic position of the country; availability of Marshall Aid money; the Government's development programme. 5pp		
707	23 June 1956	Cutting from the <i>Wexford People</i> , supplied by the Government Information Bureau to the	
	at the unveiling of a Celtic (	rting a speech by MacEoin, Minister for Defence, Cross memorial over the grave of Miles Byrne, a exford in 1798, in Paris on 20 June 1956. 1 item	
708	June 1956	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at the unveiling of the memorial to Miles Byrne in	
	-	s, recalling Byrne's achievement and the 1798 ch in Irish rendered phonetically. 3 press cuttings	
709	26 June 1956	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin opening a new gymnasium for the 1 Western Battalion at	
	Dún Uí Mhaoilíosa, Galwa recreational facilities in a solo	ay. In English and Irish. The importance of	

710	13 July 1956	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Cork City bye-election campaign meeting in	
		ndidates; outstanding qualities of the Taoiseach; paign; Government objectives.	
711	10 August 1956	Typescript notes for a speech by MacEoin at a defence forces awards ceremony at Gormanstown Camp. 2pp	
712	21 October 1956 comprehensive economic Taoiseach.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at an after-Mass meeting in Ballinalee. The development programme announced by the 7pp	
713	27, 28 October 1956 Thomastown. The Governm of payments deficit.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at campaign meetings at Craiguenamanagh and ent's economic programme to correct the balance 5pp	
714	-	Dublin South-West bye-election campaign meetings at Terenure and Inchicore. The Government's plan to combat the 'economic blizzard in which restriction of credit is common to every country	
715	6 December 1956 the Treaty. The significance prosperous and united count	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin in Dublin on the 35 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of e of the Treaty as the basis for development into a ry. 4pp	
716		Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a meeting of the Fine Gael County Longford nounced by the Government to overcome the the country; Russia's savagery in Hungary. 4pp	
717	[c. 1956] development of a civil de significance and function of	Typescrip text of a radio broadcast by MacEoin announcing a recruitment drive and the fence organisation throughout the State, on the a civil defence force. 6pp	

718	[ <i>c</i> . 1956]	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a reunion of the Marist Brothers' Past Pupils'		
	Association. The dangers of G	Communism. 3pp		
719	3 February 1957	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a meeting of Fine Gael County Longford		
	Executive. The forthcoming Ard Fheis; the Government's programme for agricultural and economic development; subversive organisations. 9pp			
720	17 February 1957	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a general election campaign meeting in Athlone.		
	Fine Gael and Government p and mineral resources.	policy for the development of agriculture, industry 3pp		
721	24 February [1957]	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a general election campaign meeting in Longford.		
	The Government's Policy falternative.	for Production and the lack of an Opposition 3pp		
722	24 February [1957]	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a general election campaign meeting. Which parts		
	of the Government's develo abandon?	lopment plan would a Fianna Fáil government 3pp		
723	[March 1957]	Incomplete typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a general election campaign		
	meeting. Responsibilities of the electors; reason for the general election; the Government's successful policies. 3pp			
724	3 March 1957	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a general election campaign meeting in Athlone		
	(3pp). Copy of the text with handwritten amendments for delivery in Mullingar the following day. Overriding importance of agriculture to the economy; new scheme of agricultural credit; falling numbers of unemployed. 2 items			

725	ceremonies commemorating	Typescript text with handwritten amendments of a speech by MacEoin as leader of the Irish l Aramburu, President of Argentina, to attend the the birth of Admiral Don Guillermo Brown, avy. Their feelings of honour on receiving the n Ireland and Argentina. 3pp
726		Handwritten (9pp) and typescript copy (5pp) text of a speech by MacEoin at Drumlish, t general election; 1957 budget and the history of y; economic achievements of the two Inter-Party 2 items
727	15 August 1957 speech by MacEoin at Enni against Communism; peace v	Handwritten draft (6pp), typescript draft with amendments (4pp) and typescript text of a skillen. The history of partition; Christian unity with honour. 3 items
728	30 September 1957 The development and reorgan points of Party policy.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a meeting of Fine Gael Cavan County Executive. nisation of Fine Gael locally and nationally; main 4pp
729	[c. 1957] congress being held in Dun L	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin proposing the toast to the visitors to a bridge aoghaire. 1p
730	18 May [1958] Mullagh and Kilrickle. Gove removal of subsidies; increase	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at South Galway bye-election campaign meetings in ernment failures; abolition of works schemes and e in the cost of living. 3pp
731	<b>u</b>	Handwritten (8pp) and typescript (3pp) texts of a speech by MacEoin to a Fine Gael branch failure of Government policy; demonstrated in government; Blueprint for Prosperity. 2 items

732 19 September 1958 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to a Fine Gael Central Branch meeting in the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin. 'Proportional representation yesterday, today and tomorrow'. 6pp 733 21 September 1958 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at an after-Mass meeting at Granard (5pp). Elements of Fine Gael policy on agricultural and industrial development; failure of the Government. Also includes copy typescript minutes (2pp) of the annual meeting of the Granard Branch of Fine Gael held the same day. 2 items 734 13 December 1958-Presidential election and constitutional 15 June 1959 **referendum on P.R.:** file containing typescript copies of speeches by MacEoin at meetings throughout the country, campaigning as a candidate for the Presidency and for the retention of proportional representation in elections. Meetings are mainly Fine Gael Party meetings. Speeches are usually short (1-2pp) and consist of a reiteration of points from meeting to meeting: Fianna Fáil's original enthusiasm for P.R.; the Government's intolerance of opposition, its desire to establish a one-party parliament and to suppress minority parties; the benefits of the system and the history of its operation in Ireland; Fianna Fáil electoral malpractice; P.R. as a mechanism for ensuring minority representation for Northern Ireland Unionists in a United Ireland. Speeches also touch on broader issues outside the election, mainly Government economic policy. Includes a typescript text (16pp) of a speech by MacEoin to the Vote on Account in the Dáil Committee on Finance, on the Government's performance and plans for capital development. Reference to the presidential election in speeches is confined to the honour of being selected as a candidate and his own national record. 47 items 735 30 August 1959 Handwritten text of a speech by MacEoin to a Fine Gael County Longford Executive meeting. Serious problems of rising cost of living and emigration; balance of payments deficit. 2pp 736 25 October 1959 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to a Fine Gael County Longford Executive meeting. The retirement of General Mulcahy and John A. Costello. 2pp

737	14 December 1959, (3pp) and amended for delive	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to a Fine Gael convention in Ferns, County Wexford ery to a party regional conference at Tuam (2pp).		
		cultural credit; Government failures. 2 items		
738	23 February 1960	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to the Fine Gael Ard Fheis, proposing James Dillon as		
	President of the Party. 7 achievements.	Fribute to Mulcahy and Costello and their 4pp		
739	28 February 1960	Handwritten and typescript texts of an after- dinner speech by MacEoin at an East Limerick		
	Fine Gael dinner dance. I country's economic problems	dinner dance. Preparation for the forthcoming elections; the		
740	27 March 1960	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at an after-Mass meeting at Ballycastle, County		
	Mayo. High increases in public expenditure and taxation. 2pp			
741	30 April 1960	Cutting from the <i>Leitrim Observer</i> reporting a speech by MacEoin to a Fine Gael County		
	Leitrim convention in Carrick-on-Shannon. Fine Gael policy development under Mr Dillon; Government failure and lack of direction. 1 item			
742	14 August 1960	Handwritten (3pp) and typescript (2pp) texts of a speech by MacEoin to a meeting of Fine Gael		
	County Longford Executive. Longford.	Complete reorganisation of Fine Gael in County 2 items		
743	[ <i>c</i> . 1960]	Typescript text of an unidentified speech [by MacEoin to a Fine Gael meeting] urging		
	reorganisation of the whole f	inancial structure of the nation.		
		2pp		

744		Handwritten (3pp) and typescript (2pp) texts of a speech by MacEoin to a Fine Gael County parations for the general election; principal el programme are increased agricultural and 2 items
745	5 February 1961 for agricultural and industrial	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at the Fine Gael Sligo-Leitrim convention. Proposals development; failure of Government policy. 2pp
746	•	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a general election campaign meeting at an opportunity to condemn Fianna Fáil for d increasing emigration and employment. 2pp
747	September 1961	Cuttings from Longford newspapers reporting general election campaign speeches and broadcasts by MacEoin. 3 items
748	[1961] broadcast by MacEoin. Fine ( the Common Market.	Incomplete typescript draft with handwritten amendments of a general election campaign Gael policy on the European Free Trade Area and 3pp
749	11 October 1961 the nomination of James Dil the general election.	Handwritten (4pp) and typescript (3pp) texts of a speech by MacEoin in Dáil Éireann, moving lon for election as Taoiseach in the aftermath of 2 items
750	[1961] Dillon as Taoiseach. The per party[Not the same as P151	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin in Dáil Éireann moving the nomination of James sonal qualities of the man and the policies of his /749]. 4pp
751	20 May 1962 Executive. The likelihood of to stand again.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a meeting of Fine Gael Longford County a general election in the near future; his intention 1p

752	-	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin unveiling a memorial near Croosdoney, Thomas Sheridan, Drumbrade Company 920, and died three days later. 2pp	•
753	-	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin residential study session at Malahide o Fine Gael. Necessity for the reorganis ection of candidates for the next election el economic policy. 3pp	rganised ation of
754	12 May 1963 District Executive in Athlo condemnation of the budget.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin meeting of the Fine Gael South We ne. Forthcoming Ard Fheis; rising em 2pp	estmeath
755	16 December 1963 Executive. Economic and pol	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin meeting of the Fine Gael Dublin South-V itical success of Fine Gael in government 3pp	West
756	28 January 1964 Ormonde Hotel. The Gover policy.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin Fine Gael Dublin North-West dinner mment's Turnover Tax; Fine Gael age 1p	in the
757	22 March 1964 (5pp). Cutting from the <i>Westr</i>	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin Collins' commemoration at Béal na <i>neath Independent</i> reporting the speech. 2 items	
758		Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin Fine Gael Longford-Westmeath convent f the Party; the conventions's responsib ation. Amended copy with the section ref red. 2pp	ion. ility; his

759	9 May 1964 with details of MacEoin's balance of payments problem	Cutting from the <i>Anglo-Celt</i> reporting the Fine Gael County Cavan constituency convention address. Fianna Fáil economic policy and the 1 item
760		Cutting from the <i>Longford Leader</i> reporting a speech by MacEoin at Ballymahon on Fine Gael ture. Attached is a copy of the Roscommon bye- <i>1</i> consisting of points from a speech by James 64. 2 items
761	28 June 1964 Clonown. Local agricultural nationally.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Roscommon bye-election campaign speech at problems; the Government's failure locally and 2pp
762	23 August 1964	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at the annual Collins commemoration at Béal na mBláth. 1p
763	20 September 1964 Executive. Arrangements for policy and the Government's	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to a meeting of Fine Gael Longford County next year's local elections; Fine Gael agricultural Land Bill. 2pp
764	21 September 1964 <i>Irish Independent</i> reporting Gael Longford County Execu	Typescript copy memorandum on the provisions of the Land Bill, 1963 (3pp). Cutting from the the speech by MacEoin at the meeting of Fine tive [P151/763]. 2 items
765	11 November 1964 Gael agricultural policy; hig failures.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at after-Mass meetings at Moyne and Legga. Fine gh emigration and the Government's economic 2pp
766	1 December 1964 responsibilities of personatin the West under the Fianna Fá	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to Galway East bye-election workers. The g agents under the new electoral law; decline of il Government. 2pp

767		Cutting from the <i>Longford Leader</i> reporting a speech by MacEoin to a meeting of the of Fine Gael. Significance of local government; -Party Government; Fianna Fáil failures in 1 item
768	18 March 1965	Typescript text of a general election broadcast by MacEoin on Radio Éireann. The heads of Fine Gael policy. 3pp
769	20 March [1965] Fine Gael programme des production and to review taxa	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a general election campaign meeting at Granard. signed to increase industrial and agricultural ation. 2pp
770	21 August 1966	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at the annual Collins commemoration at Béal na mBláth. 1p
771	13 October 1966	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin unveiling portraits of the 1916 leaders in the Annally Hotel, Longford. 2pp
772	8 June 1967 Longford (4pp). Cutting from MacEoin's remarks.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a banquet in his honour in the Annally Hotel, a the <i>Longford Leader</i> reporting the occasion and 2 items
773	7 September 1967 negotiation of the Anglo-Irish	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at the Rotary Club, Dún Laoghaire. Background to the n Treaty. 4pp
774	3 October 1968 Westmeath County Executiv representation.	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a presentation to him organised by Fine Gael e in Mullingar. The referendum on proportional 4pp

775	24 August 1969	Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at the annual Collins commemoration at Béal na mBláth. 1p	
776	14 June 1971	Handwritten draft and text of a reply by MacEoin to the toast of his health at a function	
	organized by the 1016 21 C		
	organised by the 1916-21 Club in the Lansdowne Hotel, Dublin, to mark the		
	50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of his court-	martial and sentence to death. 4pp	

# H. Fine Gael Party Material

#### i. Policy and Organisation, 1930-72

777	28 March 1930	Ha	andwritten	pag	e of n	otes by Ma	acEo	in taken at
		a	meeting	of	the	Cumann	na	nGaedheal
		[Pa	arliamenta	ury]]	Party.	1p		

778	16 December 1930	2 letters from Patrick Belton, Belfield Park,
		Drumcondra, County Dublin, to MacEoin (both
	16 December 1930, 2pp and	6pp) the second merely adverting to the fact the

16 December 1930, 2pp and 6pp), the second merely adverting to the fact that he had sent the first to MacEoin's Lansdowne Road address only to find that he had gone to Longford, that he had instructed that it should be forwarded, and that MacEoin should attend to it as soon as he received it. 'There is no time to be lost now. I have had a/cs [accounts] from Roscommon,

There is no time to be lost now. I have had a/cs [accounts] from Roscommon, Kerry, Cork, Limerick, Clare, Tipperary & Wexford. I have written *Derry Journal, Wexford People & Clonmel Nationalist* just to keep things warm. If a move is not made at once the country will get ahead and F.F. will profit ... The other parties will pawn their shirts to crush us & if we fail all hope in that direction is gone for a generation & then all is up. You should have everything ready on paper this week & you should tour the country & talk with your key men'. Copy typescript noncommital reply from MacEoin, Dáil Éireann. 'I will be happy to talk the matter over with you again and will give you a ring after Christmas' (22 December 1930, 1p). 3 items 779 [1931] Template of a speech for adaptation and use by Cumann na nGaedheal deputies. The unreliable antecedents of Fianna Fáil; the achievements of the Government since independence. 11pp 780 11 September 1934 Personal letter from Eoin O'Duffy, Fine Gael, Merrion Square. Dublin. to MacEoin. speculating on his own future in the party, whether 'to get out quietly or to try to carry on for another while ... I saw hope for Ireland in the National Guard provided they maintained their independence & esprit de corps – and a national ideal – the urge and driving spirit behind Fine Gael, but the last meeting of the National Executive shattered all my hopes in this regard. All the talk we had about the moral law - you know what Dan Hogan would call it'. 2pp 781 1934 The Labour Policy of Fine Gael. Policy Series Pamphlet No. 2. Consists of extracts from speeches by General Eoin O'Duffy at meetings in Kildare, February 1934, and Sligo, March 1934. 20pp 782 23 August 1935 Typescript text of the address by Commandant Cronin to the League of Youth Congress, Mansion House, Dublin, on his appointment as Director General. Review of events since the formation of the Army Comrades Association. 11pp 783 16 October 1936 Letter from W.T. Cosgrave, Fine Gael, Merrion Square, Dublin, to MacEoin, Garvagh House, Edgeworthstown, Longford. 'I could no longer accept responsibility as Chairman of this Organisation if the internal work were to be continually upset or delayed by differences and difficulties ... on the eve of a General Election, when other matters are of the first importance and arrangements have to be made which require cordial co-operation, attention is diverted from the major problems to the settling of differences in our own ranks'. He calls MacEoin to a special meeting of the National Executive to consider decisions taken by the Standing Committee. 1p

784	[c.1939] home consumption and for e	<b>Production potential of our land:</b> copy memorandum on agricultural production for xport [intended to provide points for speakers?]. 5pp
785	Gael Party on the war, I hav non-belligerent – that is neu to be otherwise. In fact neut	Letter from W.T. Cosgrave, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, in reply to a letter from estion raised in your letter, the policy of the Fine ve only to say the policy is unchanged. It remains tral. We have neither the means nor the resources trality has cost & will cost in money & resources ford by reason of the economic & financial policy 2pp
786	Taoiseach and Minister for	Letter from Liam Burke, General Secretary, Fine Gael, Merrion Square, Dublin, to MacEoin, on to send a deputation including himself to the or Agriculture concerning the coal supply for he name of the other members of the deputation 1p
787	him my information was the meeting of the Party before	Letter from Joe [McGrath], Cabinteely House, County Dublin, referring to a conversation with who 'said his Party wanted the election and I told e opposite and I pressed him hard to call a special the Dáil met next week and to put my proposal course of action involving MacEoin to advance his 2pp
788	13 April 1944 discussion. Heavily annota meeting.	Agenda for a meeting of the Fine Gael National Executive with copies of resolutions received for ted by MacEoin as to the proceedings of the 4pp
789	4 May 1944	Annotated agenda for a Fine Gael [Parliamentary?] Party meeting. 1p

790	(March 1937, 8pp; January	Letter from Richard Mulcahy, Dáil Éireann, to each member of the Fine Gael Policy Committee eads of Fine Gael policy issued at various times 1943, 2pp; June 1943, 2pp); copies of the texts of neiseanna for the previous two years (1945, 8pp; 6 items
791	1947 submission to the Ard Fheis,	Fine Gael <i>Draft Scheme of Organisation</i> as approved by the National Council for 1947. 6pp
792	achievements after eleven n confidences with those De	Typescript text of the address by An Taoiseach John A. Costello to an Inter-Party Government House. A general view of the Government's nonths in office and 'an opportunity to exchange puties and Senators who have expressed their rily granting us their support since February 18 33pp
793	6 January 1951 emphasising the need to it provincial newspapers.	Circular letter from P.F. Dineen, Director of Organisation, Fine Gael, Hume Street, Dublin, initiate propaganda by writing to national and 1p
794	10 January 1951 committees within each cons	Report on organisation for the National Council. Consists of a list of constituencies ; of executive stituency; and of the number of branches. 2pp
795	invitations to Party social Committee; letters from Pa	

796	collection; the selection of el	Handwritten notes or minutes by MacEoin of a Fine Gael [National Council] meeting. Deals and financial matters such as the national ection candidates; the relationship of the Council and development plan and the Government's 2pp
797	•	Circular letter from P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine Gael, Hume Street, Dublin, to ative, concerning arrangements for the national gested draft posters and a specimen return form. 5pp
798	-	Letter from P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine Gael, Hume Street, Dublin, to each member of inclosing a copy of the amended <i>Scheme of</i> testing comments before the next meeting of the 6pp
799	1953	Fine Gael <i>Scheme of Organisation</i> as authorised by the Ard Fheis, 1953. 8pp
800	29 September 1957 County Monaghan. Increa Government; Fine Gael agric	Typescript text of a speech by James Dillon at a Fine Gael executive meeting at Ballybay, sed exports the legacy of the Inter-Party ultural policy. 2pp
801	[September 1957] the Government's record on e	Fine Gael Research and Information Committee statement on the employment position. Criticises employment creation. 2pp

802		Statement reprinted from the <i>Irish Independent</i> of Fine Gael's opposition to Ireland's position at ting proposals for troop withdrawals from Europe hission of Communist China to the U.N. 1p
803	Bench Committee on Curre	Note from John O'Donovan, Seanad Éireann, to MacEoin (26 November 1957, 1p) enclosing a op) he had undertaken to prepare for the Front ency and Credit. Memorandum is entitled 'The olic of Ireland and its effects on the availability of 2 items
804		Front Bench Note No.1 concerning procedures to be taken by Front Bench Leaders in addressing matters within their sphere of interest. ers of the Defence Group with MacEoin as their 2pp
805	and Information Centre cont	Letter from P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine Gael, referring to a forthcoming speech by py of a memorandum from the Party's Research taining information for use by Fine Gael public overnment decision on the price of wheat. 3pp
806	a copy of a memorandum (	Circular letter from Seán Healy, Secretary, National Farmers' Association, Earlsfort aber of the Oireachtas (5 July 1958, 1p) enclosing (2pp) containing the Association's views on the and the establishment of a Grain Board. 2 items
807	13 January 1959 mainly consisting of general referendum on proportional referendum	Rough handwritten minutes by MacEoin of a meeting of the National Council of Fine Gael points concerning the presidential election and epresentation. 2pp

808	October 1959 leadership of the Fine Gael Pa	2 short biographical publicity sketches of James Dillon on the occasion of his election to the arliamentary Party. 2pp
809	concerning the collection of	Circular letter from P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine Gael, to constituency and county ne National Council, deputies and senators, a constituency levy; arrangements for a church rn of details of local election candidates on an 3pp
810	sufficient candidates at the ne	Copy minutes for information, of meetings of the Special Committee on Organisation (25, 26 organisational needs in the context of fielding ext general election to secure an overall majority. irected by the Committee to be sent to each Fine nisational objectives. 3pp
811	Rathdown deputies and senat	Circular letter from P.S. Dineen to Fine Gael deputies and senators (6 September 1960, 1p) ublin City and County and Dún Laoghaire/ ors, presided over by Seán MacEoin. Letter from mber 1960, 2pp) concerning the items to be pects of organisation. 2 items
812	have forwarded to Mr Dillon the Party'. The motion contain Front Bench colleagues. He s to the Party and, if necessary, instructs the Front Bench to p and enunciates the principles	Private and confidential letter from Declan Costello to each Fine Gael deputy. He is 'taking losing a copy of the Notice of Motion which I for discussion at next Wednesday's meeting of ns views not shared by a majority of Costello's eeks a decision as to whether they are acceptable will request a formal vote. The Notice of Motion roduce a detailed economic and financial policy upon which the policy should be based. Also morandum (5pp) on the resolution. 3 items

813	19 March 1965 elements of the Fine Gael pol	Cuttings from the <i>Irish Times</i> <i>Independent</i> reporting the pub icy document 'Towards a Just	blication and major Society'.
			2 items
814	•	condition would not allow me e Governing Body of Fine Gae	el, confirming the to contest a
815		Summaries of each of the men comprising the policy docume duction and memoranda on e and monetary policy; taxation	ent 'Towards a Just economic planning;
816	behalf of his clients, Mauric Henry Kelly. McDowell refer but not answered, concern proposes a course of action Gael Party may be solved wi	MacEoin's copy of a letter fro McDowell & Co., Solicitors J.W. Sanfrey, General Secret e O'Connell, John O'Grady, rs to his previous letter to Sanf ing his clients expulsion fro 'as to how the problem arisi th the least damage to the Par Party Room in Leinster House	s, Merrion Square, ary, Fine Gael, on John Maguire and frey, acknowledged om the Party. He ng within the Fine ty', beginning with
817	[1960s]	<i>Fine Gael Scheme of Organis</i> covering all aspects of membership.	
818	April 1970 introductory memorandum b the revision. [Incomplete, p.8	Fine Gael Constitution and R revised constitution and by William Finlay explaining missing].	rules with an

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12 April 1972 Typescript draft with handwritten amendments of a letter from MacEoin, St Bricin's Hospital, Infirmary Road, Dublin, to Liam Cosgrave T.D., President of Fine Gael, concerning the international legal position relating to Northern Ireland. He gives his view of the historical and constitutional position of the Treaty to conclude that 'The British Government, therefore, have acted illegally to bring Northern Ireland to Westminster. [by abolishing the Northern Ireland Government] The advice Professor Hudson, international law adviser, gave me for your late father - to register the Treaty as an international instrument was to cater for a situation that might arise and has now arisen' (12 April 1972, 3pp). Typescript final text of the letter (3pp). Typescript copy of a letter from Manley O. Hudson, Professor of International Law, Harvard University, and International Law Adviser to the League of Nations, Geneva, to MacEoin (4 July 1923, 2pp) concerning the significance of the wording of the Treaty and Ireland's independent position in building up practices which will give the Treaty its meaning. 3 items

#### ii. Ard Fheiseanna, 1937-69

820	1937	Fine Gael heads of policy as announced by W.T. Cosgrave and adopted by the Ard Fheis, Dublin, March 1937. 8pp
821	21 January 1947	<i>Report of the National Council</i> submitted to the Ard Fheis, 1947. First report of the Council established by the previous Ard Fheis. 12pp
822	1951	Copy of the resolutions presented to the Ard Fheis, 1951, together with some handwritten annotations. 4pp
823		Typescript text of the speech by John A. Costello, Leader of the Opposition, to the Fine Mansion House, Dublin. Artificial economic crisis speeches; Ireland as a member of the sterling area ments position. 13pp

Pamphlet containing the texts of some of the 824 February 1953 speeches delivered to the Ard Fheis, 1953. Includes General Mulcahy's presidential address and John A. Costello's speech on party policy. 20pp 825 February 1954 Typescript text of the speech by John A. Costello to the Ard Fheis in the Mansion House. Need for the country to look forward. What is the difference between the parties? Government economic policy and the high rate of emigration. The needs of industry and agriculture. 11pp 826 February 1955 Brief for a Government spokesman on ground-rents, prepared in response to a resolution before the Ard Fheis, that the Government buy out the interests of ground landlords and re-sell the sites to owner-occupiers. 5pp Letter from P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine 827 January-February 1957 Gael, to MacEoin enclosing a copy of the text of Ard Fheis resolutions (4pp) to assist him in replying to those relating to his Department, and requesting that he also address those relating to Justice (26 January 1957, 1p). Correspondence between J. McDermott, Private Secretary to the Minister for Defence, and R. Ryan, Personal Secretary to James Everett, Minister for Justice, seeking information on the Justice resolutions (January-February 1957, 3 items); and notes for reply to resolutions on the black marketing of cinema tickets and the itinerant problem (3pp). 7 items Printed text of resolutions before the Ard Fheis. 828 February 1957 4pp 829 February 1957 Text of the presidential address by General Mulcahy to the Ard Fheis. Unnatural party divisions in Irish politics; achievements of the two Inter-Party Governments; economic policy. 9pp

830 February 1957 Text of the statement by Gerard Sweetman, Minister for Finance, to the Ard Fheis, for release to the press. Comprehensive overview of the Government's economic and budgetary proposals for 1957/8; and a review of measures already taken to address the balance of payments problem. 16pp

831 February 1957 Text of the address by An Taoiseach John A. Costello, to the Ard Fheis. Responsibility for calling a damaging general election; the real reason for Clann na Poblachta withdrawing support was 'the Government action against the unlawful use of force ... the actions we have taken to defend the democratic institutions of the State ...'; the record of achievement of the outgoing government; policy on Northern Ireland and partition. 25pp

832 February 1958 Text of the presidential address by General Mulcahy to the Ard Fheis. Record of Fianna Fáil's first year in government; need for Fine Gael reorganisation; the establishment of a Research and Information Group and the reorganisation of the Front Bench; Fine Gael's long tradition of public service and its achievements in government. 6pp

- 833 February 1960 Text of the presidential address by General Mulcahy to the Ard Fheis. Defeat of the previous year's referendum established proportional representation unassailably as the basis of representation; contributions of John A. Costello and Seán MacEoin; his own resignation as president of the party; the forthcoming local elections. 8pp
- 834 February 1960 Text of the address by James Dillon, leader of the Fine Gael Parliamentary Party, to the Ard Fheis. Need for funds and organisation to fulfill the role of an effective Opposition; forthcoming local elections; agriculture the basis for an expanding national economy; heads of agricultural, industrial and budgetary policy; law reform, health, education and foreign policy. 12pp

835 February 1962 Text of the presidential address by James Dillon to the Ard Fheis. Promotion of effective party organisation; the economic and political implications of entry into the Common Market; foreign policy, agriculture, health, education, social welfare and local government. 12pp

- 836 May 1963 Text of the presidential address by James Dillon to the Ard Fheis. Fianna Fáil's failure in employment creation; high emigration, high taxation, high cost of living, the national debt and government expenditure; disastrous government budgetary policy; foreign policy; agriculture, education, health and social welfare; tourism and fisheries. 13pp
- May 1969 Handwritten copy letter from MacEoin to Liam Cosgrave, President of Fine Gael, wishing the forthcoming Ard Fheis every success.
  'I still feel that the Vice-Presidentship of mine should be given to an active man. I regret that I cannot be active and therefore I am not helping the organisation which now requires activity of everyone'. 1p

# iii. Elections

838		Handwritten and typescript notes for a speech by MacEoin accepting the nomination as Cumann e in the Leitrim-Sligo bye-election. 2 election handbills both dealing with the question of land annuities.
		5 items
839	June 1929	Handbill supporting McKeon's ( <i>sic</i> ) candidature in the Leitrim-Sligo bye-election. Text in doggerel.
		we want to help our Captain through, cKeon – the others have the "Flu".' 20 lines

840	June 1929 Sligo at the bye-election on	Letters and telegrams of congratulation to MacEoin on his election as T.D. for Leitrim- 7 June. 30 items
841	before since he did not have	Letter from J.A. Costello, Attorney General, offering his congratulations on MacEoin's and enclosing a letter he had been unable to send e MacEoin's address (4 June 1929, 1p).The earlier which would in any way contribute to the success 2 items
842	you do, and I am glad bec campaign about Land Annu	Letter from Michael Fogarty, Bishop of Killaloe, Ennis, County Clare, congratulating MacEoin on deserves public honour at the hands of Ireland as sause of the country, its safety and honesty. This nities is shameful in the extreme, and yet see how epared to follow a banner with dishonesty written 3pp
843	• •	Letter from P. Walsh, Garda Commissioner, congratulating MacEoin on his election. 'I hope cal world will be long, prosperous and honourable e you hang up the sword & take to the weapons of e of happiness'. 1p
844	proposing preparatory devel	Typescript copy report of the Ard-Comhairle of Cumann na nGaedheal (3pp) focusing on the e-elections in Dublin North and Leitrim-Sligo and lopments for the next general election. Attached is results of votes cast by booth in the Leitrim-Sligo 2 items

845	•	Completed form <i>Notice of Appointment of</i> <i>Sub-Agents</i> , appointing MacEoin as sub-agent ate in the Longford-Westmeath constituency bye- From of undertaking to preserve the secrecy of Eoin (13 June 1930, 2pp). 2 items
846	•	Election handbill supporting Vincent Delany ( <i>sic</i> ), the Cumann na nGaedheal candidate in the ection. 'Fianna Fáil is making the payment of -R.I.C. men an issue in this election'. 1 item
847	June 1930 for Labour. Geoghegan Stand	Handbill: 'Vote for Delaney and Help the Government to Finish the Job. Delaney Stands Is for Himself'. 1 item
848	delegates for the interest the the State. I should also lik Convention the appreciation which Deputies have unfailing that has just closed'. He urges the selection of st election on the basis of their 'It is unnecessary for me to before them in the coming H with a substantial majority coming years, that party sh various parties seeking the Government capable of upfil	impress on Delegates that the great work that lies Election will be to return the present Government The country's interests demand that in the nould have a majority which alone among the electors' support is in a position to choose a olding the people's rights, preserving the peace I at the same time of developing the agricultural

849	'May I direct your attention to	Letter from Liam T. MacCosgair, Department of the President, to MacEoin in Longford. o the subject of our conversation on a recent date. going slow in that business for reasons which I advise you are weighty'. 1p
850	26 February- 1 March 1932 transport; and applications for	Accounts in connection with MacEoin's election campaign including a list of people who had acted as personating agents or provided r payment for services given. 6 items
851	a matter of individual taste th opinion when I say that a b nGaedheal can have no place tell you where your place is a must often have felt yourself. There are two parties alread creation of a third is not im	Letter from Peadar Ua Nuallain, 103 Strand Road, Sandymount, Dublin, to MacEoin. or the Irish Labour Party, and the choice is more an anything else. I am merely voicing the general ody of hybrid conglomerations like Cumann na in the Ireland of the future It is not for me to at such a moment as this, but I have no doubt you f out of tune with your present surroundings ly in existence that intend to do things but the possible, if such a course should be considered e most vehement way about any kind of inaction 5pp
852	[1932] the context of the 1932 gene published by J.R. Downes, So	Pamphlet entitled <i>The Fianna Fáil Fake about</i> <i>the Land Annuities – and the Truth</i> . Published in eral election. Unattributed to any political party, plicitor, Mullingar. 4pp
853	2 March 1932 Lansdowne Road, Dublin, t members elected for Longford	Official form of notification from Colm Ó Murchadha, Clerk of the Dáil, to MacEoin, 54 hat his name has been returned as one of the d-Westmeath. 1 item

Typescript text of points for Cumann na 1933 854 nGaedheal speakers in the general election campaign, 1933. Focus on the deterioration in the general position of the country over the previous year. 13pp 855 1937 File of routine documents relating mainly to arrangements for polling in the Athlone-Longford constituency in the general election. Consists overwhelmingly of report forms returned by polling area station directors to Fine Gael, listing the members who served on election day and in what capacity. Also includes copies of nomination papers for MacEoin, William Finnerty and Hugh Garahan for more than one election; a handwritten list of League of Youth County Staff; and some correspondence, mainly of a congratulatory nature, in the aftermath of the election. 90 items 856 16 June 1937 Circular from A.J. Martin, Secretary to the Publicity Department, Fine Gael, Merrion Square, Dublin, enclosing a list of provincial papers to be used for advertisements and a list of draft slogans for use by constituencies in the general election campaign. 4pp 857 July 1937 Completed report form from the Fine Gael Station Director for the Polling Area of Granard, to W.T. Cosgrave, President, Fine Gael, recording the Fine Gael personnel who served on polling day and the capacities in which they served. 1p 858 1937 Series of 18 notes for Fine Gael speakers in the general election campaign, focusing on individual policy areas, economic and constitutional, domestic and international. 8º loose leaf format. 18pp 859 Official form of notification from Colm Ó 12 July 1937 Murchadha, Clerk of the Dáil, to MacEoin as one of the members elected for the constituency of Athlone-Longford, to attend at his office to sign the roll of members. 1p

860	new body, and the likelihood an attempt to create a Senate He urges MacEoin to ensure council 'should be persons selection of persons for mer and that they should be perso to make the Senate an institu- the better doing of the country people in the country'. Also includes 6 letters from MacEoin's support for their	Letter from Richard Mulcahy, Fine Gael, Merrion Square, Dublin, to MacEoin (3 January chooming Seanad elections, the composition of the I that Fianna Fáil would use their organisation 'in e to be a piece of Party Machinery of their own'. that the seven electors selected by his own county who will set their faces definitely against the nbership of the Senate merely on Party grounds, ons who will be prepared to co-operate with others ution which will bring together in the interests of ty's work some of the best-informed and energetic n or on behalf of potential candidates seeking nomination, or his vote in the event of their being 938), including a letter from James Crosbie, nuary 1938, 1p). 7 items
861	• • •	Pocket notebook and 4 receipts and invoices relating to routine small expenditure for the n the Granard area of the constituency. Expenses ebook also includes some lists of subscriptions. 5 items
862	[31 May 1944] of [Athlone-Longford]. Pre election, 1943, in the constitu	Public notice of the result of the general election and of the transfer of votes in the constituency ss cutting attached with results of the general nency. 2 items
863	12 January 1948 Westmeath' for the general Michael Collins, Arthur Grif	Handwritten draft of the 'Personal Message from Gen. Seán MacEoin T.D. to the Electors of election. 'Stand fast to the memory of the great fith and Kevin O'Higgins'. 3pp
864	January 1948 summarising the main points	Address from the four Fine Gael candidates to the electors of Longford-Westmeath, of party policy. 2pp

865	1948 foundation of the State an industry and housing.	General election handbill entitled 'Let Erin Remember', recalling Fine Gael's part in the d giving broad outlines of policy on farming, 1 item
866	and typescript lists of bran canvassers and car men; lists stations in the constituency election campaign?]. Copie	File of routine administrative material relating mainly to the general election campaign in the tuency. Consists overwhelmingly of handwritten ach secretaries, personation agents, tally clerks, s of polling station staff and official list of polling 7. List of MacEoin's engagements [for a local es of the public notice of the result in the congford, for the 1938 and 1943 general elections. 86pp
867	1948 votes in the Longford-Westn	MacEoin's copy of the official public notice of the result of the general election and transfer of neath constituency. 1 item, outsize
868	1951 control; the Inter-Party Gove	<i>Points for Speakers</i> in the general election campaign. Fianna Fáil's proposals for wage rnment's achievements in dairy production. 3pp
869	May 1951 constituency, Seán MacEoin of the Inter-Party Governmen	General election leaflet in support of the Fine Gael candidates in the Longford-Westmeath and Joseph Sheridan. Concentrates on the record nt. 2pp
870	May 1951 constituency; achievements of	General election address from the two Fine Gael candidates in the Longford-Westmeath of the Inter-Party Government. 2pp

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871	May 1951	Press cuttings of general election results pasted into an unused 1949 desk diary. 7pp
872	4 May 1951 the deputies returned for Lor sign the Roll of Members.	Official notice from Muircheartach Ó Conaill, Clerk of the Dáil, requiring MacEoin as one of ngford-Westmeath, to attend at Leinster House to 1 item
873	May 1952 unemployment and the Gove	<i>Points for Speakers</i> in bye-election campaigns. Focus on economic issues, cost of living, rnment's taxation policy. 7pp
874	June 1952	<i>Points for Speakers No.</i> 2. Deals with agricultural production, imports and external trade. 6pp
875	April 1953 during the Wicklow bye-elec	Points for Speakers No. 1 and No. 2, issued byFine Gael to assist speakers and canvasserstion campaign.6pp
876	on the Budget (May 1953, 2 representatives; Fine Gael unemployment and the agriculture(June 1953, 1p); campaign speeches by Seán a speech by MacEoin (8pp);	Material relating to bye-election campaigns and the denigration of Government policy, ndeur' in public spending. Includes press cuttings items); extracts from statements by Government <i>Points for Speakers No.</i> 6, focusing on Inter-Party Government's achievements in press releases describing the content of two MacBride in Wicklow (June 1953, 2pp); notes for press cuttings concerning Government 'showing a big way' (November 1953, 3 items). 13 items

877	unemployment; cost of livir	Series of <i>Points for Speakers</i> in the Wicklow (June 1953) and Galway South (August 1953) of Fine Gael agricultural and industrial policy; ng; reduce the Government's majority to force a e text of a speech by James Dillon at Carlow (12 10 items
878	14 March 1954	Typescript text of a speech by James Dillon at the Fine Gael Selection Convention at Ballybay. Heads of Fine Gael policy. 2pp
879	1954	Points for Speakers No. 1. Fine Gael can do the job. 1p
880	1954 agricultural policy, to be used	<i>Quotations for Reference No. 1.</i> Extracts from speeches by Fianna Fáil candidates concerning d against them in the general election campaign. 2pp
881	1954 critical of Fianna Fáil policy Party.	<i>Quotations for Reference No. 2.</i> Consists largely of quotations from Patrick Cogan T.D. highly, taken from statements made before he joined the 3pp
882	[1954] divisions of the Longford-We	Notebook recording polling districts, Fine Gael branches and personnel within the electoral estmeath constituency. 25x20x1cms
883	the candidates he is writing Fine Gael speaker in Longfo	Copy letter from P.J. Shaw, Election Agent, Fine Gael, Mullingar, to Erskine Childers, graphs, Longford Arms Hotel. At the direction of to inform the Minister that an allegation that a ord referred to him as an 'Orange weed' is untrue written confirmation of the name of the person tement. 1p

884	Front Bench meetings in I	Routine material relating to the general election campaign, including some points for candidates, aspects of Fine Gael policy; arrangements for Longford and Westmeath; handwritten lists of s; notes for a speech; and copy of the Fine Gael . 12 items
885	22 May 1954 returned as one of the membe	Official notification from M. Ó Conaill, Clerk of the Dáil, to MacEoin, of his name being ers elected for Longford-Westmeath. 1 item
886	from each party and the num	Tables issued by the Department of the Taoiseach giving the situation in each general election with regard to members elected aber of first preference votes gained; naming the lection with boxes provided for the result to be 40pp
887	May 1960 election. Concerns unemplo production.	Points for Speakers and Canvassers No. 1 for local elections and the Carlow-Kilkenny bye- byment and emigration, taxation, and falling 3pp
888	3 December 1960 programme for the forthcomi	Text of a speech by James Dillon at a weekend study session at the Grand Hotel, Malahide. The ng general election. 6pp
889	branch members and handwr from Frank Davis, Longford	Routine material relating mainly to arrangements for the general election, 1961, neath constituency. Includes typescript lists of itten notes on election workers. Includes a letter d, (22 September 1961, 1p) denouncing James you play the role of Second Fiddle to such a 15 items

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890	2 July 1961	Points from a speech by Senator Michael Hayes at Manorhamilton, for the use of speakers and canvassers. 2pp
891	27 July 1961 MacEoin's information, reconstituency selection conve	Copy letter from Gerard Sweetman to P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine Gael, for eporting in detail on a Longford-Westmeath ention. 2pp
892	July 1961	<i>Points for Speakers</i> in the general election campaign. Fianna Fáil promised to end emigration. 1p
893	July 1961	Points for Speakers on industrial policy. 3pp
894	July 1961	Points for Speakers on agricultural policy. 3pp
895	September 1961 counties Longford and Wes Dillon in 1949.	<i>Points for Speakers</i> . The Land Project. Includes inserted handwritten figures for grants in stmeath under the project, commenced by James 2pp
896	September 1961 originally published in the reproduced for the information of the sector of the secto	Text of an article praising James Dillon's 'creditable and statesmanlike' policies, he <i>Sligo Champion and People's Press</i> and on of speakers. 2pp

897 September 1961 Handwritten (1p), typescript (1p) and published version of a 'Message from Seán MacEoin' to the electors of Longford-Westmeath. Owing to his recent illness, he is unable to visit every parish in the constituency and has adopted this method of explaining Fine Gael policy. 3 items 898 25 September 1961 Brief account of a general election campaign meeting in Longford Town addressed by the Fine Gael candidates. 1p 899 1964 Points for Speakers and Canvassers No. 1 in the Cork City and Kildare bye-elections. Relate mainly to opposition to the turnover tax, social issues and the cost of living. Text of a speech by James Dillon at a Fine Gael National Council meeting, 5 November 1963, dealing with the Cork City bye-election campaign and opposition to the Government's taxation and financial policy (3pp); copy typescript letter from MacEoin, Dáil Éireann, to Basil Clancy, the Editor, Hibernia, Lower Leeson Street, Dublin 2, referring to a 'very inaccurate' article in a recent issue and elaborating on Fine Gael's opposition to the turnover tax (10 January 1964, 1p). 3 items 900 July 1964 Points for Speakers in the Roscommon-South Leitrim bye-election campaign. Consists of the text of a speech by James Dillon at Boyle (27 June 1964) proposing the establishment of a Ministry of Economic Planning, state investment, provision of credit, a housing programme, and expansion of the education and health services. 5pp 901 November 1964 Points for canvassers and supporters in the East Galway bye-election. The Fianna Fáil record. Fine Gael and the new Ireland. 5pp

902	December 1964	Fine Gael instructions for personating agents in the East Galway bye-election. 3pp
903	March 1965	Copy of the Fine Gael manifesto for the general election setting out policy under 26 headings. 14pp
904	<ul> <li>with him on his defeat in th</li> <li>Kevin O'Shiel, Terence de</li> <li>John A. Costello.</li> <li>'I was indeed more than so</li> <li>and I know it was not a</li> <li>supporters (Noel Browne, B</li> <li>'I would like you to underst</li> <li>the distinguished services w</li> </ul>	Letters to MacEoin concerning the general election campaign, mainly wishing him a speedy taken ill during the campaign and commiserating e election. Includes letters from G. Hayes-McCoy, Vere White, Noel Browne, Liam Cosgrave and rry to learn of your illness & defeat at election – defeat but overconfidence on the part of your allina, April 1965, 1p). and how grateful the members of the Party feel for which you rendered to the country at a vital period Cosgrave, Dáil Éireann, 30 April 1965, 1p). 23 items

# iv. General Political Correspondence, 1921-73

905	13 March 1921	Letter from Liam T. MacCosgair, Department
		of the President, Upper Merrion Street, Dublin,

to MacEoin, returning a cutting from the *Birmingham Age-Herald* [Alabama] (21 February 1928) containing a cartoon based on the suggestion that John MacCormack be elected President (*sic*) of the Irish Free State. 'I wrote to the Count to congratulate him on his high honour ... If there is going to be a change, this would be a very pleasant one'.

2 items

906 17 August 1929

Letter from Dan Bergin, Boston, Mass., with news since his recent arrival in the U.S.

'I was in New York for four days recently and although it is a wonderful place, I wouldn't like to live there. The people never seem to rest. Some of the picture shows and theatres have midnight performances ... As far as I can see Prohibition is an absolute farce here. In New York I was stopped 6 or 7 times by decently dressed fellows who asked me did I want to go to a place where I could get a drink ... I am told the number of speakeasies in N.Y. is estimated at 36,000 ... [Michael] McWhite [Free State Minister at Washington] has made a great impression here and also in Washington. I am told he has got very well in with President Hoover and that means a lot in a place like America'. 7pp

907 October 1929-September 1967

May-June 1939

File of draft, copy and published versions of letters from MacEoin to the editors of Irish national and provincial newspapers. Also

includes copies of letters from others to the papers to which MacEoin replies, or which refer to him; and private letters to MacEoin in support of his published views. Matters covered by his letters include Partition; the Treaty; the origin of the Civil War in the Army Convention, March 1922; the Boundary Commission; Army and R.I.C. pensions; Fine Gael agricultural and monetary policy; the achievements of the two Inter-Party governments; corrections to published reports of his speeches; and the family of Sir Henry Wilson, from Longford, and the esteem in which they were held locally. Includes an exchange of letters in the *Irish Independent* (August 1957) on the circumstances of the acceptance of the Treaty and enactment of the 1922 Constitution by Dáil Éireann, with handwritten notes (5 September 1957, 2pp) by Cecil Lavery [Supreme Court judge and former Attorney General] on both topics. 78 items

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Material relating to MacEoin's nomination for

the position of Leas Cheann Comhairle in the Dáil and his failure to be elected, mainly on the basis of his alleged lack of fluency in Irish. Includes 2 handwritten copy letters from MacEoin to Eamon de Valera, Taoiseach (29 May, 3 June 2pp each), disputing the 'common knowledge' about his lack of Irish; and letter from de Valera, Department of the Taoiseach, to MacEoin (31 May 1939, 2pp) assuring him that 'my remarks during the Debate on your nomination for the office of Leas Cheann Comhairle were not in the slightest degree intended to express any personal reflection'. He explains his opinion of the importance of a sufficient knowledge of Irish for the post. 'If anything that I have said has given you pain I sincerely regret it'. Also includes galleys of a report from the *Kilkenny People* on the debate, with a complimentary resumé of MacEoin's career.

7 items

909 6 September 1939 Letter from Eamon de Valera, Department of the Taoiseach, to MacEoin, Garvagh, Ballinalee, thanking him for his letter. 'We shall not forget your generous offer should a suitable opportunity of availing of your services arise. The direction in which you may be needed, or can best serve, is not at the moment clear, and I can only await developments and put your name of the list of those who have guaranteed their services to the nation'. 1p

#### 910 17 September 1940 Letter from Eoin O'Duffy, Merrion Park,

Blackrock, County Dublin, to MacEoin, referring to a conversation they had had the previous day during which macEoin alleged that as Garda Commissioner, O'Duffy had signed a warrant for MacEoin's arrest [at the time of his resignation of his commission?]. O'Duffy goes to some length to refute the allegation, describing the procedures then in place for the issuing of warrants.

'Now Seán, if such a document was produced to you, I assert it was a faked affair, and every responsible HQ officer of the Garda & of the Dept of Justice at the time will substantiate my assertion – if they do, there could not be a warrant. I go further and say there was no such suggestion ever made by Government or Garda'. 3pp

911 27 February 1941 Letter from Oscar Traynor, Minister for

Defence, to MacEoin, Garvagh, Ballinalee. The Government has reluctantly decided that the principle that members of the Oireachtas should not be members of the defence forces should be extended to include the Local Defence Force.

'While I appreciate very much your keen interest in the Force and am well aware of the excellent results of your good example in your District, I greatly regret in all the circumstances having to request you to tender your resignation on the grounds of ineligibility as a member of the Oireachtas'.

1p

9127 May 1945Letter from David Gray, Legation of the United<br/>States of America, to MacEoin, Ballinalee,<br/>thanking him personally for his telegram of sympathy on the death of<br/>President F.D. Roosevelt.1p

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913 6 February 1946 Handwritten draft (6pp) and typescript copy (3pp) letter from MacEoin, Dáil Éireann, to J.J.

Walsh, in reply to a letter from Walsh expressing amazement at MacEoin's 'advocacy of the plan that we should take part in the Councils of the Nations of the World – whatever they call themselves'. MacEoin urges that Ireland participate in the United Nations Organisation as a Christian voice. 'Surely you do not believe, for even a second, that I approve of "millions of Germans dying" of starvation – of their equipment being stolen, or confiscated, or their Arts, in Pictures, Sculpture etc., being taken to New York, or their women being violated: but, surely you must agree that <u>all</u> this cannot be <u>stopped</u>, allayed, or even publicised, by sulking in our own tents'. Discusses U.S. troops in Northern Ireland and the Allies supplying Ireland with all the material they could to enable her to resist invasion.

2 items

October 1946 2 letters from David Tormey, 61 Bedford Road, Clapham, London, to MacEoin (14 October 1946, 1p; 22 October 1946, 5pp), enclosing racist and virulently anti-Semitic. pamphlets and handbills. 'The police here swooped on us this week and since the Nuremburg murders we have been under continuous supervision by touts ... As stated before, the Free State came under Jewish Rule when Dev got into power and every ship that sailed in brought its load of crooks, usurers and thieves'.

6 items

915 14 July 1947 Letter from Richard Mulcahy, Leinster House, to MacEoin, enclosing some letters from Fr T. Maguire, Newtownbutler [not present]. '... I am not sure whether he is not a deep-dyed Dev man, but his approach to yourself at any rate is affectionate enough'. Fr Maguire's approach concerns their participating in a 'National Council on the Partition issue' and Mulcahy wonders whether MacEoin would like to go. 1p 916 [*c*. 1948] Handwritten letter from 'An old Collins man', written 'In the expectation and hope that a F.G. Government will soon be in office once more ...'. The writer alleges a longstanding conspiracy by Fianna Fáil in relation to Army personnel, which took

standing conspiracy by Fianna Fáil in relation to Army personnel, which took the form of getting rid of officers who had fought in the Civil War. The writer explains the bureaucratic mechanism used to achieve this – an age limit and failure to gain promotion – and cites examples known to MacEoin.

<sup>6</sup> [M.J.] Costello was a great loss to the Army. Not popular and too young to have an I.R.A. record, he was, however, a fine soldier, one with brains'.

4pp

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April 1951 Letter from Matthew P. Higgins, President, United Irish Counties Association of New York, to MacEoin (2 April 1951, 1p) urging that 'the elected deputies of the Six Counties should be admitted immediately to Dáil Éireann'. Draft handwritten (1p) and typescript copy (2pp) reply from MacEoin to Miss Maureen Mulcahy, Executive Secretary to the Association. 'There is no advantage in admitting some of the elected representatives of that area unless we are in a position to make our administration effective in the entire country. This is not possible at the present time and would inevitably lead to civil war of a very bitter kind'. 3 items

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May 1955

Press cuttings and correspondence relating to a newspaper report alleging a statement by MacEoin at a meeting at Lanesboro', 'that the majority of the people in the country were Catholic, and the Government had no apology for taking a directive affecting morals from the Hierarchy. If there were any who did not like that, let then do what George Bernard Shaw and George Moore did - let then leave'. The directive concerns the attendance of Catholics at Trinity

College Dublin. Press cuttings consist mainly of letters to the newspapers reacting to the alleged statement. MacEoin corrects inadequacies in the reportage, stating that he had said that Catholics who did not wish to accept the teaching of the Hierarchy could leave the Church.

18 items

919 August 1967 Letter from Ita McCoy, Dáil Éireann, to MacEoin (August 1967, 1p), enclosing the text of a confidential memo (8pp) she had typed for him. She mentions that she has left out a paragraph at the suggestion of John A. Costello, dealing with the allocation of portfolios on the formation of the Inter-Party Government on 18 February 1948. The memo by MacEoin, at Costello's request, gives his memory of the formation of the Government including the background to the 1948 general election, the Carlow-Kilkenny bye-election, and his own involvement in negotiations with other parties. Costello's point was that he had taken the unusual step of announcing the departments to which ministers would be assigned before their going to Áras an Uachtaráin to receive their seals of office. 2 items

920 17 February 1973 Copy typescript letter from MacEoin, Cloncoose, Stillorgan Road, Donnybrook, Dublin 4, to the editor of an unidentified newspaper, echoing a recent speech by Liam Cosgrave, Leader of Fine Gael, listing the achievements of the two Inter-Party Governments in industrial and infrastructural development, and legislative and administrative enactments. 2pp

# v. Party Publications, 1933-66

921	12 August 1933	The Blueshirt vol. 1, no. 2
922	February 1934 table of constituencies branches in each consti	<i>Fine Gael Monthly Bulletin</i> no. 2 Electoral and organisational activity. Includes a with details of the amount of the 'silver collection' in ituency.
923	29 May 1934	<i>Fine Gael Bulletin</i> no. 1 Points for speakers. General heads of policy.
		Fine Gael Bulletin
924	October 1954	Typescript circular 'The new Government begins its tasks', summarising main policy areas.
925	May 1957	Post-mortem on the election; Fianna Fáil budget; organisational notes.
926	September 1957	Six months of futility; vendetta against Collins and Griffith; jobs for the boys; huge rise in the cost of living.

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927	February 1947	<i>Forum</i> vol. 3, no. 1
		<i>United Ireland</i> Monthly bulletin of the London Area Council of The Anti-Partition of Ireland League.
928	November 1947	vol. 1, no. 3
929	December 1947	vol. 1, no. 4
		Fine Gael Quarterly Bulletin
930	January 1949	Focus on the achievements of the Government with specific reference to pensions.
931	July 1949	Rural, agricultural and industrial development schemes.
		Fine Gael Digest
932	March 1951	vol. 2, no. 3
933	May 1951	vol. 2, no. 4
934	February 1952	vol. 3, no. 1 Ard Fheis issue
935	February 1954	vol. 5, no. 1
936	July 1954	vol. 5, no. 2
937	February 1956	vol. 7, no. 1
938	February 1958	vol. 8, no. 1 Ard Fheis issue
939	February 1959	vol. 9, no. 1 Ard Fheis issue
940	February 1960	Ard Fheis issue

#### *National Observer* A monthly journal of current affairs.

941	November 1958	vol. 1, no. 5
942	February 1959	vol. 1, no. 8
943	April 1959	vol. 1, no. 10
944	July 1959	vol. 2, no. 1
945	August 1959	vol. 2, no. 2
946	November 1959	vol. 2, no. 5
947	January 1960	vol. 2, no. 7
948	September 1960	vol. 3, no. 1

#### *The Citizen* Fine Gael Youth Group monthly journal.

949	September 1965	vol. 1, no. 1
950	December 1965	vol. 1, no. 4
951	January 1966	vol. 2, no. 1
952	May 1966	vol. 2, no. 5
953	July 1966	vol. 2, no. 7

# V. MILITARY SERVICE PENSION APPLICATIONS

# A. Military Service Pensions Act, 1924

Series of files relating to applications for pensions made under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1924, by former Officers and Volunteers, mainly in the Longford Brigade but including some from contiguous areas. Typical file content might include a copy of the particulars of service included by the applicant on Form MSP 1; copy of the applicant's particulars of service as provided by MacEoin as referee on Form MSP 7; particulars of service provided by applicants to MacEoin at his request, to refresh his memory; routine correspondence between MacEoin and the applicant concerning the progress of the application; routine correspondence between the Military Service Pension Board of Assessors, the applicant, and MacEoin as referee, concerning aspects of the applicant's service. Units given in description are pre-Truce units though service in the National Army is included by applicants. Files were created at different times between 1924 and 1928. While some are labelled Quartermaster General's Office and others have C.R. [Central Registry] numbers, the majority originate from MacEoin's period as G.O.C. Curragh Training Camp. The later files consist mainly of appeals against refusal of initial application.

While the files are numbered sequentially in the series MSP/1-MSP/208 with some files missing, the order is neither distinctive nor helpful and the files have been rearranged alphabetically by surname of applicant.

954	1925	ADAMSON, William, Moate, Westmeath. Brief typescript copy note by MacEoin on the limits of his personal knowledge of Adamson's service. 1p
955	1925-27	ARKINS, John, Finea, Westmeath. Typescript copy of brief particulars of service supplied by MacEoin; routine correspondence concerning his application. 8pp
956	1926-27	<ul> <li>BALLESTY, Michael, Captain, Custume Barracks,</li> <li>Athlone.</li> <li>4 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li> <li>Typescript copy of the applicant's statement of service and particulars supplied by MacEoin; routine correspondence.</li> </ul>

957	1925	<ul> <li>BANNON, Seán, Athlone.</li> <li>5 Battalion, South Roscommon Brigade and Active Service Unit.</li> <li>Typescript copy particulars of service provided by Bannon and MacEoin.</li> <li>2pp</li> </ul>
958	1925	BARRY, Thomas, Portobello Barracks, Dublin. Correspondence concerning Barry's application including handwritten statement by him describing his arrest and imprisonment in Belfast Jail in 1918. 5pp
959	1924-26	<ul> <li>BAXTER, Leo, Ardagh, Longford.</li> <li>4 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li> <li>Handwritten copy of particulars of service supplied by MacEoin; routine correspondence concerning his application.</li> </ul>
960	1924	BAXTER, Seamus, Killin Mills, Longford. 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 2pp
961	1926	BLANEY, William, Athlone. Typescript copy note by MacEoin giving brief details of service. 1p
962	1926	BRADLEY, Thomas, Manorhamilton, Leitrim. File annotated 'Not remembered'. 1p
963	1926	BRADY, James, Edgeworthstown, Longford. 1 and 5 Battalions, Longford Brigade and Flying Column. Typescript copy particulars of service. 2pp
964	1925	BRADY, John, Granard, Longford. Typescript copy note by MacEoin that he cannot remember the applicant. 1p

965	1926	<ul><li>BRENNAN, John Edward, Clontibret, Monaghan.</li><li>North Leitrim Brigade.</li><li>Typescript copy of brief particulars of service supplied by MacEoin.</li></ul>
966	1926	BRENNAN, John Patrick, Kenagh, Longford. Adjutant, B Company, 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade; Quartermaster, Active Service Unit; Battalion Director of Training. Applicant's handwritten statement of service; routine correspondence; typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he does not remember the applicant. 6pp
967	1926	BYRNE, John Joseph, Longford Town. File annotated 'Not remembered'. 1p
968	1925	BYRNE, Michael, Ballinamuck, Longford. Typescript copy note by MacEoin that he cannot remember the applicant. 1p
969	1925	CAFFERTY, John, Ballinalee, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy particulars of service. 2pp
970	1926	CAHILL, Patrick, Ballinalee, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
971	1924	CALLAGHAN, James, Ferbane, Offaly. Leitrim Brigade and Flying Column. Typescript copy particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 12pp

972	1925	CALLANAN, R.J., Custume Barracks, Athlone. 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 2pp
973	1925	CARROLL, Michael, Dublin Metropolitan Police, Rathmines Station. Typescript copy note by MacEoin that he cannot remember the applicant. 1p
974	1925	CARTER, Thomas, Newtowncashel, Longford. Leitrim Brigade. Typescript copy particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 'It must be understood that I only knew Carter as much as one Brigade Officer could know an officer of another Brigade, and were it not for the Aughavas shooting incident when I was authorised by G.H.Q. to investigate the matter, I might not have known him at all'. 2pp
975	1927	CASEY, William, Gardiner Place, Dublin. Routine correspondence concerning the progress of his application. 5pp
976	1925	CHAPMAN, Matthew, Lanesboro', Longford. Typescript copy note by MacEoin and handwritten letter from Chapman to MacEoin concerning his service record. 3pp
977	1925	CLAFFEY, Joseph, Custume Barracks, Athlone. Carried communications between G.H.Q. and Longford Brigade. Typescript copy note by MacEoin on his service record. 1p
978	1926	CLANCY, John Joseph, Sligo. Request for details of his service record. Typescript copy note by MacEoin that he does not remember the applicant. 2pp

979	1926	CLARKE, Joseph, Kildalkey, Meath. A Company, 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes by MacEoin on his service; correspondence concerning his application and those of James and John Clarke. 12pp
980	1927	CLEARY, Christopher, Enniskillen, Fermanagh. Minute sheet with brief annotations as to an attached letter from Cleary (not present) concerning his application. 1p
981	1925	COLLUMB, John, Granard, Longford. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he cannot remember details of the applicant's service. 1p
982	1925	CONLON, John, Ballinalee, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and North Longford Flying Column. Copy details of service provided by Conlon and MacEoin; routine correspondence concerning his application. 5pp
983	1925-28	CONNOLLY, Peter, Ballinalee, Longford. Instructor to Columbcille Battalion, Longford Brigade. Correspondence relating mainly to his application, in the first instance for a wound pension under the Army Pensions Act, 1923, and subsequently under the 1924 Act. 32pp
984	1926	CONWAY, Colonel James, Finner Camp, Ballyshannon, Donegal. 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Copy of Form MSP 7 completed in MacEoin's hand in respect of Conway's application. 6pp
985	1925	COONEY, Major Edward J., Curragh Camp and Gurteen, Longford. Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 2pp

986	1925	COYLE, Henry, Geesala, Mayo. Organising in East and West Mayo, 1921-22. Typescript copy of brief particulars of service given by MacEoin. 1p
987	1925	COYLE, Patrick, Granard, Longford. 1 and 4 Battalions, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of brief particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
988	1925	CREEGAN, James, Ballinamuck, Longford. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he cannot remember the applicant. 1p
989	1926	CULLEN, John, Lossett, Cavan. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he cannot remember the applicant. 1p
990	1926	CUNNINGHAM, Private Joseph, Curragh Camp and Arva, Cavan. Longford Brigade. Former British soldier. Intelligence, training and arms procurement. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
991	1926	DALTON, James, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he does not remember the applicant. 1p
992	1926	DAVIS, Commandant Francis. O/C 9 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 2pp
993	1925	DENNIGAN, Joseph F., Custume Barracks, Athlone. O/C Inny Brigade, 1 Midland Division. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin; correspondence concerning the submission of additional information to support the application. 20 items

994	1926	DEVLIN, Owen, Mohill, Leitrim, formerly Longford Town. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he does not remember the applicant. 1p
995	1927	DONLON, Patrick, Killashee, Longford. Routine correspondence concerning his application. 4pp
996	1926	DONOHOE, Cornelius, Ballinalee, Longford. 1 and 4 Battalions, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 2pp
997	1927	DONOHOE, Michael, Moate Farm, Longford. Copy letter from MacEoin informing him that he is too late to apply for a pension. 1p
998	1925	DONOHOE, Owen, Lismacaffrey, Westmeath. Copy correspondence between MacEoin and the Board of Assessors concerning aspects of Donohoe's service record. 2pp
999	1926	DOWD, Bernard, Loughduff, Cavan. Vice-Commandant, Gowna Battalion, Cavan. Correspondence concerning aspects of his service history. 3pp
1000	1926	DOWD, Bernard, Newtownforbes, Longford. Letter from Dowd to MacEoin enclosing a copy of his service record with Longford Brigade; copy acknowledgement. 4pp
1001	1926	DOYLE, Joseph, Custume Barracks, Athlone. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by Doyle and MacEoin. 4pp

1002	1926	DRUMM, John, Tullamore, Offaly. Folder annotated . by MacEoin, 'I do not remember this applicant'. 1p
1003	1926	DUFFY, Captain James Anthony, Curragh Camp and Athlone. Intelligence Officer, Athlone Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1004	1924, 1927	DUFFY, Seán, Ballinalee, Longford. Adjutant, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin; routine correspondence concerning the application of Seamus Farrelly, Ballinamore, Leitrim. 6pp
1005	1925	ELLIOTT, John James, Glasson, Athlone. Athlone Brigade. Typescript copy statement of service; copies of correspondence concerning the submission of supplementary evidence. 10pp
1006	1925	ENNIS, James, Ballinagore, Westmeath. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he does not remember the applicant. 1p
1007	1926	FAGAN, Thomas, Granard, Longford. Lieutenant, Mullahoran Company and I.R.B. Typescript copy of the applicant's statement of service; routine correspondence and typescript copy of a brief note by MacEoin on the limits of his knowledge of the applicant's service. 6pp
1008	1926	FALLON, Martin, Dromod, Leitrim. Blank copy of From MSP 7, submitted to MacEoin in respect of Fallon's application. 6pp

1009	1925	<ul><li>FARRELL, Patrick, Military Barracks, Naas.</li><li>1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li><li>Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin.</li></ul>
		FARRELLY, Seamus, Ballinamore, Leitrim see DUFFY, Seán
1010	1926	FEALY, James, Edgeworthstown, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 2pp
1011	1925	FINNEGAN, Patrick J., Athlone. Commandant, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and North Longford Flying Column. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by the applicant. 2pp
1012	1926	FITZPATRICK, Charles, Ballinagh, Cavan. Director of Training, Longford Brigade. Letter to MacEoin setting out his service record. 1p
1013	1925	FLAHERTY, J., Ponsonby Barracks, Athlone. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and North Longford Flying Column. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1014	1925	FLOOD, James Patrick, Granard, Longford. Adjutant, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin; copies of certificates of service. 5pp
1015	1926	FLOOD, Captain Seán, Glasnevin, Dublin. Blank copy of Form MSP 7 submitted to MacEoin in respect of Flood's application. 1 item

1016	1926	<ul> <li>FLYNN, Private Michael, Curragh Camp and Ballinalee, Longford.</li> <li>1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li> <li>Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin.</li> </ul>
1017	1926	FOSTER, John, Edinburgh, Scotland. Copy of a note, 'Never heard of him'. 1p
1018	1926	FOX, John, Ballinalee, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 2pp
1019	1926	GALLIGAN, Thomas, Abbeylara, Longford. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he does not remember the applicant. 1p
1020	1925	GARRAGHAN, Seán, Longford Town. Longford Brigade and O/C Flying Column. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 2pp
1021	1927	GARRAHAN, T., Passaic City, New Jersey. Letter from Garrahan to MacEoin concerning his pension application and including personal news. 5pp
1022	1925	GARRAHAN, William, Kenagh, Longford. Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin; correspondence concerning the application. 3pp

1023	1925, 1929	GARRETT, Patrick, Cushla, Athlone. Seconded by G.H.Q. to Longford Brigade as instructor and organiser. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin; 2 letters from Garrett to MacEoin at a later date (1929) concerning his personal circumstances. 6pp
1024	1926	GEELAN, Francis, New York City. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he does not remember the applicant. 1p
1025	1925	GLANCY, Seán, Meera, Carrick-on-Shannon. Adjutant, North Roscommon Brigade. Handwritten copy of his particulars of service; typescript copy of a note by MacEoin; handwritten letter from Glancy to MacEoin. 3pp
1026	1925-26	GORMLEY, Michael, Esker, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and North Longford Flying Column. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin; correspondence concerning the progress of the application. 5pp
1027	1925	GREEN, George, Custume Barracks, Athlone. Typescript copy of a brief note by MacEoin on the applicant's service record. 1p
1028	1925	<ul><li>GRIER, Henry Joseph, Ballymullen Barracks, Tralee.</li><li>1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li><li>Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin.</li></ul>
1029	1925	HARVEY, Peter, Longford Town. Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 2pp

1030	1925	HESLIN, Michael, Courthouse, Longford. Adjutant, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin; correspondence with the Department of Defence and with Heslin concerning aspects of his service and his rank. 19pp
1031	1926	HICKEY, Sergeant William, Garda Siochana, Stradbally. Athlone Brigade. Typescript copy of a brief note by MacEoin on the applicant's service. 1p
1032	1925	HIGGINS, James, Enniskillen, Fermanagh. Fermanagh Brigade. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin on the applicant's service. 1p
1033	1925	HUGHES, James, Ardagh, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1034	1925	HUNT, James, Ballymote, Sligo. Sligo Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 2pp
1035	1926	HUSSEY, James, Kenagh, Longford. Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1036	1925-27	HYNES, Thomas J., Athlone. 1 Battalion, Athlone Brigade and 5 Battalion, South Roscommon Brigade. Typescript copy statement of service; routine correspondence concerning his application. 12pp

1037	1925	JORDAN, Nicholas, Ballynacargy, Westmeath. Battalion O/C, Inny Brigade, 1 Midland Division. Typescript copy of brief particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1038	1926	KEANE, Patrick V., Manchester. Correspondence seeking clarification of his service; typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he does not remember the applicant. 4pp
1039	1927	KEENAN, Thomas, Athlone. Correspondence concerning his failure to appeal within the specified time against refusal of his application. 3pp
1040	1926-27	KELLY, Joseph, Edgeworthstown, Longford. 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement by former Captain M.F. Reynolds, of Kelly's service; additional routine correspondence. 9pp
1041	1925-26	KELLY, Michael, Boyle, Roscommon. Intelligence and dispatch work. Handwritten copy of the applicant's Form MSP 1; typescript copy of a note by MacEoin on the extent of his knowledge of the applicant; routine correspondence. 12pp
1042	1927	KELLY, P.J., Ballinasloe, Galway. Routine correspondence concerning his application. 2pp
1043	1925-26	<ul> <li>KENNY, Garda James, Terenure, Dublin and Edgeworthstown, Longford.</li> <li>1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li> <li>Typescript and handwritten copies of his particulars of service; correspondence concerning aspects of his service and the progress of his application.</li> <li>15pp</li> </ul>

1044	1925	<ul><li>KIERNAN, John, Longford Town.</li><li>1 and 4 Battalions, Longford Brigade.</li><li>Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin.</li></ul>
1045	1926-28	<ul> <li>KIERNAN, Patrick, Drumlish, Longford.</li> <li>Q/M 1 Battalion and O/C 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li> <li>Correspondence concerning aspects of his service and the progress of his application; typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin; copy handwritten letter from Kiernan to the Minister for Defence at a later date (3 December 1935, 3pp) giving a detailed statement of service by way of appeal against refusal of his application.</li> </ul>
1046	1925	<ul><li>KILROY, Thomas, Athlone.</li><li>5 Battalion, South Roscommon Brigade and Active Service Unit.</li><li>Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by Kilroy and MacEoin.</li><li>2pp</li></ul>
1047	1924-28	LANGAN, Patrick, Edgeworthstown, Longford. 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten copy of Form MSP 1; typescript copy of particulars of service provided by Langan and MacEoin; routine correspondence concerning the application. 20pp
1048	1926	LANTRY, Edward, Moyne Cavan. Typescript copy of a brief note by MacEoin that he cannot remember the applicant. 1p
1049	1927	LAWLESS, J., Edgeworthstown, Longford. Routine correspondence concerning his application. 2pp
1050	1926	LEAHY, Patrick, Loughrea, Galway. Correspondence with Leahy concerning aspects of his service; typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he does not remember the applicant. 4pp

1051	1926	LEE, Joseph, Ballinalee, Longford. Blank copy of Form MSP 7 submitted to MacEoin in respect of Lee's application. 1 item
1052	1925	LEONARD, Thomas, Talbot Street Post Office, Dublin. Typescript copy of a brief note by MacEoin that he cannot remember the applicant. 1p
1053	1927-28	LEYLAND, Thomas P., Carrick-on-Shannon. I.R.B.; organising and training companies in Leitrim and Roscommon. Handwritten statement of service by way of appeal against refusal of his application; routine correspondence. 25pp
1054	1925	LYNCH, Patrick, Ballyjamesduff, Cavan. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten letter from Lynch to MacEoin concerning the application; typescript copy of a note by MacEoin. 3pp
1055	1925-28	LYNCH, Peter, Ballyhaunis. Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin and routine correspondence concerning the application. 6pp
1056	1926	LYONS, Dr. Brigid, Longford Town. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin on the limits of his knowledge of her service. 'In 1921 she was in charge [of] communications [between] Mountjoy Prison and G.H.Q. I believe there is no woman in Ireland gave as much service as Dr Lyons, and regret that I am not in a position to give more details now'. 1p
1057	1926	McAVINUE, Cornelius, Manchester. File annotated 'Not remembered'. 1p

1058	1926-27	McCRUDDEN, Laurence J., Benburb Street, Dublin. Gowna Company; prisoner in Belfast Jail. Copy letters of appeal against refusal of his application with additional information on his service record; copies of testimonials. 15pp
1059	1925	McCORMACK, James, Dublin. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he does not remember the applicant. 1p
1060	1926	McCURTIN, John T.D., Nenagh, Tipperary. Copy of Form MSP 7 completed by MacEoin only in respect of the applicant's post-Truce service as Deputy O/C 1 Midland Division and Director of Training. 6pp
1061	1926	McDERMOTT, Dublin. Routine correspondence concerning his application. 5pp
1062	1928	McDONNELL, James, Granard, Longford. Routine correspondence concerning his application. 5pp
1063	1925, 1928	McDONNELL, John, Ballinalee, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and North Longford Flying Column. Typescript copy statements of service provided by the applicant and MacEoin; routine correspondence concerning his application. 9pp
1064	1927-28	McGAHARON, Francis, Gowna, Cavan. Gowna Company, Ballinagh Battalion, West Cavan Brigade. Correspondence with MacEoin concerning details of his service and the progress of his application; typescript copy of a narrative account of his service by the applicant. 10pp

1065	1927	McGARRY, Thomas F., Newtowncashel, Longford. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service and copy references from his battalion commandant; typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he does not remember the applicant. 8pp
1066	1925	McGLYNN, Reginald Square, Dublin. North Longford and Dublin Brigades. Handwritten letter to MacEoin confirming details of his service; copy acknowledgement. 3pp
1067	1926	McGOOHAN, Lieutenant Charles, Naas, Kildare and Ballinamore, Leitrim. 1 Midland Division. Typescript copy of brief details of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1068	1925	McGOUGH, Richard, Tuam, Galway. Typescript copy note by MacEoin on his limited knowledge of the applicant. 1p
1069	1925-27	McGUINNESS, Joseph, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Copy of his particulars of service and routine correspondence concerning his application. 10pp
1070	1928	McKENNA, Bernard, Gowna, Cavan. Minute sheets containing notes on the status of McKenna's application. 2pp
1071	1928	McKENNA, William, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Copy letter from MacEoin regretting that he can be of no further assistance in light of the Pensions Board's decision on McKenna's application. 1p

1072	1926	McKEON, Captain James, Curragh Camp and Ballinalee, Longford. North Longford Flying Column. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that the applicant is his brother. 1p
1073	1925	McMAHON, Joseph, Bayon, New Jersey. Typescript copy of a brief note by MacEoin on his memory of the applicant. 1p
1074	1927	McNAMEE, James, Clonee, Longford. A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Correspondence concerning the progress of his application; typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 12pp
1075	1925	MACKEN, Captain Hubert, Custume Barracks, Athlone. Medical Officer, Athlone Brigade. Typescript copy of brief details of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1076	1925-27 [1936-37]	MACKEN, James, Ballinalee, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and North Longford Flying Column. Typescript copy of his particulars of service. Includes routine material relating to a further application under the 1934 Act. 7pp
1077	1925	MAGUIRE, Joseph, Moyne, Cavan. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin; routine correspondence concerning his application. 5pp
1078	1927	MAGUIRE, Thomas, Dromore, Tyrone. Correspondence with MacEoin who regrets he cannot testify to Maguire's pre-1922 service. 8pp

1079	1924-25	MALLON, Nicholas, Edgeworthstown, Longford. 1 and 4 Battalions, Longford Brigade. Handwritten copy of From MSP 7 completed by MacEoin; typescript copy particulars of service; routine correspondence concerning the application. 12pp
1080	1926	MARLOW, Patrick, Kenagh, Longford. Folder annotated 'Not remembered'. 1p
1081	1925, 1927	MARTIN, Frank, Longford Town. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and North Longford Flying Column. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin; correspondence concerning the payment of the pension awarded. 12pp
1082	1927	MARTIN, Philip, Clones, Monaghan. Vice O/C Fermanagh Brigade; North Roscommon Brigade. Correspondence concerning the progress of his application. 6pp
1083	1926	MASTERSON, Francis, Arva, Cavan. Blank copy of Form MSP 7 submitted to MacEoin in respect of Masterson's application; copy letter from MacEoin to Masterson requesting particulars of his service. 7pp
1084	1928	MATTHEWS, Patrick, South Boston, Mass. Correspondence concerning the progress of his application. 4pp
1085	1924-25	MEE, Richard Francis, Athlone. South Roscommon Brigade and Flying Column. Correspondence between MacEoin and Mee, a former captain, initially about his application for an Army position and subsequently as an organiser for Cumann na nGaedheal in Roscommon. No pension papers on file. 20pp

1086	1927-28	MILEY, Thomas, Ballymahon, Longford. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Copies of references concerning his service; routine correspondence concerning his application and appeal against its refusal. 15pp
1087	1925	MITCHELL, Seán, Custume Barracks, Athlone. Brigadier, South Leitrim Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1088	1925	MITCHELL, Thomas, Manorhamilton, Leitrim. Glenfarne Training Camp, Leitrim Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1089	1925	MONAGHAN, Peter, Granard, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1090	1925, 1927	<ul> <li>MOORE, Seán, Captain, Buncrana Barracks, Donegal and Streete, Westmeath.</li> <li>1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and North Longford Flying Column.</li> <li>Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin; correspondence concerning the progress of his application.</li> </ul>
1091	1925	MOORE, Thomas, Moate, Westmeath. Served in Athlone after the handover of the barracks by British forces. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin on Moore's service. 1p
1092	1925	MOORE, Thomas, Ballinalee, Longford. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin on Moore's service. 1p

1093	1925	MORAN, Edward Hugh, Lilchester, Longford. Intelligence Officer, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin on Moore's service. 2pp
1094	1927, 1935	MULLIGAN, James, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Adjutant, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Correspondence concerning the progress of his application and the position taken by him on the Treaty; typescript copy of a statement by MacEoin in contradiction of a statement or report by him in 1922 or 1923 to the Director of Intelligence concerning Mulligan's anti-Treaty position; correspondence from a later date concerning an appeal against refusal of his application. 23 items.
1095	1925-26	MURPHY, Captain Michael, Military Camp, Sligo. 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Copies of particulars of service provided by MacEoin; correspondence with Murphy concerning his service record. 8pp
1096	1928	MURRAY, Thomas, Ballymacormack, Longford. Resigned from R.I.C. in 1918; ex-National Army. Correspondence and statements by Murray on the nature of his case for a pension as a dismissed R.I.C. officer with national sympathies. 25pp
1097	1924	O'BRIEN, Loughlin, Athlone. 5 Battalion, Roscommon Brigade. Typescript copy of details of his service record. 2pp
1098	1925	O'BRIEN, Michael, Drangan, Tipperary, formerly Athlone. Athlone Brigade. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin; routine correspondence with O'Brien. 4pp

1099	1928	O'CALLAGHAN, Seán, Fairview, Dublin. D Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Correspondence concerning his application. 4pp
1100	1925	O'CONNELL, D., Granard, Longford. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he does not remember the applicant. 1p
1101	1925	O'CONNELL, Colonel J.J., Curragh Camp and Cranmore House, Sligo. G.H.Q. Typescript copy of a brief note by MacEoin on the limited extent of his knowledge of O'Connell's service. 1p
1102	1925	O'DEA, Denis, Belleek, Fermanagh. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he does not remember the applicant. 1p
1103	1926	O'HARA, James, Birr, Offaly. 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Correspondence seeking details of his service to assist MacEoin in providing a reference. 5pp
1104	1925	O'HEGARTY, Commandant L.J., Curragh Camp. Instructor with Athlone Brigade. Typescript copy of details of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1105	1927	O'KELLY, Raymond, Athlone. Cushla Company; interned in Ballykinlar Camp. Copies of testimonials of service; routine correspondence concerning the progress of his appeal against refusal of his application. 40pp
1106	1926	O'REILLY, Edward, Belturbet, Cavan. File annotated 'Not remembered'. 1p

1107	1925-27	O'REILLY, Francis, Ballinamuck, Longford. Longford Brigade; MacEoin's driver in 1922. Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin; correspondence between MacEoin and the Pensions Board concerning a possible case of mistaken identity. 8pp
1108	1926	O'REILLY, Philip. Granard, Longford. Longford Brigade. Correspondence with MacEoin concerning his service history; typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 6pp
1109	1926	O'ROURKE, John J., Edgeworthstown, Longford. Clonbroney Company. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin on O'Rourke's service history. 1p
1110	1927-28	O'SULLIVAN, Seán, Drumlish, Longford and New York City. Correspondence concerning the success of his application and arrangements, while he is in New York, for the pension to be paid to his mother. 8pp
1111	1925	PATRICK, Thomas, Granard, Longford. Company Adjutant, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of details of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1112	1926	PENROSE, William, Glangevlin, Cavan. South Fermanagh Brigade. Typescript copy of limited details of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1113	1925	QUINN, Andrew Joseph, Cooleeny, Longford. Terefad Company, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of details of service provided by MacEoin. 1p

1114	1926	QUINN, Patrick, Killoe, Longford. Copy request to Quinn for details of his service record; typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he cannot remember the applicant. 3pp
1115	1924-25	RAMSEY, Thomas, Dublin and Athlone. Q/M of an unidentified unit. Typescript copy of limited details of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1116	1925	REILLY, Francis, Moyne, Cavan and Longford. Director of Training, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Correspondence with Reilly concerning his service record. 4pp
1117	1925	REILLY, J.F., Finea, Westmeath. 6 Battalion, North Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he cannot remember the applicant; letter from Reilly enclosing details of his service; typescript copy of particulars of his service. 6pp
1118	1925	REYNOLDS, Francis, Mohill, Leitrim. Leitrim Brigade. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin concerning the applicant's service. 1p
1119	1924	REYNOLDS, Michael, Custume Barracks, Athlone. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and North Longford Flying Column. Copy of Form MSP 1 completed in MacEoin's hand. 6pp
1120	[1927]	RIGNEY, John, Daingean, Offaly. Draft and copy typescript letter of appeal submitting additional information on his service record as a means of having his application reconsidered. 4pp

1121	1925	ROBINSON, Michael, Dún Laoghaire. Chemicals Officer from Dublin attached to North Longford Column. Uncompleted copy of Form MSP 7 sent to MacEoin in respect of Robinson's application; typescript copy of details of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1122	1926	ROONEY, Philip, Mullingar and Balbriggan. Routine correspondence and typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he does not remember the applicant. 3pp
1123	1927	RUANE, Seán, Kiltimagh, Mayo. Correspondence with MacEoin concerning the unsatisfactory nature of the service certificate awarded to him. He has failed to appeal within the specified period. 4pp
1124	1927-28	SEXTON, Captain Seán, Curragh Camp and Ballinalee, Longford. Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of details of service provided by MacEoin; routine correspondence concerning the issuing of service certificates and payment of the pension. 7pp
1125	1927	SHEEHAN, James, Cloughjordan, Tipperary. Ballinamuck Company, Longford Brigade. Letter from Sheehan outlining his service record and requesting MacEoin's assistance in his application. 2pp
1126	1925	SHEERAN, James, Creeve, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and North Longford Flying Column. Typescript copy of details of service provided by MacEoin. 1p

1127	1927-28	<ul><li>SIMONS, Thomas, Donnybrook, Dublin.</li><li>3 Battalion, South Roscommon Brigade.</li><li>Correspondence with MacEoin concerning the progress of his application.</li></ul>
1128	1925	<ul><li>SKELLY, Patrick, Killashee, Longford.</li><li>Longford Brigade.</li><li>Typescript copy of details of service provided by</li><li>MacEoin; correspondence concerning his application and aspects of his service.</li></ul>
1129	1925	SMYTH, Patrick, Military Barracks, Naas. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of details of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1130	1926	SWEENEY, Thomas, Carrigallen. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he cannot remember the applicant and suggesting other referees 1p
1131	1926	SYMINGTON, Andrew, Coalisland, Tyrone. File annotated 'Not remembered'. 1p
1132	1925	<ul><li>TRAUTT, Patrick, Ardagh, Longford.</li><li>4 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li><li>Typescript copy of details of service provided by the applicant.</li></ul>
1133	1925	TREACY, Michael, Ballinalee, Longford. 1 and 4 Battalions, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service and typescript copy of particulars provided by MacEoin. 1p
1134	1925	TYGHE, Peter, Streete, Westmeath. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin on his lack of knowledge of the applicant. 1p

1135	1925	TYNAN, Edward, Ballinalee, Longford. 1 and 4 Battalions, Longford Brigade and North Longford Flying Column. Typescript copy of Tynan's service record from his MSP 1 form and of MacEoin's statement in support of his application; routine correspondence. 5pp
1136	1925	WALSH, John, Charlestown, Mayo. Baker who worked in Athlone and Mayo. Handwritten details of service; typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he is unable to remember the applicant. 3pp
1137	1925	WHITTON, Thomas, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Typescript copy of a note by MacEoin that he cannot remember the applicant. 1p
1138	1925	WHYTE, Richard, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Longford and Inny Brigades and North Longford Flying Column. Typescript copy of details of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
1139	1926	WOODS, Commandant Patrick, Athlone and Ballyconnell, Cavan. O/C West Cavan Brigade; 1 Midland Division. Typescript copy of details of post-Truce service provided by MacEoin. 1p

## **B.** Military Service Pensions Act, 1934

## i. Lists of personnel

## 1140 1930s Lists of Longford Brigade personnel drawn up mainly in the 1930s to facilitate and support military service pension applications under the 1934 Act. Besides routine handwritten and typescript copy lists of members of companies and battalions,

- Certified Roll of Members of Headquarters Active Service Units (3pp).
- Residents of Counties Longford and Westmeath in receipt of Wound, Disability and Military Service Pensions (6pp).
- MS.P. Act, 1934: applicants awarded rank under Rule 4 of the first schedule to the Act (2pp).
- List of Finished cases: County Longford (3pp).
- List of Finished Cases: Miscellaneous (1p).
- Members of Longford Brigade Committee (2pp) and of the Committee appointed on Sunday 19 April 1926 at the Courthouse, Longford, to support military service pension applications from former members of the Longford Brigade.

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Handwritten list of members of 1-6 Battalions,

Cumann na mBan [Longford Brigade] (3pp) with occasional indication of present address or position. Handwritten letter from M. McKeown, Main Street, Longford, to Mr Ryan, referring to previous correspondence concerning the possibility of military service pensions being awarded to the women.

'You have no idea what some of these ladies can say when they get going on the question of neglect of our claim  $\dots$  I would suggest they making (*sic*) an effort to have the matter attended to soon or we may have another Civil War'.

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## ii. IND MSP

Series of numbered files of this title relating to appeals by individuals whose application under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934 had been unsuccessful. Files usually but not invariably contain:

- A list of engagements in which the applicant participated and resumé of his service certificate on the cover of the folder.
- Handwritten narrative statement of service, presumably a copy of that included on the original application made before the deadline of December 1935.
- Transcript of the applicant's interview with the Military Service Pensions Referee and Board.
- Handwritten draft letters of appeal against initial refusal of the application and typescript copy appeal offering additional information on the applicant's service history.
- Additional typescript copy appeal by the Longford Brigade Committee, endorsing the applicant's service.
- Copies of testimonials from former comrades.

Dates given are those of dated documents, the earliest documents which are the statements of service being undated.

Files were in a numerical sequence which has no significance and have been rearranged alphabetically by surname.

1142	1938	BARDEN, James, Ferefad, Longford. A Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Copies of testimonials to his active service and involvement in specific engagements. 11pp	
1143	1943	BEIRNE, Michael, Ballinamuck, Longford. Typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 2pp	
1144	[1936-] 43	<ul><li>BEERY, Aughnacliffe, Granard, Longford.</li><li>5 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li><li>Handwritten statements of service; typescript cop appeal against refusal of his application.</li><li>12pp</li></ul>	у

1145	[1936-44]	BLESSINGTON, John, Ballinalee, Longford. C Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; draft appeal in MacEoin's hand against refusal of his application. 13pp
1146	[1936-] 43	BOHAN, Edward, Drumlish, Longford. A Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 3pp
1147	[1936-] 43	BOYCE, William, Lenamore, Rathowen, Longford. A Company, 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 10pp
1148	[1943]	BRADY, Francis, Moyne, Ballyduffy, Longford. Brief note on service. 2pp
1149	1938, 43	BRADY, Thomas, Moyne, Longford. Columbkilne Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Brief notes on service; form letters from the Department of Defence to MacEoin as Brady's commanding officer during his period of service. 5pp
1150	1943	<ul><li>BRADY, William, Ballinamuck, Longford.</li><li>5 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li><li>Typescript copy appeal against refusal of his service.</li><li>2pp</li></ul>
1151	[1936-40]	BRENNAN, Bernard, Ballinamuck, Longford. Ballinamuck Company, 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; routine correspondence concerning his application. 15pp

1152	[1936-43]	<ul><li>BRENNAN, John, Ballinamuck, County Longford.</li><li>B Company, 5 Battalion, County Longford.</li><li>Brief notes on service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application.</li></ul>
1153	[1936-43]	BRIODY, John, Granard, Longford. Granard Company. Brief tabular statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 3pp
1154	[1936-43]	BRIODY, Patrick, Moyne, Longford. C Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 5pp
1155	1943, 45	BROWNE, Christopher, Clonfin, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Longford Flying Column. Typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application; certificate of service in MacEoin's hand. 2pp
1156	[1936-43]	BURKE, Michael, Ballagh, Newtownforbes, Longford. C Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; testimonials and typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 7pp
1157	[1936]	BYRNE, Michael, Lenamore, Rathowen. A Company, 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service. 6pp
1158	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	BYRNE [BEIRNE], Patrick, Drumlish, Longford. Drumlish Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten amendment to the statement of service included on his application. 2pp

1159	[1936-43]	<ul><li>CAMPBELL, Thomas, Ballymahon, Longford.</li><li>3 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li><li>Handwritten notes on service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 4pp</li></ul>
1160	[1936-43]	CARLEY, Patrick, Newtowncashel, Longford. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service and evidence given at interview; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 5pp
1161	1941	CAROLAN, Michael, Drumlish, Longford. B Company/Killoe Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and Flying Column. Handwritten statement of service and testimonials; copy draft appeal against refusal of his application. 25pp
1162	1940-43	CAROLAN, Peter, Drumlish, Longford. 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten supplementary statement of service; copies of testimonials; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 12pp
1163	1942-43	CASEY, Martin, Lanesboro', Cavan. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 4pp
1164	1940-43	CASEY, Michael, Newtowncashel, Longford. Handwritten and typescript copy letters of appeal against refusal of his application. 4pp
1165	[1936-] 45	CASEY, Pat, Mullagh, Longford. B Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade and Flying Column. Handwritten statement of service, testimonials and draft appeal against refusal of his application. 12pp

1166	1943	CASSIDY, Thomas, Ballyduffy, Moyne, Longford. 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 2pp
1167	1940-43	CHAPMAN, William, Lanesboro', Longford. C Company, 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Transcript of evidence at interview; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 6pp
1168	1942-43	CLARKE, James, Kenagh, Longford. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Copies of testimonials and certificates of service; handwritten notes on his service record; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 12pp
1169	1940-41	CLYNE, Patrick, Ferefad, Longford. A Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Material relating to his appeal against refusal of his application. 7pp
1170	1938	COLEMAN, John, Fairview, Dublin. Lieutenant, Ardagh Company and O/C 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Detailed typescript and handwritten statements of service, the latter in MacEoin's hand. 8pp
1171	[1936-] 43	CONNOLLY, James, Drumlish, Longford. B Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 12pp
1172	1944	CONNOLLY, John, Gowna, Cavan. 'Key service' between Longford and Cavan Brigades. Copy letter of appeal against refusal of his application. 3pp

1173	[1935-] 38	COONEY, John P., Mullingar, Westmeath. Lieutenant, B Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Brief statement of service in MacEoin's hand; routine correspondence concerning the progress of his application. 5pp
1174	1943	COONEY, Laurence, Ballymahon, Longford. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on his service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 4pp
1175	1943	CORCORAN, William, Kenagh, Longford. B Company, 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Copies of testimonials and certificates; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 8pp
1176	[1936-] 43	CORRIGAN, Patrick, Ballinamuck, Longford. 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on his service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 5pp
1177	[1935-43]	CULLEN, Michael, Annacullen, Johnston's Bridge. 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Brief handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 3pp
1178	[1935-] 45	CULLUMB [CULLIM], James, Ballinalee, Longford. B Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten transcript of service record submitted with his application form; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 18pp
1179	1937	CURRAN, John, Lanesboro', Longford. Present at the Terlicken ambush. Summary details of service on file cover; draft declaration in MacEoin's hand. 2pp

1180	1942-43	CURRAN, Thomas, Lanesboro', Longford. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Copy certificate of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 2pp
1181	1940-43	CURRY, Thomas, Dring, Granard, Longford. Mullinaghta Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Supplementary handwritten statement of service; routine correspondence concerning his application; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 5pp
1182	[1936-] 43	DENNIGAN, William, Cloondra, Longford. B Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; draft handwritten and typescript copy letters of appeal against refusal of his application. 7pp
1183	[1942]	DEVLIN, Patrick, Clonmore, Killashee, Longford. Brief notes by MacEoin on engagements in which Devlin was involved. 2pp
1184	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	DOHERTY, John, Killoe, Longford. B Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; handwritten inventory of company strength and arms; draft letter of appeal against refusal of his application. 12pp
1185	1942-43	DONLON, Andrew, Newtowncashel. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on service; routine correspondence concerning his application and typescript copy appeal against its refusal. 6pp
1186	1940-43	DONLON, John, Garda Síochána, Stoneford, Kilkenny. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; routine correspondence concerning his application and typescript copy appeal against its refusal. 13pp

1187	1945-46	DONOHOE, Hugh, Preston, England and Mostrim, Longford. A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and Flying Column. Handwritten statement by Donohoe; additional notes and draft letter of appeal in MacEoin's hand against refusal of the application. 12pp
1188	[1935-] 42	DONOHOE, James, Aughnacliffe, Longford. B Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Copy form of application for a service certificate, completed by MacEoin; handwritten transcript of evidence given before the Referee; draft handwritten and typescript copy letters of appeal against refusal of his application. 25pp
1189	[ <i>c</i> .1935-42]	DONOHOE, James Jnr., Aughnacliffe, Longford. Brief handwritten statement of engagements in which he was involved. 3pp
1190	1935-45	DONOHOE, Michael, Moatefarrell. A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and Flying Column. Handwritten notes on his service; routine correspondence; additional notes by MacEoin. 15pp
1191	1938-43	DONOHOE, Michael, Granard, Longford. Granard Company, 6 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on his service; copies of testimonials; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 6pp
1192	1940-45	DONOHOE, Pat, Moatefarrell. A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; draft letter of application in MacEoin's hand. 6pp

1193	[1935-] 42	DOYLE, Charlie, Garvagh, Longford. Captain, A Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; copies of testimonials; routine correspondence and copy draft appeal against refusal of his application. 12pp
1194	[1936-] 42	DOYLE, William, Ballinamuck, Longford. Columbkilne Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statements of service; copy typescript appeal against refusal of his application. 16pp
1195	[1935-] 43	DUIGNAN, Thomas, Ballinamuck, Longford. B Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; copies of testimonials; copy draft appeal against refusal of his application. 8pp
1196	1939-43	<ul><li>FARRELL, Fergus, Ardagh, Mostrim, Leitrim.</li><li>Captain, Ardagh Company.</li><li>Handwritten copy declaration made before MacEoin as a peace commissioner; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application.</li></ul>
1197	[1936-] 44	FARRELL, Thomas, Ferefad, Longford. Quartermaster, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten and typescript statements of claim and testimonials; material relating to alleged attempts to undermine his application including a copy of an anonymous letter and correspondence between MacEoin and Richard Mulcahy with whom Farrell had made contact; additional details submitted for appeal and copy typescript letter of appeal. 35pp
1198	[1935-42]	FARRELLY, Francis, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Columbcille Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statements of service and draft appeal against refusal of his application. 9pp

1199	1943	<ul><li>FINNEGAN, William, Newtowncashel, Longford.</li><li>3 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li><li>Handwritten notes on service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 4pp</li></ul>
1200	[1935-] 43	FOX, Frank, Ballinamuck, Longford. 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten transcript of statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 12pp
1201	1942, 45	<ul><li>GILL, Bernard, Ballinamuck, Longford.</li><li>5 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li><li>Copy letters of appeal against refusal of his application.</li><li>3pp</li></ul>
1202	1940	GETTINGS, James, Edgeworthstown, Longford. B Company, 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Routine correspondence concerning the rejection of his application. 3pp
1203	[1935-] 43	GORMAN, Peter, Ballinamuck, Longford. 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Brief handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 5pp
1204	1941-43	GRAY, John, Moyne, Longford. C Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten transcript of additional evidence submitted; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 15pp
1205	[1935-] 43	GRAY, John, Aughnacliffe, Longford. 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 7pp

1206	1943	<ul> <li>GREALLY, John, Lanesboro', Longford.</li> <li>3 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li> <li>Handwritten notes by MacEoin on Greally's service history; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application.</li> </ul>
		HARTE, John Joe, see KIERNAN, Patrick
1207	[1935-43]	HOURICAN, Patrick, Aughnacliffe, Longford. C Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Brief handwritten notes on his service; draft handwritten appeal by MacEoin. 2pp
1208	1943	HUSSEY, John J. Kenagh, Longford. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on his service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 5pp
1209	[1936-43]	KEATING, Bernard, Ballagh, Newtownforbes, Longford. B Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; copies of testimonials; routine correspondence and material relating to his appeal against refusal of his application. 14pp
1210	1942-43	KEEGAN, Thomas, Ballymahon, Longford. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on his service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 6pp
1211	[1935-43]	KEENAN, Michael, Newtownforbes, Longford. Section Commander, B Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; copies of testimonials; transcript of questions and answers at interview with the Pensions Board; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 7pp

1212	[1936-] 43	KENNY, Bernard, Barneygole, Longford. B Company, 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 15pp
1213	1941, 43	KIERNAN, James, Granard, Longford. Granard Company, 6 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; handwritten and typescript copy appeals against refusal of his application. 7pp
1214	1945	KIERNAN, Patrick, Drumlish, Longford. Notes on the award of a certificate of service by the Longford Brigade Committee; similar note on the award of a certificate to John Joe HARTE, also of Drumlish. 5pp
1215	[1936-] 43	KILCHRIEST, Joseph, Longford Town. Intelligence Officer, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; copies of testimonials; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 8pp
1216	1943	<ul><li>KILDUFF, Joseph.</li><li>3 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li><li>Handwritten notes on his service record; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application.</li><li>4pp</li></ul>
1217	1941, 43	LANE, Patrick, Ballinamuck, Longford. Handwritten and typescript copy letters of appeal against refusal of his application. 2pp
1218	[1935-] 43	LEAVY, James, Kilnasavogue, Longford. A Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; copies of testimonials. 12pp

1219	[ <i>c</i> .1935-] 43	LEAVY, Michael, Lisduff, Longford. B Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 8pp
1220	1940-42	LEE, Michael, Granard, Longford. A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; routine correspondence; draft appeal in MacEoin's hand against refusal of his application. 6pp
1221	1943	LUCAS, William, Ballymahon, Longford. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 4pp
1222	[1935-42]	LYNCH, Thomas, Carrickduff, Granard, Longford. C Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on service; copy draft appeal in MacEoin's hand against refusal of his application. 4pp
1223	1942-43	McCABE, Felix, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Captain, Edgeworthstown Company, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; handwritten transcript of interview with the Pensions Board; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 20pp
1224	1943	McCABE, Thomas, Dring, Granard, Longford. 6 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Notes by MacEoin on McCabe's service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 3pp

1225	1943-45	McDOWELL, Thomas, Edgeworthstown, Longford. A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on his service record, mainly by MacEoin; draft letter of appeal against refusal of his application. 12pp
1226	[1935-42]	McEVOY, John, Aughnacliffe, Longford. C Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; draft appeal in MacEoin's hand against refusal of his application. 14pp
1227	1942-43	McGARRELL, John, Glasson, Athlone. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Copies of testimonials; handwritten notes on service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 12pp
1228	[1935-] 43	McGUIRE, Charles Curry, Longford. C Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 8pp
1229	1943	McGUIRE, James, Esker, Longford. Notes on his service record and draft appeal against refusal of his application, both in MacEoin's hand. 3pp
1230	[1936-] 43	McGUIRE, Peter, Granard, Longford. D Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 4pp
1231	1943	McLOUGHLIN, Patrick, Ballinamuck, Longford. Lieutenant, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Transcript of evidence given at interview by the Pensions Board; handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 15pp

1232	[ <i>c</i> .1935-42]	McNALLY, James, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Handwritten note of engagements in which he was involved; draft letter of appeal by MacEoin against refusal of his application. 5pp
1233	[1935-41]	McNALLY, John, Aughnacligffe, Longford. B Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 6pp
1234	1936-45	McNAMEE, Mrs Mary, <i>née</i> MURTAGH, Drumlish, Longford. Drumlish Branch, Cumann na mBan, attached to 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; copy testimonials; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 15pp
1235	1943	MacNAMEE, Peter, Arva, County Cavan. 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 2pp
1236	1943	McQUADE, James, Drumlish, Longford. Lieutenant, B Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten transcript of evidence given at interview with the Pensions Board; handwritten and typescript copy appeals against refusal of his application. 12pp
1237	1943	McQUADE, James, Legga, Moyne, Longford. B Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service and transcript of evidence given at interview; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 6pp

1238	[ <i>c</i> .1936]	McQUADE, Terence, Drumlish, Longford. B Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; marked 'certificate given'. 5pp
1239	[1935-42]	McSTAY, James, Garda Síochána, Ballygunan, Galway. Brief handwritten notes on his service. 2pp
1240	[1935-43]	McSTAY, Michael, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Longford Flying Column. Brief notes on his service; handwritten and typescript copy appeals against refusal of his application. 5pp
1241	[1935-] 43	McVEIGH, Hugh, Ballinamuck, Longford. 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 4pp
1242	1941-43	McVEY, John, Newtownforbes, Longford. Ballinamuck Company, 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade and Flying Column. Handwritten statement of service; handwritten and typescript copy appeals against refusal of his application. 12pp
1243	1937-43	MALLON, Peter, Streete, Westmeath. Former N.C.O. in U.S. Army; Instructor and O/C 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade; O/C Active Service Unit, 6 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; copy letters of appeal against refusal of his application. 11pp
1244	[1936]	MANNING, Aloysius, Drumlish, Longford. B Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service. 11pp

1245	1936-43	MARLOW, Joseph. C Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Brief handwritten statement of service; copy of the certificate of service issued by the Longford Brigade Committee; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 7pp
1246	1943	MATHEWS, John, Newtowncashel. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 3pp
1247	1946	MULLIGAN, John, Moyne, Cavan. Copy handwritten certificate of service submitted as additional evidence for appeal against refusal of Mulligan's application. 3pp
1248	1935	MULVIHILL, Bernard, Ballymahon, Longford. D Company, 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 13pp
1249	[1935-43]	MURPHY, Peter, Aughnacliffe, Longford. C Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; handwritten and typescript copy letters of appeal against refusal of his application. 12pp
1250	[1935-] 43	MURPHY, William, Granard, Longford. 6 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Part of the form of application for a service certificate under the 1934 Act; copies of testimonials; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 8pp
1251	[1936]	MURRAY, John, Ferefad, Longford. A Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service. 5pp

1252	1943	NALLY, Joseph, Ballymahon, Longford. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 3pp
1253	1943	NOLAN, Timothy, Ballymahon, Longford. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 5pp
1254	[ <i>c</i> .1940-43]	NOLAN, William, Newtownforbes, Longford. B Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on service; copies of testimonials; handwritten draft appeal against refusal of his application. 13pp
1255	1941-43	O'BRIEN, Nicholas, Galway City. B Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 5pp
1256	1936-42	O'GARA, Edward, New York City. O/C C Company, Granard [Battalion?], Longford Brigade. Handwritten and typescript copy statements of service; correspondence with MacEoin concerning his application. 12pp
1257	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	O'HARA, Pat, 20 Infantry Battalion, Colum Barracks, Mullingar. A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Notes on his service and draft letter of appeal against refusal of his application. 5pp
1258	1943	O'REILLY, Edward, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Handwritten statement of service; draft and typescript letters of appeal in MacEoin's hand against refusal of his application. 6pp

1259	[1935-] 43	OROHOE, John, Lisduff, Longford. A Companies, 2 Battalion and 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Part of a completed form of application for a service certificate under the 1934 Act; copies of testimonials and appeal against refusal of his application. 17pp
1260	1943	REILLY, Michael, Granard, Longford. Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 4pp
1261	1941-43	REILLY, Patrick, Edgeworthstown, Longford. 6 Battalion, Longford Brigade and Flying Column. Handwritten notes on service; copy letters of appeal against refusal of his application. 5pp
1262	1943	REILLY, Patrick, Ballinamuck, Longford. 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 3pp
1263	1940-41	REYNOLDS, John Joe, Esker, Longford. Killoe Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; copies of testimonials; draft appeal in MacEoin's hand against refusal of his application. 12pp
1264	1943	REYNOLDS, Michael, Johnston's Bridge, Dromod, Longford. 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Notes on service given in a letter to MacEoin; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 3pp

1265	[1935-] 43	SLOWEY, James P., Minard, Longford. 2 Lieutenant, C Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on service; copies of testimonials; copy appeal against refusal of his application. 12pp
1266	1938-43	SMYTH, Eugene, Garda Síochána, Malahide, Dublin. Section Commander, C Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service given in a letter to MacEoin; transcript of evidence given at interview; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 10pp
1267	1943	SMYTH, Patrick, Granard, Longford. Intelligence Officer, Granard Company, 6 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Brief note on service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 3pp
1268	1943-46	SMYTH, Thomas, Moatefarrell, Longford. A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and Flying Column. Handwritten notes on his service; routine correspondence concerning his application; draft appeal in MacEoin's hand against refusal of his application. 7pp
1269	[1936-43]	SMITH [SMYTH], Killashee, Longford. B Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; copies of testimonials; typescript copy letter of appeal against refusal of his application. 11pp
1270	1943	SORAHAN, Thomas, Ballymore, Granard, Longford. Ballymore Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and North Longford Flying Column. Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application. 7pp

1271	[ <i>c</i> .1943]	STAKENS, Michael, Aughakeeran, Granard, Longford. C Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and Flying Column. Handwritten copy of a declaration [before a commissioner for oaths?] concerning his military service; draft letter of appeal in MacEoin's hand against refusal of his service. 6pp
1272	1940-43	<ul><li>TRAPP, William, Esker, Longford.</li><li>B Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li><li>Brief handwritten statement of service; draft letter of appeal in MacEoin's hand against refusal of his application.</li></ul>
1273	1941-43	TREACY, Charles, Ballinalee, Longford. A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; draft handwritten appeal against refusal of his application. 10pp
1274	[1936-43]	WARD, John, Moydown, Longford. Brief note on his service; copy handwritten certificate of service from the Longford Brigade Committee. 3pp
1275	[1941]	WHITNEY, John, Drumlish, Longford. Drumlish Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Supplementary handwritten statement of service; copy handwritten draft appeals against refusal of his application. 12pp

## iii. IND MSP '43

Short file series, usually consisting of individual letters, which have become dissociated from the main IND MSP file series and are distinguished by having an additional identifier [/43] in their original file number, referring to the year of their creation.

A file usually consists of a typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee to the Minister for Defence [Oscar Traynor] on behalf of an applicant who has been deemed ineligible for the award of a service certificate under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

Letters of appeal purport to have additional information about an applicant's service such as presence at specific engagements, injuries sustained and periods of imprisonment. Letters frequently refer to the applicant now being included on the Committee's 'Key List'.

In no significant original sequence, the files have been rearranged in alphabetical order.

1276	10 August 1943	ARKINS, John, Streete, Westmeath. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1277	7 August 1943	BROWN, Luke, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 2pp
1278	23 July 1943	CLABBY, Thomas, Lanesboro', Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1279	7 August 1943	CONNOR, Joe, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1280	22 July 1943	CURRAN, Hugh, Dublin. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p

1281	23 July 1943	CURRAN, Patrick, Lanesboro', Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1282	7 August 1943	DEEGAN, James, Clonee, Meath. Killoe Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1283	22 July 1943	DENNIGAN, James, Lanesboro', Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1284	22 July 1943	DOLAN, John, Newtowncashel, Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1285	22 July 1943	FARRELL, Daniel, Lanesboro', Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1286	23 July 1943	FARRELL, James, Lanesboro', Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1287	23 July 1943	FARRELL, Patrick M., Lanesboro', Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1288	18 May 1943	GAFFNEY, Michael, Granard, Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p

1289	23 July 1943	GREALLY, Michael, Brooklyn, New York. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1290	22 July 1943	HEVEHAN, James, Lanesboro', Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1291	7 August 1943	KELLY, Patrick, Esker, Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1292	23 July 1943	KENNY, Richard, Ballymahon, Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1293	14, 17 May 1943	LEDDY, Thomas, Lossett, Cavan. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. Letter from Leddy to MacEoin enclosing a statement of his service record. 6pp
1294	22 July 1943	McCORMACK, Joseph, Kenagh, Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1295	1 May 1943	MAGUIRE, Joseph, Ballinamore, Leitrim. Leitrim Flying Column. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 3pp

1296	22 July 1943	MILEY, James, Ballymahon, Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1297	23 July 1943	MORAN, John, Lanesboro', Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1298	17 May 1943	MOUGHTY, Michael, Terlicken, Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1299	23 July 1943	MURPHY, John, Lanesboro', Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1300	23 July 1943	O'TOOLE, Edward, Ballymahon, Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1301	23 July 1943	REILLY, William, Lanesboro', Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p
1302	22 March 1943	REYNOLDS, Patrick, Wilmington, California, U.S.A. Form letter from the Finance Branch, Department of Defence. The referee has decided the applicant is not a person to whom the Act applies. 1p
1303	22 July 1943	SHEA, Peter, Lanesboro', Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant. 1p

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SKELLY, Thomas, Lanesboro', Longford. Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant.

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## iv. Finished Cases

Series of files closely related to the IND MSP series, arising from applications for service certificates under the MSP Act, 1934, the award of which would render the recipient liable for a military service pension. These 'finished case' files would seem to relate to applicants who had been awarded certificates but were unhappy with either the length of service or rank awarded or both, and were appealing against these. Included may be:

- A file cover containing summary notes by MacEoin and other occasional annotations indicating the outcome of the appeal such as 'No change'.
- A statement of service, being transcripts of part of the Application Form MSP/34/1 or of answers to questions at interview with the Pensions Board, or both. Some brief statements consist of a short list of engagements in which the applicant participated and do not list the unit to which he was attached.

Some files form a numbered sequence but without distinctive or helpful order and the material has been rearranged alphabetically.

1305	1938	BRADLEY, William, Aughnacliffe, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service and copy of appeal. 12pp
1306	1937	<ul> <li>BRENNAN, James, Kenagh, Longford.</li> <li>B Company, 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade and Athlone</li> <li>Brigade Active Service Unit.</li> <li>Handwritten copy of the statement of service included on his application form.</li> </ul>
1307	[1937]	BURKE, Dan, Kileen. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and Flying Column. Handwritten copy of his statement of service and testimonial. 6pp

1308	[1937]	BURKE, Thomas, Granard, Longford. North Longford Flying Column. Handwritten statement of service. 3pp
1309	1936	CASSERLY, James, Drumlish, Longford. Vice Commandant, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service in MacEoin's hand. 6pp
		COLLUMB, Charles see KIERNAN, Peter
1310	1938	COLLUMB, John, Granard, Longford. Granard Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service and copies of testimonials. 5pp
1311	[ <i>c</i> .1937]	CONNELL, John, Ballinalee, Longford. Killoe Company, 1 battalion, Longford Brigade. Part of Form MSP 1 completed on Connell's behalf; copies of testimonials. 10pp
1312	[1937]	CONNELL, Michael, Saran, Longford. Second in Command, Flying Column. Handwritten statement of service and copies of testimonials. 6pp
1313	1934	COONEY, Patrick, Drumlish, Longford. At various times Intelligence Officer, Vice O/C, Quartermaster, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes on service; routine correspondence with MacEoin. 6pp
1314	1936	COSGROVE, Dan, Granard Copy testimonial and draft appeal against grade of award, both in MacEoin's hand. 3pp

1315	1936	CURRAN, Bernard, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Longford Brigade and North longford Flying C Handwritten and typescript copy statements of and testimonials. 8pp	
1316	1937	DALE, Matthew, Granard. Incomplete notes on service; copies of testimo additional statement of service in MacEoin's h 6pp	
1317	1938	DONOHOE, Frank, Granard, Longford. Colmcille Company, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; draft appeal the grade of award, in MacEoin's hand. 6pp	against
1318	1938	DOYLE, John, Aughnacliffe, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; additional ev submitted by way of appeal. 10pp	vidence
1319	1937	FARRELL, Michael, Moatefarrell, Longford. B Company, 2 Battalion, Athlone Brigade. Handwritten statement of service. 8pp	
1320	[1936]	FARRELL, Michael, Ballymore, Granard. Folder with handwritten notes on the cover on service, in MacEoin's hand; no contents. 1p	Farrell's
1321	1937	FARRELL, William, Colehill. D Company, 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service. 2pp	
1322	1938	FLYNN, Joseph, Granard, Longford. 6 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Brief statement of service; copy of a testimonia 4pp	al.

1323	1937	FOX, Andrew, Ballymahon, Longfor Routine correspondence with MacEo appeal against the grade of service av	oin concerning his
1324	1938	GALLIGAN, Michael, Streete, West Granard Company. Handwritten statement of service; co testimonials; routine correspondence	pies of
1325	1938	GALLIGAN, Thomas, Abbeylara. Granard Company. Handwritten statement of service; co	py of a testimonial. 4pp
1326	1936	GORMAN, Daniel, Ballinamuck, Lo Ballinamuck Company, Longford Br Handwritten and typescript copies of	rigade.
1327	1936	GORMLEY, Frank, Esker, Longford Killoe Company, Longford Brigade Longford Flying Column. Typescript copy of a testimonial.	
1328	[1935]	HEANEY, Edward, Granard, Longfo Granard Company. Handwritten statement of service.	ord. 4pp
1329	[1936]	HUGHES, Jack, Gowna, Cavan. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and N Flying Column. Typescript copy of his statement of s	C
1330	1936-39	HUSSEY, John Joseph, Brooklyn, N Company Quartermaster. Handwritten statement of service; roc correspondence.	

1331	1937	HUSSEY, Michael, Kenagh, Longford. North Longford Flying Column; Anti-Treaty, interned in Longford, Athlone, Mountjoy and the Curragh. Handwritten statement of service; routine correspondence. 4pp
1332	1937-38	KEENAN, James, Granard, Longford. Commandant, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; copies of testimonials; correspondence with the Military Service Pensions referee concerning aspects of his service and the general progress of his application. 14pp
1333	[1935]	KELLY, Peter, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Brief handwritten statement of service. 3pp
1334	1937	KELLY, Thomas, Ballymahon, Longford. Handwritten copies of testimonials; routine correspondence with MacEoin. 6pp
1335	[1936]	KELLY, William, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Brief handwritten statement of service. 4pp
1336	1937	KENNY, Edward, Ballymahon, Longford. B Company, 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Brief statement of service and copies of testimonials. 5pp
1337	1937	KENNY, Packy, Ballymahon, Longford. D Company, 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statements of service; draft letter of appeal in MacEoin's hand. 3pp

1338	1936	KIERNAN, Larry, Granard, Longford. Company Captain; member of North Longford Flying Column. Copy testimonial from MacEoin and draft letter of appeal against the service awarded. 5pp
1339	1937, 40	KIERNAN, Peter, Dring, Granard, Longford. Lieutenant, 1 and 4 Battalions, Longford Brigade. Copy testimonial from MacEoin together with a copy testimonial from Kiernan for Charles Collumb who he had commanded. 4pp
1340	1937	LEE, James, Ballinalee, Longford. Lieutenant, B Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; copies of testimonials; draft appeal in MacEoin's hand against degree of award. 15pp
1341	[1935]	LYNCH, Eugene. B Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and North Longford Flying Column. Handwritten statement of service and copies of testimonials. 8pp
1342	[1936]	LYNCH, Michael, Ballinalee, Longford. Longford Brigade staff officer. Handwritten statement of service. 3pp
1343	1935, 38	McGUIRK, John, Drumlish, Longford. 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Completed copy of Form MSP/34/1; copies of testimonials. 20pp
1344	1938	McKEON, Andrew, Molly, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Company Quartermaster, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and Brigade Munitions Officer. Handwritten statement of service; notification of award of a service certificate and draft letter of appeal, in MacEoin's hand, against the terms of the award. 12pp

1345	[1938]	McLOUGHLIN, Hugh. Captain, B Company, 1 Battalion, Killo Copy of a testimonial. 21	pe Brigade. pp
1346	1937	McNALLY, William, Aughnacliffe, Lo 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Copy of a testimonial from the battalion 2µ	-
1347	1937	MAGUIRE, Peter, Esker, Longford. Company adjutant, attached to an active Brief statement of service; copies of tes 10	
1348	1938	MAGUIRE, Peter, Ballinamuck, Longf 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statements of service; copi testimonials.	
1349	[1936]	MALONE, John, Streete, Westmeath. Folder with notes on the cover by MacH Malone's service; no contents.	
1350	1937	MARTIN, John. Section Commander, A Company, 6 Ba Longford Brigade. Handwritten transcript of evidence g Pensions Board; copies of testimonials. 6p	given before the
1351	1937	MASTERSON, Patrick P., Streete, Wes 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service. 6p	stmeath. op
1352	[1936]	MULLIGAN, James, Aughnacliffe, Lor 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten and typescript copies of st service.	-

1353	[1937]	MULVIHILL, Michael, Ballymahon, Longford. B Company, 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service. 4pp
1354	1937	MURTAGH, William, Granard, Longford. Granard Company and 6 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; copy of the testimonial given by MacEoin. 3pp
1355	1935, 37	O'NEILL, James P., Drumlish, Longford. B Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten copy of the testimonial provided by MacEoin; routine correspondence. 6pp
1356	1935-38	O'TOOLE, Séamus, Bray, Wicklow. O/C 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Material relating to his appeal against the refusal of his application; routine correspondence. 6pp
1357	[1936]	QUINN, Patrick, Ballymacormack. Folder with notes by MacEoin on the cover, on Quinn's service; no contents. 1p
1358	1937-39	QUINN, Thomas, Esker, Longford. B Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Part of Form MSP/34/1 completed by MacEoin on the applicant's behalf; routine correspondence. 10pp
1359	1938	REILLY, Michael, Granard, Longford. Handwritten statement of service; copies of testimonials. 8pp
1360	[1936]	REILLY, Thomas, Aughnacliffe, Longford. O/C Columbkilne Company, Longford Battalion; Brigade staff, Belfast Boycott. Handwritten statement of service. 4pp

1361	1936	RYAN, Patrick, Ardagh, Longford. B Company, 4 Battalion, Longford B Copy of a testimonial and draft letter award.	U
1362	[1937]	SHERIDAN, John, Granard. Section Commander, Granard Compa Brief handwritten statement of servic	
1363	1939	SMYTH, Patrick, Streete, Westmeath Commandant, 1 Battalion, Inny Briga Handwritten copy of statement of ser testimonial.	ade.
1364	1937	TRAPP, James Joseph, Trim, Meath. Folder with brief notes on the cover b Trapp's service; no contents.	
1365	1938	TULLY, John, Ballinalee, Longford. Killoe Company, 1 Battalion, Longfo Handwritten copies of statement of se testimonials.	ord Brigade.

## v. Cumann na mBan

Papers relating to individual applications by former members of Cumann na mBan, mainly in the Longford area, for the granting of a certificate of military service which would render them eligible for the award of a pension under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934.

This would not appear to be an organic file series, but an accumulation of related material consolidated into one group while the collection was in its former custody in the Franciscan Library, Killiney. Some of the papers are sufficiently similar physically to suggest an informal file series maintained by MacEoin.

Typically, each application may contain:

- A statement of service which may take the form of a narrative statement by the applicant herself; a draft in MacEoin's hand to assist the applicant; or a transcript of answers to questions asked at interview by the Pensions Board.
- Correspondence with the Department of Defence concerning applications, obviously forwarded to MacEoin by applicants, and almost invariably consisting of form letters.
- Testimonials supporting statements of active service.
- Typescript copy letters of appeal against refusal of the initial application, often containing additional information on an applicant's service to enhance the unsuccessful application.

1366	March-May 1942	BAXTER, Mary E., Killin Mills, Longford. Narrative and tabular statements of service; correspondence concerning her appeal against refusal of her application. 10pp
1367	March 1939	BONNIWELL, Julia, Long Island, New York. Correspondence with the Military Service Pensions Referee, Griffith Barracks, Dublin, and with MacEoin, concerning her application. 4pp
1368	October 1940	BRADY, Una, née Fitzpatrick. Letter to MacEoin seeking his assistance and recalling the details of incidents in which she was involved and of which he would have knowledge. 4pp

1369	November 1941	BRODERICK, Peg, Prospect Hill, Galway. Letter to MacEoin concerning his submission of a statement in support of her application which is due for review. 2pp
1370	[late 1930s]	BROWNE, Kate Ann, Clonfin, Mostrim. Handwritten statement of service by Mrs Browne with additional notes by MacEoin. 7pp
1371	July 1940	CALLANAN, Margaret, Officer's Quarters, Beggars Bush Barracks, Dublin. Typescript copy replies to questions by the Pensions Board. Additional typescript statements of her service record and correspondence concerning her application. 11pp
1372	September 1941- April 1943	CAMPBELL, Lizzie, née Quinn, Esker, Longford. Handwritten statements of active service; testimonials and correspondence concerning her application. 10pp
1373	October 1940	CAMPBELL, Mary Anne, Ballinamuck, Longford. Routine correspondence concerning her application. 2pp
1374	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	[CARLIN, Kathleen], Newtowncashel, Longford. Handwritten statement of service drafted by MacEoin on the applicant's behalf. 2pp
1375	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	CAROLAN, Katie, Drumlish, Longford. Handwritten testimonials and draft letter of appeal, in MacEoin's hand, against the refusal of her application. 4pp
1376	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	CASEY, Mary, née Martin, New York City. Handwritten statement of service drafted by MacEoin on Mrs Casey's behalf. 1p

1377	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	CASSERLEY, Winifred, Mosstown, Kenagh. Handwritten statement of service. 1p
1378	23 July 1936	CLARKE, Sarah, Birr, Offaly. Form letter from the Department of Defence on the progress of her application. 1p
1379	July 1940- January 1942	CONNOLLY, Margaret, Loughduff National School, Cavan. Correspondence with MacEoin including copy of a reference by him supporting her active service record. 3pp
1380	November 1936- April 1942	COOKE, Kate, Ballinamuck, Longford. Correspondence concerning the progress of her application and appeal against the decision of the Referee. 12pp
1381	August 1937- August 1942	CORCORAN, M., née Clarke, Bridget, New York City. 3 routine letters from Mrs Corcoran to MacEoin concerning her active service record and the submission of a pension application. 5pp
1382	[late 1930s]	CORCORAN, Mary Ann, née Clarke, Ballinalee, Longford. Handwritten statements of her active service in Thomas Ashe Branch, attached to 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. 9pp
1383	1944	COSGROVE, Agnes, Granard, Longford. Copy draft declarations in MacEoin's hand for the applicant's guidance; typescript copy statement of her active service, 1920-21, to appeal against the refusal of her application. 5pp
1384	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	CULLEN, Bridget, Granard, Longford. Handwritten statements of active service attached to 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. 10pp

1385	[late 1930s]	DALTON, Rose, née Murphy. Brief handwritten statement of service. 1p
1386	January 1942- April 1943	DALY, Lizzie, née Carolan, Drumlish, Longford. Handwritten statement of service attached to 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade; typescript copy appeal against the refusal of her application. 14pp
1387	February 1942	DAVIS, Catherine, Drumlish, Longford. Handwritten statement of service with the Fearglass Branch of Cumann na mBan, attached to the South Leitrim Brigade. 6pp
1388	February 1953	DOHERTY, Julia, Ballinalee, Leitrim. Routine letter seeking MacEoin's assistance with her application. 1p
1389	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	DONEGAN, Mary, née Farrell, Killashee, Longford. Typescript copy appeal against the refusal of a service certificate; handwritten notes concerning her service with the Kilashee Branch of Cumann na mBan. 2pp
1390	June 1942- April 1943	DONLON, Margaret, Lanesboro', Longford. Routine correspondence with the Department of Defence concerning the submission of a late application by Nurse Donlon. 2pp
1391	July 1937- April 1943	DONNELLAN, Mary, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Outline statement of her service; routine correspondence concerning the progress of her application; copy appeal against the refusal of her claim. 11pp

1392	[December 1941-] December 1945	DONOHOE, Helena, Ballinalee, Longford, sister of Seán MacEoin. Detailed handwritten and typescript statements of active service with Cumann na mBan Ballinalee Branch, with a list of members of A Company, 1 Battalion, District Council, Longford; copies of testimonials; routine correspondence with the Department of Defence; Service Certificate awarded her under the 1934 Act; material relating to her appeal against the rank awarded in the certificate. 50pp
1393	February 1940- April 1942	DOORLEY, Sheila, née Ballasty, Dublin. Handwritten statement of active service with Legan Cumann na mBan; routine correspondence concerning her application. 7pp
1394	February 1942- April 1943	DORIGAN, Maggie, Annacullen, Leitrim. General statement of service with Bornacoola Branch, South Leitrim; copies of testimonials and letter of appeal against refusal of her application. 6pp
1395	February 1942	DORIS, Mary, Ballinalee, Longford. Handwritten statement of active service as Captain, Columbcille Unit, attached to North Longford Brigade. 15pp
1396	November 1937- December 1942	DOYLE, Margaret, Longford. Handwritten statements of active service with Cumann na mBan, Longford; copies of testimonials. 20pp
1397	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	DUFFY, Julia. List, in MacEoin's hand, of engagements at which she was present. 1p
1398	May 1942- April 1943	DUGGAN, Kate, Clonturk, Longford. Form letters from the Department of defence; typescript copy letter of appeal against the refusal of her application. 5pp

1399	July 1942-	EIVERS, A.V., née Quinn. List, in MacEoin's hand, of engagements at which she was present; letter to macEoin seeking his assistance; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 4pp
1400	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	FAHY, Mary A., Drumlish, Longford. Organiser of the Drumlish Branch of Cumann na mBan. Typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 2pp
1401	April 1943	FARRELL, Bridget, Lanesboro', Longford. Handwritten statement of active service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 4pp
1402	November 1940- August 1941	FARRELL, Kate, née Egan, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Handwritten statements of active service attached to District Council staff, Longford Brigade; copy letters of appeal against refusal of her application. 10pp
1403	August 1937- June 1939	FITZGERALD, Eva. Correspondence with MacEoin and copies of testimonials, including one from him, attesting to her intelligence work for the anti-Treaty forces during the Civil War. 5pp
1404	November 1938- January 1943	FLYNN, Kathleen, née Hussey, Curroole, Newtowncashel. Handwritten statements of service with Clough Branch of Cumann na mBan; routine correspondence; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 12pp
1405	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	GORMLEY, Bridget, née Reilly, Esker, Longford. Handwritten list by MacEoin of engagements at which she was present. 1p

1406	July 1942- April 1943	GRAY, Bridget, Moyne, Longford. Brief statement of active service; routine correspondence; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 5pp
1407	April 1943	GUNSHINAN, Delia, Drumlish, Longford. Statement of active service, in MacEoin's hand, mainly attached to Longford Brigade; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 4pp
1408	February 1942	HARDY, Nellie, Omeath, Dundalk. Routine letter from Mrs Hardy to MacEoin. 1p
1409	September 1941	HEALY, Maria, née Carolan, Drumlish, Longford. Handwritten statement of active service attached to 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 7pp
1410	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	HEALY, Margaret, née Kelleher, Farnagh, Longford. Handwritten statements of service with 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. 12pp
1411	[ <i>c</i> .1938]	HEVEHAN, Mary, Lanesboro', Longford. Handwritten statement of services provided to the Flying Column. 4pp
1412	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	HOURICAN, Mary, née Carolan, Esker, Longford. Handwritten statement of service with Killoe Branch, Cumann na mBan. 6pp
1413	[ <i>c</i> .1938]	HUGHES, Annie, née Duffy. Typescript copy of her statement of service as Captain, Thomas Ashe Cumann, Cumann na mBan. 4pp

1414	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	HUGHES, May, Longford Town. Copy draft letter of appeal, in MacEoin's hand, against refusal of her application, restating her service with Longford Branch of Cumann na mBan attached to Longford Brigade. 2pp
1415	February 1941	HUSSEY, Helen, Keenagh, Longford. Form letter of refusal of her application from the Department of Defence. 1p
1416	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	JOYCE, Clare, Dublin. Typescript copy statement of active service with Lagan Branch, Cumann na mBan. 3pp
1417	April 1943- May 1944	KANE, Brigid, Dromod, Leitrim. Typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application including restatement of her service record; form letters from the Department of Defence. 6pp
1418	October 1941	KANE, Margaret, Ballinalee, Longford. Form letters from the Department of Defence concerning the refusal of her application. 2pp
1419	July 1937- April 1943	KANE, Maggie, Mullingar, Westmeath. Brief handwritten statement of service as Captain, Ballinamuck Branch, Cumann na mBan; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 8pp
1420	July 1937- April 1943	KEENAN, Kate, née McLoughlin, Rinroe, Granard. Handwritten statement of service with Longford Branch, Cumann na mBan; copies of testimonials; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 20pp

1421	October 1937- February 1942	KELLEHER, Celia, Johnson's Bridge, Leitrim. Handwritten statement of service as Captain, Clonar Branch, Cumann na mBan; copies of testimonials typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application 19pp
1422	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	KELLEHER, Ellan, Youghal, Cork. Handwritten statement of service as secretary and executive officer to the Midleton Branch of Cumann n mBan. 2pp
1423	[ <i>c</i> .1936-] December 1945	KELLY, Ellan, Esker, Longford. Handwritten statements of service, mainly in Ballinalee testimonials; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 15pp
1424	March 1944	KELLY, Jennie, Clonmellon, Westmeath. Form letter from the Office of the Military Servic Pensions Referee, requesting MacEoin to attend sitting of the Advisory Committee and give evidence i the case of Mrs Kelly who served with Granar Cumann na mBan. 1p
1425	[October 1924]	KELLY, Mrs., Gurteen. Copy of a testimonial confirming the service given to Gurteen battalion, Sligo Brigade by Mrs Kelly, Kelly' Hotel, Gurteen. 1p
1426	[ <i>c</i> .1936]	KENNY, Mary, Lanesboro', Longford. Brief handwritten statement of her service with Cuman na mBan in Lanesboro' and Newtowncashel. 2pp
1427	July 1941	KEOGH, Ellie, née Reilly, Drumlish, Longford. Letter to MacEoin seeking assistance in furthering her application. 4pp
1428	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	KILLANE, Catherine, Ballinalee, Longford. Draft statement of her active service in MacEoin's hand. 5pp

1429	October 1937- April 1943	LEE, Mary, Killashee, Longford. Handwritten statement of service attached to Longford Brigade, including Civil War service for the anti-Treaty forces; copies of testimonials; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 11pp
1430	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	LEONARD, Elizabeth, Rathowen, Westmeath. Draft statement, in MacEoin's hand, of her service with the Rathowen and Streete Branch of Cumann na mBan. 1p
1431	May 1944	McCABE, Catherine, Cartron House, Granard, Longford. Letter to MacEoin seeking heis assistance in furthering her application. 2pp
1432	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	McCARTHY, Rose, New York City. Letter to MacEoin giving, at his request, further details of her service with the Thomas Ashe Branch of Cumann na mBan. 4pp
1433	December 1942	MacDERMOTT, Nurse. Letter from Seán Leavy, Strokestown, Roscommon, introducing Miss MacDermott who had served 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade as a trained nurse. Annotated by MacEoin on his meeting with her. 2pp
1434	April- August 1943	McDOWELL, Maggie, Dromod, Leitrim. Handwritten statement of service in Columcille and Ballinasloe Branches of Cumann na mBan; routine correspondence; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 17pp
1435	August 1946	MacEOIN, Alice, Ballinalee, Longford, Seán MacEoin's wife. Form letter from the Finance Branch of the Department of Defence; her appeal against refusal of her application has been unsuccessful.

1436	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	McGANN, Kate, Roscommon. Draft statement in MacEoin's hand of her active service including nursing Ernie O'Malley after he was wounded. 3pp
1437	April 1944	McGANN, Margaret, Ballymahon, Longford. Draft statement in MacEoin's hand of her active service in Ballymahon; routine correspondence; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 6pp
1438	[ <i>c</i> .1944]	McGEE, [Chrissy], Granard. Brief tabular statement in MacEoin's hand of her active service in Granard. 1p
1439	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	McGIVNEY, Ellen, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Draft statement in MacEoin's hand of her service with Columbkilne Branch, Cumann na mBan; copies of testimonials; routine correspondence. 16pp
1440	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	McGUINNESS, Bridget, Longford Town. Detailed handwritten and typescript accounts of her active service as Assistant Secretary, Cumann na mBan, in Longford. 12pp
1441	January 1942	MacGUINNESS, Maureen, Longford Town. Handwritten and typescript statements of active service as treasurer, Longford Unit, Coroin Muire Branch, Cumann na mBan; copies of testimonials; routine correspondence. 12pp
1442	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	McGUIRE, Nan, Moydown, Longford. Brief handwritten narrative of her active service in Ballycormack, Killaskee and Longford Branches of Cumann namBan; copy form of applicationcompleted by MacEoin. 7pp

1443	April 1943	McGUIRE, [MAGUIRE] Nellie, Moydown, Longford. Handwritten transcript of answers given at interview before the Pensions Board; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 3pp
1444	March 1944	McINERNEY, Mary Kate, Carrigallen. Form letter from the Department of Defence requesting MacEoin to attend a meeting of the Advisory Board to give evidence on behalf of McInerney, a member of Ballinamuck Cumann na mBan. 1p
1445	October 1941	McKEOWN, Mary. Form letter from the Office of the Referee, Coláiste Caoimhín, Glasnevin, Dublin. 1p
1446	June 1942	McMANUS, Brigid, Aughadegnan, Longford. Handwritten statements of her service with Ballinamuck Branch, Cumann na mBan, 5 District Council, Longford Brigade, and correspondence concerning her appeal against its refusal. 14pp
1447	August 1940	MADDEN, Mary Kate. Form letter from the Office of the Referee acknowledging MacEoin's letter in support of Miss Madden's application. 1p
1448	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	MADDEN, Mollie, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin. Part of the form of application, completed in MacEoin's hand; service attached to GHQ at the Post Office, Longford, appointed by Michael Collins. 5pp
1449	November 1939- June 1940	MAGUIRE, Mary A., née Hussey, Mullingar, Westmeath. Handwritten statement of her active service as a Cumann na mBan captain; routine correspondence concerning her application. 6pp

1450	July 1942- May 1951	MAGUIRE, May, Portarlington, Laois. Handwritten statement of service with Cumann na mBan in Longford; routine correspondence; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 15pp
1451	April 1943	MAHAN, Alice, née Gormley, Esker, Longford. Handwritten statement of her active service with Killoe Branch, Cumann na mBan; copies of testimonials; routine correspondence; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 9pp
1452	March 1944	MILEY, A. M., Ballymahon, Longford. Brief handwritten statement of active service in Longford. 3pp
1453	August 1943	MIMNAGH, Fanny, née Murtagh. Typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application; restatement of her service with Drumlish Branch, Cumann na mBan. 1p
1454	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	MIMNAGH, Kate, née Harten, Esker, Longford. Draft statement in MacEoin's hand of her active service. 1p
1455	July 1942- January 1943	MORAN, Hannah, Lanesboro', Longford. Handwritten statement of service in Lanesboro', Newtowncashel and Clough; copies of testimonials; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 26pp
1456	April 1943- October 1944	MULLANEY, Mary, née Doherty, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Draft statement in MacEoin's hand of her active service in the Ballymahon area; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 3pp
1457	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	MULLOOLY, Brigid, Lanesboro', Longford. Handwritten statement of her active service with 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. 2pp

1458	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	MULLOOLY, Celia, Lanesboro', Longford. Brief resumé of her service record. 1p
1459	October 1940	MURPHY, Anna. Form letter from the Office of the Referee informing her that on her existing application she is not a person to whom the Act applies and inviting her to submit additional evidence. 2pp
1460	July 1942	MURPHY, Eileen, Myshall, Carlow. Form letter from the Secretary, Finance Branch, Department of Defence, referring to her application which has been unsuccessful. 1p
1461	[ <i>c</i> .1936]	MURRAY, Bridget, Lanesboro', Longford. Handwritten statement of service with 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. 2pp
1462	[ <i>c</i> .1936]	NOLAN, Winnie, Lanesboro', Longford. Draft statement of active service in MacEoin's hand. 3pp
1463	February 1942	O'DOWD, M.N., North Circular Road, Dublin. Typescript statement of active service, mainly in Northyard. 2pp
1464	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	O'FLAHERTY, Annie, née Connolly. Brief handwritten notes by MacEoin on her service, attached to brigade H.Q. 2pp
1465	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	O'HARA, Mary, née Farrell, Brooklyn, New York. Handwritten statement of service in Lanesboro' and Newtowncashel. 2pp

1466	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	O'REILLY, Bridget, St. Helen's, Roscommon. Handwritten statement of her active service including notes by MacEoin; provided medical aid to wounded Volunteers while a nurse in Roscommon Hospital. Includes an undated press cutting reporting the death of Dr C.J. Kelly who had been the Medical Officer to Longford Brigade. 4pp
1467	July 1942-	O'REILLY, Peggie, Bray, Wicklow. Handwritten statement of service as President, Columbkilne Branch, Cumann na mBan; copy of the form of application, completed by MacEoin; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 10pp
1468	August 1941- April 1943	POWELL, Mary, Moydow, Longford. Attached to 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade; copies of handwritten testimonials; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 6pp
1469	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	QUINN, Kate Ann, Cooleeny, Longford. Handwritten statement of service over the Longford Brigade area; copies of testimonials. 9pp
1470	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	QUINN, Margaret, Cooleeny, Longford. Handwritten statement of service over the Longford Brigade area; copies of testimonials; copy handwritten draft letter of appeal against refusal of her application. 10pp
1471	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	REILLY, Catherine, née Fitzpatrick. Outline handwritten statement of service with Mullinalaghta Branch, Cumann na mBan. 4pp

1472	February 1942- August 1943	REILLY, Mary, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Form letter from the Finance Branch, Department of Defence, informing her that her application has been unsuccessful; letter from P. Mallon, Streete, appealing to MacEoin to assist Miss Reilly and stating her service with Edgeworthstown and Monedarragh Branches of Cumann na mBan. 4pp
1473	April 1941- May 1944	REILLY, Mary, Loughduff, Cavan. Form letters from the Department of Defence concerning her application; letters from her husband to MacEoin requesting his assistance. 9pp
1474	June 1942	REYNOLDS, Brigid, Athlone Town. Letter to MacEoin requesting his assistance in furthering her application which has been refused. 2pp
1475	February 1942	REYNOLDS, Mary, Ennybegs, Longford. Handwritten statement of service including a period as Commandant, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade Cumann na mBan; brief typescript lists of <i>c</i> .12 members; draft handwritten appeal against refusal of her application. 9pp
1476	April 1941-	REYNOLDS, M.F., née Sheeran, Ennybegs, Longford. Copies of testimonials to her service on despatch and first aid duties; handwritten copy of her appeal against refusal of her application. 6pp
1477	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	ROCK, Mary, Carrickedmond. Handwritten statement of her active service with 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. 1p
1478	April 1943	RODGERS, Anna Mary, Drumlish, Longford. Handwritten notes on her service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 3pp

1479	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	RODGERS, Mrs Edward, Ballinalee, Longford. Handwritten rough notes by MacEoin on expenses incurred by her in providing billeting for men. 1p
1480	November 1940	RODGERS, Mary, Clonmacart. Draft appeal in MacEoin's hand against refusal of her application; active service with Drumlish Cumann na mBan, Longford Brigade. 2pp
1481	January- May 1943	SHEILS, Julia, Gowna, Cavan. Handwritten notes by MacEoin, also referring to the service record of John Connolly, Gowna who served with Cavan Brigade; typescript copy statement of Mrs Shiel's service with Mullinaghta Branch, Cumann na mBan. 6pp
1482	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	SLEVIN, Kate, Ballinamuck. Handwritten statement of service with Drumard Branch, Cumann na mBan; rough notes in MacEoin's hand. 7pp
1483	March- April 1943	TRAPPE, Nellie, née Maguire, Longford. Handwritten statements of service with Countess Branch, Cumann na mBan, Killoe, Longford; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 10pp
1484	April- November 1942	TUITE, Bridget, Mostrim, Longford. Handwritten statements of service and correspondence with MacEoin concerning her appeal against the rank awarded in her service certificate. 7pp
1485	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	TYNAN, Lizzie, Esker, Longford. Brief note on her service in MacEoin's hand. 1p

1486	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	TYNAN, Mary, née McKeon, Ballinalee, Longford. Handwritten statement of service with Thomas Ashe Branch, Cumann na mBan, Ballinalee; handwritten notes by MacEoin. 10pp
1487	April 1943	WHITNEY, Maggie, née Carolan, Drumlish, Longford. Handwritten statements of service with 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade, Cumann na mBan; typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application. 6pp
1488	July 1942	WYNNE, Rosemary, Longford Town. Form letter from the Department of Defence, Parkgate, Dublin, to MacEoin, informing him that Mrs Wynne's appeal against refusal of her application for a service certificate has in turn been unsuccessful. 1p

## vi. Longford Brigade Committee Maps

	Brigade. The majority are traced from mainly the 6 <sup>in</sup> to 1 mile serie by M.S. Ó Ríain, Lanesboro' The maps are intended to sho British forces and the R.I.C	ow the location and features of engagements with 2. Additional information added to each map by
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1489	Attack	on Mostrim R.I.C. barracks, June 1920 75x50cms
1490	Ballina June 1	amuck and R.I.C. barracks taken by I.R.A. forces, 920. 75x50cms
1491	Ballina	amuck. Attack on police patrol, August 1920. 75x50cms
1492	e	vn showing military barracks captured by forces, August 1920. 75x50cms
1493	forces, August	nd R.I.C. barracks captured by I.R.A. t 1920. t centre of a larger sheet. 97x75cms map 32x32cms

1494	Ambush at Gowlan, County Longford, August 1920.Arms, smmunition and equipment were surrendered toI.R.A. forces100x92cms
1495	Clontumper ambush, August 1920. Preparations for an ambush. Enemy did not appear. 75x50cms
1496	Ballingscraw ambush, August 1920. 75x50cms
1497	Arvagh. Attacked and captured by I.R.A., September 1920. 75x50cms
1498	Lanesborough showing R.I.C. barracks and I.R.A. positions during attacks on it, September 1920. 75x50cms
1499	Kellether Rhyne showing ambush of enemy, October 1920. 75x65cms
1500	Lanesboro' showing attack on R.I.C. barracks, October 1920. 75x50cms
1501	Ambush of R.I.C. at Leitrim X Roads. R.I.C. returning from sessions in Longford to Drumlish, October 1920. Sketch map on paper. 33x20cms
1502	Ballinalee showing ambush of special detachment of military and R.I.C. in charge of Div[isional] Inspector from Kildare, 3 November 1920. 75x50cms
1503	Attack on Tarmonbarry R.I.C. barracks, 6 November 1920. 75x50cms

1504	Clondra showing ambush of R.I.C., 20 November 1920. 75x50cms
1505	Ballinalee showing attack on temporary R.I.C. barracks (Farrells), destroyed 8 December 1920. 75x50cms
1506	Ballinalee showing 1920.ambush of 75x50cmsR.I.C., 9December
1507	<ul><li>Ballinalee. Attack on enemy posts in the schoolhouse and Fr Montford's, occupied immediately by the R.I.C. and East Yorks after the destruction of Pat Farrell's, 12 December 1920.</li><li>Sketch map. 75x50cms</li></ul>
1508	Ballinalee showing attack on temporary barracks, 18December 1920. East Yorks military. 1 officer and 20men.75x50cms
1509	Ballinalee showing destruction of the Military Post, 20 December 1920. East Yorks at Fr Montford's. Black and Tans in schoolhouse. Fr Montford's destroyed. 75x50cms
1510	Ballinalee showing attack on R.I.C. post [in the] schoolhouse, 22 December 1920. 75x50cms
1511	Finea showing raid on Dr Ryan's for Aux[iliary] Officers and seizure [of] petrol, December 1920. 75x50cms
1512	Ardagullion Bog, December 1920. Preparations for an ambush. Sketch map. Not drawn to scale. 75x50cms

1513	Ballinalee showing residence of James Mackey Wilson, brother of and birthplace of ( <i>sic</i> ) Sir Henry Wilson and Rev. Mr Johnson's residence which was raided, December 1920. 75x50cms
1514	Lanesboro' showing R.I.C. barracks and I.R.A. positions during attack, December 1920. The R.I.C. and Tans were fifty strong in charge of H.[ead] Constable and four sergeants. 75x50cms
1515	Ballinalee showing attacks on military posts at the schoolhouse and Reynolds, January 1921. 75x50cms
1516	Arvagh showing attack on patrol composed of 10 R.I.C. and Black & Tans, January 1921. 75x50cms
1517	Granard showing attack on patrol, January 1921. 75x50cms
1518	Kilshrewley, shooting of D.[ivisional] I.[nspector] McGrath, 3 January 1921. 75x50cms
1519	Ballinalee showing ambush of R.I.C. patrol, January1921.75x50cms
1520	Lanesboro' showing R.I.C. barracks and I.R.A. positions during attack, January 1921. 75x50cms
1521	Clonwhelan: attack on troop train, February 1921. 75x50cms
1522	Granard: attack on R.I.C., February 1921. 75x50cms

1523	Clonfin ambush, February 1921. 75x50cms
1524	Ambush at Rathcline, Lanesboro', February 1921, and graves where bodies were buried. Sketch map. 35x20cms
1525	Capture of ammunition at Lanesboro', March 1921. 75x50cms
1526	Attempt to disarm escort with mails from Longford to Ballinamuck at Clonellan, March 1921. Sketch map 33x20cms
1527	Attempted attack on R.I.C., Newpass, Rathowen, March 1921, and Ardglass ambush of R.I.C., April 1921. Note: 2 engagements 75x35cms
1528	Ballinalee showing attack on patrol, April 1921. 75x50cms
1529	Granard showing ambush of R.I.C. at Ballybrien, April 1921. 75x50cms
1530	Ballycorkery ambush, April 1921. 75x35cms
1531	Lanesboro' showing ambush of Black & Tans by I.R.A. forces in Fallons [the] Tailor, April 1921. 40x20cms
1532	Ambush at Fyhora, May 1921. 75x50cms
1533	Explosion of a mine at Croshea. Personnel manning post on verso. 25x20cms

1534	Aughadowry, attack on R.I.C., May 1921. 75x50cms
1535	Granard, showing sniping of Tans from Workhouse grounds, May 1921. 75x50cms
1536	Drumlish Town, occupied by I.R.A. forces, May and June 1921. 75x50cms
1537	Turlough ambush, June 1921. 100x70cms
1538	Ambush at Listreena, June 1921. 70x40cms
1539	Longford Town showing enemy positions and attack on County Infirmary occupied by Auxiliaries, June 1921. 75x50cms
1540	Carrickboy, Longford: roundup and shooting of military, June 1921. 75x50cms
1541	Drumlish showing attack on Auxiliary forces, June 1922. 75x50cms
1542	Ambush at Streete, July 1921. 70x40cms
1543	Kellether, showing ambush of enemy, July 1921. 75x50cms
1544	Granard, showing ambush of patrol, 2 November 1920. 3 maps, only one containing a history of the engagement and names of volunteers manning posts. 75x50cms

1545	Lanesboro' attack, May 1921. 60x45cms
1546	Ballinalee, attack by A.S.U. on patrol, June 1921. Map not certified by the Longford Brigade Committee. Sketch map. 50x50cms
1547	Sketch map by MacEoin of the site of the Clonfin ambush. Annotated on the verso 'September 1920 was first date on which authority was given to attack and kill if necessary to obtain objective. At this date also authority was given to shoot certain members of the enemy on sight'. 32x20cms
1548	Coolarty Column Headquarters for Clonwhelan train attempt and for Terlicken Ballymahon attempted ambush of Divisional Commissioner Kilare [Kildare?] who burned Granard and attempted burning Ballinalee, November 1920. Sketch map. 30x20cms
1549	Sketch map by MacEoin of the railway station at Oldcastle, County Meath. 'Walked station grounds, 23 October 1969. Oldcastle Railway Station now closed and altered from 1920'. Map of an unspecified action. 20x12cms

## vi. Unsorted Pension Papers

1930s-40sMaterial relating to applications for pensions, mainly under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, received or written by MacEoin but never organised into a coherent or formal file series. The material has been arranged alphabetically by name of applicant but the type and quantity of documents relating to each applicant is inconsistent. All would appear to relate to appeals against refusal of the initial application under the Act. Included may be: Transcripts of or extracts from statements of service included on the pension application form, though these are frequently only rough notes. Occasional copies of the From MSP/34/1. Transcripts of questions and answers at interview before the Pensions Board. • Copies of testimonials, the most frequent and often the only document relating to individual applicants. Routine correspondence between the applicant and the Department of Defence, and the applicant and MacEoin. Where there is more than one applicant of the same name, they have been differentiated by an indication of locale. A small amount of material relates to applications under the 1924 Act; applications from former R.I.C. officers seeking compensation for dismissal or resignation on national grounds; and to claims under the Army Pensions Acts, 1932 and 1937, in respect of illness as a result of military service. ADAMSON, Joseph 2pp ARKINS, John р **BALLASTY**, Charles 20pp BALLASTY, Martin 12pp BOHAN, Jack 4pp **BRADY**, Charles 1p BRADY, Hugh 2pp BRADY, James 1p **BRADY**, Matthew 8pp BRADY, Michael 12pp

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BRADY. Patrick

**BRADY**, Thomas

BRADY, William

BREHENY, John

BRENNAN, John F.

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	COURTNEY, Mark	1p
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	CULLEN, Charles	4pp
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## C. Military Service Pensions (Amendment) Act, 1949

Series of applications for assistance in the submission of petitions under Section 6 (1) or 11 (1) of the Military Service Pensions (Amendment) Act, 1949, against refusal of an earlier application under the 1934 Act, for the award of a military service certificate. Files are predominantly part of an original file series labelled MS13B. Most contain a statement of service which may take a number of forms:

- a draft statement in MacEoin's hand of the applicant's active service;
- a list of answers to questions asked by the Military Service Pensions Referee at interview in the context of their previous application
- a broad statement of activities and affirmation of the applicant's presence at specific engagements rather than a detailed account of his or her activities.

Some applicants are labelled 'Key', being included in the Key List of the Longford Brigade previously submitted by the Longford Brigade Committee and 'lost or mislaid' in the Department of Defence. Also includes routine correspondence, mainly with Alice Meehan, Private Secretary to MacEoin, concerning the progress of applications. Some applications are from individuals who had taken the anti-Treaty position. Content varies significantly from file to file.

Where the only material on file relates to a previous application under the 1924, or more usually the 1934 M.S.P. Act, it must be assumed that this material is to be used as the basis of a petition under the 1949 Act, even where no documents relating to such a petition exist.

1571	January- February 1951	ADAMSON, Joseph Patrick, Jersey City, U.S.A. B Company, 2 Battalion, Athlone Brigade. Completed application form and routine
		correspondence. 3pp
1572	June 1951	BARDEN, James, Brooklyn, New York, U.S.A. A Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Copy typescript affidavit completed in 1944 for application under the 1934 Act. 3pp

1573	June 1951	BARTLEY, Patrick, Ballyminion, Longford. Handwritten note by MacEoin containing the form of words to be used by Bartley in his application. Service mainly in the National Army. 1p
1574	[June 1951]	BARRY, Patrick, Ballinamuck, Longford. Handwritten note by MacEoin containing the form of words to be used by Barry in his application. Service in the North Longford Flying Column. 1p
1575	May 1951	BLESSINGTON, John, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Handwritten note from Blessington referring to his earlier application. Typescript note and copy letter from Alice Meehan to Blessington concerning the completion of his form. 3 items
1576	November 1949- May 1951	<ul><li>BRADY, Charles, Edgeworthstown, Longford.</li><li>E Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li><li>First Lieutenant, B Company, 6 Battalion.</li><li>Material relating to his initial application including a detailed statement of service. Corrrespondence with MacEoin concerning his appeal. 20pp</li></ul>
1577	May 1951	BRADY, Mrs Hugh, née Hannigan, Ballinalee, Longford. Vice-President, Thomas Ashe Unit, Cumann na mBan. Handwritten notes and typescript copy statement of service including material relating to her initial application. 20pp
1578	January 1950	BRADY, Garda Patrick, Howth, Dublin. A Company, 6 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy statement of service for his application under the 1924 Act. Correspondence with MacEoin concerning his appeal. 9pp

1579	May 1951	BROWNE, Peter, Kilnaleck, Cavan. A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service. Correspondence between MacEoin and Browne's wife Mary, concerning the progress of his application. 8pp
1580	May 1951	BURNS, Terence, Granard, Longford. 6 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service and material relating to previous applications and appeals (1943). 11pp
1581	July 1950	CAHILL, Thomas, Streete, Westmeath. Correspondence with MacEoin concerning the progress of his application. 3 items
1582	May-June 1951	CAROLAN, Jim, Church Street, Longford and Harlesden, London. Correspondence with MacEoin concerning the progress of his application. 6pp
1583	December 1950- May 1951	CAROLAN, Peter, Drumlish, Longford. Drumlish Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes, testimonials and replies to a questionnaire concerning his military service; copy of his petition under the 1949 Act. 10pp
1584	[May 1951]	CASEY, James, Newtowncashel, Longford. Handwritten undated note by Casey on his active service. 1p
1585	June 1951	CLARKE, John, Newtowncashel, Longford. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statements and testimonials on Clarke's active service for his initial pension application (1942- 43). 20pp

1586	May 1951	CLARKE, Thomas C., New York City. Killoe Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten account of active service and correspondence with MacEoin concerning the progress of his petition. 6pp
1587	[1951]	CONNOLLY, Peter, Carrigallen, Leitrim. Arva Company, Cavan. Undated handwritten account by MacEoin of Connolly's active service. Correspondence concerning his initial application inder the 1934 Act (1941-43). 9pp
1588	June 1951	CONNOR, James, Trillickatemple, Longford. Longford Brigade Headquarters; on the staff of the Brigade Chief of Police. Handwritten note by MacEoin. 1p
1589	June 1951	CONNOR, John, Rabbitpark, Longford. Correspondence concerning Connor's initial application for a wound pension under the 1923 and 1932 Acts (1933-35), and appeal for review under the 1949 Act. 18pp
1590	1925-27	COUGHLAN, J.J., The Pigeons, Athlone. 3 Battalion, B Company, Athlone Brigade. Correspondence and notes on Coughlan's active service in connection with his initial application under the 1924 Act. 12pp
1591	1937-51	COX, Michael, Longford Town. Athlone Brigade. Typescript statement of Cox's active service and correspondence concerning his initial application. File labelled 'Key Man' by MacEoin. Fought on anti-Treaty side. 20pp
1592	1950-51	CULLEN, Charles. Correspondence concerning Cullen's appeal for a review of his application. 3pp

1593	[1951]	CULLEN, Daniel P., Brucklagh, Drumlish, Longford. Handwritten note by MacEoin of the form of words to be used by Cullen in his appeal for a review of his pension application. 1p
1594	May 1950- May 1951	CULLEN, John, Lossett P.O., Cavan. Correspondence concerning the progress of his application for a pension under the 1949 Act. 4 items
1595	July 1950- May 1951	DALTON, Mrs Rose, Soran, Ballinalee, Longford. Correspondence concerning the completion of her application form. 6pp
1596	[1934-51]	DALY, James, Aughnacliffe, Longford. C Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statements by both Daly and MacEoin on his active service, made for his initial application. 15pp
1597	June 1951	DENNIGAN, Louis, Clonterm, Longford. C Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement by MacEoin for Dennigan, outlining his active service. Further note by MacEoin setting out the form of words to be used by Dennigan in applying for a review of the decision on his initial application. 3pp
1598	June 1951	DENNIGAN, Michael, Ballyminion, Longford. Handwritten note by MacEoin containing the form of words to be used by Dennigan in applying for a review of his application. 1p
1599	April 1950- June 1951	DENNING, John, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Longford Brigade. Handwritten notes and drafts by MacEoin for Denning's initial application under the 1934 Act (1940-43). Correspondence between MacEoin and Denning concerning the completion of his appeal form for a review of his application under the 1949 Act. 18pp

1600	September 1941- May 1951	DEVANEY, John, Mostrim, Longford. Streete Company. Correspondence concerning his initial application, including a supporting statement by MacEoin, and his appeal for a review under the 1949 Act. 6pp
1601	June 1950	DEVINE, Philip, North Circular Road, Dublin. Typescript copy petition by Devine for a review of the decision on his initial application. Includes a short ststement of his active service. 1p
1602	May-June 1951	DEVINE, Thomas J., Brooklyn, New York City. Routine correspondence between Devine and MacEoin concerning the submission of an application under the 1949 Act. 2pp
1603	October 1940- June 1951	DOHERTY, Mrs Julia, Ballinalee, Longford. Secretary, Thomas Ashe Cumann, Cumann na mBan. Handwritten notes, statements on her service in Ballinalee, correspondence concerning her initial application under the 1934 Act; and her appeal under the 1949 Act. 20pp
1604	July 1940- May 1951	DOHERTY, Patrick, Esker, Longford. B Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of active service for his initial application and correspondence concerning his appeal under the 1949 Act. 7pp
1605	January 1938-	DONEGAN, Louis, Newtowncashel, Longford. Handwritten statements of active service and correspondence concerning his initial application and appeal under the 1934 Act, and the submission of a petition under the 1949 Act. 15pp
1606	May 1951	DONOHOE, John, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Copy letter from Alice Meehan, Private Secretary to MacEoin, to Donohoe, advising him on the submission of a petition form. 1p

1607	October 1950	DORE, Robert, Tournafulla, Limerick. Letter from Dore to MacEoin requesting assistance in his application and enclosing a short statement of his active service. Copy reply from MacEoin. 3pp
1608	February 1944	DORIGAN, Charles, Dromod, Longford. Longford, Leitrim and Roscommon Brigades. Handwritten statement by Bernard Dowd, O/C 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade, attesting to Dorigan's active service. 1p
1609	May 1951	DOWD, Brian, Loughduff, Cavan. Letter from Dowd requesting MacEoin's assistance in his application. 1p
1610	June 1950	DOYLE, Joseph, Baylough, Athlone. C Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Correspondence concerning the submission of his application including a handwritten statement by MacEoin of Doyle's active service. 9pp
1611	August 1950- May 1951	DOYLE, Michael, Ballinalee, Longford. Routine correspondence concerning the submission of his petition. 5pp
1612	[May 1951]	DOYLE, Patrick, Mostrim, Longford. Completed form of petition describing Doyle's active service, completed in MacEoin's hand. 1p
1613	November 1936- July 1950	DOYLE, Patrick, Blackhall Place, Dublin, formerly of Aughnacliffe, Longford. Columcille Company, North Longford Brigade. Typescript copy statement by Doyle of his active service for his application under the 1934 Act; correspondence with MacEoin and testimonial from MacEoin to support Doyle's petition under the 1949 Act. 6 items

1614	January-May 1950	DOYLE, Thomas, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Columcille Company, Longford Battalion. Typescript copy statement of his active service; correspondence concerning his petition under the 1949 Act and completed handwritten and typescript copies of the form of petition. 12pp
1615	December 1941	DUFFY, Thomas, Clonfin, Mostrim, Longford. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten and typescript copy statements of his active service and testimonials, mainly in the context of his original application. 16pp
1616	June 1937- May 1951	DUNCAN, William, Ballymahon, Longford. D Company, 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of his active service and copies of testimonials; correspondence concerning the submission of his petition. 25pp
1617	January 1950- May 1951	EIVERS, Mrs Annie, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Routine correspondence concerning the completion and submission of her form of petition. 8 items
1618	January 1950- May 1951	FAGAN, Mrs Rose, Granard, Longford. Cumann na mBan, Ballinamore district. Correspondence concerning the submission of her petition; typescript copy of the petition form. 8 items
1619	May 1951	FAGAN, Thomas, Cartonfree, Granard, Longford. Mullahoran Company, Ballinagh Battalion, Longford Brigade. Application form in MacEoin's hand, for a pension under the 1934 Act; later annotations by MacEoin. 1 item
1620	May 1950- May 1951	FARRELL, Patrick, Mostrim, Longford. Correspondence concerning the submission of an application under the 1949 Act, including a completed copy of the petition form. 6 items

1621	September 1937- May 1951	<ul> <li>FARRELL, Thomas, Croshea, Longford.</li> <li>B Company, 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li> <li>Handwritten statements and testimonials concerning his active service in the context of his initial application; correspondence concerning the submission of a petition under the 1949 Act.</li> </ul>
1622	July 1940- May 1951	<ul> <li>FARRELLY, Joseph, Granard, Longford.</li> <li>B Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li> <li>Handwritten statement of service and testimonials, mainly by MacEoin, in the context of Farrelly's initial application; correspondence concerning the submission of a petition under the 1949 Act. 40pp</li> </ul>
1623	May-June 1951	FINSERLY, Patrick and James, Killashee, Longford. Letter from James Hussey, Killashee, concerning the submission of petitions by the two brothers, one of whom is in England; copy reply from Alice Meehan. 2pp
1624	August 1943- [May 1951]	<ul><li>FITZGERALD, Patrick, Streete, Westmeath.</li><li>Finnea Outpost Company, attached to Granard Company.</li><li>Completed form of application for a pension under the 1934 Act; copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee.</li></ul>
1625	July 1941	FITZSIMONS, Joseph, Cartonfree, Granard, Longford. Form reply from the Office of the M.S.P. Referee informing him that he is not a person to whom the 1934 Act applies; handwritten form of words for appeal written by MacEoin on the verso. 2pp
1626	April 1943- [May 1951]	FLOOD, Mrs Eileen, Granard, Longford. Copy of the form of application for a service certificate under the 1934 Act, completed in MacEoin's hand; copy letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee; letter from Mrs Flood concerning her petition under the 1949 Act. 3 items

1627	March-May 1951	<ul><li>FLYNN, Mrs Kathleen, Newtowncashel, Longford.</li><li>Cumann na mBan, Keenagh Branch.</li><li>Completed form of petition on Mrs Flynn's behalf under the 1949 Act; routine correspondence between MacEoin and Mr Flynn concerning the progress of the application.</li></ul>
1628	January 1942- May 1951	FOX, Peter, Esker, Longford. Ballinamuck Company area. Handwritten statement of active service and testimonials for his initial application and appeal; completed form of petition under the 1949 Act and correspondence with MacEoin concerning the basis of his application. 13 items
1629	June 1951	GILLAN, Michael, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Copy form of words in MacEoin's hand, to be used in submitting his petition under the 1949 Act. 1p
1630	August 1940- May 1951	<ul> <li>GINTY, James, Ballinamuck, Longford.</li> <li>B Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li> <li>Handwritten statement of service and correspondence concerning his initial application and petition under the 1949 Act.</li> </ul>
1631	November 1949- May 1951	GORMLEY, Felix, Granard, Longford. Routine correspondence, mainly between Gormely and Alice Meehan, concerning the submission and progress of an application under the 1949 Act. 13pp
1632	June 1951	GRAY, James, Moyne P.O., Longford. Routine copy letter from Alice Meehan to Gray concerning the submission of an application under the 1949 Act. 1p

1633	November 1938- April 1951	GRAY, Laurence, Granard, Longford. Longford Battalion, Athlone Brigade. Handwritten and typescript copy statements of his active service and routine correspondence concerning the submission and progress of his application. 28 items
1634	June 1950- May 1951	<ul><li>GRAY, Michael, Mullingar, Westmeath.</li><li>A Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li><li>Handwritten and typescript copy statements of his active service and correspondence concerning the submission of his petition. 5 items</li></ul>
1635	February 1950	GUNSHINAN, Mrs Delia, Drumlish, Longford. Routine correspondence with the Department of Defence, preliminary to submitting a petition under the 1949 Act. 2pp
1636	May 1951	HAGAN, Edward, Clonee, Longford. Special Intelligence Officer, Longford Brigade. Handwritten and typescript copy statements of service and correspondence concerning the submission of his petition. 7pp
1637	July 1950- June 1951	<ul><li>HALTON, Hugh, Gowna, Longford.</li><li>Loughduff B Company.</li><li>Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy form of petition; routine correspondence. 6 items</li></ul>
1638	June 1947	HANNAH, John P., Ballymote, Sligo. Flying Column. Handwritten letter from Hannan to MacEoin. He has not yet received a pension despite the active service record which he outlines. 2pp
1639	April 1937-	HEALY, Mrs Margaret, Ballinamuck, Longford. Secretary, Cumann na mBan Ballinamuck Branch. Hand written and typescript copy statements of service; routine correspondence. 12 items

1640	[c.1940-] June 1951	HESLIN, John J., Ennybegs, Longford. B Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten copy statement of service for his application under the 1934 Act; typescript copy petition under the 1949 Act. 10pp
1641	April- June 1951	HICKEY, William, Athlone. Routine correspondence between Hickey and MacEoin concerning the progress of his petition. 6 items
1642	April 1943	HIGGINS, Luke, originally from Ballymore, now resident in Dublin. A Company, Longford Town Battalion, Athlone Brigade. Handwritten copy statement of service and letters of appeal against the decision on his application under the 1934 Act. 5 items
1643	[May 1951]	HILLIARD, Thomas, Clonahard, Longford. Handwritten form of words by MacEoin to be used in Hilliard's petition under the 1949 Act. 1p
1644	May 1943- August 1950	HOPKINS, Thomas, Newtowncashel, Longford. 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten copy statement of active service and testimonials for his application under the 1934 Act; supplementary statement and correspondence concerning his petition under the 1949 Act. 8 items
1645	March 1943- May 1951	HOSEY, Cornelius, Coolarty, Edgeworthstown. A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten copy statement of active service and testimonials for his application under the 1934 Act; copy typescript form of petition under the 1949 Act. 7 items

1646	April 1943- May 1951	HURSON, Thomas, Esker, Longford. Killoe Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten copy statement of active service for his application under the 1934 Act; typescript copy statement by MacEoin as the suggested basis for his appeal under the 1949 Act. 6 items
1647	March 1940- May 1951	KEEGAN, Bernard, Esker, Longford. Clonbroney Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statements of active service and appeal against the decision on his initial application under the 1934 Act; copy form of petition under the 1949 Act. 15pp
1648	May 1951- February 1953	KEENAN, Margaret J., Longford Town. Routine correspondence with MacEoin concerning the progress of her pension application. 4 items
1649	March 1940- May 1951	KELLY, Patrick, Drumlish, Longford. Handwritten statements of his active service record for his initial application and typescript copy form of petition for his appeal under the 1949 Act. 9 items
1650	June 1942- [May 1951]	KIERNAN, Laurence, Granard, Longford. Granard Company, Longford Brigade. Form of application under the 1934 Act, partially completed by MacEoin; copy letter of appeal against refusal. Marked 'Key'. 5 items
1651	[May 1951]	KIERNAN, Michael, Cloonagh, Longford. Handwritten form of words by MacEoin, to be used by Kiernan in his application. 1p
1652	[ <i>c</i> .1943]	LENNON, Francis, Mohill, Leitrim. Handwritten statements of service for his initial application. 10pp

1653	August- September 1950	LENNON, James J. Routine correspondence with MacEoin concerning the progress of his pension application. 5 items
1654	June 1951	LENNON, Michael, Ballinamuck, Longford. Routine correspondence with MacEoin concerning the progress of his pension application. 4 items
1655	September 1950- May 1951	LLOYD, John, Abbeyshrule, Longford. South Longford Flying Column. Handwritten and typescript copy statements of active service, including copy petition under the 1949 Act. 3pp
1656	December 1950- May 1951	LYNCH, Hugh, Clonsilla, Dublin. Routine correspondence concerning the progress of his application. 3 items
1657	[May 1951]	LYONS, Christopher, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Typescript copy statement of his active service. 1p
1658	June 1950	McADAM, Patrick, Ballyhaise, Cavan. Letter to MacEoin referring to his pension application which has been refused, requesting his assistance and enclosing brief details of his active service. 1p
1659	June 1945- May 1951	McCABE, Patrick, Arva, Cavan. North Longford Flying Column. Routine correspondence and copy testimonial. 4 items
1660	June 1951	MacCARTHY, Mrs Lily, Iveagh Gardens, Crumlin, Dublin. Cumann na mBan. Handwritten and typescript copy statement of her active service, mainly with Cumann na mBan in Dublin during Easter Week, 1916. 8pp

1661	May 1951	McCARTHY, John, Moatefarrell, Longford. Quartermaster, A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Assistant Quartermaster, Longford Brigade Flying Column. Handwritten statement of active service, testimonials and correspondence concerning his initial application under the 1934 Act and petition under the 1949 Act. Includes correspondence between MacEoin and Erskine Childers T.D. who had also been approached by McCarthy for assistance in his application. 15 items
1662	December 1924- January 1925	McCORMACK, Joseph, Moate, Westmeath. North Roscommon Brigade. Copy completed application form under the 1924 Act; copy testimonial supplied by MacEoin. 3 items
1663	July- August 1940	MacEOIN [McKEON], Andrew, Gards Depot, Phoenix Park, Dublin. A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten draft and statement of active service and completed copy of the form of application under the 1934 Act. Correspondence with Seán MacEoin, his brother, concerning the progress of his application. 10 items
1664	May 1950- May 1951	McGAHERN, Francis, Ballinamuck, Longford. Gowna Company. Handwritten statement of active service and typescript copy petition under the 1949 Act. 3 items
1665	February 1942- April 1943	McGANN, James, Drumlish, Longford. 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of active service and routine correspondence concerning his application under the 1934 Act. 4 items

1666	February 1950	McGANN William, Mullingar, Westmeath. Handwritten statement of active service and routine correspondence concerning his application. 4 items
1667	April 1942-	McGLYNN, Mrs Agnes, Dromod, Longford. Cumann na mBan. Copy typescript statement of service and testimonials for her application under the 1934 Act. 5 items
1668	May 1951	McGLYNN, Alex, Clonart, Leitrim. Roscommon Brigade. Handwritten notes, correspondence and typescript copy form of petition under the 1949 Act. 5 items
1669	April 1937- June 1951	McGOLDRICK, James, Ennybegs, Longford. Director of Communications & Signals, Longford Brigade. Mainly handwritten statements of service and testimonials, including copies of receipts and correspondence relating to his gathering funds in the U.S. in 1921. 25pp
1670	September 1938- June 1951	McGRATH, Patrick McGRATH, Mrs Kathleen, Ballinalee, Longford. A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Documents relating mainly to Patrick McGrath's application. Handwritten statements of service, testimonials and copy typescript petitions for both McGrath and his wife under the 1949 Act. Marked 'Key Man'. 8 items
1671	June 1951	McGUINNESS, Peter, Clondra, Longford. Routine correspondence concerning the progress of his application. 3 items
1672	May 1951	McGUIRE, [MAGUIRE] Joseph, Moyne, Longford. Routine correspondence concerning the progress of his application. 2 items

1673	April 1943	McINERNEY, Michael, Camber, Corriga, Leitrim. Handwritten copy statement by MacEoin on his personal knowledge of McInerney's active service. 1p
1674	May 1944- [May 1951]	McINERNEY, Mrs Mary Kate, Camber, Corriga, Leitrim. Cumann na mBan. Routine correspondence and typescript copy form of petition under the 1949 Act. 46 items
1675	February 1925- June 1951	McKENNA, William, Ballinalee, Longford. Ballinalee Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and National Army. Statements of active service and correspondence concerning the progress of his application. 43 items
1676	November 1925- July 1950	McLOUGHLIN, John, Moyvore, Longford. E Company, 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten copy statement of active service; typescript copy form of petition under the 1949 Act; routine correspondence. 7 items
1677	June 1951	McLOUGHLIN, John, Edgeworthstown. Longford. Handwritten copy form of words to be used by McLoughlin in completing his form of petition under the 1949 Act. 1p
1678	June 1951	McLOUGHLIN, Patrick, Mostrim, Longford. Ardagh Company, 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Covering letter from McLoughlin, to MacEoin and completed form of application for a pension under the 1934 Act. 2 items
1679	December 1941- June 1951	McMANUS, Thomas, Aughdegan, Longford. Company Captain, Longford Brigade. Correspondence concerning his initial application under the 1934 Act; copy form of petition under the 1949 Act. 6 items

1680	[April 1943-] June 1951	McNALLY, James, Finea, Westmeath. Intelligence Officer, Longford Brigade. Statements of active service and correspondence concerning the progress of his application. 17 items
1681	June 1951	McNAMA, John, Ballinalee, Longford. Typescript copy form of words for his petition under the 1949 Act. 1p
1682	December 1941- June 1951	McNAMEE, Peter, Crossdoney, Cavan. D and E Companies, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten and typescript copy statements of active service; correspondence concerning the progress of his application. 8 items
1683	May 1951	McQUADE, James, Moyne, Longford. Copy letter from Alice Meehan enclosing the form of words to be used in his petition. 2pp
1684	May 1943	McVEIGH, Francis, Ballinamuck, Longford. Copy typescript letter of appeal from the Longford Brigade Committee against the decision on McVeigh's pension application. 1p
1685	August 1950	MARTIN, Luke, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Dromard Company. Handwritten statement of service and typescript copy petition under the 1949 Act. 3pp
1686	September 1925- January 1951	MEEHAN, John J., Streete, Westmeath. E Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten and typescript copy statements of active service; completed form of petition under the 1949 Act; correspondence concerning the progress of his application. 12 items

1687	March-April 1951	MILEY, Thomas, Kenagh, Longford. Routine correspondence concerning the progress of his application. 2 items
1688	May 1951	MOLLOY, Peter, Clara, Offaly. Copy letter from Alice Meehan enclosing the form of words to be used by Molloy in his petition under the 1949 Act. 3 items
1689	February- April 1950	MOORE, Mrs Mai, Listowel, Kerry. Cumann na mBan, Longford Branch. Typescript copy statement of service and routine correspondence concerning the progress of her application. 10 items
1690	March 1942- May 1951	MULLERVEY, James, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Copy letters of appeal against the refusal of his application under the 1934 Act; routine correspondence concerning his petition under the 1949 Act. 5 items
1691	[ <i>c</i> .1942]	MULLIGAN, John, Garda Síochána, Dromod, Leitrim. D Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statements of active service for his initial application under the 1934 Act. 5pp
1692	April-May 1951	MURPHY, Mrs Anna, Ballinalee, Longford. Cumann na mBan, Ballinalee Branch. Correspondence with Alice Meehan; copy form of words to be used in her petition under the 1949 Act. 3 items
1693	February 1942- February 1957	MURPHY, Mrs Eileen, Myshall, Carlow. Cumann na mBan, Ballinalee Branch. Handwritten copy statements of service and correspondence concerning her initial application under the 1934 Act; correspondence and copy form of words for her petition under the 1949 Act. 10 items

1694	April 1943- May 1951	MURRAY, Mrs Mary, Ferefad, Longford. Cumann na mBan, Rathcline Branch. Handwritten copy statements of active service for her application under the 1934 Act; copy form of petition under the 1949 Act. 12pp
1695	December 1945- May 1951	MURRAY, Thomas, Edgeworthstown, Longford. Granard Company, Longford Brigade. Statement of active service in MacEoin's hand; copy form of petition under the 1949 Act. 9pp
1696	August 1943- June 1951	MURRAY, Thomas, Newtowncashel, Longford. South Longford Flying Column. Typescript copy statement of active service and routine correspondence concerning his petition under the 1949 Act. 6pp
1697	May 1951	MURRAY, Thomas Angel, Lanesboro', Longford. Copy letter from Alice Meehan enclosing the form of words to be used in his petition. 2pp
1698	January 1951	O'CALLAGHAN, Seán, Kimmage, Dublin. D Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Correspondence with MacEoin concerning his application including a statement of his active service record. 4pp
1699	September 1950	O'GORMAN, Joseph, Emyvale, Monaghan. Routine correspondence with MacEoin concerning the progress of his application. 5pp
1700	May-June 1951	O'HARA, James, Garda Síochána, Buncrana, Donegal. Drumlish Company, Longford Brigade. Letter from O'Hara enclosing a statement of his service record; copy acknowledgement from MacEoin. 3pp

1701	January- February 1951	O'LOUGHLIN, Patrick M., Dorchester, Mass., U.S.A. Routine correspondence concerning his intention to submit a petition under the 1949 Act. Includes brief reference to U.S. attitudes towards Ireland. 7pp
1702	June 1951	O'NEILL, John J., Ballinalee, Longford. Handwritten form of words from MacEoin to be used by O'Neill in his petition under the 1949 Act. 1p
1703	[ <i>c</i> .1943]	O'NÉILL, Seán Seosimh, Drumlish, Longford. Ballinamuck Company, Longford Battalion, Athlone Brigade. Liverpool Company, Dublin Brigade. Copy form of application in MacEoin's hand, for a service certificate under the 1934 Act. 1 item
1704	May 1951	QUINN, Brian, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Copy letter from Alice Meehan enclosing the form of words to be used in his petition under the 1949 Act. 2pp
1705	June 1940- December 1941	QUINN, James, Rhyne, Longford. B Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten copy testimonial to his active service; copy handwritten latters of appeal against refusal of his application under the 1934 Act. 4 items
1706	January 1951	QUINN, John, Drumlish, Longford. Typescript copy form of petition; routine correspondence. 4pp
1707	September 1940- April 1950	QUINN, Thomas, Aughnacliffe, Longford. Killoe Company, Longford Brigade. Handwritten copy statements of service; copy letters of appeal against refusal of his initial application; typescript copy petition under the 1949 Act. 8 items

1708	September 1949- June 1955	REYNOLDS, James, Edgeworthstown, Longford. D Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten copy statements of active service; copy testimonials; copy form of petition under the 1949 Act. 25 items
1709	[c.June 1950]	REYNOLDS, John, Dromod, Leitrim. Copy form of words in MacEoin's hand, to be used in Reynolds petition under the 1949 Act. 1p
1710	[ <i>c</i> .1943]	REYNOLDS, Patrick, Wilmington, California, U.S.A. 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of his active service; copy form of application, jointly completed by MacEoin and Reynolds, for a service certificate under the 1934 Act. 2 items
1711	March 1943- May 1951	REYNOLDS, Thomas, Garda Síochána, Nobber, Meath. Clonbroney Company, Longford Battalion. Handwritten statement of service and copy letters of application and appeal under the 1934 Act; routine correspondence concerning the submission of a petition under the 1949 Act. 9 items
1712	September 1925	<ul><li>RODGERS, John, Dring, Longford.</li><li>1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li><li>Typescript copy statement of service for his application under the 1924 Act.</li></ul>
1713	April-	ROSS, Michael P., Perth, Western Australia. 1 and 4 Battalions, Longford Brigade. Routine correspondence; typescript copy form of petition under the 1949 Act. 7 items
1714	December 1949- May 1950	RYAN, Michael J., Lanesboro', Longford. Routine correspondence concerning the submission of a petition. 3 items

1715	August 1940- May 1951	<ul> <li>SHEERAN, Peter, Drumlish, Longford.</li> <li>B Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade.</li> <li>Handwritten copy statement of service and copy letter of appeal against the refusal of his application under the 1934 Act.</li> </ul>
1716	May 1951	SHERIDAN, William, Granard, Longford. Handwritten letter from Sheridan to MacEoin enclosing a copy of his form of petition under the 1949 Act. 2pp
1717	[ <i>c</i> .1940]	SMYTH, Patrick, Granard, Longford. Handwritten testimonial to Smyth's active service from Patrick O'Reilly, the captain of his company. 1p
1718	December 1941- January 1951	SMYTH, Peter, Edgeworthstown, Longford. A Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service; copy testimonials and letter of appeal against the refusal of his application under the 1934 Act; copy petition under the 1949 Act. 8 items
1719	December 1941- June 1950	SULLIVAN, Joseph, Drumlish, Longford. Ballinamuck Company, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statements of service; copy testimonials and letters of appeal against the refusal of his application under the 1934 Act; copy petition under the 1949 Act; routine correspondence. 14 items
1720	July 1940- January 1951	THOMPSON, James, Esker, Longford. Killoe Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Copy letter of appeal against the refusal of his application under the 1934 Act; copy petition under the 1949 Act. 7 items

1721	April 1943	TRAUTT, Michael, Ardagh, Longford. Ardagh Company, 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statement of service and partially complete form of application for a service certificate under the 1934 Act; copy letter of appeal against refusal of his application. 5 items
1722	April-June 1950	TRAVERS, James, Athlone. Handwritten letter to MacEoin concerning his application; copy acknowledgement. 2 items
1723	May 1943	WALSH, Thomas, Newtowncashel, Longford. Copy letters of appeal against the refusal of his application under the 1934 Act. 5 items
1724	June 1951	WARD, Edward, Australia. Correspondence between Mrs Annie Canning, Colehill, Longford, and MacEoin, concerning the submission of a petition by Mrs Canning's brother, Edward Ward. 2 items
1725	[ <i>c</i> .June 1950]	WARD, John, Ballymacormack, Longford. Copy form of words in MacEoin's hand, to be used in Ward's petition under the 1949 Act. 1p

## **D.** General Pensions Material, 1924-64

1726	1924	Military Service Pensions Act, 1924.Publishedtext of the act.22pp
1727	indexed alphabetically and w of some applicants for milit	Standard issue Army stationery volume entitled <i>Precedent or Noting Book. Instructions for the</i> <i>orrespondence in Military Offices.</i> The volume is vas used by MacEoin to record name and locality ary service pensions under an unidentified Act. st M.S.P. cases checked Nov 1967'. 17pp used
1728		Letter from Peadar MacMahon, Secretary, Department of Defence, to MacEoin, in reply to the Dáil. He provides figures for pensions and under existing pensions legislation and the total n the previous year. 1p
1729	Constabulary (Resigned and resigned from the force on ad services to the I.R.A. Include	<b>Royal Irish Constabulary Pensions:</b> correspondence between Michael Donohoe, 301 East 40 <sup>th</sup> Street, New York City, and MacEoin, lication for a pension under the Royal Irish Dismissed) Pensions Orders, contending that he count of his national sympathies and offered his as correspondence between MacEoin and officials ace concerning the application and letters from Donohoe's application. 17 items
1730	1949	Army Pensions Bill, 1949. Published draft of the Bill to amend and extend the Army Pensions Acts, 1923 to 1946. 8pp

1731	1949 objects and provisions of t 1949.	Typescript copy text of a statement by [Dr T.F. O'Higgins] the Minister for Defence, on the the Military Service Pensions (Amendment) Bill, 4pp
1732	[1950s]	Typescript list of military service pensioners resident in New York and surrounding districts, giving name, address and an account number. 6pp
1733	Defence by the Association proposed Pensions Bill (11 Convention (August 1952, 3 November 1952, 2pp) of the	Letter from Thomas Woods, Honorary Secretary, Northern Executive Council, Pre-Truce Association, Irish Republican Army, ies of resolutions forwarded to the Minister for on with a request that they be included in the February 1953, 2pp); together with a report of a fpp) and minutes of a meeting of the Executive (23 e Association, formed to represent the interests of to settle and clear up all outstanding pension and ment of the Republic'. 4 items
1734	memorandum (5pp) submitt military service pensions; an	Typescript copy covering letter from the joint honorary secretaries, Comhairle Pinsean na of the Oireachtas] (1p) enclosing a copy of their ted to the Minister for Defence on all aspects of a copy of a pamphlet issued by the organisation, <i>e Old I.R.A.</i> (4pp), outlining their claim for nd related provisions. 3 items
1735	minutes of the previous yea mainly to proposals to am allegations in the press ab	Copies of preliminary documentation for the national convention of the Federation of I.R.A., Eoin. Includes the report of the honorary secretary; r's convention; and copy correspondence relating tend the Military Service Pensions Acts and to out abuses in the awarding of pensions (15pp). he convention held at Jury's Hotel, 6 September 18pp

1736 1962 Army Pensions Bill, 1962: typescript copy statement by the Minister [for Defence, G. Bartley] concerning the provisions of the Bill in relation to the payment of benefits; and changes to the provisions of previous pensions Acts. 4pp 1737 February 1963 Letter from T.S. Armstrong, Ballymore Eustace, Kildare, to MacEoin, referring to a recent motion by him in Dáil Éireann concerning the issuing of military service medals and pensions, and bemoaning the Government's response as displaying 'a meanness of political mentality'. He encloses copies of 2 letters (1p, 2pp) he is sending to the newspapers on the subject. 3 items 1738 November-Royal Irish Constabulary Pensioners: copy December 1964 letter from MacEoin, Dáil Éireann, to the Secretary, Her Majesty's Treasury, Whitehall, London (24 November 1964, 1p) seeking information under a number of headings including the number of pensioners of various ranks and rates of pension paid. Reply from the Paymaster General's Office, Russell Square, London, to whom the query had been directed, giving an overall figure for pensioners but not by rank or rate of pension. Letter from T.K. Whitaker, Secretary, Department of Finance, to MacEoin (26 November 1964, 1p). He is not able to reply to all the questions raised in MacEoin's letter [not present] but encloses a note (2pp) which answers most of the queries. Note relates to numbers of R.I.C. pensions and rates paid. 4 items

## IV. HISTORICAL AND RESEARCH MATERIAL

## A. The War of Independence, 1954-71

1739	member of the compar They discuss the possi	Correspondence between MacEoin and T.J. Wilford, Marilyn Court, Union Avenue, Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, a temporary cadet ion of the Royal Irish Constabulary in 1921 and a ny ambushed by MacEoin at Clonfin on 2 February. ibility of Wilford writing an account of the ambush and commented upon by MacEoin. 10 items
1740		Photograph taken from the driver's position of a motor car, showing the road ahead curving to a bridge to the right, with a field beyond rising to a hill. acEoin identifies the location as the site of the ambush mard and Ballinalee. 2 items
1741	April-May 1956	3 part series by T.P Kilfeather, from the <i>Sunday</i> <i>Independent</i> , concerning the ambush at Clonfin. 3 items
1742	Michael McDunphy, I given at MacEoin's cou	Typescript extract from MacEoin's statement to the Bureau of Military History (pp.90-97 of ees), together with a certificate to that effect signed by Director of the Bureau. Extract consists of evidence urt martial by three R.I.C. cadets, Maddox, Smith and acEoin's behaviour during the ambush at Clonfin. 9pp

1743	• • • •	Typescript copy statement by Colonel Seamus Conway, Rathowen, Westmeath [to the Bureau ng his induction into the Volunteers by MacEo	oin
	R.I.C. barracks; formation of fighting in Ballinalee; other a Conway's appointment by C Additional statement by Co	rganisation and early military activity; attacks of of the Flying Column in November 1920; th actions in North Longford; MacEoin's arrest an collins to command the column; and the Truc mway (4pp) concerning a trip to Dublin wi 20 for a meeting with Collins and to colle 32 pp, 1p missing	he nd ce. ith ect
1744	-	2 handwritten lists of names of men involved in the Clonfin ambush and a hand drawn map of in. Handwritten statement by MacEoin of a h he was visited at his headquarters at Stafford	an
		e auxiliaries present at Clonfin. 5pp	
1745	representative of those act appropriate inscriptions or in Square, Dublin, work on whi Letter from General Richard also been invited to serve on MacEntee refusing the invi	Letter from Seán MacEntee, Minister for Healt inviting MacEoin to serve on a small committe ive during the 1916-21 period, to consid signia for the Garden of Remembrance at Parne ch was well advanced (13 September 1962, 1p Mulcahy, Lissenfield House, Rathmines, who h the committee, enclosing a copy of his reply tation (14 September 1962, 2pp). Letter fro for agreeing to serve (3 October 1962, 1p). 5 items	ee ler ell p). as to
1746	Leitrim, on 13 March 1921, d	Press cutting from an unidentified newspaper recalling an engagement between an I.R.A. ck and Tans on Selton Hill near Ballinamon luring which six Volunteers were killed includin andant in the Longford, Roscommon and Leitri Connolly's life. 1 item	ng
1747	September-October 1964 with Churchill's involvemen ports being handed back to Ir	3 parts of the serialisation in the <i>Sunday Press</i> Mary C. Bromage <i>Churchill and Ireland</i> . Deals t in imposing Partition and his opposition to the sh control. 3 items	S

1748	1965 incidents, 1920-21. The Leit	Handwritten notes (33pp) and typescript text (13pp) entitled 'Stray notes and record of some rim Brigade raid into Longford and the result.' 2 items
1749	headed Appendix A and '	Typescript copy of a list of Longford Brigade staff officers in August 1921; and of officers in 7 companies comprising each battalion. Document This document was handed to me by General 921. Signed Seán MacEoin'. 2pp
1750	[1960s] particular reference to figur MacEoin himself.	Typescript note entitled 'Ballinalee', referring to the history and geography of the town with res and events of the revolutionary period and to 4pp
1751	[1960s]	Typescript text with handwritten amendments of an account by MacEoin of the fighting in Ballinalee in November 1920. 9pp
1752	[1960s]	Handwritten notes by MacEoin concerning military engagements at Arva and Ballinalee in November 1920. 7pp
1753	[1960s] military engagements in Bal	Galleys entitled 'Ballinalee etc. by General Seán MacEoin', corrected by MacEoin. Article on linalee in November 1920. 5pp
1754	21 January 1969 the main paper containing helped to make the State' by	<i>Irish Independent</i> commemorative supplement dedicated to the First Dáil. Includes pages from additional material including 'The women who Máire Comerford. 8pp

1755	physical description of Joh Inspector Thomas James M	Photocopy from the <i>Police Gazette</i> or <i>Hue and</i> <i>Cry</i> , 22 February 1921, containing a n J. McKeon, charged with the murder of District cGrath. 4pp
1756	February 1970	4 cuttings from the <i>Longford News</i> reporting a reunion at the scene by veterans of the Clonfin ambush. 4 items
1757	MacEoin supplies him wi	Correspondence between MacEoin and Rev. Francis J. Gilfillan, Granard, Longford, commemorate the two engagements at Clonfin. ith a map and photographs but is 'anxious that members would be added to my script as it is 3 items
1758	the period 15-22 August	Typescript copy extract of an entry in MacEoin's diary for 1921, to provide "a sample staff and myself in the Midland Division". Covers and notes tours of inspection, I.R.B. Council sion Council and staff meetings. 1p
1759	January- February 1971 confirming arrangements ar	Material relating to the unveiling by MacEoin of a memorial on the 50 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Clonfin ambush. Includes correspondence and the text of a short speech by MacEoin. 8 items
1760	10 July 1971	Page from the <i>Irish Times</i> containing an article by Ernest Blythe entitled 'Reflections on the 1921 negotiations'. 1 item
1761		Typescript text of an account, not by MacEoin, of the Clonfin ambush, including reference Longford and the activities of the North Longford en annotation 'Seán MacEoin' and 'No. 3'. 9pp

1762 1971

Offprint of John Carthy 'The Clonfin Ambush' from *Téathbha*, autographed by the author. 12pp

### **B**.The Treaty and Civil War, 1941-72

1763[1941]The Charter of Irish Freedom. Pamphlet by<br/>Seán Milroy reviewing the Anglo-Irish Treaty<br/>twenty five years after its signing, as well as the principal events,<br/>achievements and failures of the intervening years.4pp

1764December 1945Typescript text of a memoir by J. Haverty,<br/>Mountbellew, Galway.

'This is Christmas Day 1945, and after long consideration I have decided to write down the events of my life. I was born in the year 1883 and during the sixty odd years of my life Ireland has passed through a difficult but glorious period in its chequered history. Although I took no prominent part in any of the various movements which took place during those times ... nevertheless I came in contact with many of those whose names fill a prominent place in Irish history'.

He describes local stories and traditions; his schooldays; emigration to Lancashire and work and leisure pursuits there; his return to Ireland in 1908 and involvement with the G.A.A., Gaelic League, Sinn Féin, the I.R.B. and later, the Volunteers and the I.R.A.; the anti-recruitment campaign; his acquaintance with Liam Mellowes; his arrest on 10 May 1916 and imprisonment in Frongoch; the 1918 general election campaign; the business of the Republican Courts; his work as an egg wholesaler; the I.R.A. organisation and campaign in the Galway area; his reservations about negotiations taking place while de Valera was in the U.S.; his condemnation of the Treaty; political inactivity in the 1920s until the formation of Fianna Fáil; his involvement in the cooperative movement and a tour of Holland and Germany in 1937.

1765	9 June 1950 in 1921, including the dates	Typescript list of 17 names, members of Cumann na mBan imprisoned in Mountjoy Jail of their trials and the length of sentence imposed. 1p
1766	the Civil War that he is to g	Letter from T. Desmond Williams, Professor of Modern History, University College Dublin, to ance in the preparation of a paper on the origins of ive to the Dublin Historical Association. He poses ng to developments in January 1922 and suggests w. 2pp
1767	November 1960 script (14pp) dramatising ind revolutionary period.	Letter from Colm Kelleher, Curragh Camp, to MacEoin (28 November 1960, 1p), enclosing a cidents in which MacEoin was involved during the 2 items
1768		Typescript copy notes by MacEoin on a speech by Peadar O'Donnell [to a meeting of a ects of the Civil War period. Includes notes by Col Dan Bryan on O'Donnell's remarks. Notes d Mulcahy. 2pp
1769	November 1965	Handwritten notes by MacEoin for a tribute to W.T. Cosgrave on his death, intended for newspaper publication. 4pp
1770	1 December 1965 talk by Professor Desmond on the period 1922-32.	Handwritten notes by MacEoin, consisting of headings and points for remarks in response to a Williams to the Fine Gael U.C.D. Students Branch 5pp

1771	1 December 1965 to the Fine Gael U.C.D. St	Typescript text of the outline of MacEoin's remarks in response to Professor Williams' talk idents' Branch in the Shelbourne Hotel on the
	period 1922-32.	3pp
1772	•	Notebook containing handwritten notes mainly concerning the Civil War, with details of the ern Divisional areas. Also refers to the First Dáil
	Cabinet, the I.R.B. and Nelso	n's Pillar. 10pp
1773	6 July 1966 annotated by MacEoin: inclu	Cutting from the <i>Evening Herald</i> , an introduction to a new series on the Civil War, des a photograph of the Longford Brigade taking
	over Athlone Barracks from l	
1774	22 September 1966 confirming arrangements for	Letter from General Richard Mulcahy, Temple Villas, Palmerston Road, Dublin 6, to MacEoin, r a group including himself, MacEoin and a
	Michael Hayes, to meet a P	ncluding Liam Archer, Michael J. Costello and rofessor MacConaill. He encloses extracts from ressor and supplementary material relating to the iew. 3pp
1775	1966	Handwritten notes on a file cover, 'For further development when writing', dealing with events
	•	erence to the reasons for the success of the and the positions of both the Unionists and the 2pp
1776	1966	Typescript text entitled 'Notes 1966 for further development when writing'. Refers to the
	its adoption by the First D	clamation; the term Provisional Government and áil; the 1921 general election and the factors the independence movement. 3pp
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1777		Typescript text of notes by MacEoin on Eoin Neeson's <i>Ireland's Civil War</i> . Two handwritten cEoin to the editor of the <i>Evening Herald</i> commenting book which is being serialised in the newspaper. 12pp
1778	discussion include the split; the change of g	Letter from Tim Pat Coogan, 'Eventually', Castlepark Road, Glenageary, Dublin, to an interview for research for his current book. Topics for e I.R.B. and its influence up to and during the Treaty government in 1932; the Blueshirts; Irish neutrality and cland during the Emergency. 1p
1779	'How effective was M How effective was his Sinn Féin and the Vol Why did I [MacEoin glowing terms and to Treaty of 1921 betwee The narrative deals	Handwritten narrative by MacEoin in response to questions put to him by [a research student?]. to address the questions: If de Valera'a leadership in 1916 in Boland's Mills? Is leadership in 1917 and how did he become President of unteer Executive in the same week in 1917? a] propose him as President of the Republic in such explain why I did not follow his leadership against the en Britain and Ireland?' mainly with de Valera in the U.S. The pagination is the pages appear to be missing. 21pp
1780	in Ireland in the late MacEoin; undated ty	Letter from John F. McCarthy III, Princeton University, New Jersey (29 November 1968, ature of his research on political and economic transition 1950s and enclosing a questionnaire (3pp), annotated by pescript copy letter from MacEoin to McCarthy (2pp) stions, mainly relating to the <i>First Programme for</i> 3 items
1781		Handwritten comments by MacEoin on an article by Seán Cronin in the <i>Irish Times</i> entitled '. Deals mainly with responsibility for the breakdown of pact and the debates in the Dáil in May 1922. 4pp

1782	No. 2, the appointment of C Irish and British delegates on the proposed border betwee Boundary Commission, Colli	Typescript copy letter from MacEoin to Mr [T. Ryle] Dwyer, consisting of answers to a series yle Dwyer concerning the Treaty and Document Collins as a plenipotentiary; agreement between the holding of a plebiscite of inhabitants around en north and south, the composition of the ns' lack of interest in creating unrest in Northern the Windsor raid in November 1921. 3pp
1783	October 1970	Typescript text of drafts and final version of a review by MacEoin for the <i>Catholic Standard</i> of Longford and O'Neill's <i>Eamon de Valera</i> . 20pp
1784	20 November 1970	Published text of MacEoin's review from the <i>Catholic Standard</i> of Longford and O'Neill's <i>Eamon de Valera</i> . 2pp
1785	• •	Letter from Fergus Moore, 115 Springhill Avenue, Blackrock, Dublin, to MacEoin. He is letter from Arthur Griffith, 14 January 1922, the Mansion House at which the Provisional 1p
1786		Typescript account by MacEoin of the summoning of the First Dáil and the constitution eral election and the summoning of the Second and the election of de Valera as President. 5pp
1787		Handwritten account by MacEoin of his visit to Dublin in March 1921 at the direction of Cathal ence; of his meeting Brugha who outlined a plan abinet?]; subsequent meetings with Collins and untry and arrest at Mullingar. 3pp

1788	Treaty debates and the outbre 'What I have written I have of my ability the facts of a g	written with one object only. To record to the best great period in Ireland's history. There is much I and people who played a historic, noble and
1789	[1960s] calling of the First and Secor 'To students of history and some facts before you'.	2 typescript texts with handwritten annotations of an unidentified talk by MacEoin on the ad Dáil. young men and women of today, I want to put 4pp, 5pp
1790	Questions are very broad in	Handwritten letter from Vincent Browne, 32 Leeson Park Avenue, Dublin, enclosing a s for his forthcoming interview with MacEoin. scope such as 'What part did you play in the War d by MacEoin, 'I don't know'. 2pp
1791	Independence. Includes a	Typescript text with handwritten annotations (4pp) of a series of 25 questions and brief oin's experience and opinion of the War of second text (5pp) with the amendments Questions (¾ hour)'. [Prepared basis for a radio 2 items

[1960s] Typescript notes on the powers and composition of the plenipotentiaries with reference to de Valera's instructions to them and MacEoin's own view at the time 'that the plenipotentiaries should have full plenary powers to negotiate'.

2pp

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1793	advice that the word 'delega press release announcing the contrary; the <i>ultra vires</i> natu discussion of the terms of the Oath; growing lawlessness Election. 'I am not going to tell you an	Typescript text entitled 'Blurred History' dealing with the period from the appointment of Pact Election, with specific reference to his own ate' rather than 'plenipotentiary' be used in the eir appointment; de Valera's insistence on the tre of their instructions; the negotiations and the Treaty at Cabinet with particular reference to the in the country and the background to the Pact hything new, but although a thing may be known a contrary is asserted often enough it seems that ath begin to believe the lie'. 14pp
1794	Truce among the prisoners MacEoin, in jail; his releas Collins and the latter's conce U.S.; their return to Longford his military work and the insp	Handwritten rough notes dealing with aspects of the period from the May 1921 election to the ntiaries.Includes description of the reaction to the in Mountjoy and Collins' visit to see him, e and reception by Collins; conversations with ern over the split among Irish sympathisers in the l; the maintenance of discipline in his Command, pection of the Divisional area. The later pages are neral political situation and the development of 19pp
1795	[1960s] negotiations were taking pla chapter on the Treaty in Mach	Rough notes on the Treaty with particular reference to developments in Dublin while the ce; and an outline of points for inclusion in the Eoin's proposed book. 4pp
1796		Typescript and manuscript note by MacEoin on the effect of the wording of Section 12 of the ablishment of the Boundary Commission; and g should have been, to include the concept of 1p
1797	[1960s]	Typescript and handwritten notes on opposition to the Treaty with particular reference to Deputy Dr Ferran's contribution to the Treaty debates. 3pp

1798	Assistant Under-S view that 'as a res	Typescript text of notes by MacEoin on the nature of opposition to the Treaty and the eaty itself. He recalls his conversation with Sir Alfred Co ecretary of State, in the House of Commons, and Cop ult of Lloyd George's surrender in the Treaty, the Libe feated in the 1923 general election and that the Party wo at least 50 years'. 4pp	be's eral
1799	transient feature of a more flagrant br	Typescript note by MacEoin on assurances given by the British side at the time of the ently, 'that the division of our country was a temporary a the relationship between the two islands there was ne each of faith by them than the cynical fiasco perpetrated ndary Commission'. 1p	ever
1800	[1960s]	Handwritten notes dealing mainly with aspect	ïS

Handwritten notes dealing mainly with aspects of the period from the Truce to the outbreak of Civil War including:

- The significance of the Truce in the implicit recognition by the British of the Volunteers as the Army of the Republic.
- The dissolution of the First Dáil and attempts to secure international recognition of the Second Dáil as the Government of the Republic.
- The Treaty negotiations.
- The likely nature of any renewed hostilities. 'Mulcahy knew the situation & H.Q. staff were all aware that the New Campaign would be on an international basis i.e. according to the Rules of War, according to the Rules of Geneva & League of Nations, that in particular our Army would be & must be in the uniform of the Nation. Ambushing Parties either in city or country as we knew them were a thing of the past'.
- The Treaty debates, analysis of the anti-Treaty position, attempts to prevent a split, his own actions as O/C Midland Division, and responsibility for the Civil War.
- Partition.
- The Treaty debates at Westminster.
- Ancillary topics such as contemporary developments in the U.S. and the activities of the A.A.R.I.R.

Notes are often incomplete, with occasional indication that they have been typed. 50pp

1801	[1960s] concerning attempts to sec reference to Dáil proceedings	Handwritten notes by MacEoin on the situation in the country in April 1922 but primarily ure an agreed settlement by negotiation, with from early May 1922. 5pp
1802	[1960s]	Handwritten and typescript chronology and sequence of events in 1922, with a partial list of anti-Treaty and anti-Dáil leaders. 3pp
1803	defence force of the Nation,	Typescript note by MacEoin on the decision of the Cabinet to reissue commissions to officers in at the Army in an unequivocal position as a legal under the control of the civil government'; his at of O/C Midland Division with the rank of 2pp
1804	Truce and now felt they sh Waggon". Beasly ( <i>sic</i> ) assert $2^{nd}$ volume, page 372. Th Trucateers"; they were critic brunt of the battle prior to the this time and in many places	Typescript notes by MacEoin dealing with the membership and activities of the I.R.A. in the I the Civil War. The should have been in the Volunteers before the mould join and did so just to be on the "Band ts this fact known to us all in his life of Collins, ese Volunteers were sarcastically called "the cal of the Officers and Volunteers who bore the the Truce; they were very aggressive and militant at they were, by their actions, guilty of breaches of ad were anxious to show their ability now'. 2pp
1805	•	Handwritten notes by MacEoin concerning meetings held throughout the country after the explain its provisions and promote its acceptance. In Sligo addressed by Arthur Griffith and e local I.R.A. 4pp

1806	[1960s] Republican Government, inc	Incomplete chronology of events from April 1922 until the setting up by proclamation of a cluding a copy of the proclamation. 2pp
1807	[1960s] the de Valera - Lloyd Georg plenipotentiaries.	Handwritten note on the origin of the Civil War, commenting on the nature and significance of e talks, the Truce, and the powers attributed to the 1p
1808	Collins – de Valera Pact by t Craig – Collins agreement, J 1922, by the anti-Treaty for	Typescript notes on the quantities of arms in the control of anti-Treaty forces, captured from the Upnor, near Ballycotton; on the violation of the the Four Courts Garrison; on the repudiation of the January 1922, and the Craig – Collins Pact, March rces; with comments on Collins' belief that Civil on Craig's declaration that Partition would be 4pp
1809	officers to take it over; his v well in advance of the takin truce in May 1922; the I.R.	2 typescript drafts (10pp, 9pp) of a commentary mainly on the period January-July 1922, lone Barracks against attempts by anti-Treaty view as to the actual origin of the Civil War being ng over of the Four Courts; attempts to arrange a B. and the Treaty; with closing comments on the Government's erroneous view that Mulcahy was 9pp
1810	Treaty leaders to meet to Typescript transcript of han Aylward, Frank Barrett and from Collins to Dalton requ	Typescript copy text of terms suggested by 'a committee of prominent citizens of Cork' and communicated by Major General Emmet Terms relate to a week's truce to allow the anti- discuss making peace along suggested lines. adwritten annotations on the original by Michael Frank Aiken. Typescript copy of a communication testing the identity of the prominent citizens and dovernment's offer which still stands. 2pp

1811	[1960s] the armoured car, with brief	Typescript note by MacEoin on the lack of expert knowledge in the Army of the potential of references to two incidents in the Civil War. 1p
1812	[1960s] unwillingness to confront MacEoin's own Command.	Typescript account of the genesis of the Civil War with particular reference to Collins' initial former colleagues, and the military situation in 5pp
1813	appeared to be made a mer Then everything had to be er been agreed upon & after s after an hour or so another first late member arrived. The protested both privately and Includes a note on the 'Sovi couple who 'held meetings,	Incomplete handwritten note (p.2 only) on the negotiations between delegations from the pro- eedings would commence & after some progress mber of the anti-Treaty delegation would arrive. splained to him. He might not agree with what had some time we would get under way again. Then delegate would arrive & we were back where the This was exasperating. The late Joe McGuinness publicly against this conduct but had little effect'. et of Carrick on Suir', a reference to an American lectures, dances & advocated Free Love & Trial and interned them in Athlone'.
1814	Longford Flying Column an in April 1922. Speech made	Handwritten text of a speech by MacEoin with attached typescript note, both concerning Adamson D.C.M., who fought with the North ad was shot dead by anti-Treaty forces in Athlone e on the occasion of the renaming, in Adamson's lone, the command of which MacEoin had taken bebruary 1922. 6pp
1815	[?] experiences of the fightin Rochestown, Cork [in Augus	Incomplete typescript copy report (p.1 missing) by an unidentified doctor, of his personal g and his treating the dead and wounded in st 1922]. 14pp

1816	'Scarteen' O'Conn	Typescript text of an unidentified account from a National Army viewpoint, of the taking of Treaty forces, with particular reference to the killing of Tom for. Describes National Army activity in the Kerry area in . [For a chapter of an unidentified book]. 14pp
1817	McGahan O.F.M., Cosgrave, Alfred	Handwritten (4pp) and typescript copy (3pp) notes dealing mainly with the drafting of the 1922 Constitution, given to MacEoin by Fr Barnabas Guardian in the Friary, Athlone, sent by MacEoin to W.T. O'Rahilly, General Richard Mulcahy and others and ludes comments on MacEoin's political education and 2 items
1818	the effect of Kevin had met Sir James and others in Sir	Typescript note by MacEoin entitled 'What might have been', concerning the desirability or ew Irish state in 1922-23 having a written constitution; and n O'Higgin's death in prolonging Partition, 'as O'Higgins Craig, Lord Carson, Worthington Evans, Stanley Baldwin John Lavery's house in London to end Partition, and had as and got agreement on a plan to end Partition'. 1p
1819	(March 1924), and opportunity to dec	Handwritten note by MacEoin on an unexpected meeting in the Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dublin, han, shortly after his elevation to the bishopric of Clonfert d his amazement at Dr Dignan's proposal 'at the earliest clare that Mr Cosgrave's Irish Government are immoral, and that the Irish people must resist them by every means at 3pp
1820	avert the catastroph of a unification of present National pe the statement as pu signatories differ s Army officers' stat	Typescript copy text of a statement issued by the Publicity Department, Dáil Éireann, consisting gned by ten army officers calling for a closing of ranks to ne of a conflict of comrades and advocating 'the advisability forces on the basis of the acceptance and utilisation of our osition', and suggesting an agreed election. Further copy of ablished in the <i>Irish Independent</i> the following day. List of lightly on the copies. Handwritten copy by MacEoin of the tement, indicating its date of issue as 3 May, of publication being typed for him on 30 June 1970, intended for insertion n. 3pp

1821	[1970]	Typescript note by MacEoin on the Army crisis,
		1924 and the character and contribution of
	General Richard Mulcahy.	After Collins, Mulcahy served Ireland truly and
	well and faced with his uniq	the temperament all the problems which then faced
	him as Minister for Defence	of an Irish Parliament'. 1p

# C. Irish Republican Brotherhood, 1917-72

1822	[1917]	[Original?] copy of the Constitution of the I.R.B. [1917-20] with minor handwritten annotations (9pp); later typescript copy (6pp). 2 items
1823	[1920]	Original copy no. 13 of the Constitution of the I.R.B. [1920-22] with minor handwritten amendments (9pp); later typescript copy (6pp). 2 items
1824	April 1921 organisation, coordination, elections and the future.	Copy of general orders from the Supreme Council to all County Centres. Orders relate to military work, organising work, negligence, the 3pp
1825	T.D.s who are (sic) member	Photocopy of the statement issued by the Supreme Council of the I.R.B. on the Treaty, having been 'issued only for the information of s of the organisation and it left those free to act as voting for or against the Treaty'. 1p
1826	[1922]	Original copy no. 43 of the Constitution of the I.R.B. [1922-23] (11pp), with 2 later typescript copies (11pp, 6pp) with handwritten amendments. 3 items

1827		Typescript copy with handwritten amendments of the Constitution of the I.R.B. [1922-23] (9pp). Does not correspond exactly with the 826]. Later typescript copy (7pp). 2 items
1828	September- November 1922	Routine reports and communications from Centres in the Leitrim/Roscommon/Longford area. Includes lists of Clubs formed and members elected. 9pp
1829	[1960s] Government of the Irish Repu	Typescript copy of the Amended Constitution of the Supreme Council of the I.R.B. and ablic, with typescript notes on 3 paragraphs. 4pp
1830	[1960s] Supreme Council reserves to to negotiate Treaties'.	Handwritten notes on the I.R.B. Constitution, 1912, with specific reference to Article 3. 'The itself the sole right on behalf of the Irish People 2pp
1831	fateful decision to dissolve w filled by others not imbued	Handwritten note by MacEoin on the influence of the I.R.B. during the revolutionary period, ments by former leaders in the period The vas a doubtful decision because it left a vacuum with democratic principles. People who declared o govern. That the people had not the right to go 3pp
1832	[1960s]	Typescript notes on the transfer of authority from the I.R.B. to Dáil Éireann and on the relationship between the I.R.B. and the Volunteers. 2pp

1833 Typescript short note on the ratification of the [1960s] Treaty by the I.R.B. and its subsequent policy on ending Partition. 'Time to the I.R.B. was not the all-important factor. They had been organised for over a century, and another fifty years was not a bar to their desires'. 1p 1834 [1960s] Typescript short notes on the oath of secrecy and on how far this extended. 'Only actual members of the Supreme Council knew each other. Only the three electors knew the name of the reigning President'. 2 items 1835 [1960s] Typescript note with handwritten annotations by MacEoin on the President of the Supreme Council of the I.R.B. as President of the Republic; his nomination of de Valera as the 'public' head of the Republic; the acceptance of the Treaty by the Supreme Council; and the cause of the Army crisis. 1p 1836 23 September 1970 Handwritten note by MacEoin on the drawing up of the final draft of the I.R.B. Constitution [P151/1827]. 'When General Collins, then President of the Supreme Council was killed, a new President was elected by the Supreme Council. Many thought that General Mulcahy who became C[ommander] in C[hief] was also appointed to Collins' office as President of the I.R.B. This is not so'. 3pp 1837 19 July 1972 Typescript note [not by MacEoin] mainly dealing with the constitution and powers of the Supreme Council of the I.R.B. as the Government of the Republic; the President of the Supreme Council as the President of the Republic; and the transfer to the Volunteer Executive of the Supreme Council's executive and judicial authority. 'At the time of the Truce, Collins was President of the Supreme Council of the I.R.B. and thus President of the Republic. After the Truce, de Valera had journeyed to London and spoke with Lloyd George and each day he sent a report back to Collins; this was because he knew that Collins was the real President, although this was still secret" 2pp

## **D.** General research material on Michael Collins, 1922-72

1838	-	Typescript copies with handwritten annotations and amendments of Collins' two articles in the ebruary 1922), 'Advance and Use Our Liberties y. Document No.2 Analysed'. 18pp	
1839	29 August 1922	<i>The Free State/An Saorstát</i> vol. 1, no. 28 Michael Collins memorial number.	
1840	utterance, probably to Dát changing circumstances, and added, no one else could ver Notes consist of a broad sta of an alternative, the origin of	Typescript copy notes with handwritten amendments and proofreading marks. in August and apparently intended for publi l, were without correction by him. What the his judgement and insight might have altered of ture to say'. sement of the achievement of the Treaty, the lac of the split, responsibility for the Civil war and the lopment as an independent country'. 18pp	ne or ck
1841	Treacy, the parish priest of contention that de Valera wa 'In the morning of the day	Typescript copy of a letter from P. Treacy P.P., to the editor, <i>Cork Examiner</i> , referring to a cohalan in Bandon, reported in the newspape the Béal na mBláth district, supports Cohalan' s in the area the day before the death of Collins. of the murder he was seen superintending th -day motored back to Ballyvourney'. 2pp	er. 's

1842	writing [ <i>The Big Fellow</i> , 1 Guildford Road, Sandymou O'Connor to come to see Ma	Handwritten letter from Frank O'Connor, Trenton, Ballsbridge, to MacEoin (29 June rview in connection with a life of Collins he is 937]; handwritten letter from Richard Hayes, ant, suggesting arrangements for himself and acEoin the following Sunday (7 December 1936, y high literary reputation and his biography of one'. 2 items
1843	6 December 1946	<i>Irish Independent</i> Treaty commemoration issue with a special contribution by John A. Costello of profiles of Collins and Griffith.
1844	Cabinteely House, Dublin; Dublin; and Mrs Maud Griffi their replies. Includes the Mi Ó Muimheacháin, Secretary t Minister for Foreign Affairs appoint an advisory committe	<b>Collins-Griffith memorial:</b> material relating to the proposed establishment, objectives and suggested composition of a memorial ches in writing from MacEoin to Joe McGrath, Seán Collins, Booterstown Avenue, Blackrock, th, Eaton Square, Terenure, Dublin; together with nister for Justice's copy of a minute from Muiris o the Government, to the Private Secretary to the , concerning the decision of the Government to ee in connection with the proposed Irish national o act as members had accepted (17 January 1951, 12 items
1845	Dublin, and includes commen	Correspondence with Rex Taylor, Overgreen, Silverdale, Lancashire, England, concerning his writing a biography of Collins.[ <i>Michael Collins</i> , al query from Taylor, refers to their meeting in the by MacEoin on chapters of the book submitted request to MacEoin to write the introduction. 10 items

1846 February 1946-August 1972 Cuttings, mainly from Irish newspapers, containing commemorative material on Collins. Includes reports of the annual ceremony at Béal

na Bláth at which MacEoin often spoke (e.g. *Cork Examiner*, 26 August 1963); serialisation of Rex Taylor's life of Collins from the *Sunday Express* (February-March 1956, 3 parts); an article by MacEoin from the *National Observer* (December 1958, 1p); reports on the protest at Béal na mBláth at the exclusion of any mention of Griffith or Collins in Government publications (*Cork Examiner*, March 1964); reports on the establishment of the Michael Collins Memorial Foundation (January 1966); a copy of the *Michael Collins Memorial Foundation Supplement* [to the *Irish Independent*?] (August 1966, 24pp); 'Michael Collins and the new State' by Senator Michael Hayes in the *Irish Independent* (February 1960, 3 parts); and 'Collins. The Lost Leader' by Raymond Smith in the *Evening Herald* (July 1971, 5 parts).

33 items

1847 31 December 1956 Letter from Rex Taylor, Silverdale, Lancashire, to MacEoin. He is finishing his biography of Collins and hopes to send a final typescript for MacEoin's perusal, but has two important points on which he seeks MacEoin's opinion. The first relates to the circumstances of Collins' death and whether trees blocking the Clonakilty road had been cleared as Collins had ordered and as was reported in General Dalton's account in the Béaslaí biography. The second point relates to the investigation of the circumstances of the Phoenix Park murders in Dublin Castle papers after independence, which revealed according to Taylor's informant, 'a prominent Irish statesman', that Tim Healy and not James Carey was the police informant. 4pp

1849August 1958Letter from Frank K. Lee, Secretary,<br/>Association of Old I.R.A. and Cumann na mBan<br/>(London) to MacEoin (28 August 1958, 1p), enclosing a typescript copy letter<br/>from himself to Richard Mulcahy (27 August 1958, 2pp). Letters arise from an<br/>article by Michael Ryan in the Irish edition of the *Sunday Graphic* (19 August<br/>1958) entitled 'Smear on Michael Collins', concerning the assassination of Sir<br/>Henry Wilson. Lee writes to defend his organisation from Ryan's accusation<br/>that, in seeking to exonerate their comrades Dunne and O'Sullivan who were<br/>executed for the murder, they are attempting to smear Collins. Handwritten<br/>copy reply from MacEoin (30 August 1958, 1p) attempting to resolve the<br/>controversy.

 12 December 1958 Typescript copy of a letter from W.J. McKenna, Bonavalley Lodge, Athlone, to MacEoin,
 concerning the purpose of Collins' presence in Cork on 22 August 1922.
 McKenna describes the terms for a truce handed by prominent Cork citizens to
 General Emmet Dalton who sent them to Collins. He agreed to a meeting on
 22 August. McKenna mentions correspondence between de Valera and Liam
 Lynch before and after Collins' death, relating to the meeting.

2pp

1851[1950s]Typescript copy of a memoir by Collins' sister<br/>[Mary Collins Powell] covering her earliest<br/>family memories as far as the beginning of 1921. She describes life on the<br/>family farm; Michael's birth; her father's character and death; the general<br/>political situation, both in Ireland and internationally; Michael's return from<br/>England in 1915; the Rising; his imprisonment and release; her personal<br/>knowledge of his activities during the War of Independence; the events of<br/>1920 and the burning of Cork.

 1852
 24 August 1962
 Typescript text of a short interview with MacEoin by Brian Farrell broadcast on Radio Telefís Éireann, concerning his personal recollections of Collins.

 4pp

1853 August 1962 Handwritten text of general remarks by MacEoin at an unspecified ceremony to mark the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Collins' death. Concentrates on his achievements, his skill as an orator, and the regard in which he was held publicly. 7pp 1854 October 1963 Typescript copy text of a talk on Collins by General Richard Mulcahy, to the Central Branch of Fine Gael (29 October 1963, 22pp); additional typescript copy remarks at the talk by Senator Michael Hayes (3pp) with concluding remarks by Mulcahy (4pp). Handwritten note by MacEoin (1p). 30pp 1855 5 February 1964 Letter from Michael Collins, Abbey House, Ferrybank, Waterford, to MacEoin. 'Under extraordinary circumstances I came into possession of my uncle's diary for the last few days of his life and I have great pleasue in enclosing herewith a microfilm of his last message to Mr Cosgrave as I feel sure you would like to have it'. Encloses copies of three diary pages (21 August 1922). 4pp 1856 16 March 1964 Handwritten letter from M.J. Hennessy, Edenvale Road, Ranelagh, Dublin, to MacEoin, describing a meeting between Collins, his sister Mrs Powell, Michael Mehigan, and Hennessy himself, in the Imperial Hotel, Cork, on the night before Collins' death, during which he stated that he had come to Cork to meet anti-Treaty leaders with a view to achieving peace. 1p1857 April-May 1964 Handwritten letter from Margery Forester, Gaunt's House, Wimborne, Dorset, to MacEoin, thanking him for their recent interview and posing a number of questions based on entries in Michael Collins' diary during the period March-August 1922, as well as more general questions on the availability of sources (26 April 1964, 2pp). Typescript copy reply from MacEoin, referring to his own diaries for the period (21 May 1964, 1p). 2 items

1858June 1964Letter from Frank K. Lee, Secretary,<br/>Association of Old I.R.A. and Cumann na mBan<br/>(London), to MacEoin, concerning the facts of Collins' involvement with the<br/>Volunteers in London (11 June 1964, 1p). The letter is in response to a Dáil<br/>question from MacEoin arising from the lack of Government representation at<br/>a memorial service for Collins and the unveiling of a statue in London.<br/>Typescript copy acknowledgement (15 June 1964, 1p).

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23 August 1964Typescript text of an address by MacEoin at the<br/>annual Collins' commemoration ceremony at<br/>Béan na mBláth. Preliminary announcement of the establishment of a national<br/>committee to erect a suitable memorial.1p

1860 [c. 1964] Handwritten draft and typescript copy letter from MacEoin to the editor, *Irish Independent*, on behalf of the Michael Collins Trust. He writes to thank publicly Caps

Publicity Ltd. and Irish Independent Newspapers, for the production, publication, and distribution of the Michael Collins Memorial Brochure. He refers to the withdrawal of advertisements from the brochure. 'The three firms who arranged to have advertisements inserted and who because they inferred that they were "advised", counselled or prevailed upon to withdraw their contracts at the last moment, I have little respect left for any of them. The self-appointed censors, advisors or counsellors who prevailed upon these firms to act thus are not worthy to be graded as first class Irish

2pp

186127 August 1966Typescript copy letter to [the editor, the Irish<br/>Independent] on Collins' significance, mainly in<br/>relation to the Truce. 'He was the co-ordinator, the liaison between every<br/>Minister and the officials and Army in the field. By the leadership, driving<br/>force and ability, Collins forced (as Lord Carson said in the British House of<br/>Lords) Britain to her knees and begged for a Truce'.2pp

citizens'.

1862	secure peace. Also refers to	Typescript notes headed <i>Neeson's Civil War</i> referring to points in Neeson's book and in Tom <i>land</i> , both dealing with Collins' determination to an article by MacEoin in the <i>National Observer</i> g the purpose of Collins' visit to Cork and the 4pp
1863	July 1967	Handwritten poem 'To Michael Collins' by Owen O'Malley. 'Let him sleep, let him sleep, 'Till he stands again before us; Up and down through Heaven Town We shall swell the lusty chorus'. 20 lines
1864		Typescript text of a speech by Lieutenant General M.J. Costello at the Collins mBláth, replying to remarks by Seán MacEoin. iation of Collins' achievement. 5pp
1865	Longford bye-election in 19 Ashe's subsequent arrest and Boland in Longford and th Greville Arms Hotel, Granar the release of prisoners before	2 typescript corrected copies of 'Memories of General Michael Collins' by MacEoin (8pp, 7pp is initial meeting with Collins during the South 17; Collins and Thomas Ashe in Ballinalee and I death; the activities of Collins, Ashe and Harry eir acquaintance with the Kiernan girls of the rd; his own promotion in the I.R.B. in Longford; ore the Truce; a secret visit to him in prison by n MacEoin's release as a condition of the Truce. 2 items
1866	22 November 1967 MacEoin's memoir of Collir [of R.T.É?].	Further typescript draft text with extensive handwritten amendments and annotations, of hs, made at the request of Mr [Kevin?] McClory 16pp

1867	[1967]	Note by MacEoin of 'Result [of] McGarry's
	G.H.Q. arranged with Dr soldiers' hospital to set aside this hospital that the dead be Dr Cagney had been in the 1 and other wounds'. He gives and the circumstances of his	enquiries 1967'. Refers to a tape recording made ney. 'In 1922 the D[irector of]/M[edical] Services Cagney, the resident surgeon in an ex-British e a few beds for wounded Irish troops. It was to ody of the C. in C. Michael Collins was brought. 914-18 War and had a wide knowledge of bullet an account of Cagney's view of Collins' wounds death. 'As it was a British Legion Hospital, Dr ort of his attention to Collins'. 2pp
1868		Typescript copy letter from MacEoin, Stillorgan Road, Dublin, to Tom McCooey, R.T.É., st, 'It happened today' but clarifying the position the Provisional Government and Minister for 1p
1869		Undated letter from Thomas Ryle Dwyer, Denton, Texas, to MacEoin (1p), requesting arch on Collins, mainly his policy on the northern by from MacEoin (20 March 1970, 3pp). 2 items
1870	July 1970 forcing recognition and a 7 MacEoin's view of Collins' i Marked 'Typed 7/7/70'.	Handwritten draft talk on the leaders of the 1916-21 period and their achievements in Truce from Britain, with particular reference to ncomparable contribution. 3pp
1871	transcript, taken from the I	Typescript and handwritten notes on the debate on the Treaty in Dáil Éireann with extensive Collins' speech, 19 December 1921; typescript Dáil Publicity Department original copy, of the January 1922; handwritten notes by MacEoin on 18pp

1872		Typescript copy text of a 'sho meetings with Michael Collins eeting at the South Longford by 2pp). Note from the editor's 5 February 1973, 1p).	s, 1917-22' by ye-election in May
1873	[1960s/70s] points, and some marginal co	Typescript notes by MacEoin debates with extracts from spe omment. Notes concentrate on C	eches, resumé of
1874	5 5	Handwritten and typescript co lecture on Collins by MacEoir h particular reference to his lligence, his part in the 1918 ge B. (4pp each).	n, concentrating on roles as Adjutant
1875	submitted sufficiently detail	Unidentified account of the or the National Land Bank includ ant of Collins complaining that ed reports in the aftermath of acEoin to the bank and introduct.	ding Collins' role t MacEoin had not the engagement at
1876	[1960s/70s] presidency of the I.R.B. and at which Collins presided.	Handwritten incomplete note a Dick [Mulcahy] mainly conce his own recollection of having	rning Collins'
1877	[1960s/70s] and political; and his attempt	Handwritten notes by MacEoi Collins'organisational abilities s to stop the Civil War.	

1878 [1960s/70s] Typescript (1p) and handwritten (2pp) notes on the significance and role of Collins in late 1920, with de Valera in the U.S. and Lloyd George refusing to negotiate. 2 items 1879 [1960s/70s] Handwritten notes entitled 'Griffith's work for Ireland' dealing with his political philosophy, the substantial personal sacrifices he made in working for Ireland, and his view of Collins. 2pp 1880 [1960s/70s] Typescript text entitled 'Collins - his appointment as one of the plenipotentiaries' [draft chapter for a proposed book on Collins by MacEoin]. Deals mainly with Collins' personal characteristics, the major difficulties facing him in advocating acceptance of the Treaty, and his attempts to prevent the Civil War. 5pp 1881 [1960s/70s] Incomplete handwritten notes by MacEoin concerning the negotiations carried out to secure a basis for peace, between representatives of the pro- and anti-Treaty factions, including himself. He describes talking to Griffith about the agreed document which included provisions for the Treaty to be put into operation and an election held based upon a panel of candidates consisting of already elected deputies. 'I brought the draft 1<sup>st</sup> to Griffith and he chased me out of his office. Others went to Collins & he read it and asked me if the other side accepted this and I replied yes. He then declared that he would sign it ... Collins came down with me to Griffith's room or office in the Gresham Hotel ... Collins & Griffith signed the document and I returned with my colleagues to get their document signed by de Valera & Brugha. Harry Boland said the document was rejected. I made a great error then. I tore up the document signed by Collins and Griffith & declared that the negotiation was over & we left the Mansion House & reported to the Dáil'. Incomplete, p.1 missing. 2pp

1882	early as March 1922 on the 21 <sup>st</sup> August a	Handwritten notes on the background to Collins' death, particularly the circumstances of his is important to note the death of Collins was planned as Childers & de Valera arrival ( <i>sic</i> ) in Béal na mBláth and overlooking or supervising ambush position Was s house (Note the binoculars used by de Valera are still top window'. 4pp
1883	[1960s/70s]	Typescript text of a poem 'General Michael Collins' by Cadet M.A. Nally, Custume Barracks, Athlone. 'Ah Erin dear it's sad to hear Our C.i.C is no more. It is the greatest calamity That ever reached our shore'. 36 lines
1884	[1960s/70ss]	Handwritten and typescript texts of a poem 'The Big Fellow'. 'You made the morning break, Michael Aroon, From the bitter night awake, Michael Aroon. That Ireland now is free Is mainly due to thee With your humanity Michael Aroon'. 30 lines

## **E. Michael Collins Memorial Foundation, 1965-70**

1885	committee. Includes a list of MacEoin's chairmanship. D Foundation (1p); and a h Roscommon Circuit Court, several suggestions as to how	Draft amended press release (2pp) to announce the establishment of the Foundation to award be considered at a meeting of the organising sub- of the membership of a governing body under braft amended appeal for subscriptions to the andwritten letter from his nephew [Garret?], to MacEoin (13 October 1965, 4pp), making w Collins' memory might best be served by the ovention of students attending business school. 3 items
1886	biographical sketches (4pp); body (1966-70, 5 items) toge	Material relating to the establishment and operation of the Foundation including a copy of the press release announcing the establishment of members of the governing body together with occasional agendas for meetings of the governing other with related papers such as applications for gress of funded research, and proposals for the scholarship programmes. 19 items
1887	20 August 1967 consisting of an appreciation to the establishment and pote	Typescript text of a speech by Lieutenant General M.J. Costello at Béal na mBláth, of Collins' achievements and including reference ntial of the Foundation. 5pp
1888	newspapers (May 1967, 1p) research in modern Irish histo Vocational Teachers' Associ scholarships to students and	Annotated agenda for a meeting of the Governing Body of the Foundation (16 of the text of an advertisement inserted in the announcing the availability of awards to assist ory; and copy draft undated reply to the Secretary, ation, concerning proposals for the provision of 1 teachers within the vocational and technical items for consideration by the governing body. 3 items

January-February 1969, March 1971
Copy of the minutes of a meeting of the governing body (30 January 1969, 2pp) and copies of correspondence she has had with Patrick Phelan concerning the disposition of his portrait of Collins (January-February 1969, 3 items); list of Longford subscribers to the Foundation (1p); letter from Stephen Barrett, South Mall, Cork, tendering with regret his resignation from the governing body on the grounds of his inability to attend meetings regularly (1 March 1972, 1p).

18901969Material relating to the work of the Foundation<br/>including a report on progress submitted byMacEoin, Chairman, and Ita McCoy, Secretary, for consideration at a meeting<br/>of the governing body, with details of funds raised and awards made (c.<br/>September 1969, 3pp); research proposals, applications for awards, and reports<br/>on the progress of research projects (1969, 5 items).

1891 [1970] Printed report submitted by MacEoin, Chairman, consisting mainly of a list of awards made to individual students to support their courses of study for the period 1967-69 (1970, 4pp). Copy typescript notice to each member of the governing body summoning a meeting (August 1970, 1p) and handwritten notes for a statement by MacEoin as to whether the Foundation should have patrons, their possible nature and function (2pp). 3 items

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#### F. The Bureau of Military History, 1948-57

1892 February 1948

First report from Michael McDunphy, Director,

Bureau of Military History, to [Oscar Traynor] the Minister for Defence, covering the work of the Bureau since its inception in January 1947 (16 February 1948, 29pp). The report refers to the genesis, establishment and initial work of the Bureau; the staff and membership of the advisory committee; policy and procedure, with a general description of the Bureau's holdings and documents loaned or preserved; an application for an increase in staff; a justification for a change of focus to the post-1916 period and disagreements with the advisory committee on this; the construction of a questionnaire on the events of Easter Week 1916; and the Bureau's reliance on the cooperation of witnesses and of the national institutions. Included as appendices are:

- A chronology of events prior to Easter Week 1916 (January 1946, 77pp).
- A chronology of events during Easter Week (30pp).
- An information leaflet on the work of the Bureau (4pp) with a revised version (6pp).
- A copy of the Easter Week questionnaire (36pp).

150pp

May-July 1948Copy for [Dr T.F. O'Higgins] the Minister for<br/>Defence, of the Instructions to representatives of

*the Bureau on the taking of evidence* (10 May 1948, 4pp); copy for the Minister of the second report of the Director of the Bureau, covering the six months ending 30 June 1948 (10 July 1948, 12pp). The report covers fieldwork with particular reference to the difficulties of interviewing in Northern Ireland; the compilation of a post-1916 chronology; publicity; the advisory committee; a list of documents received and of important witnesses who had died; and office staff and equipment. Copy of a letter from Col J.V. Joyce to the Director of the Bureau (30 June 1948, 2pp) setting out a proposed programme of work. 2 items

1894June 1950Copy of a statement by Peter Gough, Sutton,<br/>Dublin, mainly concerning his joining the I.R.A.<br/>after demobilisation from the British Army and his involvement in the aborted<br/>rescue attempt of MacEoin from Mountjoy Jail. Letter from the Secretary to<br/>the Bureau to Gough (28 June 1950, 1p) enclosing a copy of his statement and<br/>thanking hin for his cooperation.

1895November 1951Letter from Michael McDunphy, Director,<br/>B.M.H., Westland Row, Dublin, to MacEoin (7

November 1951, 1p) concerning a suggestion by MacEoin that the Bureau seek a statement from A.F. Hemming, Under Secretary at the British Ministry of Fuel and Power. He encloses for MacEoin's information an extract from a letter from the Department of External Affairs (1 November 1951, 1p) reporting Hemming's reaction to an approach from the Irish Ambassador, that he would put a record of his experiences in Ireland on paper with a view to the Bureau having it after his retirement or death. Typescript text of an article by J.H. Martin entitled 'I.R.A. leader's eleventh-hour reprieve. New light on crucial phase of 1921 Truce negotiations', concerning Frank Hemming's mission to Ireland in 1921 to investigate the murder of Canon Magnier by Auxiliaries and his personal recommendation to Lloyd George that MacEoin be reprieved from the death sentence passed by court martial (c. 1959, 5pp). 3 items

1896 January 1956 Copy letter from MacEoin to Dr Richard Hayes, Rochestown Avenue, Dublin, requesting a meeting in connection with the Bureau (21 January 1956, 1p). Attached is a copy of the *Director's Report for the year 1955* indicating work completed and in progress; witnesses not yet interviewed; the extent and storage of statements and contemporary documents; and the Director's view of the impossibility of the Bureau's work being completed before the winding-up date of 31 August 1956 indicated by the Government (1 January 1956, 12pp). 2 items

189723 May 1956Handwritten letter from Seamus Conway,<br/>B.M.H., to [MacEoin] referring to an earlier<br/>conversation [on the possibility of MacEoin submitting a statement?] and<br/>enclosing a draft copy of Conway's own statement to the Bureau for his<br/>guidance.1897

1898 13 December 1957 Letter from Seamus Conway, B.M.H., to [MacEoin] (1p) enclosing a typescript copy of a letter from himself to the Secretary, Department of Defence (13 December 1957, 1p) in reply to notification he had received that his appointment as investigator to the Bureau was being terminated. He requests that his services be retained and encloses a list of witnesses in the Sligo/Donegal area who have not yet finished their statements (1p). Annotated by MacEoin that he had written to [Kevin Boland] the Minister for Defence. 3 items P151/

1899 14 December 1957 Letter from Michael McDunphy, Director, B.M.H., to MacEoin, thanking him for the trouble and care he had taken in compiling a record of his experiences for the Bureau. 1p 19 December 1957 1900 Letter from Kevin Boland, Minister for Defence, to MacEoin, concerning the winding-up of the Bureau. Careful consideration had been given to the matter and it would not be possible to keep it on after the end of the year. 1p 1901 [*c*. 1957] 2 typescript lists of contemporary documents deposited with the Bureau of Military History by MacEoin. Included are documents relating to his trial and sentence; Longford Brigade records; correspondence, some between Michael Collins and T, Redington, Longford Brigade records, 1919; circulars, pamphlets and photographs, 1921-23. The lists differ slightly, the second is headed 'Appendix'. брр 1902 [*c*. 1957] Typescript extracts from the B.M.H. chronology of events, mainly listing incidents in the Longford, Westmeath, Roscommon and Leitrim areas, 1918-21. 5pp

#### G. Clann na Poblachta, 1948-57

1903 [*c*. January 1948] Report of Interview with Mr Seán MacBride, Leader of Clann na Poblachta, regarding his Party's prospects at the forthcoming General Election, as recorded by Special Correspondent of 'The Vanguard'. The report is fictitious and satirical in nature, assuming that Mr MacBride would be Taoiseach and form a government and querying the composition of the cabinet. 'The obvious choice for the Ministry for Finance would be Mr Paud O'Donoghue, the Dog-Track owner; he has been the most solid supporter of our Party since its inception and is our main financial backer. I have no doubt that Mr O'Donoghue's flair for greyhound financial manipulation will stand him in good stead and that he will make an excellent Minister'. 2pp 1904 5-14 July 1948 File of newscuttings concerning the expulsion of Captain Peadar Cowan from Clann na Poblachta on account of his opposition to the Government decision to ratify the Paris Convention and the Irish-American bilateral agreement on Marshall Aid. 7 items 21 October 1951 1905 Typescript copy text of a statement by Seán MacBride to a meeting of the National Executive of Clann na Poblachta. Criticises Government 'scare speeches' used to justify additional taxes. Defends the previous Government's economic record in the face of allegations of reckless spending. 3pp 1906 January 1957 Printed text of the statement issued by the Ard Comhairle of Clann na Poblachta on the reasons for the Party's withdrawal of support from the Government. (26 January 1957, 4pp). Copy of a statement by Seán MacBride (30 January 1957, 4pp) to a meeting of Dublin constituency representatives of the Clann, outlining his long-standing dissatisfaction with Government economic policy and its failure to deal with the problem of unemployment. Copy of a letter from MacBride to the Taoiseach, John A. Costello (12 January 1957, 1p) urging immediate action to address the problem of unemployment through emergency relief schemes and the provision of easier credit and public finance for a programme of building. 3 items

Our Nation. Clann na Poblachta journal.

1907	Summer 1957	vol. 1, no. 1
1908	Autumn 1957	vol. 1, no. 2

### H. Draft autobiography and memoirs, 1924-73

1910	[ <i>c</i> . 1924]	Handwritten notes by MacEoin consisting of a brief account of his national activities and military career, 1914-21. 5pp
1911	May 1945	Pamphlet, <i>Man of the People: The story of Seán</i> <i>MacEoin</i> by John Mageean dealing mainly with his exploits during the War of Independence. 28pp
1912	reference to the War of Ind Doran O'Reilly in the Sund	File of cuttings from Irish national and provincial and from English newspapers, mainly views of MacEoin's career with particular ependence. Includes three parts of a series by J. <i>lay Chronicle</i> (July 1950), 'Dramatic episodes in cEoin'; four parts of a series by John Murdoch in

the life of General Seán MacEoin'; four parts of a series by John Murdoch in the Sunday Despatch (February-March 1956), 'General Seán MacEoin's dramatic story'; as well as a number of cuttings from the Longford Leader on aspects of his career and his retirement. 16 items

1913 1948/9

Handwritten account by MacEoin from a later period [c. 1965] of a meeting, while he was

Minister for Justice, with General Franco. Describes the ritual of the meeting held at Franco's private residence; and the main topics for discussion which included relations with the U.S. and the dangers of Communism. 'He regarded aetheistic communism as the world danger & that the United States was in his opinion the greatest champion. That they wanted not only

active air, military and naval support but moral support and particularly advice. That they were a great nation but yet young in diplomatic wisdom, and that Ireland being an English-speaking nation could be of immense help & therefore he urged that a Treaty similar to [the] Spanish-American Treaty be negotiated between Ireland & the U.S.' 4pp

1914September-<br/>November 1950Correspondence between MacEoin, J. Doran<br/>O'Reilly, Palmerstown, County Dublin, John J.<br/>Dunne, Clare Street, Dublin, Mr Doran

O'Reilly's solicitors, and Tom MacManus, *Longford Telegraph*. The correspondence concerns comments published in the newspaper on lacunae in articles on aspects of MacEoin's career written by Doran O'Reilly and published in the *Sunday Chronicle*; and whether the articles had been 'approved' by MacEoin. Doran O'Reilly threatens to sue MacManus who, at MacEoin's instigation, agrees to publish a reserved apology. Also includes correspondence between MacEoin and Daniel O'Brien, Longford Printing & Publishing Company, who is also publishing Doran O'Reilly's articles (November 1950, 2 items). 22 items

1915 February 1951

Letter from Thomas Reddin, Ashleaf,

Templeogue, County Dublin, to MacEoin (24

February 1951, 1p), enclosing a chapter (7pp) from his novel *Somewhere to the Sea* which was not included in the published text. Factual events in the chapter include the attempted rescue of MacEoin from Mountjoy Jail, the burning of the Customs House and MacEoin's court martial.

2 items

1916 1 September 1959 Letter from William O'Brien, Pembroke Road, Dublin, to MacEoin, enclosing 'as promised, the papers concerning your case in 1921 which I found amongst my collection'. O'Brien mentions that an Irish Transport and General Workers' Union organiser at the time, Seán McGrath, was a brother of the R.I.C. District Inspector for whose murder MacEoin was sentenced to death. They drafted a letter which was signed by Mrs McGrath saying that they bore MacEoin no animosity. 2pp

1917September,<br/>December 1959Cuttings from the Standard [of which MacEoin<br/>was Chairman] reporting MacEoin and his<br/>wife's private audience with Pope John XXIII<br/>during a visit to Rome as guest of the Irish ambassador.

2 items

1918 February-October 1964 Material relating to an informal hour-long broadcast interview with MacEoin by Terence de Vere White. Includes news cuttings of

published reviews of the programme from the *Longford News* (8 February 1964) and the *Irish Times* (13 February 1964) and a letter to the editor of the *Irish Press* (13 February 1964) concerning a point of fact; handwritten and typescript notes by MacEoin arising from the interview (7pp) mainly relating to the position of the President of the Republic before 1921 and his own release from prison in August 1921; copy letter from MacEoin, Dáil Éireann, to Terence de Vere White (2 March 1964, 2pp) recounting a conversation with Eamon de Valera subsequent to the interview being broadcast; and a letter from Kevin C. McCourt, Director-General R.T.É. (13 October 1964, 1p) enclosing a script of the interview (23pp) and promising a re-recording of the programme.

1919 [February 1964] Handwritten letter from Terence de V[ere] W[hite], Kildare Street Club, Dublin, to MacEoin, thanking him for 'putting up with all that today' [the television interview] and referring to the content.
'In any event I am convinced that any contentious piece about Dev will not have got onto the air . I think his guerilla opinion is in print. In fact I put it into [his biography of ] Kevin O'Higgins in 1948. History will sort these things out' (2pp). Copy reply from MacEoin (1p). 2 items

Cuttings from the Longford Leader concerning a 1920 February-March 1966 private visit to the United States by MacEoin and his wife and his intention to canvass for T.F. O'Higgins, candidate for the Presidency, on his return. 3 items 1921 12 January 1973 Typescript notes on the history of the McKeon family, its association with the trade of blacksmith, together with family trees and details of members overseas including Glasgow, Malta and the United States. 4 pp 1922 7 April 1973 Copy typescript letter from MacEoin to Paddy Donegan, Minister for Defence (1p) in response to an invitation to Baldonnel [to celebrate the anniversary of the first westward transatlantic flight which took off from the airbase in April 1928]. MacEoin recalls that he had responsibility for making arrangements for the flight since the air force was at that time under his command as Quartermaster General. Copy typescript note (2pp) on Colonel James Fitzmaurice, one of the co-pilots on the flight, based on a conversation with MacEoin. Fitzmaurice was not insured for the flight because of the heavy premiums, and was sufficiently lacking in confidence about the success of the venture that he made his will before take-off, appointing MacEoin executor. 2 items 1923 [1960s] Handwritten draft dedication to MacEoin's proposed memoir. 'Many good friends asked me to record my memoirs. Many good friends advised me against attempting it'. 1p 1924 [1960s] Handwritten (7pp) and incomplete typescript (6pp) draft accounts of his early childhood; together with the final page of an early chapter recording the death of his father, 17 February 1913, and his own early career. 3 items

1925 1965 Typescript copy text of MacEoin's account of his life from early childhood until 1920. Includes comments on early influences with reference to Fenianism and landlordism; the Boer War; the Land Act, 1903; his schooldays and the increasing time spent with his father in the forge; his father's death and his own early career; his introduction to the I.R.B.; local recruitment to the British Army during World War I; local luminaries and aspects and incidents of local life and society; incidents in the War of Independence including contacts with Michael Collins. 40pp 1926 [1960s] Typescript text entitled 'Granard' dealing mainly with events of 4 November 1920 and arrrangements for the defence of Ballinalee including the evacuation of Fr Montford. 4pp 1927 [1960s] Typescript note with handwritten amendments on the terms of the Truce of July 1921, the implication of those terms in their recognition of the validity of the Irish Army; and the subsequent inconsistency of the conviction of MacEoin for murder when, as a member of that army, he was involved in a military engagement. 1p 1928 1965 Typescript copy account by MacEoin of his arrest at Mullingar and attempted escape; his treatment and interrogation in custody; his hospitalisation and operation and an interview with General McCready; his transfer to Mountjoy; his comrades in prison; the commandeering of an armoured car. 49pp Notebook with handwritten notes labelled '1st 1929 [1960s] and 2<sup>nd</sup> Dáil. History of Seán's arrest at Mullingar and his life in Mountjoy. Some reference to I.R.B., Beál na mBláth, Brugha's summons to Dublin and Seán's arrest'. 65pp

1930	interrogation in custody; t	Typecript draft text with handwritten corrections and amendments of MacEoin's account of his mpt at escape and his wounding; his treatment and transfer to St Bricin's Military Hospital and from s by Collins to rescue him; his court martial. 49pp
1931	the I.R.A. to deal effectivel gang, his shooting, torture where MacEoin was also in	Typescript text of a review by J.H. Martin of the film 'Shake Hands with the Devil'. Review vities of the Igoe Gang in Dublin and the failure of ly with it; the arrest of Sweeney Newell by the and eventual transfer to George V Military Hospital n custody; MacEoin's refusal to have a general or fear of betraying confidences while anaesthetised. 4pp
1932	prison, and rescuing him fr	Typescript account by MacEoin of his own part in the aborted attempt to rescue him from leering an armoured car, gaining access to the om the Governor's Office where he was to have n behalf of the other prisoners. 3pp
1933	attempt and the subseque	Typescript account of the attempt to rescue MacEoin from Mountjoy Jail in June 1921. e capture of an armoured car, the aborted rescue nt destruction of the vehicle. Headed 'Historical car from British by G.H.Q. Squad, Dublin, War of 3pp
1934		2 typescript copies (3pp, 2pp) of MacEoin's statement from the dock at his court martial is autobiography]; typescript list of witnesses at ome additional names in MacEoin's hand. 3 items

1935	[1960s] Includes a detailed account in the country generally and	Typescript draft text with handwritten amendments entitled 'Chapter IX. My Trial'. of his court martial as well as reference to events his eventual release. 16pp
1936	[1960s] Mountjoy; and a visit from h	Handwritten notes by MacEoin on events immediately after his conviction; his return to his parish priest Fr Markey. 1p
1937	[1960s]	Photocopy of the official notification to MacEoin of his conviction and death sentence, 14 June 1921. 1p
1938	prison as an elected deputy negotiation. Arose from the demanding his release as the and Duggan and published; as 'unauthorised' by Erskin	Typescript account headed 'Incident of the McKeown ( <i>sic</i> ) Affair' dealing with apparent Éireann as to whether MacEoin's release from was a precondition to proceeding further with he sequence of events in which an ultimatum he last imprisoned Deputy was issued by Collins the publication of the ultimatum being described he Childers, Director of Publicity; and a statement ident de Valera confirming the ultimatum. Copies ed autobiography. 3pp
1939		Further typescript draft text headed 'Appendices. Incident of the McKeown Affair' og his release from prison after the initial refusal of ith all other imprisoned members of Dáil Éireann oned for 16 August 1921. 8pp
1940	imprisoned deputies with the ultimatum demanding his re-	Handwritten note by MacEoin concerning his release, with specific reference to the Cabinet ich discussed the decision to release all ne exception of MacEoin; Collins' and Duggan's elease; and Erskine Childers' strongly stated view bardised for the sake of one man. 1p

Incomplete typescript text [first page missing] 1941 [1960s] beginning with reference to the Supreme Council of the I.R.B. as a potential alternative government during the period 1921-23; but dealing more extensively with the circumstances of MacEoin's release in August 1921. 5pp 1942 [1960s] Handwritten notes on his activities during the period after his release, with reference to his health, meetings of staff and I.R.B., and a conversation with Wainwright, the commander of the Auxiliaries in Longford, with reference to his torture of a Volunteer called Partridge, captured by Wainwright and assumed by him to have taken part in the engagement at Clonfin. 4pp 1943 [1960s] Handwritten account by MacEoin of his release from Mountjoy; his reception by Collins at Vaughan's Hotel; his triumphant return to Longford accompanied by Collins; and his appoiontment as O/C 1 Midland Division. Refers to Collins' apprehension at the danger of members of the Army and I.R.B. being photographed during the Truce and the difficulty this would present to any resumption of hostilities. брр 1944 [1960s] Short handwritten notes on the general political and military situation at the time of his release; his reception by Collins and their journey to Longford. 6pp 1945 Typescript text of Appendices C - J of [1960-61] MacEoin's draft autobiography. The majority is taken up by Appendix F, transcript of the proceedings of MacEoin's general court martial with some commentary inserted by him (102pp). Other appendices include material relating to the court martial but also include copies of correspondence with Thomas Jocelyn Wilford, Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia [a temporary cadet in the R.I.C., 1920-21] who sent his own account of the Clonfin ambush on 2 February 1921 (December 1965, 6pp); and material relating to reportage of the refusal of the British to release MacEoin in August 1921 as provoking a split in the Government. 130pp

1946December 1973Teathbha vol. 1, no. 3, journal of the Longford<br/>Historical Society, including an article by John<br/>Carthy 'Wherever Green is Worn. A symposium of tributes in honour of<br/>General Seán MacEoin'.15pp

### V. SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

#### A. Diaries and Address Books, 1926-67

19471926Desk diary with few entries beginning 27 May.<br/>'Starting diary today for 1926. Kept no diary<br/>while in France from 27/1/26 to 15/4/26'. c.12 entries for the whole year<br/>record the routine of Army business and social engagements.

21x33x1cms

1948 1928

Desk diary containing regular entries for most of the year. Entries refer to the ordinary routine of

office work including meetings with the Chief of Staff and the Military Service Pensions Board; his attendance in official and personal capacities at sporting and social functions such as garden parties, sports days, dances and concerts including John McCormack (1 January), the Horse Show and Mass. More extensive entries refer to more notable events such as a reception for the new Governor-General James MacNeill (1 February), arrangements for Commandant Fitzmaurice's transatlantic flight (April) and an interview with Desmond FitzGerald, Minister for Defence, concerning the leaking of confidential Defence Council decisions to the press (9 October). 2 additional pages (1-11 January) from a smaller diary have been inserted.

'Year has come to close and has been a very difficult one. While I am perfectly satisfied with year, I am thinking that I should not face another in Army. The work is too much confined to office' (31 December).

21x33x1cms

1949

1932

Loose pages from a desk diary relating mainly to the period immediately preceding the general election. Records his travel and attendance at meetings. 16pp

> 28 diaries containing variable entries in terms of frequency and the type and quantity of detail

recorded. Diaries for the 1920s [P151/1950-1953] contain irregular entries with cursory details of appointments, meetings, names and addresses, and some personal accounts. One diary from this period [P151/1952] is used almost exclusively for a visit to Nice and Juan les Pins (January-February 1926). Later diaries are not invariably more informative but the majority contain regular records of daily activities including Government, Dáil, Party and constituency business, with details of meetings and constituents' concerns; social and personal activity including bridge, outings, All-Ireland finals, the Horse Show, Mass, funerals, weddings and holidays; reference to his own health, hospitalisation and recuperation [e.g. P151/1954, January-April 1931]. Some of those diaries maintained while in Government [P151/1962, 1973] contain regular, though routine, reference to Government business, and the latter records a holiday in Spain in the immediate aftermath of the 1957 general election. The diaries maintained during the Presidential election campaigns [P151/1958, 1975] contain details of meetings and itineraries and the latter contains reference to the retirement of Richard Mulcahy and John A. Costello and the election of James Dillon as leader of the Party (October 1959). Where more than one diary is used for for one year, the reason is not always clear. In one instance, the two diaries for 1954 [P151/1965, 1966] supplement one another in obvious fashion, the second beginning with a journey to Lourdes and covering the remainder of the year (September-December 1954). In other instances, in 1955 for example [P151/1967, 1968], the second is used only irregularly. Of the four diaries used in 1956, one [P151/1970] is used hardly at all; one [P151/1972] is used only for appointments; of the other two, one is a pocket diary [P151/1969], and the other a desk diary [P151/1971] with more extensive entries on the same subjects. The vast majority are small pocket diaries. One of the desk diaries [P151/1959] was originally a 1928 diary but not used until 1945 and then only to record the April-June itinerary of the Presidential election.

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1973	1957

- 1974 1958
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- 1977 1962

2 indexed pocket address books containing full names and addresses, many in the United States, with occasional telephone numbers. Some entries, particularly local ones, contain some personal and family details.

1978 [1950s/60s]

1979 [1960s]

1980[1960s/70s]1967 pocket diary used instead as an address<br/>book with extensive entries throughout the<br/>country and in the United States.

#### **B.** Personal correspondence, 1922-69

1981 20 June 1922

Handwritten letter from S.F. Ó Cianáin, Ballinalee, Edgeworthstown, to MacEoin,

enclosing a cheque for ten guineas together with a list of contributors who wish to express 'their good will on the occasion of your wedding'. Annotated at a later date. 1p

1982February 1928-<br/>November 1930Letter from Count John McCormack, Hotel<br/>Galves, Galveston, Texas, to 'My dear General<br/>Seán' (11 February 1928, 2pp) referring to a

conversation they had had about transatlantic travel and enclosing a letter from John P. O'Connor, O'Connor Ocean Airlines, Park Row, New York (8 February 1928, 2pp) commenting at length on the feasibility of transatlantic air travel. O'Connor has designed a seaplane which has been undergoing tests at the Guggenheim Aeronautical Laboratory.

Correspondence between McCormack, MacEoin and Patrick Corkery, Dingle, Kerry, concerning McCormack's willingness to present a perpetual trophy for the Dingle feis cheoil (May-July 1928, 7 items).

Letter from McCormack, Grosvenor House, Park Lane, London, to MacEoin, referring to his resignation from the Reserve of Officers (29 November 1930, 5pp). 'I have never thought that you got all the credit due to you and your splendid work since you left the Army and my only fear was that in a moment of annoyance or personal bitterness, you might change your opinion of the good of the Treaty and waver in your Party allegiance. That would be a tragedy for everyone concerned'. He complains about the expectations of his generosity on the part of the clergy in Athlone.

10 items

1983September-<br/>October 1936Letters from Patrick Belton T.D., Irish Christian<br/>Front, Mansion House, Dublin (23 September<br/>1936, 1p) and Martin P. Fallon, Irish Christian<br/>Front, Longford Branch (6 October 1936, 1p) concerning the formation of the<br/>branch in Longford and inviting MacEoin to speak. Receipt for MacEoin's<br/>subscription.

1984August 1955Material concerning arrangements for a holiday<br/>at Konigswinter. Includes correspondence<br/>between MacEoin and the Irish Travel Agency Ltd., D'Olier Street, Dublin,<br/>and copy correspondence between the agency and Sir Henry Lunn Ltd., New<br/>Bond Street, London, concerning the Minister's requirements.<br/>7 items

1985 February-March 1964 Letters of congratulation from family and friends on the occasion of the broadcast of an interview on Telefís Éireann concerning his activities during the War of Independence. Most refer to the favourable impression the interview had created generally and some take up points he had made. Includes 5 press cuttings reporting the interview. 34 items

19863 March [1964]Handwritten letter from Mrs Margaret Barrett,<br/>45 Berkeley Square, London, to MacEoin. She<br/>introduces herself as a granddaughter of Lloyd George who became aware of<br/>MacEoin through a recent article in the *Irish Independent*. She invites him to<br/>stay or come and dine when next in London. 'The house we live in is one of<br/>the most beautiful and historic houses in London – formerly belonging to<br/>Clive of India'. Handwritten draft letter of acceptance from MacEoin.<br/>2 items

1987March 1969Letters of sympathy on the death of his brother,<br/>Michael. One writer encloses a copy of a press<br/>release advertising the paperback edition of Calton Younger's Ireland's Civil<br/>War and the sale of the film rights to the book.5 items

## C. Domestic and Personal Business Affairs, 1933-70

Some sold later by pub	Typescript list (11pp) of household furniture and effects removed from 54 Lansdowne Road, ist of furniture moved to Garvagh from Dublin, 1933. lic auction on return to Dublin, 1948'. Handwritten of the contents of 54 Lansdowne Road. 2 items
from Senator Patrick Ba	Material concerning the financial position of the <i>Standard</i> newspaper, 'Ireland's national ch MacEoin was a director. Consists mainly of letters exter, Seanad Éireann, detailing the paper's financial s of meetings of the board of directors. 8 items
publicising the bequests of notices in the paper. Incl (1938) Ltd., Pearse Stree Stephen's Green, Dublin Joyce and the Secretary the question of whether the Commissioners (6 M purposes, powers and pr 2pp); and a letter from ( March 1945, 2pp) in res	Material relating to the view taken by the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests that the placing of notices in the not fulfill their statutory obligations with regard to of testators; and their consequent refusal to place such udes correspondence between the Secretary, <i>Standard</i> eet, Dublin, and their solicitors, Joyce & Joyce, St n; with copies of correspondence between Joyce & to the Commissioners; copy of counsel's opinion on the <i>Standard</i> fulfulled the statutory requirements of March 1940, 3pp); a confidential note on the origin, ocedures of the Commissioners (14 December 1944, Gerard Boland, Minister for Justice, to MacEoin, (26 sponse to an approach on the matter, supporting the to an approach on the matter, supporting the taken the statutory is a statement of the statemen
	Correspondence mainly between MacEoin and the Forestry Division, Department of Lands, concerning his application for a licence to fell conditions under which the licence would be granted; Sons, Bailieborough, Cavan, concerning the sale of 8 items
	<ul> <li>Ballsbridge. Labelled 'Li Some sold later by publicing eneral inventory (9pp) of May-July 1939</li> <li>Catholic weekly', of whi from Senator Patrick Barequirements, and notices</li> <li>January 1940-April 1945</li> <li>Standard newspaper did publicising the bequests of notices in the paper. Incl: (1938) Ltd., Pearse Stree Stephen's Green, Dublin Joyce and the Secretary the question of whether the Commissioners (6 M purposes, powers and pr 2pp); and a letter from C March 1945, 2pp) in rest Commissioners' position</li> <li>June 1941-January 1945</li> <li>trees on his land, and the and with Fred Sheriff &amp; March 1945</li> </ul>

1992 November 1952 Letter from Joe McGrath, Cabinteely House, County Dublin, thanking MacEoin for a recent letter. 'While I will always be glad to see you and have a yarn, I am not enamoured with either of the propositions you mention' (17 November 1952). Attached is a handwritten note on Dáil Éireann notepaper proposing a private corporation to provide commercially sponsored television (1p); and a letter from Maurice L. Clifford, Solicitor, Dawson Street, Dublin, to MacEoin (7 November 1952, 2pp) referring to a meeting they had had with promoters who wished to develop luxury tourist centres which would include casinos. 3 items

1993 September 1953

Material relating to proposals by MacEoin and Charles Sweeney, Chairman, Federated Trust

and Finance Corporation Ltd., to form a company for the running of a commercial television station in Ireland. Includes a draft memorandum on the proposal for submission to the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs (September 1953, 5pp) as well as a copy schedule for a typical week's programming (12pp) including 420 minutes devoted to Government matters and 45 minutes devoted to sport; unidentified copy memorandum entitled 'The probable Government attitude', addressing the general question of the viability of sponsored television (10pp); reply from Erskine Childers, Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, to MacEoin (4 September 1953, 1p) setting out the general Government position; and copy text of a broadcast talk by Eric Boden on 'The future of Irish television' on Radio Éireann (9 February 1953).

7 items

1994 November 1962 Letter from Matt Feehan, Archbishop Mannix Golden Jubilee Commemoration Fund, Mansion House, Dublin, to MacEoin (5 November 1962, 1p) enclosing a draft letter to Monsignor L. Moran, Vicar General, St Patrick's Cathedral, Melbourne, proposing the allocation of the surplus of the Fund towards the establishment of a bursary for the education of a priest (5 November 1962, 2pp). 2 items

1995November 1969-<br/>March 1970Routine material relating to the takeover of the<br/>Standard newspaper by the Catholic Press,<br/>including copies of the company's accounts for<br/>the years 1968 and 1969; statement of the offer bid by the Catholic Press Ltd.<br/>(14 November 1969, 5pp); and material relating to the annual general meeting<br/>of the company, the sale of MacEoin's shares, and payment of compensation<br/>for loss of a directorship.9 items

## D. Memorabilia, 1921-67

1996	3 August 1921	Delegate's card for the Conradh na Gaedhilge Ard Fheis, 1921, issued to Diarmuid Ó Duibhne.
	Autographed by several ot Coileain and Piaras Béaslaí	her delegates including Cathal Brugha, Michéal Ó í. 1 item
1997		Autographed menu for a dinner at the Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin. Annotated wn'. Autographs include Piaras Béaslaí, Caoímghin ile, Eoin Uá Dubhtaigh, Diarmuid Ó hEigceartaigh fá Maolcatha. 1 item
1998	5 August 1924 Department, Office of the C	Certified copy of the entry for MacEoin's birth (30 September 1893). Stamped Staff Duties Chief of Staff, Óglaigh na hÉireann, 7 August 1924.
1999	They came to "poor old Ire	Lines of doggerel. 'The Auxiliaries came to Ireland, having quitted gay Paris, oping" right 'till they came to Ballinalee. land" to give in their English Tone, of a victorious tour 'till they met brave Seán 36 lines
2000	[1920s]	Lines of doggerel. 'You'll find in history's pages Heroes of great fame The deeds they've done, the battles won And how they made their name. But there is one who took the gun For Ireland – her alone To give a blow to crush the foe Commandant Seán MacEoin'. 32 lines

2001	8 April 1937	Official letter of appointment of MacEoin as	
		Peace Commissioner for the County of	
	Longford, signed by I	Pádráig Ruithléis, Minister for Justice.	
		1p	
2002	10 June 1967	Cutting from the <i>Longford News</i> reporting the banquet and presentation held in Longford in	
	honour of MacEoin, t	honour of MacEoin, to mark his retirement from public life.	
		1 item	

# VI. PHOTOGRAPHS

## A. Military

2003	<b>U</b>	Black and white photograph of in front of a wall of sandbags er a motorcycle helmet and go with a Union flag and the he evisible.	. Two are seated, oggles. The third is
2004	right and one to the left. A	Black and white photograph of the Workhouse, Athlone. Eight rd in front of a building with nnotated on the reverse with nt Morrissey, Vice Command or of Training.	ht Volunteers are two officers to the the names of the
2005	basis for an agreed peace. Fro Seán Moylan, Commandan Lynch, Adjutant General Gea Mellowes. All are in civiliar	Newspaper cutting of a group Army Council of Six consisti e pro- and anti-Treaty sides, om left, Major General Seán I t General Eoin O'Duffy, O troid O'Sullivan and Commar n clothing with the exception Moylan [P151/2006] is a section	ng of three formed to find the MacEoin, Brigadier Commandant Liam ndant General Liam n of MacEoin. The

2006	Identified by Padraic O'Farr 1922 and used by him to illu	Copy of a black and white fu photograph of MacEoin in un and overcoat on the right. rell as having been taken at a strate the cover of <i>Who's Who</i> (1997). © J. Cashman, 1922.	niform on the left, Both are smiling. peace conference in
2007		Group photograph of the Iris including MacEoin, responsi thlone on the departure of <i>Longford Leader</i> (4 Novembe	ble for taking over the British forces.
2008		Black and white photograph Griffith's coffin being carried being carried at waist height, a McGrath] on the right. MacE f honour lines both sides.	d from the chapel t the front by Ernest
2009	August 1922 hearse is flanked by a guard the route.	Aerial black and white photo cortège of Michael Collins. 7 of honour. Crowds of onlooke	The horse-drawn
2010		Black and white photograph military occasion. About a de aally. MacEoin is centre talkin eads. An institutional building	ozen soldiers in g to another officer.
2011		Black and white photograph officers on manoeuvres. Mac he left in uniform with topcoa m. Clusters of other soldiers	Eoin [as a reserve t. Seven soldiers lie

2012 20 November 1931 Cutting from the *Dublin Evening Mail* of a group photograph of an unidentified occasion. The group of six men are all seated around a table and include MacEoin, Captain Waitt, a former Auxiliary officer who had custody of MacEoin while under sentence of death, and Joe McGrath. 7x5 inches

### **B.** Political, 1929-56

20137 December 1929Black and white photograph of MacEoin<br/>inspecting a guard of honour of the UnitedStates Army at South Boston Army Base while paying his respects to General<br/>Preston Brown as part of his official visit to the U.S. General Brown is in<br/>uniform, MacEoin in topcoat and hat, walking along the guard of honour. A<br/>cutting from the Boston Evening American reproduces the photograph with a<br/>brief caption.

2014 29 September 1954 2 black and white copies of a group photograph of MacEoin in an audience with General Franco, in the general's study. Franco is seated on the right in side view in full dress unifrom with his desk on his right, piled with papers. MacEoin is seated on the left in a three-piece suit, hands folded and legs crossed at the ankles, almost in full view. A diplomat or interpreter in morning suit is looking at MacEoin and is sitting in side view. 10x8 inches and 7x5 inches

### C. Family and personal, 1922-66

2015 21 June 1922 Black and white group photograph of the wedding party after the marriage of Seán MacEoin and Alice Cooney, pictured in front of the Cooney house in Gurteen, Longford. The party is arranged in three rows with MacEoin, in uniform, and Alice seated centre front. Arthur Griffith and Michael Collins, both smiling, stand directly behind the couple. 7x5 inches 2016 9 family photographs, mostly black and white, [1940s-60s] featuring Seán and Alice MacEoin with unidentified family and friends in a variety of social and recreational settings such as at weddings or on vacation. mainly 5x3 inches 2017 [1950s] Black and white studio portrait of Peter McKeon [younger brother] and black and white group photograph of four people, two older women seated, one partially out of view, a man [Peter McKeon] standing on the left, a younger woman on the right. A single-storey, whitewashed building with a corrugated roof is in the 3x2 and 5x3 inches background. 2018 [1960s] Black and white group photograph, possibly taken in the United States. MacEoin on the left is holding aloft a small boy. A husband and wife in their thirties are in the centre of the photograph, the man holding another boy in his arms. The head and shoulders of an older woman are visible on the right. 7x5 inches 2019 [*c*. 1960] Full-length black and white group photograph of Seán and Alice MacEoin. MacEoin is on the right in a three piece suit. Alice is dressed in a herringbone overcoat, hat, gloves and bag. Standing on grass immediately in front of a granite building. 7x4 inches

2020 1966 Black and white full length group photograph of MacEoin, centre, with Alice MacEoin on his right and Fr Kelly on his left, at the grave of Fr Albert Bibby. 10x8 inches