

I. MILITARY CAREER

A. War of Independence, 1917-21

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| 1 | September 1917-
December 1918 | <p>Cumann na mBan cash book [for the Longford area?] recording income and expenditure under general headings such as dances, collections, concerts, flags and badges; and wages, stationery, ribbons, calico and sateen. Included is a statement of Longford election expenses [December 1918] and a list of members' subscriptions (October 1917-April 1918).</p> <p style="text-align: right;">40pp</p> |
| 2 | 10 January 1918 | <p>Copy typescript autographed letter from E. de Valera [to the editors of unidentified newspapers] concerning post-war self-determination. 'England is alarmed lest the "Heligoland of the Atlantic" should pass out of her hands'. Highlights England's fundamental inconsistency in applying the principle of freedom of the seas.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">2pp</p> |
| 3 | 24 March 1918 | <p>Handwritten note from Irish Volunteers General Headquarters, Dublin, to T. Redington, directing him to give his immediate attention to an unspecified matter, the subject of previous communications. Bottom torn, the signature 'M. Collins' added later in a different hand.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">1p</p> |
| 4 | [1920/1] | <p>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, Liam Tobin, Dicky Barrett of Cork, Garoide O'Sullivan and Emmett Dalton etc. Plenty of fun and plenty of horseplay among these men who were leading haunted existences – and carrying their lives in their hands every hour of the 24'.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">1p</p> |

- 5 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 May 1921 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 applies. Includes pictorial calendars as well as tea, coffee, sugar and motor tyres.
2pp

May-December 1921 *Irish Bulletin* published daily by Dáil Éireann Publicity Department. Pre-Truce issues 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
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15	14 June 1921	vol 5, no 10	4pp
16	15 June 1921	vol 5, no 11	3pp
17	15 June 1921	vol 5, no 11 Supplement: weekly review of the war in Ireland	4pp
18	16 June 1921	vol 5, no 12	3pp
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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 review of the war in Ireland	vol 5, no 47	2pp
25	8 August 1921	vol 5, no 48	4pp
26	9 August 1921	vol 5, no 49	3pp
27	10 August 1921	vol 5, no 50	1p
28	11 August 1921	vol 5, no 51	3pp
29	11 August 1921 Supplement: weekly review of events in Ireland	vol 5, no 51	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

35	24 August 1921	vol 5, no 60	2pp
36	26 August 1921	vol 5, no 62	1p
37	26 August 1921 Supplement: weekly review of events in Ireland	vol 5, no 62	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	6pp
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

51	20 October 1921	vol 6, no 1	2pp
52	20 October 1921	vol 6, no 1 Supplement: weekly 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	27 October 1921	vol 6, no 6 Supplement: weekly 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	24 November 1921	vol 6, no 26 Supplement: weekly 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	vol 6, no 31 Supplement: weekly 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 | vol 6, no 36
Supplement: weekly review of events in Ireland | 2pp |
| 69 | [June 1921] | Typescript list headed 'Points for Letter' with handwritten annotation on verso 'Letter for Mr Duff to write to Lord Fitzalan [Lord Lieutenant]'. Points are suggestions towards the formulation of a plea for mitigation of the death sentence passed on MacEoin at his court martial. | 1p |
| 70 | June-August 1921 | 45 letters mainly from well-wishers, friends and neighbours, to MacEoin while in prison.
Correspondents acknowledge letters received from MacEoin; request permits to be allowed to visit him; arrange to send in food and cigarettes; and enclose news of mutual friends including comrades released from prison. Also includes letters of congratulation after his release and a small number of letters from other prisoners including 3 from Ned Walsh, a prisoner in another wing of Mountjoy, containing prison gossip and commenting on the regime.
Folder marked 'Some of the letters in & out of Mountjoy Prison, 1921. Some official and others thro' secret channels' and 'Checked 1956 SM[acEoin]'.
45 items | |
| 71 | 4 August 1921 | Telegram from O Heiggeartugh (<i>sic</i>), Dublin [Diarmaid O hEiceartaigh, Secretary to Dáil Éireann] to MacEoin T.D., Mountjoy Prison, informing him of a meeting of the Dáil on 16 August in the Mansion House. | 1 item |

- 77 16 December 1921 Henry Kennedy, Secretary, Irish White Cross, 28 Harcourt Street, Dublin, to Commandant MacEoin T.D., Mansion House, Dublin, enclosing a cheque for £48-15-0 to cover relief grants as specified in an accompanying schedule [missing].
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 19 December 1921 Dan Breen, Gresham Hotel, Dublin to Comdt. Sean MacEoin I.R.A. T.D. He refers to MacEoin's reported statements in the Dáil supporting the Treaty as something he and his comrades had fought for. 'Let me remind you that today is the second anniversary of Martin Savage's death. Do you suppose that he sacrificed his life in attempting to kill one British Governor General in order to make room for another British Governor General?' [Savage was killed by one of Lord French's escort during the assassination attempt on the Lord Lieutenant on 19 December 1919]. Breen indicates that copies of the letter have been sent to the press.
2pp
- 80 19 December 1921 Handwritten notes by MacEoin for his speech seconding the motion for ratification of the Treaty in Dáil Éireann. Annotated by him at a later date 'Notes for speech in Dáil seconding motion of Mr A. Griffith ratification (*sic*) Treaty 1921. Notes written in tram car [from] O'Connell Street to National University'.
2pp
- 81 31 December 1921 John Kiernan, Clerk of Granard Rural District Council, to Sean MacEoin T.D., Mansion House, Dublin, informing him of a resolution of the Council endorsing his action in seconding Arthur Griffith's motion for ratification of the Treaty.
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 large meeting of the Association in the Town Hall, Mullingar.

1p
- 84 5 January 1922 Dáil Éireann orders of the day containing the texts of contrary motions on acceptance of the Treaty to be put by Arthur Griffith and Eamon de Valera, the complete text of the President's proposals to be put in the hands of delegates before the motion is moved.

1p
- 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 as a sovereign nation, deriving its sovereignty from the will of the people.

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- 86 10 January 1922 Circular letter from V.P. Steen, Honorary Secretary, Catholic Total Abstinence Federation Of Ireland, Middle Abbey Street, Dublin, calling the attention of members of Dáil Éireann 'to the urgent necessity of putting a rigorous restraint on the drink traffic during the present transition period, as essential for the maintenance 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 7 February 1922 Hayden Talbot, Special Correspondent, Hearst Newspapers, Shelbourne Hotel, Dublin, to Sean MacEoin T.D., I.R.A. Headquarters, Dublin.
Mr Hearst proposes to publish a 'symposium' of opinions on what the future holds for Ireland under the terms of the Treaty, 'a question of the most vital interest to American friends of Ireland'. MacEoin's name is included in a list of representative Irish men and women who are asked to contribute.
1p
- 92 23 February 1922 Typescript transcript from the *Irish Independent* containing the text of an agreement unanimously carried at the previous day's Sinn Féin Ard Fheis, to prevent a split in the 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 Free State Bill at Westminster; policing and the army.
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 20 March 1922 Michael Collins, Department of Finance, to Desmond FitzGerald, Director of Publicity, asking if anything can be done to get wider publicity for the pogroms in Belfast. Annotated by Collins asking for the matter to be treated as urgent. Suggests a news service to deal with the English and American press.

1p
- 97 30 March 1922 **Craig-Collins Pact:** typescript copy text of the agreement between the Provisional Government and the Government of Northern Ireland, issued by the Colonial Office, London.

2pp
- 98 24 April 1922 George F. Costello, Chicago, Illinois, to MacEoin attaching a brief press report from the *Chicago Herald and Examiner* (17 April 1922) entitled 'Irish leader's bravery averts Sligo battle when General MacEoin awes rebel forces occupying buildings commanding square and Arthur Griffith spoke without harm despite menacing array of rifles'. Congratulates MacEoin on his 'splendid work'.

1p
- 99 25 April 1922 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 developments affecting the Army which have led to the present position and which show that the Army Council has made several unsuccessful efforts to maintain unity and avert civil war. The Dáil should 'revert to the honourable position which obtained prior to the signing of the Articles of Agreement in London'.

1p
- 100 26 April 1922 Incomplete copy typescript memorandum for Dáil Éireann [by W.T. Cosgrave?] concerning policy with regard to the Army since the formation of the Provisional Government and attempts to divide it on the Treaty question. Refers to appendices [missing] and describes a trip with the Chief of Staff to meet the staff of 1 Southern Division and make them an offer.

1p

- 101 10 May 1922 Incomplete typescript fragments of the report of the Committee set up by the Dáil on 3 May to make recommendations for agreed elections and the formation of a government as the basis for Army unity and the cessation of hostilities. [*see also* Michael Hayes Papers/P53 pp.7-8]
- 3pp
- 102 17 May 1922 Copy typescript report of the Republican delegation on the Committee appointed by the Dáil on 3 May. Report focuses on proposals put forward by both sides and disagreement and discussion on the specific question of the size of the quota of candidates on the national panel to be allocated to each group, 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] 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 focus on a scheme for an agreed election.
- 1p
- 105 [May 1922] Typescript copy of a set of proposals from an unidentified source, offered as an alternative to that section of the Army officers’ statement urging acceptance of the fact that the majority of the people of Ireland are in favour of accepting the Treaty. The alternative proposals consist of suggestions of various 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 Commander-in-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
- 107 23 August 1922 Handwritten and typescript drafts of official and unofficial statements on the death of Collins 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
- 108 31 August 1922 Dáil Éireann statements of accounts including trustees' account (1p); Department of Finance cash account (1p) and Advances by the Department of Finance (4pp), all for the period 1 July-31 August 1922.
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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| 110 | July-December 1921 | <p>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).</p> <p>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 jublations over report Peace (<i>sic</i>) & 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).</p> <p style="text-align: right;">31pp</p> |
| 111 | 30 July 1921 | <p>Handwritten report from the Adjutant, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade, summarising reports received from companies in the brigade and attendance at drills and exercises.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">3pp</p> |
| 112 | 28 August 1921 | <p>Handwritten note headed 'Divisional Council', mainly listing battalion areas within the Leitrim Brigade.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">1p</p> |
| 113 | August 1921-June 1925 | <p>Loose correspondence not yet sorted or filed: file of this title consisting mainly of routine Army communications and representations from civilians for assistance but including: telegram from Michael MacWhite, Irish Free State Representative at Geneva. His credentials have arrived finally and he is writing (21 July 1923);</p> |

- 113contd. telegram from W.T. Cosgrave, President of the Executive Council, to 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

- 116 29 November-3 December 1921 Typescript copies of communications between MacEoin, O/C 1 Midland Division HQ, Longford, and Cathal Brugha, Minister for Defence, concerning the issuing of fresh commissions to officers, in MacEoin's case the position of O/C Midland Division with the rank of Commandant General, and re-enlistment to all ranks. Annotated by MacEoin at a later date (1970) with an additional page of

- 116contd. 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 November- December 1921 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. Includes a letter from Murphy to MacEoin (3 November 1921, 2pp) requesting the court martial to resolve the charge against him (3 November 1921, 2pp), a handwritten statement of the charges (10 November 1921, 2pp). and handwritten notes of evidence at the trial (26 November 1921, 7pp).
Original reference no.: C/2 18pp
- 118 November- December 1921 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 copy of proceedings of a court martial at Lanesboro'.
Original reference no.: C13/4 5pp
- 119 2 December 1921 Seán Mac Cuirtín, Divisional Director of Training], 1 Midland Division HQ, Longford, to the Acting Adjutant of an unidentified brigade informing him of his suspension pending court martial. O/C Division has given permission for the suspension of all officers of the brigade against whom reasonable charges are made.
1p
- 120 9 December 1921 Notification from the Colonel Commandant, 1 Midland Division HQ, Longford, to the Brigade Captain, Scouting and Dispatch, Inny Brigade, of ratification of his appointment by the Divisional General.
1p

- 121 23 December 1921 S. Ó M., O/C South Leitrim Brigade, to the Divisional Adjutant, requesting to know what the situation is and whether the active service unit is to be kept standing to. ‘Am I to be a “hermit” for Xmas?’
1p
- 122 December 1921 2 routine letters from Henry Kennedy, Director, Irish White Cross, 28 Harcourt Street, Dublin, to Commandant MacEoin, Longford (6, 7 December, 1p each) concerning grants to cases for relief in Longford.
2 items
- 123 26 January 1922 Tomás Ó Conghaile, Drumlish, to MacEoin, O/C 1 Midland Division, informing him of local moves to have anti-Treaty delegates appointed to attend the forthcoming Sinn Féin Ard Fheis in Dublin.
1p
- 124 January-April 1922 4 letters from Séamus O Seirdain [J.J. Sheridan], Pastor, St Philip’s Church, Soldiers’ Grove, Wisconsin, to MacEoin, 1 Midland Division, Longford. A former comrade of MacEoin’s, Sheridan seeks some guidance and explanation on ‘the extraordinary turn affairs have taken’, expressing fears that ‘the recent startling developments’ are leading to Civil War. Copy reply from MacEoin (10 April 1922, 2pp) gives him reassurance. ‘The position is daily righting itself. The Army is certainly split to some extent but it will right itself in the course of a few weeks because it has taken one oath, an oath to the Republic, and will never take another. There will never be such a thing as a Free State Army. We shall remain the Irish Republican Army until our ideal is achieved and then we will become as any other army in the world – the Irish Army only’.
5 items
- 125 January-December 1922 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-established H.Q. Óglaigh na hÉireann, Beggars Bush Barracks, Dublin (February 1922) on matters such as the maintenance of discipline, the problem of commanded civilian premises, and the ratification of brigade

- 139 13 March 1922 Handwritten report from R.W., O/C 5 Brigade/West Cavan Brigade, 1 Midland Division, to the Divisional Adjutant, concerning the burning of the home of George Cartright, near Arva, and steps being taken to protect the remains of the house and property and those of the Carleton family near Gurteen against 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 Communications concerning the application of Owen Salmon, a member of the Tyneside Battalion of the I.R.A., for admission to the Civic Guard, mainly between the Adjutant General, General Headquarters, Dublin, and the O/C Western Command.
7pp
- 142 13 April 1922 Handwritten report from W.D. Coyne, Solicitor, Ballyhaunis, to MacEoin, on Army notepaper, on the situation in Ballyhaunis. He requests arms for men who wish to 'attach to H.Q.' and gives names of brigade staff remaining loyal. 'The Police are amongst mutineers The loot going on in the whole area is dreadful, and absolutely no attempt is made to trace or check it My own car was stolen on Wednesday week night following an anti-Treaty meeting '.
2pp
- 143 [April 1922] Communications between the Command Adjutant, Athlone, and the O/C 22 Infantry Battalion, Boyle, concerning taking over and occupying garrisons in Arigna, Ballyfarnon, Drumshambo and Ballinamore, with the assistance of the Dublin Command. The O/C Battalion has no men for patrols or raiding and requires 100 urgently.
4pp

- 144 April 1922-
October 1923 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 assistance 'for the vacancy on our side in Westmeath'; material relating to resolutions passed by Longford County Council on the state of the country; some handwritten reports by MacEoin on military operations; occasional correspondence with the Office of the Chief of Staff; and material relating to the appointment of a State Solicitor for Longford. 38pp
- 145 1 May 1922 Handwritten communication from Seán Fitzpatrick, Gymnasium Camp, Custume Barracks, Athlone, to MacEoin, on behalf of the men detained and imprisoned for more than six days after the fatal shooting of Brigadier General George Adamson. He demands either an immediate enquiry into the cause of their detention or unconditional release. 2pp
- 146 1 May 1922 Handwritten report from the Brigadier, North Leitrim Brigade, to MacEoin, on the occupation of Finner Camp by '250 unofficial troops' who are 'comandearing and looting 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 May 1922 **Quartermaster General's Department:** typescript copy with handwritten annotations [not by MacEoin] of regulations issued by the department, 16-29 May 1922, relating to such matters as the supply of equipment and services and the submission of reports. 3pp

- 149 30 May 1922 Confidential handwritten note from S. Connaughton, 95 South Circular Road, Portobello, Dublin, on Dáil Éireann Department of Local Government headed paper, to MacEoin, Military Barracks, Athlone, enclosing personal and career details of a British Army soldier who is anxious to transfer to the Irish Army. 3pp
- 150 23 June 1922 Handwritten letter from Aodh MacAodha, Vice-Commandant, 3 Brigade, 1 Northern Division, Army of the Irish Republic, Mountcharles, Donegal to MacEoin. 'As an act of courtesy, I invite you to come and see our Headquarters. We can at least respect one another in peace. Wishing you every happiness on the occasion of your marriage.' 1p
- 151 27 June 1922 Communications from Brigadier J. Murray, on behalf of the Brigade staff, Headquarters, 4 Brigade, 1 Northern Division, to Commandant General and Mrs MacEoin, congratulating them on their marriage and inviting them to a celebratory supper in the Marine Hotel, Bundoran. 1p
- 152 9 July 1922 2 typescript copy reports from Commandant John P. McCann, 5 Battalion, Sligo Brigade, on the capture of the pro-Treaty post at Collooney Market House by Executive Troops; and on his and his fellow prisoners removal to Castlebar Jail from which he escaped on 7 July. Copies stamped 3 Western Division. 2pp
- 153 9 July 1922 Handwritten report from [A.O.C.], I.R.A. Barracks, Mount Bellew, to O/C 2 Western Division, on the composition and activities of a well-armed anti-Treaty flying column operating in and around Woodlawn and Ballymacward. 'Fifty rifles and ammunition would leave me in a position to make things hot for them'. 1p

- 154 18 July 1922 Handwritten and typescript copies of a Western Command Operations Order relating to a move of 150 men into Roscommon, Ballymoe and Castlereagh, together with rough handwritten notes by MacEoin.
5pp
- 155 24 July 1922 Handwritten letter from E.J. [Ned] Cooney, Imperial Hotel, Claremorris, to MacEoin. Requests a train with provisions including petrol, boots, foodstuffs and cigarettes. Describes their progress. 'The reception we are getting in every town is something to write home about, and seems to be increasing as it goes on. The intelligence is top hole. The people make it their business to let us know all they know... We have just heard they are after burning out Ballinrobe. They are flying before us like hell so far.'
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 1922 Copies of *War News. Western Command Bulletin*, nos 2, 5, 6 (1p each) reporting successful engagements with anti-Treaty forces.
3 items
- 159 1 August 1922 Copy typescript minute from MacEoin, H.Q. Western Command, Custume Barracks, Athlone, to Luke Farrell, Ballyleague, Lanesboro. He cannot release Farrell's son before his trial which he proposes to have immediately. 'I have done my best to make matters easy for you and him but it seems that you want to govern the place instead of those who are authorised to do so'.
1p

- 160 9 August 1922 Micheal Ó Coileain, Commander in Chief, General Headquarters, Dublin, to the Chief of General Staff, enclosing letters from de Blacam, 'worth looking at as items of curiosity'. Annotated and returned by General Richard Mulcahy, Chief of General Staff (11 August 1922) suggesting that de Blacam should not be made a martyr of by being arrested or made the subject of official attention. 1p
- 161 August 1922 General Richard Mulcahy, Chief of General Staff, Portobello Barracks, to O/C Western Command concerning his proposals for the reorganisation of the Command (7 August 1922, 4pp) and enclosing a schedule giving the proposed total establishment as well as the distribution of men throughout the Command. Further letter from the C/S (14 August 1922, 2pp) referring to MacEoin's letter of 10 August [not present] and emphasising the necessity of implementing the proposed reorganisation. 'We are simply going to break up what we have of an Army if we leave it any longer in small parts, and do not give it proper military training. We are also going to leave it at the mercy of any small band of Irregulars with a "punch" in them'. 3 items
- 162 25 September 1922 Seamus Ó Seirdáin [Fr J.J. Sheridan], St Philip's Church, Soldiers' Grove, Wisconsin, to MacEoin, condemning in virulent terms the Treaty and benevolent reportage of the Free State Government in U.S. newspapers. 'I also read the statements of His Grace of Baltimore, who by the way was conspicuous by his absence in the Irish line when you were on the hills...I know that you are in good faith, I know that your heart is true as ever, but I cannot understand why you are with the Free State. I may never hear from you again, and I want you to understand that no matter what you may think of me, I will stick to the old ideal, and I am still your friend'. 1p
- 163 September 1922 Incomplete typescript memorandum from the Provost Marshal's Office, Custume Barracks, Athlone, to the Command Adjutant, pointing out some defects in the barracks' defence against a possible attack from anti-Treaty forces (15 September 1922, 1st page only); with a handwritten covering note from the Adjutant passing the memorandum for the attention of Commandant General E. Cooney (16 September 1922, 1p). 2 items

- 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 November. 1p
- 169 November 1922 2 communications from Commandant General Lawlor, Directing Field Operations, Claremorris, reporting on the local situation shortly after his arrival (21 November 1922, 2pp, 1p); acknowledgement from MacEoin, H.Q. Western Command, Athlone, informing Lawlor he is sending all the machine guns he has. *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 (5 November 1922, 1p). Letter from the Governor, Military Prison, Custume Barracks, confirming the release of the two men (17 November 1922, 1p). *Original reference no.:* C29 2 items
- 171 November 1922 Correspondence between Seán Lyons T.D., Moate, and the G.O.C. Western Command, concerning a prisoner from Longford, Charles Hughes; copy letter from the G.O.C. to the Minister for Defence, alerting him to Lyons's approach. 3pp
- 172 November 1922 William Sears T.D., Leinster House, to MacEoin, requesting a permit for a Mrs McGillan, Baal, County Mayo, to visit her son; and expressing the view that 20% of prisoners could be released, including McGillan, for whom he is prepared to give a personal guarantee (6 November 1922, 1p). Copy reply from MacEoin pointing out McGillan's absolute refusal to sign a form of undertaking 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
Command, concerning the employment in Custume Barracks of an ex-R.I.C.
man who Columb alleged had been involved in his own arrest, prosecution
and imprisonment during the War of Independence.
Original reference no.: C47/15 5 items
- 174 November 1922- **Money due for requiem High Mass:** file of this
June 1923 title containing correspondence between Canon
Joseph Guinan, Ardagh, General Richard
Mulcahy, Chief of Staff, General Headquarters,
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.
Original reference no.: C/9 18pp
- 175 November 1922- **Billeting:** communications between the G.O.C.
January 1923 Western Command and O/Cs and Adjutants,
Western Divisions, and with the Adjutant
General, General Headquarters, Dublin,
concerning general procedures, regulations and level of payment for billeting ;
and the payment of specific billeting accounts.
Original reference no.: C9/5 7pp
- 176 November 1922- Correspondence between the Ministry of
May 1923 Defence, the G.O.C. Western Command, and
Commandant General Lawlor concerning
compensation due to the Post Office by Lawlor on account of his
commandeering a postman's cape.
Original reference no.: C9/12 12 items
- 177 November 1922- Correspondence mainly between MacEoin and
May 1923 Eoin O'Duffy, Garda Commissioner, concerning
recommendations for membership of the force.
Includes a handwritten letter from Madame C. Despard, Roebuck House
Clonskeagh, to MacEoin, requesting an interview to speak with him on an
unspecified subject 'of deep importance and, I think, of interest to yourself'.

- 177contd. Annotations on the file cover consist of a list of documents, not the contents of the file.
Original reference no.: C10/1 9pp
- 178 4 December 1922 *Daily Bulletin/Iris An Airm* vol 1. no. 22.
Chronology of events in the various commands, including engagements with the enemy and arms seizures.
5pp
- 179 11 December 1922 Handwritten and typescript copies of a protection order issued by the G.O.C. Western Command for the person and property of Con Costello.
Original reference no.: C22/3 2pp
- 180 21 December 1922 **Operation reports Western Command:**
2 handwritten reports from Commandant General Lawlor, G.O.C. Operations in the West, to G.O.C. Athlone. One report (2pp) concerns the appointment of a chaplain to Lawlor's forces. The other (59pp) is the monthly report on operations in the West for December concentrating on operations against anti-Treaty forces in North Mayo with a pitched battle at Newport; and subsequent moves into South Mayo.
*Original reference no.:*C/60 61pp
- 181 December 1922 Routine communications concerning the issuing of a permit to the wife of a prisoner, Michael Kilroy, for an interview with the G.O.C.
Original reference no.: C29/5 4pp
- 182 December 1922 Communications between Commandant General Lawlor, Western Field Force, Athlone, and Colonel Commandant McDonnell, Administrative Medical Officer, Western Command, concerning what Lawlor regarded as irregularities in the appointment by McDonnell of a medical officer to Lawlor's command.
4pp

- 183 December 1922 Reports and statements relating to events surrounding the commandeering of Sligo Town Hall, a National Army post, by anti-Treaty forces on 9 February 1922.
Original reference no.: C60/4 10pp
- 184 December 1922 **Weekly appreciation report:** file of this title containing typescript copy of the Western Command Operation Order No. 1 headed 'Comdt. General Lawlor's copy', containing comment on the general situation in the command area and the military objectives of units.
*Original reference no.:*C60/5 16p
- 185 December 1922- Communications relating to an application from John Lynch, Tullygullion House, Granard, to have two revolvers and a rifle, loaned to the local volunteers during the War of Independence, returned to him. Communications between the G.O.C. Western Command, and the O/C and Adjutant, 1 Midland Division, concerning the weapons which are at present in the possession of an officer who 'is now holding Irregular views'.
Original reference no.: C35/1 6 items
- 186 December 1922- Communications, mainly between the G.O.C. [December 1923] Western Command and the Chief of Staff, concerning the circumstances surrounding the confiscation of two horses, the property of the late William Latimer, Mohill, County Cavan.
Original reference no.: C9/13 11 items
- 187 December 1922- Correspondence concerning compensation due May 1923 to George W.K. Gilliland, Ballymahon, County Longford, for the burning of his house, Corraboola, by the I.R.A. in June 1920, including handwritten statement by MacEoin for the President, that the burning was carried out on his orders (2pp).
Original reference no.: C9/21 5 items

- 193contd. on individual barracks and stations. Other occasional uses include a list of persons to whom shotgun permits were issued (February-May 1922) and a list of explosives to be sold, used or stored/licences issued and required (March 1922). 107pp
- 194 January 1923 Communications between the Ministry of Defence and the G.O.C. Athlone Command, in the context of a Dáil question to the Minister concerning the alleged posting of a threatening order on the bridge at Athlone by the military authorities. *Original reference no.:* C46/5 2 items
- 195 January 1923 Copy letter from the G.O.C. Western Command, to the Governor, Military Prison, Athlone, concerning a prisoner, John Daly, from Moate (16 January 1923, 1p). Governor replies that the prisoner has been moved to Mountjoy (17 January 1923, 1p). *Original reference no.:* C29/3 2 items
- 196 January 1923 Communications between Rev. Dr. Kielly, Roscommon, and the G.O.C. Western Command, concerning the completion by Michael Hanley, a native of the town, of Form U.I. Form of Undertaking to dissociate himself from anti-Treaty forces. *Original reference no.:* C29/14 3 items
- 197 January-March 1923 Communications concerning the origin of a wireless message received by MacEoin, allegedly from Colonel Commandant McCabe, Donegal Command, urging the release of a prisoner; but, on investigation, not originating from McCabe. *Original reference no.:* C29/4 10 items
- 198 January-March 1923 Correspondence between MacEoin, residents of Ballinalee, County Longford, and the Department of the President, concerning expediting awards for rebuilding work to claimants whose cases had been successful but who were awaiting payment. *Original reference no.:* C9/9A 9 items

- 202contd. Ireland. If they have enough war let them say so & be honest about it. We will meet them again as brothers – but this squealing is dishonourable & un-Irish & 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 communication from Commandant Luke Smyth, O/C 23 Infantry Battalion, Longford, to G.O.C. Athlone Command (c.May 1923, 1p) reporting on a meeting of battalion officers called 'In accordance with instructions received at Curragh from Major Gen. Tobin, Dublin and Com. O'Connell (*sic*), Cork Command re starting of Battalion Club with a view of getting all old I.R.A. men joined in an organisation where they could when united have a say in the future Army policy'. 129pp
- 203 13 February 1923 **Certificates of Executions – Athlone:** file of this title containing a communication from Lieutenant General Gearoid O Suilleavan (*sic*), Adjutant General, to the G.O.C. Athlone Command, requesting the return of certificates of confirmation in connection with executions carried out in his Command. 1p
- 204 February 1923 Tom Carter T.D., Sean Connolly Barracks, Longford, to the G.O.C. Western Command, appealing on behalf of a prisoner from Drumsna, James Maxwell (20 February 1923, 3pp); representations by MacEoin to the Office of the Command Legal Staff Officer.
Original reference no.: C29/10 4 items
- 205 February-July 1923 Communications mainly between the G.O.C. Western Command and the Adjutant General, General Headquarters, Dublin, concerning a claim for compensation by a motorist whose car had been struck by MacEoin's while the latter was on his way to Dublin to attend the funeral of Michael Collins.
Original reference no.: C9/17A 9 items
- 206 12 March 1923 Copy statement made by the G.O.C. Athlone Command and sent to the Ministers for Defence [Richard Mulcahy] and Agriculture [Patrick Hogan], concerning land in Ballinallee which the owner was coerced into letting by an anti-Treaty supporter named Gormley.
Original reference no.: C46/2 2 items

- 207 April 1923 **Billeting account:** routine correspondence between MacEoin, the National Land Bank, and the Quartermaster's Office, Athlone Command, concerning arrangements for the payment of the billeting account.
Original reference no.: C9/6 2 items
- 208 April 1923 Communications concerning a complaint from James O'Neill, Drumlish, to the G.O.C. Athlone, concerning violence, theft and threats against him, his son and his wife, from Free State soldiers searching his house.
Original reference no.: C29/7 9 items
- 209 April 1923 Communications between the G.[eneral] S.[taff] O.[fficer], Staff Duties, Office of the Chief of General Staff, Portobello Barracks, Dublin, and the G.O.C. Western Command, concerning interference being offered to members of the Special Infantry Corps. The G.S.O. requests an inquiry into specific allegations. File cover annotated at a later date with a list of unrelated papers.
Original reference no.: C46/7 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.: C29/7 3 items
- 211 April-May 1923 Correspondence between Canon John Keville Drumlish, County Longford, the G.O.C. Western Command, and the Compensation Section, Ministry of Finance, concerning the reinstatement of the National School, Drumlish.
Original reference no.: C22/10 7 items
- 212 April-May 1923 **Intelligence Officers' reports:** copy of a report from the I/O Athlone Command to the Director of Intelligence, on the general situation in the Command area, as requested (27 April 1923, 2pp). *General Report No. 1* referring to the situation in five battalion areas (1 May 1923, 5pp). Copy of *Western Command Operation Order No. 1* (undated, 14pp).
Original reference no.: C57/18 3 items

- 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
- 226 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 Carrick-on-Shannon, extremely critical of the Army.
Original reference no.: C46/6 9 items
- 228 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'.
3pp

- 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- January 1924 Communications concerning the case of 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 statements by fellow officers endorsing 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 25 items

- 234 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). 6 items
- 235 19 November 1923 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 26 November 1923 Handwritten draft (2pp) and typescript copy (2pp) letter from the G.O.C. Western Command to the Minister for Defence, concerning the general position with regard to different categories of prisoner detained, and recommending appropriate courses of action in each case.
Original reference no.: C29/13 2 items
- 237 November 1923 Correspondence mainly between the Department of the President, MacEoin and Francis O'Reilly, Arva, County Cavan, concerning payment of compensation for the burning of his house in 1921.
Original reference no.: C9/16 6 items
- 238 November-December 1923 Correspondence between MacEoin and Laurence H. Reynolds, 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

- 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 1924 Copy typescript text headed *Brief History of Events*, giving an account of developments from January 1923 which led to the Army crisis and appending copies of relevant documents. The account is 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 15 April 1924 File consisting mainly of documents presented and read before the Committee by Mr C.B. O'Connor, Secretary to the Ministry of Defence, concerning the constitution of the Ministry and the duties of its Secretary; and the position and responsibilities of the Inspection Branch of the Chief of Staff's Department. File title indicates content to be otherwise, *i.e.* verbatim report of evidence given by General Richard Mulcahy T.D., Seán Ó Muirthile, General Seán MacMahon and Gearoid O'Sullivan. 37pp
- 256 7, 23 April 1923 Copies of 2 statements, together with copies of related correspondence and supporting documents, made before the Committee by Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Ryan, former General Staff Officer, Training and Operations. 40pp

- 260 6 May 1924 Copy of the second statement submitted to the Committee by Colonel J.J. O'Connell.
12pp
- 261 May 1924 Copy of *Inspection Notes on Commands, Battalions and Posts*, submitted to the Committee by Colonel J.J. O'Connell.
21pp
- 262 5-15 May 1924 Copy of the statement of General Seán MacMahon, made to the Committee in sections, dealing *inter alia* with his own positions as Adjutant General, February-September 1922, and Chief of Staff, September 1922-March 1924.
145pp
- 263 6 May 1924 Copy of the statement submitted to the Committee by Chief Superintendent David Neligan, Detective Branch, Dublin Castle, formerly Colonel and Army Director of Intelligence.
5pp
- 264 19 May 1924 Copy of the verbatim report of evidence given to the Committee under examination by ex-Captain Denis Cronin, General Seán MacMahon and General Richard Mulcahy.
106pp
- 265 22 May 1924 Copy of the verbatim report of evidence given to the Committee under examination by Mr John Cullen and General Richard Mulcahy.
49pp
- 266 May 1924 Copy of the summary findings of the Committee, setting out its apparent terms of reference and its findings concerning the general causes of the Army crisis and lack of discipline within the 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 General Staff, Parkgate, to MacEoin, G.O.C. Athlone Command, ordering him to proceed to take up duty as 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. Curragh Training Camp. 2pp
- 269 February 1925-
March 1927 Correspondence with Mrs J. McLoughlin, Granard, concerning her two brothers, one a convicted prisoner, the other a Civic Guard facing disciplinary proceedings; and between MacEoin and the Department of Justice. Includes material relating to a local appeal on behalf of the imprisoned man, convicted of a shooting offence in Mohill in 1922.
Original reference no.: CR71/13 27pp
- 270 2 March 1925 Copy letter from MacEoin, G.O.C. Curragh Training Camp, to the Minister for Justice, enclosing a copy of a claim by Philip Davis, Shanmullagh, Longford, for compensation for damage to his house and effects during raids by R.I.C. and Auxiliaries in November 1921.
Original reference no.: CR71/16 2pp
- 271 16 March 1925 Copy of *Special Orders by G.O.C. Curragh Training Camp*, outlining the procedure for the celebration of Mass and presentation of the flag to the G.O.C. on St Patrick's Day. Annotated with brief handwritten notes by MacEoin for a speech on the occasion.
4pp

- 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.
Original reference no.: CR71/59 12 items
- 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 Dépôt, 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
- 282 June 1925-July 1926 Correspondence concerning the application of Leo Hughes for a military service pension, including correspondence with Archbishop Michael J. Curley, Athlone.
Original reference no.: CR71/104 6 items
- 283 June 1925-
November 1926 Correspondence with Seán O'Sullivan, Drumlish, County Longford, concerning his own application for a military service pension; applications by acquaintances of his for old age pensions; and requests for assistance in his business affairs.
Original reference no.: CR71/109 44pp
- 284 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
- 285 June 1925-January 1927 Correspondence mainly with A. Le Brocquy, Honorary Secretary, League of Nations Society of Ireland, 4 Zion Road, Rathgar, Dublin, concerning the Society's programme of activities and MacEoin's membership.
Original reference no.: CR71/139 20 items

- 292 August 1925-March 1927 Correspondence with Fr Chrysostom, The Abbey, Galway, on a number of subjects, including a retreat to be conducted by him at the Curragh Camp; and assistance for acquaintances applying for positions or pensions.
Original reference no.: CR71/173 8 items
- 293 August 1925- August 1926 Correspondence with Joseph Claffey, Custume Barracks, Athlone, concerning his application for a military service pension and his wish to change employment.
Original reference no.: CR71/177 10 items
- 294 August 1925- November 1926 Correspondence with Thomas Flood, a member of staff of Customs and Excise, Castlefin, County Donegal, concerning his applications for a military service pension and for an established post in the Customs and Excise service.
Original reference no.: CR71/180 6 items
- 295 August 1925- December 1927 Correspondence with Fr John Eugene Weibel, The Penitentiary, Lucerne, Switzerland, mainly concerning MacEoin's support for the applications of two young Swiss men to come to Ireland to work for the purpose of learning English. Includes correspondence between MacEoin and the Departments of Justice and Industry and Commerce.
Original reference no.: CR47/414 64pp
- 296 5 September 1925 Copy of *Camp Routine Orders No.26* issued by MacEoin, listing duty officers for the following day. 1p
- 297 September 1925 Correspondence with Miss Mary Brady, North Circular Road, Dublin, concerning a recommendation for her brother Thomas P. Brady, Edgeworthstown, who is seeking employment.
Original reference no.: CR71/183 3 items

- 298 September- Correspondence with Michael Collins, North
October 1925 Circular Road, Dublin, concerning his
Application for employment. Includes
correspondence with Sergeant Andy McKeon, Sean MacEoin's brother, Garda
Síochána, Phoenix Park, Dublin, concerning Collins' application.
10 items
- 299 29 October 1925 MacEoin's copy of a circular letter in Irish and
English from Gearóid Ó Suilleavain, Portobello
Barracks, Dublin, stressing the significance of the Irish language and the
necessity for its preservation; and urging him to join the Gaelic League.
'As an officer in the Army you will find it very difficult if not impossible to
take part in the routine work of the language movement. It is highly desirable
that Ireland's Army should be in the vanguard of the movement now as it has
been during the past decade'.
He encloses a membership form, explanatory notes, and 2 leaflets on the
language movement.
6 items
- 300 September- 2 letters from B. O'Connor, Finea, Westmeath,
November 1925 a publican who is being prosecuted wrongly for
having customers on his premises after hours.
Original reference no.: CR71/190 2 items
- 301 September 1925- Correspondence with Thomas F. Smyth,
June 1926 Auctioneer, Mohill, County Leitrim, who is
selling premises he thinks would be suitable for
use as the Garda barracks to be opened at Drumnsa; and with James O'Reilly,
Drumlish, County Longford, a candidate for admission to the Garda Síochána.
Original reference no.: CR71/191 14pp
- 302 September 1925- Correspondence with Mr Bartholomew Fox, an
May 1927 ex-member of the R.I.C., who is seeking a
pension from the Committee of Enquiry into
Resignations and Dismissals from the Constabulary.
Original reference no.: CR 71/189 9 items

- 308 18 February 1926 Copy letter from the Staff Officer to the G.O.C. Curragh Training Camp, to the Secretary, Board of Assessors, Military Service Pensions, acknowledging receipt of MSP7 forms in respect of the persons named on the attached list. The typescript list with handwritten copies contains 22 names of men predominantly from the Midlands and the West. [Forms are provided for MacEoin to endorse statements of active service submitted by applicants for military service pensions who had given his name as referee].
Original reference no.: CR45/168 4pp
- 309 February-March 1926 3 letters received by MacEoin while convalescing at Juan Les Pins. 2 of the letters are from Peadar MacMaighamhna [Lieutenant General Peadar MacMahon, Chief of Staff] (16 February, 11 March 1926, 4pp each) largely of a personal nature but referring to military matters and officers at the Curragh. 1 letter from Eoin [O'Duffy, Garda Commissioner], Garda Síochána Officers' Mess, Phoenix Park, Dublin (1 March 1926, 2pp) mainly refers to colleagues. 'Russell brought the entire Air Force to Clifden to search for a shipwrecked crew from Wales. He did it without authority and failed of course. I think his wings will be clipped if he does not fly better in future'.
3 items
- 310 March 1926-February 1927 Correspondence with Colonel B. Forde, at various addresses in Nice, Rome, London, Liverpool and Duleek, County Meath. Forde, whose family were evicted from a farm of 475 acres near Navan in 1853 in 'purely a political and religious affair', is seeking a holding from the Land Commission.
Original reference no.: CR71/229 15 items
- 311 [1923-] May 1926 File consisting mainly of routine social correspondence between MacEoin and E.J. Phelan, International Labour Office, Geneva, but also including 2 earlier letters from Michael MacWhite, Irish Free State Representative at Geneva (6 July, 7 August 1923, 2pp, 1p) concerning Irish admission to the League; together with a typescript copy of a letter from MacWhite to [Desmond FitzGerald] Minister for External Affairs (18 June 1923, 1p) on the same subject. Typescript copy of a letter from Manley O. Hudson, Geneva, to MacEoin (4 July 1923, 2pp), the original of which was presented to President W.T. Cosgrave, concerning Ireland's admission to the League. Typescript notes by MacEoin from a later date (c.1960s) concerning his visit with his wife to Geneva in 1923 (2pp) and the subject of a conversation with Manley Hudson. While much of the material predates his appointment to the Curragh, the file is registered as a G.O.C. Curragh file.
Original reference no.: CR71/150 13 items

- 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, Banteer, County Cork, 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.
Original reference no.: CR71/282 4 items
- 318 September 1926-
March 1927 Correspondence with Fr J. Judge P.P., 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

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	A	3 files	9pp
334	B	20 files	98pp
335	C	27 files	125pp
336	D	17 files	84pp

337	E	1 file	8pp
338	F	18 files	79pp
339	G	8 files	34pp
340	H	17 files	71pp
341	I	1 file	16pp
342	J	1 file	8pp
343	K	18 files	78pp
344	L	14 files	58pp
345	M	8 files	114pp
346	Mc	32 files	80pp
347	N	5 files	19pp
348	O	24 files	137pp

349	P	7 files	30pp
350	Q	10 files	39pp
351	R	12 files	47pp
352	S	2 files	8pp
353	T	6 files	18pp
354	V	1 file	4pp
355	W	2 files	23pp
356	1927-29	Personal files and transit book: indexed volume recording the file number, name of the correspondent, a brief indication of subject and, occasionally, action taken, mainly 'P[ut] A[way]' or 'File Closed'. Entries refer to the Q.M.G.'s personal correspondence files [P151/333-355]. Only occasional entries are in MacEoin's hand. 32x20x2.5cms	
357	November 1927- January 1929	Personal letters dispatched: indexed out-letter book recording name and address of addressee, date of dispatch and occasional remarks, most commonly 'no copy of letter'. The entries are not maintained by MacEoin but the volume was used by MacEoin at a later stage to record names and addresses of [applicants for military service pensions?]. Also includes a handwritten memorandum by MacEoin (23 February 1938, 5pp) entitled 'What is happening in Ireland and the World today?'	

- 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
- 361 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'. 33pp

- 365 31 November 1928 Copy typescript letter from Lieutenant General 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
- 366 1928 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
- 367 [1929] 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 20 February-24 April 1929 File entitled 'Major General Seán MacEoin Personal file' consisting mainly of routine correspondence such as applications for references or interviews, assistance in securing housing or employment, and extension of military service; but also including occasional communications between MacEoin as Chief of Staff and the Minister and Department of Defence concerning the terms and conditions of his appointment as C/S, including rank, pay and allowances.
44 items
- 370 23 February-4 May 1929 File of applications from MacEoin, C/S, to Desmond FitzGerald, Minister for Defence, for permission to wear mufti and for special and annual leave days. Applications are overwhelmingly for recreational and sporting purposes but include attendance at weddings and funerals. Includes handwritten applications from MacEoin, endorsed and returned by the Minister; as well as letters of permission originating from the Minister's office.
19 items
- 371 28 February 1929 Letter from Joe McGrath [Director of Labour on the Shannon Scheme], Siemens-Schuckertwerke, Head Office, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin, to MacEoin. 'I was in Saxonland and did not hear of your advancement until yesterday. I hasten to offer you my sincere congratulations and sincerely trust you will hold the position for a good 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 29 April 1929 Secret typescript memorandum from Major J.P.M. Cotter, Second Bureau, Department of Defence, Parkgate, to the Chief of Staff, concerning *Memorandum No.2, Tactical Organisation of the Defence Forces*. Cotter hesitates 'to submit views contrary to the tenor of the above Memorandum, and criticise its contents ... I am, however, convinced that the main principles are not right, if not definitely wrong ...'. Cotter's criticisms are founded on the proposal to adopt the British scheme of organisation and he analyses the memorandum from policy, tactical and strategic viewpoints. 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

- 375 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). 39pp

- 376 July 1929 Notes taken at a series of lectures on a military training course. Titles of lectures and lecturers are usually given, including Colonel Costello. Notes are recorded in an indexed address book. 18x11x1cms
- 377 August 1929 Course notes relating to tactics and map reading, issued by the Army School of Instruction, Pearse Barracks, for a Field Officers' Course for the Reserve of Officers, annotated by MacEoin. 5pp
- 378 August 1929-
September 1930 Notebook containing handwritten notes by MacEoin taken at a series of training lectures On aspects of military procedure and strategy. Typical subjects of talks are 'Communications' and 'Machine guns in defence'. 20x12x1cms
- 379 March-April 1930 Letter from Captain Seamas Ó Floinne, National Defence Association, McKee Barracks, Dublin, to MacEoin (3 April 1930, 1p) enclosing a copy of a reply received from the Irish Land Commission in response to representations made on behalf of Lieutenant Michael Browne's application for a holding on an estate to be divided by the Commission; and enclosing forms of application for membership (1p) and a copy of the objects and conditions of membership of the N.D.A. 4 items
- 380 August 1930 Circular letter to all members of the Council of the National Defence Association/Cumann Cosanta Náisiúnta (5 August 1930, 2pp) enclosing an agenda (1p) for a forthcoming meeting, a draft of the first annual general report of the Council (8pp) and a list of possible motions for the annual general meeting of the Association (1p). 4 items
- 381 September 1930 Correspondence and memoranda arising from protests by MacEoin, a Lieutenant General in the Reserve of Officers, at being detailed for training on the Infantry Field Officers' Course, designed for training Battalion Commanders, a course regarded by MacEoin as a 'degradation'. Includes statements by MacEoin of the case and correspondence with the G.O.C. Curragh Training Camp, concerning his complaint and his application for an interview with the Minister for Defence. 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).
17x20x1cms
- 384 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

- 387 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
- 388 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).
11 items
- 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

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| 390 | 13 October 1929 | Letter from S. MacMaghnusa, Secretary, Leitrim County Council, enclosing a copy of an extract from the minutes of a special meeting of the Council. Extract refers to a letter received by the Council from MacEoin concerning the question of de-rating.
2pp |
| 391 | 1930 | Annotated copy of the Register of Electors for 1930-31 for the Granard urban electoral area, constituency of Longford-Westmeath.
11pp |
| 392 | 1935 | Copy typescript list of branches in the constituency, indicating which have and which have not held their annual meetings.
1p |
| 393 | January 1936 | Letter from James Finnerty, Main Street, Edgeworthstown, to MacEoin (2pp) enclosing a list (5pp) of subscriptions from supporters and referring to the difficulty of getting around the constituency in inclement weather with only a push bike at his disposal.
2 items |
| 394 | 20 January 1937 | Letter from Liam Burke, General Secretary, Fine Gael, Merrion Square, Dublin, to MacEoin. He encloses a list (1p) of branches and secretaries registered in the Longford constituency, in the context of the forthcoming Ard Fheis. He requests that MacEoin examine the list 'in view of the internal trouble that has occurred', and edit and return it.
2pp |

- 395 1937-48 Various typescript and handwritten lists of constituency election staff including sub-agents, booth election staff and 'key men'. Lists are usually based on electoral area and booth. In some instances a list may have been drawn up for a specific election, usually unidentified, and used again at the next. Many of the lists relate to the constituency of Athlone-Longford (1937-44) but one handwritten list has been relabelled 'New constituency of Longford-Westmeath' (1948).
40pp
- 396 1938-51 File entitled 'Old list of workers' consisting largely of handwritten lists of election workers and subscribers. It is usually impossible to determine to which election any list relates and many would appear to have been adapted and amended from one election to the next. Includes occasional lists of campaign meetings; instructions for personating agents; points for speakers (January 1943, 10pp); a typescript list with handwritten amendments of election staff by polling area (c.1944, 11pp); and a cutting from the *Irish Independent* with the final result of the 1951 general election (2 June 1951).
49pp
- 397 [1940s] 2 notebooks containing names [of party activists or organisers] in branches in Counties Westmeath and Longford.
23x18x1cms
- 398 14 November 1941 Copies of claim form M2, completed by MacEoin. Claims are for repayment of fares paid for travelling 'by train, tram, omnibus, char-a-banc etc.'. Details MacEoin's journeys on public business during the period, July-November 1941.
3pp
- 399 July-September 1945 Completed copies of Forms 1 and 2 listing district centres within the Longford constituency and the contact details of members of the controlling group within each centre. Forms have been completed by MacEoin.
7pp

- 400 June 1947 Letter from Richard Mulcahy, Dáil Éireann, to MacEoin (19 June 1947, 1p), enclosing a letter from Charles Fagan T.D. [former Centre Party T.D. for Longford-Westmeath, now Fine Gael T.D. for Meath-Westmeath] tendering his resignation from the Party (18 June 1947, 1p) and a copy of his reply to Fagan (19 June 1947, 1p) pointing out the strong likelihood of constituency boundary changes which would leave Fagan back in his old constituency of Longford-Westmeath.
‘I feel that it would be very painful for you and for MacEoin to be standing on different platforms at a General Election, and I am sure that you would like to discuss the matter with MacEoin, or with myself and MacEoin, before you take a decision about which there can be no immediate hurry’.
3 items
- 401 14 July 1951 Copy letter from MacEoin, Dáil Éireann, to the Director of Broadcasting, Radio Éireann, General Post Office, Dublin, complaining about references in a broadcast speech by Erskine Childers, Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, alleging that MacEoin had lowered the standard of political controversy in Longford-Westmeath. MacEoin demands an apology to be broadcast in the station’s news bulletins.
1p
- 402 1951-61 Printed volume originally intended as a public house stock book but used to record details of party personnel in electoral areas within the Longford-Westmeath constituency. Lists names of directors of elections, canvassers, personating agents, and the location of polling booths. Includes a list of Fine Gael county executive members (October 1950).
34x21x3cms
- 403 26 November 1953 Copy for MacEoin’s information of a letter from P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine Gael, to Michael Lynch, Central Hotel, Ballygar, concerning the party organisation in the Longford constituency; giving a list of affiliated branches and urging the county executive to oversee effective branch organisation and functioning.
2pp

ii. Representations on behalf of constituents, 1922-57

409

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

- 410 1932 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

- 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 fishermen 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
- 418 [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

- 423 November 1949- **Longford Weavers Ltd.:** correspondence with
February 1951 Martin J. Timlin, St. Mel's Road, Longford,
concerning his application to the Department of
Industry and Commerce for a licence for the erection of a factory and for
associated applications such as the allocation of a quota of cement and a loan
from the Industrial Credit Company; press cuttings on the opening of the
factory (6 May 1950, 2 items); correspondence with the Industrial
Development Authority concerning possible sources of funding for a factory
in the light of the refusal of the I.C.C. to provide finance.
43pp
- 424 January 1950- **County Longford Vocational Education**
February 1951 **Committee:** correspondence mainly between
P.B. Walsh, Chief Executive Officer of the
V.E.C., and MacEoin, concerning the Committee's application to the
Department of Education to build a new technical school at Granard. Includes
correspondence between MacEoin and Richard Mulcahy, Minister for
Education, concerning the application. 20 items
- 425 February 1950- **Carmelite School, Moate:** correspondence
February 1951 mainly between MacEoin and Fr T.A. Walsh
O.Carm., and between MacEoin and the
Department of Education, concerning the Order's request for Government
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

- 427 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
- 428 December 1950- **Army Matters (Miscellaneous):** file of this title
March 1951 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- File of registered correspondence, mainly but
June 1951 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; semi-state bodies such as the E.S.B., Bórd na Móna and Coras Iompair Éireann; and employers in the service and manufacturing sectors such as Guinness, 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
- 433 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

- 434 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 rogue. So perhaps you might be able to convince him'.
24 items
- 435 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

- 437 February 1953 **Ballinalee Post Office:** typescript and official 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 June 1954-August 1955 **Clonmacnoise:** correspondence mainly between 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
- 441 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 channelled 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
- 442 January 1955- February 1957 Correspondence between Thomas Kilroy, Grocer and Provision Merchant, Connaught Street, Athlone, and MacEoin, mainly 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

- 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.

6pp
- 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 5 July 1949 **Espionage:** letter from Valentine Iremonger, 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 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.
1p
- 463 [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
- 465 February-March 1950 Copies of statements by 11 former prisoners in 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

- 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
- 473 [c.1950] Typescript list of Garda drivers and relief 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 January-February 1951 2 letters from Richard Mulcahy, Minister 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
- 475 January-March 1951 **Widows' pensions:** file consisting mainly of 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 [of Longford-Westmeath 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
- 478 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 [c.March 1951] Typescript copy text of the address by [C.F. Casey] the Attorney General, replying to a paper by the Auditor [of an unidentified college society] concerning child adoption. The Attorney's paper encapsulates the Government's view on the obstacles in the way of introducing legislation to allow for the adoption of legitimate children. Copy supplied with the Attorney's compliments.
12pp
- 482 11 April 1951 Handwritten note by MacEoin of the meeting of the Inter-Party Government convened to discuss the Mother and Child Scheme 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 [c.1951] Copy typescript intelligence note on David Nevin, alias Donal Nunan, and his communist activities. Previously a civil servant employed in the Statistics Branch of the Department of Industry and Commerce, Nevin was appointed Research Officer of the Irish Trades Union Congress in February 1949. The note lists his publications, activities and associates. 2pp
- 485 7 May 1952 **Adoption Bill, 1952:** letter from John Charles McQuaid, Archbishop of Dublin, to MacEoin, in response to a telephone call MacEoin had made in connection with the Bill. 'All told, I feel that the Bill is as good as we can secure in the existing state of the law and under the present Constitution'. 1p

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- 486 February 1948-June 1951 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

- 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 **Defence Forces equipment requirements:** copy of an *aide-mémoire* 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 1951 Cuttings from *Colliers'*, an American journal, containing an article 'Ireland Today. From Great Famine to Great Future' concerning the country's growing prosperity under the Inter-Party Government.
8pp
- 494 19 March 1951 Minister for Defence's copy, from the Department of the Taoiseach, of the minutes of the 17th meeting of the Inter-Departmental Emergency Preparation Committee. Marked Secret.
27pp

- 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 5 May 1951 Handwritten letter from Judge Eugene Sheehy, Military Service Pensions Referee, Belmont, Palmerston Road, Dublin, to the Minister, explaining why, from a number of viewpoints, it is desirable that an applicant for a pension be called for interview and his oral testimony compared with the written application initially submitted.
'In numerous cases the present story is in complete conflict with that formerly given and this satisfies us that the alleged services are invented by the applicant and that the claim is bogus'.
4pp
- 502 24 May 1951 Copy of a Department of Defence memorandum for the Government outlining a draft civil defence plan.
10pp
- 503 May 1951 Copy No. 1 of a secret minute of an informal discussion between Major General Liam Archer, Chief of Staff, and Lieutenant General Sir Reginald Denning, G.O.C. Northern Ireland District, at McKee Barracks, Dublin on 2 May 1951. Discussion centres on the threat of communist aggression, the possibility of hostile action against Ireland, and her defence preparedness.
4pp
- 504 1951 **Department of Defence estimate, 1951-52:** copy of the estimate for the Department's non-capital services vote. 7pp
- 505 1951 Copy Department of Defence memorandum for the Minister on employment concessions for ex-servicemen, examining employment opportunities for demobilised men in the Civil Service and local authorities.
6pp, 1p missing
- 506 June 1954 Minister for Defence's copy of the official programme for the Theobald Wolfe Tone Annual Military Commemoration Parade at Bodenstown Cemetery on 20 June 1954.
7pp

- 512 21 February 1955 **Council of Defence:** minutes of a meeting of the Council, the business confined to the promotion of officers. Forwarded by the Council to the Minister's Private Secretary.
2pp
- 513 March 1955 Handwritten minute from S. Ó Cearnaigh, Finance Officer, Department of Defence (2 March 1955, 1p) enclosing at his Minister's request for the information of the Department of Finance a copy typescript draft of a Defence memorandum for Government on *The Service (1917-21) Medal and Special Allowances under the Army Pensions Acts*, particularly the 1943 and 1946 Acts; with annexed summaries of applications in a number of categories as at November 1954.
15pp
- 514 3 March 1955 Handwritten note from [a Department of Defence official] to J. McDermott [Private Secretary to the Minister] enclosing 'the Minister's papers which he gave me last evening'. Attached are handwritten notes by the official and by MacEoin as material for answers to parliamentary questions [on the Defence estimates and a Defence Bill?].
21pp
- 515 25 March 1955 **Army Benevolent Fund:** agenda and notes for the 23rd annual general meeting of the Army Benevolent Fund (2pp); list of officers (1p); typescript notes containing suggestions for the opening address [by MacEoin as Minister for Defence] (2pp).
6pp
- 516 March-April 1955 Correspondence between Mary Lamb, Town Clerk, Longford Urban District Council, and the Minister for Defence, arising out of a Council resolution requesting the Minister to have Longford Military Barracks occupied by some branch of the Defence Forces such as the Army School of Music or the Equitation School. Includes a minute by Major General P.A. Mulcahy, Chief of Staff, pointing out the unsuitability of the barracks for permanent occupation; and the existence of adequate permanent accommodation for the Western Command at Athlone, Galway and Mullingar (23 March 1955, 1p). 6 items

- 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
- 524 31 December 1955 Address of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Clonmel to General Seán MacEoin, Minister for Defence. Signed by Denis E. Burke, Mayor, on behalf 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 case.
8pp

- 527 [c.1955] **Army General Staff Officers:** table showing the present occupants of the posts of Chief of Staff, Adjutant General and Quartermaster General, together with their personal details and service histories; alongside the proposed replacements, again with personal details and service histories. 1p
- 528 [c.1955] Memorandum by MacEoin mainly relating to the potential for increases in agricultural production; advising the establishment of an Agricultural Council to advise the Minister for Agriculture; the amendment of the existing Land Act to allow the Land Commission to make allotments to the sons of farmers; and the provision of support by the Central Bank and the Industrial Credit Corporation. 4pp
- 529 [c.1955] **Naval Service:** copy secret supplement (1p) to a memorandum on the Defence Forces, dealing with the objectives of the Naval Service [original memorandum submitted in October 1945]. Copy Department of Defence memorandum (2pp) on a survey of the military potential of Irish ports. 2 items
- 530 23 January 1956 Handwritten memorandum [from Colonel R. Callanan, Director of Intelligence] for the Minister for Defence, on the implications of making Shannon Airport facilities available to the United States during wartime. 3pp
- 531 29 January 1956 Minister for Defence's copy of an External Affairs secret memorandum for the Government on 'A solution of Partition Problem by Peaceful Means'. The Minister [Liam Cosgrave] reports on contacts with Edward MacAteer M.P., Chairman of the Anti-Partition League. 'Mr MacAteer put forward the suggestion that since the Stormont authorities appear to be coming to the point of view that the continuation of discrimination is only laying the foundation for future outbreaks of violence, the moment is opportune for a direct approach to the British Government with a view to obtaining some amelioration of the economic and political position of the Nationalist minority in the Six Counties'. Recommends an approach at ministerial level and outlines the elements of the approach, including the possibility of referral of the problem to the United Nations as a threat of embarrassment 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
- 534 27 March 1956 Statement of construction projects undertaken at Army barracks since 1952, from the Civil Defence Rescue Range at Ratra House to housing and churches. Drawn up in the context of an application for promotion of Captain Shanahan, responsible for the developments. 2pp
- 535 June-October 1956 **Admiral Brown commemoration:**
correspondence with His Excellency 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

- 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
- 552 January 1957 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
- 553 1 February 1957 Letter from Gerard [Sweetman], Minister for Finance, to MacEoin (1p), enclosing a list (5pp) of public works recommended by the Department of Local Government and 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 February 1957 Letter from J.F. Dukes, Office of the Minister for Education, to J. MacDermott, Private Secretary to the Minister for Defence, concerning the conditions under which Dr Hayes-McCoy would be given paid leave of absence from the National Museum to represent the Minister for Defence at the Admiral Brown Centenary Celebrations in Buenos Aires (16 February 1957, 1p) and enclosing a copy of a letter from Richard Mulcahy, Minister for Education, to His Excellency Lorenzo McGovern, Envoy Extraordinary, Argentine Legation, Ailesbury Drive, Dublin, informing him of Dr Hayes-McCoy's appointment to represent the Minister for Defence at the ceremonies (2 February 1957, 1p).
2 items
- 556 21 February 1957 Copy typescript letter from Ignatius O'Rourke, Elm Road, Donnycarney, Dublin, to the editor of an unidentified newspaper, applauding the recently reported establishment of a commission to enquire into the system of awarding military service pensions and congratulating MacEoin.
1p
- 557 28 February 1957 Note from S. Ó Cearnáigh, Department of Defence, for the Minister. He encloses a memorandum on proposals to increase the pensions of non-commissioned officers and privates (1p); but indicates in his note that the Department of Finance is about to turn the proposals down.
2pp
- 558 March 1957 File of cuttings from Spanish and English-language Argentine newspapers reporting official ceremonies commemorating the centenary of the death of Admiral William Brown, Irish-born founder of the Argentine navy; attended by an Irish Government delegation, headed by MacEoin.
8 items
- 559 March 1957 Letter from Gerard [Sweetman], Minister for Finance, regretting that it is not possible to agree with MacEoin's proposals for increases in the pensions of non-commissioned officers and men (7 March 1957, 1p). He encloses a copy of a Finance minute (7 March 1957, 2pp) on the implications of the proposals.
2 items

- 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 relating to arrangements for campaign meetings and the manning of polling booths; letters of congratulation on his selection as a candidate; promises of support and suggestions as to the conduct of the campaign; rough notes for speeches; copy letters to the press; copy letters of thanks and acknowledgement from MacEoin for financial contributions and campaign work. 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 letter from MacEoin 'To my Comrades, Longford Brigade, Old I.R.A.', thanking them for their resolution in support of his candidature (30 April 1945, 2pp). 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 Victoria Hotel, Cork, notepaper, thanking Dillon for his support. 3 items

- 587 24 May 1959 Cutting from the *Sunday Review* on who would replace de Valera as Taoiseach, consisting mainly of a statement by Seán Lemass, Tánaiste. 1 item
- 588 26 May 1959 Copy typescript text of questions and answers put to MacEoin as a presidential candidate by the *New York Journal American*. Relate to recent Irish history, partition, Ireland's role in the U.N., social and economic progress and the general world situation. 7pp
- 589 1959 Copy typescript agenda with handwritten amendments for an unidentified Fine Gael convention, including a motion congratulating MacEoin on fighting the election and wishing him success. 1p
- 590 May 1959 Election handbill with photograph. *A Man of the People*. 1 item
- 591 May 1959 Fine Gael handbill. *Hold Fast to P.R. It has served you well for nearly 40 years*. 1 item
- 592 May 1959 Fine Gael campaign poster. *Hold Fast to your Rights*. 38x50cms
- 593 May 1959 Fine Gael handbill. *Fianna Fáil Designs Unmasked*. 'So the whole plan is now clear – to grab the Presidency for Fianna Fáil through de Valera, to grab the Government for Fianna Fáil through the abolition of P.R., to grab the people's rights and liberties, to grab and hold powers so that patronage may be dispensed to the Fianna Fáil faithful'. 14x22cms

- 600 [1938] Cutting from the [*Longford Leader*] reporting the results of the Athlone-Longford Fine Gael constituency council to select candidates for the 1938 general election and MacEoin's remarks thanking his supporters and congratulating the other candidates. 1 item
- 601 1943 Copy of [a Dáil statement] by MacEoin, drawing attention to defects in the Arterial Drainage Bill as introduced, with particular reference to devolving the cost of drainage schemes. 2pp
- 602 11 May 1945 Cutting from the [*Irish Independent*] reporting a presidential election campaign speech by MacEoin at Carrickmacross calling for 'A People's President'. 1 item
- 603 [May 1945] Typescript text of a presidential election campaign speech in Killarney. Nation above party and the necessity for the President to act in the people's interest. 3pp
- 604 May 1945 Typescript text (3pp) of a presidential election campaign speech in Cork. He would protect the rights and freedoms of the citizen as President as zealously as he had as a soldier. Cutting from the *Sunday Independent* (27 May 1945) reporting the proceedings of the meeting. 2 items
- 605 3 June 1945 Press cutting from the [*Sunday Independent*] reporting the progress of the presidential election campaign including a speech by MacEoin at Ballyshannon declaring his intention as President to 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 the 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 *Longford Leader* 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-establishment of the Republic and the rights and duties of the citizen. 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 aspects of government policy with particular reference to rural development include electrification, afforestation, 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] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin commemorating the 150th anniversary of the military action at Wilson's Hospital, Multyfarnham, in September 1798.
3pp
- 615 [1948] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin welcoming General Mulcahy, Minister for Education, to Mullingar. The Government's intention to repeal the External Relations Act.
2pp
- 616 [1948] Incomplete typescript text [first page only] of a speech by MacEoin to an unidentified meeting. The history of Ireland's constitutional relationship with Britain since independence, in the context of the repeal of the External Relations Act.
1p
- 617 17 January 1949 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at Kinnegad. The achievements of the first twelve months of the Government, particularly in reduced taxation and increased wages.
2pp
- 618 8 April 1949 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin concerning the declaration of the Republic.
1p
- 619 April 1949 Typescript text (2pp) of a speech by MacEoin looking forward to the coming into effect of the Republic of Ireland Act and the declaration of the Republic on Easter Monday. Cutting from the *Irish Independent* reporting the broadcast.
2 items
- 620 29 May 1949 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at Castletownbere. The moral right of the Government to run the country; and the policies on which it was elected with specific reference to partition.
5pp

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

- 629 [c.1949] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin , deputising for the Attorney General, Cecil Lavery, at a meeting in Kilkenny in support of the 'Save Derrynane' appeal. Character and achievements of Daniel O'Connell. 6pp
- 630 12 January 1950 Typescript text of remarks by MacEoin proposing the toast to the Master Builders' Association. Regulation of the construction industry in Ireland in the context of post-war requirements. 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 agricultural programme for the coming year; increases in employment and housing construction in County Westmeath; applications for military service pensions. 2pp
- 633 17 March [c.1950] Typescript text of a speech by [MacEoin] as Irish Government representative at an expatriate gathering on St Patrick's Day in an unidentified location. Agricultural and industrial development in Ireland. Annotations by MacEoin concern constituents' affairs. 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 Government's budget proposals; agricultural development; forthcoming local elections. Cutting from the *Longford Leader* reporting the Minister's remarks. 2 items

- 636 3 June 1950 Typescript text of brief remarks (1p) by MacEoin opening a fête at Oatlands, Mount Merrion, County Dublin. Letter from Fr Ryan P.P. The Rise, Mount Merrion, requesting MacEoin to perform the opening ceremony. 2 items
- 637 4 June 1950 Typescript text (3pp) of a speech by MacEoin at after-Mass meetings at Abbeyshrule and Carrickedmond. The Government programme for rural development including housing, land reclamation; pensions; the forthcoming local government elections. Cuttings from the *Offaly Independent* and *Longford Telegraph* (10 June 1950) reporting proceedings of the meetings. 3 items
- 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 Kilbeggan, Ballymoate and Tubbercurry. The Government's record and plans for capital spending and agricultural development. 2 copies, 1 with handwritten annotations. 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 a local government election campaign speech in Athlone. Government policy and achievements in agricultural development, housing and healthcare. 9pp
- 642 2 September 1950 Draft (3pp) and typescript text (5pp) of a speech by MacEoin for local government election campaign meetings. The Government's economic record in increased pensions and its effect on Longford; policy and achievements in agricultural development, drainage, afforestation, rural improvements, housing and healthcare. 2 items

- 643 16 September 1950 Typescript text of a local government election campaign speech by MacEoin. An opportunity to endorse the Government's successful policy. 2 copies with handwritten annotations. 3pp
- 644 26 September 1950 Typescript text of a local government election campaign speech at Glenties, County Donegal. Government policy and the success of the Inter-Party Government; benefits to West Donegal in employment schemes and rural electrification. 6pp
- 645 26 November 1950 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a conference of Fine Gael branches held in Glenties, West Donegal. Party policy with reference to social security, partition, employment schemes and rural electrification. 6pp
- 646 [January/February 1951] Typescript text of a speech or article [by MacEoin?] consisting of a review of the domestic and international achievements of the Inter-Party Government during the first three years of its existence, with particular reference to increased prosperity. 8pp
- 647 [1 February 1951] Typescript text with handwritten annotations of a speech by MacEoin proposing the toast of the Motor Traders' Association. The economic and social significance of the industry. 4pp
- 648 19 February 1951 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to a meeting of the Central Branch of Fine Gael at Mills Hall. The history of partition and the futility of violence against Britain or Northern Ireland as a means 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

- 657 7 October 1951 Typescript text (2pp) and additional handwritten notes (2pp) of a speech by MacEoin at an after-Mass meeting at Ardagh, County Longford. Criticism of the Government's agricultural and economic policies. 2 items
- 658 11 November 1951 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at Dunbeggan. Criticism of a Central Bank report on the economy and Government economic policy. 6pp
- 659 [late 1951] Cutting from the [*Longford Leader*] reporting an address by MacEoin to a meeting in Newtownforbes, County Longford. The need for strong local party organisation in the light of the general election result; Fine Gael policy on Northern Ireland; fine economic legacy of the Inter-Party Government. 1 item
- 660 5 April 1952 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to the Fine Gael Branch, Bray. Criticism of the budget and its affects on the standard 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 North Westmeath Fine Gael Executive at Mullingar. Government's economic policy a half-hearted and ineffective continuation of the Inter-Party Government's policy; Central Bank policy to restrict credit. 3pp

- 664 [1952] Handwritten text of a speech or statement by MacEoin in response to a speech by Erskine Childers, Minister for Posts and Telegraphs and a T.D. for Longford, to the Northwest Dublin Fianna Fáil Comhairle Ceanntair, criticising the Inter-Party Government's record. MacEoin refers to current government proposals, particularly in relation to taxation and sterling assets. 6pp
- 665 [c. February 1953] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin before a meeting in Ballinalee, called to support Mrs Devine, the local postmistress, dismissed from her position by Erskine Childers, Minister for Posts and Telegraphs. 6pp
- 666 19 April 1953 Incomplete (first page only) typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Fine Gael Executive meeting at Rathkeale, County Limerick. Criticism of the Government's expenditure and taxation plans. 1p
- 667 31 May 1953 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Wicklow bye-election campaign meeting in Carnew and, on the following day, to a Fine Gael Executive meeting in Longford. The Government's taxation policy; Fine Gael's agricultural policy. 2pp
- 668 14 June 1953 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at an East Cork bye-election campaign meeting at Fermoy and, the following day, at Cobh. Harsh budgets of the previous two years; Central Bank policy of restricting credit; Fine Gael agricultural policy; the Government and Central Bank creating dear money. 5pp
- 669 18 October [1953] Incomplete [first page only] typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a meeting of the Inishowen Fine Gael District Executive. Fianna Fáil's 'fantastic schemes' for capital development. 1p
- 670 [c. October 1953] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at an after-Mass meeting in Moate. Fine Gael approval of the proposed National Loan; questionable benefit of many of the Government's capital projects; the burden of taxation (4pp). Further copy of the text with handwritten amendments, to be delivered in another location. 2 items

- 671 29 November [1953] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Fine Gael Longford Executive meeting. Criticism of the Government's record on agricultural and industrial employment and local authority building. 2pp
- 672 17 January [1954] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Louth bye-election campaign meeting at Kilcurry. Government is over-taxing and misspending. 4pp
- 673 14 March 1954 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at general election campaign meetings at Ballinalee and Granard. Fine Gael policy to reduce taxation; the punitive taxation record of the Fianna Fáil Government; the record of the former Inter-Party Government. 3pp
- 674 11 April 1954 Incomplete typescript text (first 2pp only) of a speech by MacEoin at general election campaign meetings at Carrickedmond, Abbeysrule and Ballymahon. Financial situation created by the present Government; Fine Gael policy to cut penal taxes, expand trade and agriculture; capital development programme. 2pp
- 675 20 April 1954 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at general election campaign meetings at Edgeworthstown and Granard. The Government's record of high interest rates and penal taxation; the Land Rehabilitation Project. 3pp
- 676 1 May 1954 Cuttings from the *Longford News* and *Longford Leader* reporting speeches by MacEoin at Athlone and Edgeworthstown during the previous week. Criticism of the Government's budget. 2 items
- 677 6 May 1954 Handwritten text of a speech by MacEoin welcoming John A. Costello to a general election campaign meeting in Mullingar. Fine Gael policy of capital development for agriculture and industry, Taxation record of the Fianna Fáil Government. 5pp

- 684 October 1954 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a meeting in Drumlish to welcome him as Minister for Defence on his first official visit to the town. Government policy and the Fianna Fáil economic legacy (2pp). Cutting from the *Longford Leader* reporting the meeting and the Minister's speech. Annotated copy of a Parliamentary Question put down by Deputy Frank Carter, arising from allegations by MacEoin in the speech, that the previous Government had entered into commitments for which no financial provision was made (October 1954, 1p). Letter from J. Healy, Secretary to the Department of Finance, to the Private Secretary to the Minister for Defence, concerning responsibility for answering the question (9 October 1954, 1p). 4 items
- 685 January 1955 Typescript text with handwritten amendments of a speech by MacEoin presiding at the Monaghan Fine Gael annual constituency convention (4pp). The forthcoming Ard Fheis; agricultural and industrial policy; appeal for Army and F.C.A. recruits. Copy letter from MacEoin to P. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine Gael, concerning proceedings at the convention and issues raised. 2 items
- 686 30 April 1955 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin, presiding at Fine Gael constituency conventions in Sligo and, the following day, in Newtowncashel. The Government's twelve point programme; local government reform and the forthcoming local elections; land rehabilitation and development. 8pp
- 687 15 May 1955 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Fine Gael convention in Bundoran, County Donegal. Forthcoming local elections; the Government's first budget and its twelve point programme. 4pp
- 688 22 May 1955 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at local election campaign meetings in Drumlish and Ennybegs, County Longford. The Government's candidates; its twelve point plan and first budget. 6pp#
- 689 29 May 1955 Typescript draft text of a speech by MacEoin at local election campaign meetings at Clomcille and Legga, County Longford. The Fine Gael candidates; its twelve point programme and first budget. 4pp

- 697 [1955] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to Executives, District Executives and Branches of Fine Gael congratulating them on their performance in the recent local elections (3pp). Includes analysis of the figures and reference to the County Management Act now being law. Attached are tables from Fine Gael Party Headquarters analysing the vote (5pp). 2 items
- 698 4 December 1955 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at the Longford County Executive. The Government's industrial development and agricultural 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 Kerry bye-election; agricultural and rural development schemes. 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 deficit and increases in the Book of Estimates; the price of cattle. 3pp
- 701 15 April 1956 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at Laois-Offaly bye-election campaign meetings at Walsh Island and Edenderry. The Government's programme; agriculture as the mainstay of the economy; the problem of illegal organisations. 6pp
- 702 27 April 1956 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at Laois-Offaly bye-election campaign meetings in Clara and Tullamore. The Inter-Party Government candidate; the Government's achievements in maintaining or reducing prices and raising pensions; the success of agricultural development schemes. 6pp

- 703 28 April 1956 Cutting from the *Longford Leader* containing the closing portion of the speech by MacEoin as Minister for Defence, in Dáil Éireann, during the debate on the Vote for his Department. Refers mainly to Army pensions under the Military Service Pensions Act. 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 Donegal. In English and Irish. Urges all young men of military age to join the defence 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 *Wexford People*, supplied by the Government Information Bureau to the Department of Defence, reporting a speech by MacEoin, Minister for Defence, at the unveiling of a Celtic Cross memorial over the grave of Miles Byrne, a leader of the insurgents in Wexford 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 Montmartre Cemetery, Paris, recalling Byrne's achievement and the 1798 Rising (6pp). Part of the speech in Irish rendered phonetically. 3 press cuttings from Irish newspapers reporting the occasion. 4 items
- 709 26 June 1956 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin opening a new gymnasium for the 1 Western Battalion at Dún Uí Mhaoilíosa, Galway. In English and Irish. The importance of recreational facilities in a soldier's life. 4pp

- 710 13 July 1956 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Cork City bye-election campaign meeting in Cork. The Government candidates; outstanding qualities of the Taoiseach; Fianna Fáil propaganda campaign; 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 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at an after-Mass meeting in Ballinalee. The comprehensive economic development programme announced by the Taoiseach. 7pp
- 713 27, 28 October 1956 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at campaign meetings at Craigenamanagh and Thomastown. The Government's economic programme to correct the balance of payments deficit. 5pp
- 714 12 November 1956 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at 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 in Europe'. 5pp
- 715 6 December 1956 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin in Dublin on the 35th anniversary of the signing of the Treaty. The significance of the Treaty as the basis for development into a prosperous and united country. 4pp
- 716 9 December 1956 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a meeting of the Fine Gael County Longford Executive. The policy announced by the Government to overcome the economic difficulties facing the country; Russia's savagery in Hungary. 4pp
- 717 [c. 1956] Typescript text of a radio broadcast by MacEoin announcing a recruitment drive and the development of a civil defence organisation throughout the State, on the significance and function of a civil defence force. 6pp

- 718 [c. 1956] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a reunion of the Marist Brothers' Past Pupils' Association. The dangers of 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 policy for the development of agriculture, industry and mineral resources. 3pp
- 721 24 February [1957] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a general election campaign meeting in Longford. The Government's Policy for Production and the lack of an Opposition alternative. 3pp
- 722 24 February [1957] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a general election campaign meeting. Which parts of the Government's development plan would a Fianna Fáil government abandon? 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 [March 1957] Typescript text with handwritten amendments of a speech by MacEoin as leader of the Irish delegation invited by General Aramburu, President of Argentina, to attend the ceremonies commemorating the birth of Admiral Don Guillermo Brown, founder of the Argentine navy. Their feelings of honour on receiving the Order of Merit; links between Ireland and Argentina. 3pp
- 726 2 June 1957 Handwritten (9pp) and typescript copy (5pp) text of a speech by MacEoin at Drumlish, County Longford. The recent general election; 1957 budget and the history of Fianna Fáil budgetary policy; economic achievements of the two Inter-Party Governments. 2 items
- 727 15 August 1957 Handwritten draft (6pp), typescript draft with amendments (4pp) and typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at Enniskillen. The history of partition; Christian unity against Communism; peace with honour. 3 items
- 728 30 September 1957 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a meeting of Fine Gael Cavan County Executive. The development and reorganisation of Fine Gael locally and nationally; main points of Party policy. 4pp
- 729 [c. 1957] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin proposing the toast to the visitors to a bridge congress being held in Dun Laoghaire. 1p
- 730 18 May [1958] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at South Galway bye-election campaign meetings in Mullagh and Kilrickle. Government failures; abolition of works schemes and removal of subsidies; increase in the cost of living. 3pp
- 731 16 August 1958 Handwritten (8pp) and typescript (3pp) texts of a speech by MacEoin to a Fine Gael branch meeting in Longford. The failure of Government policy; demonstrated successes of Fine Gael policy 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-
15 June 1959 **Presidential election and constitutional 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, Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to a Fine Gael convention in Ferns, County Wexford (3pp) and amended for delivery to a party regional conference at Tuam (2pp). Party organisation drive; agricultural credit; Government failures.
2 items
- 738 23 February 1960 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to the President of the Party. Tribute to Mulcahy and Costello and their achievements. 4pp
- 739 28 February 1960 Handwritten and typescript texts of an after-dinner speech by MacEoin at an East Limerick Fine Gael dinner dance. Preparation for the forthcoming elections; the country's economic problems. 3pp
- 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 *Leitrim Observer* 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. Complete reorganisation of Fine Gael in County Longford. 2 items
- 743 [c. 1960] Typescript text of an unidentified speech [by MacEoin to a Fine Gael meeting] urging reorganisation of the whole financial structure of the nation. 2pp

- 744 22 January 1961 Handwritten (3pp) and typescript (2pp) texts of a speech by MacEoin to a Fine Gael County Longford convention. Preparations for the general election; principal objectives of the Fine Gael programme are increased agricultural and industrial production. 2 items
- 745 5 February 1961 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at the Fine Gael Sligo-Leitrim convention. Proposals for agricultural and industrial development; failure of Government policy. 2pp
- 746 20 August 1961 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a general election campaign meeting at Ballymahon. The election an opportunity to condemn Fianna Fáil for eliminating food subsidies and 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] Incomplete typescript draft with handwritten amendments of a general election campaign broadcast by MacEoin. Fine Gael policy on the European Free Trade Area and the Common Market. 3pp
- 749 11 October 1961 Handwritten (4pp) and typescript (3pp) texts of a speech by MacEoin in Dáil Éireann, moving the nomination of James Dillon for election as Taoiseach in the aftermath of the general election. 2 items
- 750 [1961] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin in Dáil Éireann moving the nomination of James Dillon as Taoiseach. The personal qualities of the man and the policies of his party. .[Not the same as P151/749]. 4pp
- 751 20 May 1962 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a meeting of Fine Gael Longford County Executive. The likelihood of a general election in the near future; his intention to stand again. 1p

- 752 2 September 1962 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin unveiling a memorial near Croosdoney, County Cavan, to the late Captain Thomas Sheridan, Drumbrade Company, I.R.A., wounded in action, 27 May 1920, and died three days later. 2pp
- 753 16 February 1963 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to a residential study session at Malahide organised by the Central Branch of Fine Gael. Necessity for the reorganisation of branches and executives; selection of candidates for the next election at the earliest opportunity; Fine Gael economic policy. 3pp
- 754 12 May 1963 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a meeting of the Fine Gael South Westmeath District Executive in Athlone. Forthcoming Ard Fheis; rising emigration; condemnation of the budget. 2pp
- 755 16 December 1963 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a meeting of the Fine Gael Dublin South-West Executive. Economic and political success of Fine Gael in government. 3pp
- 756 28 January 1964 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Fine Gael Dublin North-West dinner in the Ormonde Hotel. The Government's Turnover Tax; Fine Gael agricultural policy. 1p
- 757 22 March 1964 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Collins' commemoration at Béal na mBláth (5pp). Cutting from the *Westmeath Independent* reporting the speech. 2 items
- 758 27 April 1964 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to a Fine Gael Longford-Westmeath convention. Welcome to the President of the Party; the conventions's responsibility; his decision not to seek a nomination. Amended copy with the section referring to his decision not to stand deleted. 2pp

- 759 9 May 1964 Cutting from the *Anglo-Celt* reporting the Fine Gael County Cavan constituency convention with details of MacEoin's address. Fianna Fáil economic policy and the balance of payments problem. 1 item
- 760 13 June 1964 Cutting from the *Longford Leader* reporting a speech by MacEoin at Ballymahon on Fine Gael proposals for capital expenditure. Attached is a copy of the Roscommon bye-election *Points for Speakers 1* consisting of points from a speech by James Dillon at Ballybay, 7 June 1964. 2 items
- 761 28 June 1964 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a Roscommon bye-election campaign speech at Clonown. Local agricultural problems; the Government's failure locally and nationally. 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 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to a meeting of Fine Gael Longford County Executive. Arrangements for next year's local elections; Fine Gael agricultural policy and the Government's Land Bill. 2pp
- 764 21 September 1964 Typescript copy memorandum on the provisions of the Land Bill, 1963 (3pp). Cutting from the *Irish Independent* reporting the speech by MacEoin at the meeting of Fine Gael Longford County Executive [P151/763]. 2 items
- 765 11 November 1964 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at after-Mass meetings at Moyne and Legga. Fine Gael agricultural policy; high emigration and the Government's economic failures. 2pp
- 766 1 December 1964 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin to Galway East bye-election workers. The responsibilities of personating agents under the new electoral law; decline of the West under the Fianna Fáil Government. 2pp

- 767 6 March 1965 Cutting from the *Longford Leader* reporting a speech by MacEoin to a meeting of the Ballinalee District Executive of Fine Gael. Significance of local government; achievements of the Inter-Party Government; Fianna Fáil failures in government. 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] Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a general election campaign meeting at Granard. Fine Gael programme designed to increase industrial and agricultural production and to review taxation. 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 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a banquet in his honour in the Annally Hotel, Longford (4pp). Cutting from the *Longford Leader* reporting the occasion and MacEoin's remarks. 2 items
- 773 7 September 1967 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at the Rotary Club, Dún Laoghaire. Background to the negotiation of the Anglo-Irish Treaty. 4pp
- 774 3 October 1968 Typescript text of a speech by MacEoin at a presentation to him organised by Fine Gael Westmeath County Executive in Mullingar. The referendum on proportional representation. 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 organised by the 1916-21 Club in the Lansdowne Hotel, Dublin, to mark the 50th 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 Handwritten page of notes by MacEoin taken at a meeting of the Cumann na nGaedheal [Parliamentary] 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 advertng 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, 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 noncommittal 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] **Production potential of our land:** copy memorandum on agricultural production for home consumption and for export [intended to provide points for speakers?].
5pp
- 785 1 July 1940 Letter from W.T. Cosgrave, Dáil Éireann, Leinster House, in reply to a letter from MacEoin. 'On the main question raised in your letter, the policy of the Fine Gael Party on the war, I have only to say the policy is unchanged. It remains non-belligerent – that is neutral. We have neither the means nor the resources to be otherwise. In fact neutrality has cost & will cost in money & resources more than the country can afford by reason of the economic & financial policy of the present Government'.
2pp
- 786 22 August 1941 Letter from Liam Burke, General Secretary, Fine Gael, Merrion Square, Dublin, to MacEoin, informing him of the decision to send a deputation including himself to the Taoiseach and Minister for Agriculture concerning the coal supply for threshing, and giving him the name of the other members of the deputation and the arrangements.
1p
- 787 3 December 1942 Letter from Joe [McGrath], Cabinteely House, County Dublin, referring to a conversation with the 'Boss' [W.T. Cosgrave] who 'said his Party wanted the election and I told him my information was the opposite and I pressed him hard to call a special meeting of the Party before the Dáil met next week and to put my proposal before them ...' Proposes a course of action involving MacEoin to advance his unidentified proposal.
2pp
- 788 13 April 1944 Agenda for a meeting of the Fine Gael National Executive with copies of resolutions received for discussion. Heavily annotated by MacEoin as to the proceedings of the meeting.
4pp
- 789 4 May 1944 Annotated agenda for a Fine Gael [Parliamentary?] Party meeting.
1p

- 790 18 July 1946 Letter from Richard Mulcahy, Dáil Éireann, to each member of the Fine Gael Policy Committee (1p) enclosing copies of heads of Fine Gael policy issued at various times (March 1937, 8pp; January 1943, 2pp; June 1943, 2pp); copies of the texts of his addresses to the Ard Fheiseanna for the previous two years (1945, 8pp; 1946, 8pp). 6 items
- 791 1947 Fine Gael *Draft Scheme of Organisation* as approved by the National Council for submission to the Ard Fheis, 1947. 6pp
- 792 10 January 1949 Typescript text of the address by An Taoiseach John A. Costello to an Inter-Party Government meeting in the Mansion House. A general view of the Government's achievements after eleven months in office and 'an opportunity to exchange confidences with those Deputies and Senators who have expressed their confidence in us by ordinarily granting us their support since February 18 last'. 33pp
- 793 6 January 1951 Circular letter from P.F. Dineen, Director of Organisation, Fine Gael, Hume Street, Dublin, emphasising the need to initiate propoganda by writing to national and provincial newspapers. 1p
- 794 10 January 1951 Report on organisation for the National Council. Consists of a list of constituencies ; of executive committees within each constituency; and of the number of branches. 2pp
- 795 January-March 1951 Original file of correspondence relating to Party matters. Includes letters of invitation to MacEoin to attend meetings or conventions of constituency executives; invitations to Party social events; notification of meetings of the Standing Committee; letters from Party members on aspects of policy; and routine letters from supporters. Includes typescript copy replies from Alice Meehan, Private Secretary to MacEoin as Minister for Justice. *Original reference no.:* F.G. 21 24 items

- 796 28 March 1952 Handwritten notes or minutes by MacEoin of a Fine Gael [National Council] meeting. Deals mainly with organisational and financial matters such as the national collection; the selection of election candidates; the relationship of the Council to the Party; the agricultural development plan and the Government's industrial policy. 2pp
- 797 27 August 1952 Circular letter from P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine Gael, Hume Street, Dublin, to the secretary of each executive, concerning arrangements for the national collection and enclosing suggested draft posters and a specimen return form. 5pp
- 798 25 March 1953 Letter from P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine Gael, Hume Street, Dublin, to each member of the Standing Committee enclosing a copy of the amended *Scheme of Organisation* (5pp) and requesting comments before the next meeting of the Committee. 6pp
- 799 1953 Fine Gael *Scheme of Organisation* as authorised by the Ard Fheis, 1953. 8pp
- 800 29 September 1957 Typescript text of a speech by James Dillon at a Fine Gael executive meeting at Ballybay, County Monaghan. Increased exports the legacy of the Inter-Party Government; Fine Gael agricultural policy. 2pp
- 801 [September 1957] Fine Gael Research and Information Committee statement on the employment position. Criticises the Government's record on employment creation. 2pp

- 802 October 1957 Statement reprinted from the *Irish Independent* of Fine Gael's opposition to Ireland's position at the United Nations in supporting proposals for troop withdrawals from Europe and the discussion of the admission of Communist China to the U.N.
1p
- 803 November 1957 Note from John O'Donovan, Seanad Éireann, to MacEoin (26 November 1957, 1p) enclosing a copy of a memorandum (4pp) he had undertaken to prepare for the Front Bench Committee on Currency and Credit. Memorandum is entitled 'The currency system in the Republic of Ireland and its effects on the availability of commercial bank credit'.
2 items
- 804 Autumn 1957 *Front Bench Note No.1* concerning procedures to be taken by Front Bench Leaders in assembling their groups and addressing matters within their sphere of interest. Appended is a list of members of the Defence Group with MacEoin as their Front Bench Leader.
2pp
- 805 21 January 1958 Letter from P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine Gael, referring to a forthcoming speech by MacEoin and enclosing a copy of a memorandum from the Party's Research and Information Centre containing information for use by Fine Gael public representatives on a recent Government decision on the price of wheat.
3pp
- 806 July 1958 Circular letter from Seán Healy, Secretary, National Farmers' Association, Earlsfort Terrace, Dublin, to each member of the Oireachtas (5 July 1958, 1p) enclosing a copy of a memorandum (2pp) containing the Association's views on the draft bill on wheat production and the establishment of a Grain Board.
2 items
- 807 13 January 1959 Rough handwritten minutes by MacEoin of a meeting of the National Council of Fine Gael mainly consisting of general points concerning the presidential election and referendum on proportional representation.
2pp

- 808 October 1959 2 short biographical publicity sketches of James Dillon on the occasion of his election to the leadership of the Fine Gael Parliamentary Party. 2pp
- 809 13 April 1960 Circular letter from P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine Gael, to constituency and county secretaries, members of the National Council, deputies and senators, concerning the collection of a constituency levy; arrangements for a church gate collection; and the return of details of local election candidates on an attached form. 3pp
- 810 27 July 1960 Copy minutes for information, of meetings of the Special Committee on Organisation (25, 26 July 1960) concerning local organisational needs in the context of fielding sufficient candidates at the next general election to secure an overall majority. Attached is a circular letter directed by the Committee to be sent to each Fine Gael deputy, concerning organisational objectives. 3pp
- 811 September 1960 Circular letter from P.S. Dineen to Fine Gael deputies and senators (6 September 1960, 1p) concerning a conference of Dublin City and County and Dún Laoghaire/Rathdown deputies and senators, presided over by Seán MacEoin. Letter from Dineen to MacEoin (13 September 1960, 2pp) concerning the items to be considered, all concerning aspects of organisation. 2 items
- 812 27 April 1964 Private and confidential letter from Declan Costello to each Fine Gael deputy. He is 'taking the rather unusual step of enclosing a copy of the Notice of Motion which I have forwarded to Mr Dillon for discussion at next Wednesday's meeting of the Party'. The motion contains views not shared by a majority of Costello's Front Bench colleagues. He seeks a decision as to whether they are acceptable to the Party and, if necessary, will request a formal vote. The Notice of Motion instructs the Front Bench to produce a detailed economic and financial policy and enunciates the principles upon which the policy should be based. Also attached is an exploratory memorandum (5pp) on the resolution. 3 items

- 813 19 March 1965 Cuttings from the *Irish Times and Irish Independent* reporting the publication and major elements of the Fine Gael policy document 'Towards a Just Society'.
2 items
- 814 1 November 1965 Copy handwritten letter from MacEoin to Liam Cosgrave, President, Fine Gael, confirming the contents of his note to Cosgrave at the recent Ard Fheis.
'I am satisfied that my health condition would not allow me to contest a Presidential election. Once the Governing Body of Fine Gael decided to contest the election I am satisfied'.
1p
- 815 1965 Summaries of each of the memoranda comprising the policy document 'Towards a Just Society', including the introduction and memoranda on economic planning; prices and incomes; banking and monetary policy; taxation policy; and social capital investment.
18pp
- 816 22 September 1969 MacEoin's copy of a letter from John M. McDowell & Co., Solicitors, Merrion Square, Dublin 2, to Commandant J.W. Sanfrey, General Secretary, Fine Gael, on behalf of his clients, Maurice O'Connell, John O'Grady, John Maguire and Henry Kelly. McDowell refers to his previous letter to Sanfrey, acknowledged but not answered, concerning his clients expulsion from the Party. He proposes a course of action 'as to how the problem arising within the Fine Gael Party may be solved with the least damage to the Party', beginning with a discussion at the Fine Gael Party Room in Leinster House.
2pp
- 817 [1960s] *Fine Gael Scheme of Organisation and Rules* covering all aspects of organisation and membership.
10pp
- 818 April 1970 *Fine Gael Constitution and Rules*. Copy of the revised constitution and rules with an introductory memorandum by William Finlay explaining the background to the revision. [Incomplete, p.8 missing].
10pp

- 824 February 1953 Pamphlet containing the texts of some of the 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
- 827 January-February 1957 Letter from P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine 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
- 828 February 1957 Printed text of resolutions before the Ard Fheis. 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
- 837 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 [May-June 1929] Handwritten and typescript notes for a speech by MacEoin accepting the nomination as Cumann na nGaedheal candidate in the Leitrim-Sligo bye-election. 2 election handbills in support of MacEoin, both dealing with the question of land annuities. 5 items
- 839 June 1929 Handbill supporting McKeon's (*sic*) candidature in the Leitrim-Sligo bye-election. Text in doggerel.
'An able sea-man now we want to help our Captain through,
Give No.1 to Shaun McKeon – the others have the "Flu".'
20 lines

- 854 1933 Typescript text of points for Cumann na 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. 8^o loose leaf format. 18pp
- 859 12 July 1937 Official form of notification from Colm Ó 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

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

- 877 April-August 1953 Series of *Points for Speakers* in the Wicklow (June 1953) and Galway South (August 1953) bye-elections. Main points of Fine Gael agricultural and industrial policy; unemployment; cost of living; reduce the Government's majority to force a general election. Includes the text of a speech by James Dillon at Carlow (12 July 1953, 3pp). 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 *Quotations for Reference No. 1.* Extracts from speeches by Fianna Fáil candidates concerning agricultural policy, to be used against them in the general election campaign. 2pp
- 881 1954 *Quotations for Reference No. 2.* Consists largely of quotations from Patrick Cogan T.D. highly critical of Fianna Fáil policy, taken from statements made before he joined the Party. 3pp
- 882 [1954] Notebook recording polling districts, Fine Gael branches and personnel within the electoral divisions of the Longford-Westmeath constituency. 25x20x1cms
- 883 11 May 1954 Copy letter from P.J. Shaw, Election Agent, Fine Gael, Mullingar, to Erskine Childers, Minister for Posts and Telegraphs, Longford Arms Hotel. At the direction of the candidates he is writing to inform the Minister that an allegation that a Fine Gael speaker in Longford referred to him as an 'Orange weed' is untrue and unfounded. He seeks written confirmation of the name of the person alleged to have made the statement. 1p

- 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 Copy letter from Gerard Sweetman to P.F. Dineen, General Secretary, Fine Gael, for MacEoin's information, reporting in detail on a Longford-Westmeath constituency selection convention. 2pp
- 892 July 1961 *Points for Speakers* 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 *Points for Speakers*. The Land Project. Includes inserted handwritten figures for grants in counties Longford and Westmeath under the project, commenced by James Dillon in 1949. 2pp
- 896 September 1961 Text of an article praising James Dillon's 'credible and statesmanlike' policies, originally published in the *Sligo Champion and People's Press* and reproduced for the information 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 March-June 1965 Letters to MacEoin concerning the general election campaign, mainly wishing him a speedy recovery after he had been taken ill during the campaign and commiserating with him on his defeat in the election. Includes letters from G. Hayes-McCoy, Kevin O'Shiel, Terence de Vere White, Noel Browne, Liam Cosgrave and John A. Costello.
'I was indeed more than sorry to learn of your illness & defeat at election – and I know it was not a defeat but overconfidence on the part of your supporters (Noel Browne, Ballina, April 1965, 1p).
'I would like you to understand how grateful the members of the Party feel for the distinguished services which you rendered to the country at a vital period in Ireland's history' (Liam 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- File of draft, copy and published versions of
 September 1967 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
- 908 May-June 1939 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
- 912 7 May 1945 Letter from David Gray, Legation of the United States of America, to MacEoin, Ballinalee, thanking him personally for his telegram of sympathy on the death of President F.D. Roosevelt.
1p

- 917 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
- 918 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 them do what George Bernard Shaw and George Moore did – let them 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 *Fine Gael Monthly Bulletin* no. 2
Electoral and organisational activity. Includes a table of constituencies with details of the amount of the 'silver collection' in branches in each constituency.
- 923 29 May 1934 *Fine Gael Bulletin* 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.

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
		<i>Fine Gael Quarterly Bulletin</i>
930	January 1949	Focus on the achievements of the Government with specific reference to pensions.
931	July 1949	Rural, agricultural and industrial development schemes.
		<i>Fine Gael Digest</i>
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	BALLESTY, Michael, Captain, Custume Barracks, Athlone. 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Typescript copy of the applicant's statement of service and particulars supplied by MacEoin; routine correspondence. 8pp

- 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 Form MSP 7, submitted to MacEoin in
respect of Fallon's application. 6pp

- 1009 1925 FARRELL, Patrick, Military Barracks, Naas.
1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by
MacEoin. 1p
- 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 FLYNN, Private Michael, Curragh Camp and Ballinalee, Longford.
1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by MacEoin. 1p
- 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 GRIER, Henry Joseph, Ballymullen Barracks, Tralee.
1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by
MacEoin. 1p
- 1029 1925 HARVEY, Peter, Longford Town.
Longford Brigade.
Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by
MacEoin. 2pp

- 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 KENNY, Garda James, Terenure, Dublin and
Edgeworthstown, Longford.
1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Typescript and handwritten copies of his particulars of
service; correspondence concerning aspects of his
service and the progress of his application.
15pp

- 1044 1925 KIERNAN, John, Longford Town.
1 and 4 Battalions, Longford Brigade.
Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by
MacEoin. 1p
- 1045 1926-28 KIERNAN, Patrick, Drumlish, Longford.
Q/M 1 Battalion and O/C 5 Battalion, Longford
Brigade.
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. 15pp
- 1046 1925 KILROY, Thomas, Athlone.
5 Battalion, South Roscommon Brigade and Active
Service Unit.
Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by
Kilroy and MacEoin. 2pp
- 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

- 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 Form 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 MOORE, Seán, Captain, Bunrana Barracks, Donegal
and Streete, Westmeath.
1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and North Longford
Flying Column.
Typescript copy of particulars of service provided by
MacEoin; correspondence concerning the progress of
his application. 7pp
- 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

- 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 SIMONS, Thomas, Donnybrook, Dublin.
3 Battalion, South Roscommon Brigade.
Correspondence with MacEoin concerning the progress
of his application. 6pp
- 1128 1925 SKELLY, Patrick, Killashee, Longford.
Longford Brigade.
Typescript copy of details of service provided by
MacEoin; correspondence concerning his application
and aspects of his service. 1p
- 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 TRAUTT, Patrick, Ardagh, Longford.
4 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Typescript copy of details of service provided by
the applicant. 1p
- 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, there are:
- 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.
- 85pp
- 1141 1939 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 ... I would suggest they making (*sic*) an effort to have the matter attended to soon or we may have another Civil War’.
- 2 items

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	<p>BARDEN, James, Ferefad, Longford. A Company, 2 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Copies of testimonials to his active service and involvement in specific engagements.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">11pp</p>
1143	1943	<p>BEIRNE, Michael, Ballinamuck, Longford. Typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">2pp</p>
1144	[1936-] 43	<p>BEERY, Aughtnacliffe, Granard, Longford. 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade. Handwritten statements of service; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">12pp</p>

- 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 BRADY, William, Ballinamuck, Longford.
5 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Typescript copy appeal against refusal of his service.
2pp
- 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] BRENNAN, John, Ballinamuck, County Longford.
B Company, 5 Battalion, County Longford.
Brief notes on service; typescript copy appeal against
refusal of his application. 4pp
- 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 [c.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] CAMPBELL, Thomas, Ballymahon, Longford.
3 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Handwritten notes on service; typescript copy appeal
against refusal of his application. 4pp
- 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 [c.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, Aughnaccliffe, 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 [c.1935-42] DONOHOE, James Jnr., Aughnaccliffe, 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 FARRELL, Fergus, Ardagh, Mostrim, Leitrim.
Captain, Ardagh Company.
Handwritten copy declaration made before MacEoin as a peace commissioner; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his application.
3pp
- 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 FINNEGAN, William, Newtowncashel, Longford.
3 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Handwritten notes on service; typescript copy appeal
against refusal of his application. 4pp
- 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 GILL, Bernard, Ballinamuck, Longford.
5 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Copy letters of appeal against refusal of his application.
3pp
- 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, Aughnaccliffe, Longford.
5 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Handwritten statement of service; typescript copy
appeal against refusal of his application.
7pp

- 1206 1943 GREALLY, John, Lanesboro', Longford.
3 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Handwritten notes by MacEoin on Greally's service
history; typescript copy appeal against refusal of his
application. 4pp
- 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 KILDUFF, Joseph.
3 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Handwritten notes on his service record; typescript copy
appeal against refusal of his application.
4pp
- 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 [c.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 [c.1935-42] McNALLY, James, Aughnaccliffe, 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, *née* 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 [c.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, Aughnaclyffe, 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 [c.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 [c.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 [c.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 TRAPP, William, Esker, Longford.
B Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Brief handwritten statement of service; draft letter of appeal in MacEoin's hand against refusal of his application. 10pp
- 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, Aughtnaclyffe, 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

1304 22 July 1943 SKELLY, Thomas, Lanesboro', Longford.
Typescript copy letter of appeal from the Longford
Brigade Committee on behalf of the applicant.
1p

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 BRENNAN, James, Kenagh, Longford.
B Company, 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade and Athlone
Brigade Active Service Unit.
Handwritten copy of the statement of service included
on his application form. 8pp

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 [c.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, Aughnaccliffe, Longford.
Longford Brigade and North longford Flying Column.
Handwritten and typescript copy statements of service
and testimonials. 8pp
- 1316 1937 DALE, Matthew, Granard.
Incomplete notes on service; copies of testimonials;
additional statement of service in MacEoin's hand.
6pp
- 1317 1938 DONOHOE, Frank, Granard, Longford.
Colmcille Company, Longford Brigade.
Handwritten statement of service; draft appeal against
the grade of award, in MacEoin's hand.
6pp
- 1318 1938 DOYLE, John, Aughnaccliffe, Longford.
1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Handwritten statement of service; additional evidence
submitted by way of appeal. 10pp
- 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 Farrell's
service, in MacEoin's hand; no contents.
1p
- 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 testimonial.
4pp

- 1323 1937 FOX, Andrew, Ballymahon, Longford.
Routine correspondence with MacEoin concerning his
appeal against the grade of service award.
5pp
- 1324 1938 GALLIGAN, Michael, Streete, Westmeath.
Granard Company.
Handwritten statement of service; copies of
testimonials; routine correspondence.
15pp
- 1325 1938 GALLIGAN, Thomas, Abbeylara.
Granard Company.
Handwritten statement of service; copy of a testimonial.
4pp
- 1326 1936 GORMAN, Daniel, Ballinamuck, Longford.
Ballinamuck Company, Longford Brigade.
Handwritten and typescript copies of testimonials.
4pp
- 1327 1936 GORMLEY, Frank, Esker, Longford.
Killoe Company, Longford Brigade and North
Longford Flying Column.
Typescript copy of a testimonial. 2pp
- 1328 [1935] HEANEY, Edward, Granard, Longford.
Granard Company.
Handwritten statement of service. 4pp
- 1329 [1936] HUGHES, Jack, Gowna, Cavan.
1 Battalion, Longford Brigade and North Longford
Flying Column.
Typescript copy of his statement of service.
3pp
- 1330 1936-39 HUSSEY, John Joseph, Brooklyn, New York.
Company Quartermaster.
Handwritten statement of service; routine
correspondence. 8pp

- 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, Aughnaclyffe, 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, Aughnaclyffe, 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, Aughtnaclyffe, 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, Killoe Brigade.
Copy of a testimonial. 2pp
- 1346 1937 McNALLY, William, Aughnacliffe, Longford.
1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Copy of a testimonial from the battalion adjutant.
2pp
- 1347 1937 MAGUIRE, Peter, Esker, Longford.
Company adjutant, attached to an active service unit.
Brief statement of service; copies of testimonials.
10pp
- 1348 1938 MAGUIRE, Peter, Ballinamuck, Longford.
5 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Handwritten statements of service; copies of
testimonials. 10pp
- 1349 [1936] MALONE, John, Streete, Westmeath.
Folder with notes on the cover by MacEoin on
Malone's service; no contents. 1p
- 1350 1937 MARTIN, John.
Section Commander, A Company, 6 Battalion,
Longford Brigade.
Handwritten transcript of evidence given before the
Pensions Board; copies of testimonials.
6pp
- 1351 1937 MASTERSON, Patrick P., Streete, Westmeath.
1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Handwritten statement of service. 6pp
- 1352 [1936] MULLIGAN, James, Aughnacliffe, Longford.
4 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Handwritten and typescript copies of statements of
service. 10pp

- 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, Aughtnaccliffe, Longford.
O/C Columbkilne Company, Longford Battalion;
Brigade staff, Belfast Boycott.
Handwritten statement of service. 4pp

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| 1361 | 1936 | RYAN, Patrick, Ardagh, Longford.
B Company, 4 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Copy of a testimonial and draft letter of appeal against
award. 2pp |
| 1362 | [1937] | SHERIDAN, John, Granard.
Section Commander, Granard Company.
Brief handwritten statement of service.
2pp |
| 1363 | 1939 | SMYTH, Patrick, Streete, Westmeath.
Commandant, 1 Battalion, Inny Brigade.
Handwritten copy of statement of service and
testimonial. 2pp |
| 1364 | 1937 | TRAPP, James Joseph, Trim, Meath.
Folder with brief notes on the cover by MacEoin on
Trapp's service; no contents. 1p |
| 1365 | 1938 | TULLY, John, Ballinalee, Longford.
Killoe Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Handwritten copies of statement of service and
testimonial. 6pp |

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 [c.1940] [CARLIN, Kathleen], Newtowncashel, Longford.
Handwritten statement of service drafted by MacEoin
on the applicant's behalf. 2pp
- 1375 [c.1940] CAROLAN, Katie, Drumlish, Longford.
Handwritten testimonials and draft letter of appeal, in
MacEoin's hand, against the refusal of her application.
4pp
- 1376 [c.1940] CASEY, Mary, née Martin, New York City.
Handwritten statement of service drafted by MacEoin
on Mrs Casey's behalf. 1p

- 1377 [c.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 [c.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 [c.1942] DONEGAN, Mary, née Farrell, Killashee, Longford.
Typescript copy appeal against the refusal of a service
certificate; handwritten notes concerning her service
with the Killashee 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-] DONOHOE, Helena, Ballinalee, Longford, sister of
December 1945 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- DOORLEY, Sheila, née Ballasty, Dublin.
April 1942 Handwritten statement of active service with Legan Cumann na mBan; routine correspondence concerning her application. 7pp
- 1394 February 1942- DORIGAN, Maggie, Annacullen, Leitrim.
April 1943 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- DOYLE, Margaret, Longford.
December 1942 Handwritten statements of active service with Cumann na mBan, Longford; copies of testimonials. 20pp
- 1397 [c.1942] DUFFY, Julia.
List, in MacEoin's hand, of engagements at which she was present. 1p
- 1398 May 1942- DUGGAN, Kate, Clonturk, Longford.
April 1943 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 [c.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 [c.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 [c.1942] HEALY, Margaret, née Kelleher, Farnagh, Longford.
Handwritten statements of service with 2 Battalion,
Longford Brigade. 12pp
- 1411 [c.1938] HEVEHAN, Mary, Lanesboro', Longford.
Handwritten statement of services provided to the
Flying Column. 4pp
- 1412 [c.1940] HOURICAN, Mary, née Carolan, Esker, Longford.
Handwritten statement of service with Killoe Branch,
Cumann na mBan. 6pp
- 1413 [c.1938] HUGHES, Annie, née Duffy.
Typescript copy of her statement of service as Captain,
Thomas Ashe Cumann, Cumann na mBan.
4pp

- 1414 [c.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 [c.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, Clonart
Branch, Cumann na mBan; copies of testimonials;
typescript copy appeal against refusal of her application.
19pp
- 1422 [c.1940] KELLEHER, Ellan, Youghal, Cork.
Handwritten statement of service as secretary and
executive officer to the Midleton Branch of Cumann na
mBan. 2pp
- 1423 [c.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 Service
Pensions Referee, requesting MacEoin to attend a
sitting of the Advisory Committee and give evidence in
the case of Mrs Kelly who served with Granard
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's
Hotel, Gurteen. 1p
- 1426 [c.1936] KENNY, Mary, Lanesboro', Longford.
Brief handwritten statement of her service with Cumann
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 [c.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 [c.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 his assistance in furthering
her application. 2pp
- 1432 [c.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. 1p

- 1436 [c.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 [c.1944] McGEE, [Chrissy], Granard.
Brief tabular statement in MacEoin's hand of her active service in Granard. 1p
- 1439 [c.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 [c.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 [c.1942] McGUIRE, Nan, Moydown, Longford.
Brief handwritten narrative of her active service in Ballycormack, Killaskee and Longford Branches of Cumann namBan; copy form of application completed 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 [c.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, Portarlinton, 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 [c.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 [c.1942] MULLOOLY, Brigid, Lanesboro', Longford.
Handwritten statement of her active service with 3
Battalion, Longford Brigade. 2pp

- 1458 [c.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 [c.1936] MURRAY, Bridget, Lanesboro', Longford.
Handwritten statement of service with 3 Battalion, Longford Brigade. 2pp
- 1462 [c.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 [c.1942] O'FLAHERTY, Annie, née Connolly.
Brief handwritten notes by MacEoin on her service, attached to brigade H.Q. 2pp
- 1465 [c.1942] O'HARA, Mary, née Farrell, Brooklyn, New York.
Handwritten statement of service in Lanesboro' and Newtowncashel. 2pp

- 1466 [c.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 [c.1940] QUINN, Kate Ann, Cooleeny, Longford.
Handwritten statement of service over the Longford Brigade area; copies of testimonials. 9pp
- 1470 [c.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 [c.1940] REILLY, Catherine, née Fitzpatrick.
Outline handwritten statement of service with Mullinalaghta Branch, Cumann na mBan. 4pp

- 1479 [c.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 [c.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 TUIITE, Bridget, Mostrim, Longford.
Handwritten statements of service and correspondence with MacEoin concerning her appeal against the rank awarded in her service certificate. 7pp
- 1485 [c.1940] TYNAN, Lizzie, Esker, Longford.
Brief note on her service in MacEoin's hand. 1p

- 1486 [c.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

February 1941 Series of maps made mainly in the context of applications for military service pensions under the Military Service Pensions Act, 1934, by former members of the Longford Brigade.

The majority are traced from Ordnance Survey maps of County Longford, mainly the 6ⁱⁿ to 1 mile series, with the sheets identified and the tracing done by M.S. Ó Ríain, Lanesboro'.

The maps are intended to show the location and features of engagements with British forces and the R.I.C. Additional information added to each map by MacEoin includes the location and date of the action; a *history* providing a context for the action and a description of the sequence of events; and lists of Officers and Volunteers manning each post and women serving at Cumann na mBan first aid posts. Where addresses of individuals are given, they are addresses current in 1941 when the maps were made.

The maps are marked 'Certified correct 16/2/41' and signed by MacEoin, Chairman, Thomas Brady, Secretary, Seán Duffy, Vice-Chairman, and Ó Ríain, as members of the Longford Brigade Committee. The majority of the maps are of a homogeneous series, numbered in sequence, with a small number of additional maps inserted into the sequence.

Descriptions given are original descriptions taken from the maps

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| 1489 | Attack on Mostrim R.I.C. barracks, June 1920
75x50cms |
| 1490 | Ballinamuck and R.I.C. barracks taken by I.R.A. forces,
June 1920. 75x50cms |
| 1491 | Ballinamuck. Attack on police patrol, August 1920.
75x50cms |
| 1492 | Longford Town showing military barracks captured by
I.R.A. forces, August 1920.
75x50cms |
| 1493 | Ballymahon and R.I.C. barracks captured by I.R.A.
forces, August 1920.
Traced map at centre of a larger sheet.
97x75cms
map 32x32cms |

- 1494 Ambush at Gowlan, County Longford, August 1920.
Arms, ammunition and equipment were surrendered to
I.R.A. forces 100x92cms
- 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 ambush of R.I.C., 9 December
1920. 75x50cms
- 1507 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.
Sketch map. 75x50cms
- 1508 Ballinalee showing attack on temporary barracks, 18
December 1920. East Yorks military. 1 officer and 20
men. 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 (*sic*) 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, January 1921. 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

- 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-40s Material 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 Form 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.

1550	ADAMSON, Joseph ARKINS, John	2pp p
1551	BALLASTY, Charles BALLASTY, Martin BOHAN, Jack BRADY, Charles BRADY, Hugh BRADY, James BRADY, Matthew BRADY, Michael BRADY, Patrick BRADY, Thomas BRADY, William BREHENY, John BRENNAN, John F.	20pp 12pp 4pp 1p 2pp 1p 8pp 12pp 5pp 1p 1p 3pp 12pp

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	BURKE, Joseph	20pp
	BURNS, Terence	1p
	BYRNE, William	6pp
1552	CAHILL, Thomas	12pp
	CAMPBELL, Michael	6pp
	CAMPBELL, Patrick	4pp
	CAMPBELL, Stephen	1p
	CANAVAN, Hugh	3pp
	CARLEY, Patrick	3pp
	CARLIN, Patrick	12pp
	CARNEY, Francis	1p
	CARR, James	12pp
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	CARROLL, John	4pp
	CASEY, Dennis	4pp
	CASEY, James	3pp
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	CASSERLY, James	3pp
	CASSERLY, Patrick	15pp
	CASSERLY, Thomas	1p
	CASSIDY, Thomas	2pp
	CAULFIELD, Michael	7pp
	CLABBY, Thomas	3pp
	CLARKE, Francis P.	4pp
	CLARKE, James C.	19pp
	CLARKE, William	10pp
	COLE, Bernard	12pp
	COLLINS, Michael	2pp
	COLLUMB, Hugh	5pp
	COLREAVY, Michael	5pp
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	CONNOLLY, M.P.	4pp
	CONNOR, Joseph	6pp
	CONNOR, Patrick	4pp
	CONWAY, Ambrose	3pp
	CONWAY, Martin	3pp
	COOKE, James	20pp
	COOKE, Pat	3pp
	CORRIGAN, John	8pp
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	COURTNEY, Mark	1p	
	COX, Luke	4pp	
	COYLE, Eithne	2pp	
	CULLEN, Charles	4pp	
	CULLEN, Daniel	11pp	
	CULLEN, Joseph	2pp	
	CULLIM, James	20pp	
	CULLIM, Michael	10pp	
	CUNNINGHAM, James	7pp	
	CUNNINGHAM, John	4pp	
	CUNNINGHAM, Patrick	9pp	
	CURRAN, Bernard	10pp	
	CURRAN, Hugh	6pp	
	CURRAN, Thomas	2pp	
	1553	DALE, Peter	6pp
		DALTON, James	2pp
DALTON, Francis		6pp	
DALTON, Hugh		2pp	
DALTON, Joseph		5pp	
DALY, John		2pp	
DAVIS, Patrick		8pp	
DAVIS, Philip		3pp	
DEE, William		4pp	
DEGNAN, James		18pp	
DENNEHY, Tom		12pp	
DENNIGAN, William		3pp	
DERMODY, James		2pp	
DERMODY, Michael		4pp	
DEVANEY, John		8pp	
DEVINE, Thomas		1p	
DEVLIN, Patrick		8pp	
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DOHERTY, Patrick		2pp	
DOLAN, Brian		2pp	
DOLAN, James J.		15pp	
DOLAN, John		4pp	
DONLON, John		8pp	
DONLON, Patrick		2pp	
DONLON, Timothy		8pp	
DONNELLAN, P.J.		8pp	
DONNELLY, James		5pp	
DONOHOE, Brian		5pp	
DONOHOE, Eddie		2pp	
DONOHOE, James, Moyne		10pp	

1553contd	DONOHUE, James, Edgeworthstown	9pp
	DONOHUE, Michael	8pp
	DONOHUE, Peter	5pp
	DOWD, Patrick	10pp
	DOWLING, James	2pp
	DOYLE, James	4pp
	DOYLE, John	4pp
	DOYLE, Michael	15pp
	DOYLE, Thomas	2pp
	DRAKE, Edward	10pp
	DUFFY, Joseph	2pp
	DUFFY, John J.	4pp
	DUFFY, Philip	24pp
	DUFFY, Thomas, Moate	6pp
	DUFFY, Thomas, Moyne	8pp
	DUFFY, William	3pp
	DUIGNAN, Peter	3pp
	DUNLEAVY, Michael	8pp
	DUNLEAVY, Thomas	16pp
	DUNNE, Frank	5pp
1554	EARLEY, Laurence	4pp
	EGAN, John	2pp
	EGAN, Owen	5pp
	EIVERS, Annie	2pp
1555	FAGAN, Charles	3pp
	FAGAN, Michael	1p
	FAGAN, Patrick, Clonkeen	6pp
	FAGAN, Patrick, Inny Junction	3pp
	FANNING, Peter	8pp
	FALLON, Ned	2pp
	FALLON, George	1p
	FALLON, Jmes	2pp
	FALLON, John	5pp
	FALLON, Michael	5pp
	FARRELL, Bernard	5pp
	FARRELL, Fergus	25pp
	FARRELL, Francis	20pp
	FARRELL, James, New York	7pp
	FARRELL, James, Drumlish	10pp
	FARRELL, John	6pp
	FARRELL, Joseph	3pp
	FARRELL Matthew	3pp

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	FARRELL, Patrick, Killoe	6pp
	FARRELL, Patrick M., Lanesboro'	3pp
	FARRELL, Patrick D., Mullingar	2pp
	FARRELL, Peter, Newtowncashel	2pp
	FARRELL, Peter, Lanesboro'	2pp
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	FARRELL, Thomas J., Ferefad	10pp
	FARRELL, William	3pp
	FARRELLY, James	3pp
	FEALY, James	2pp
	FEENEY, Thomas	4pp
	FINN, Hugh	7pp
	FINNAN, William	5pp
	FINNEGAN, William	6pp
	FITZGERALD, George	2pp
	FITZGERALD, Patrick Jnr	5pp
	FITZPATRICK, Bernard	6pp
	FITZPATRICK, James	4pp
	FLAHERTY, John	7pp
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	FLATLEY, Thomas	3pp
	FLOOD, Joseph	8pp
	FLOOD, Thomas, Galway	20pp
	FLOOD, Thomas, Edgeworthstown	7pp
	FLYNN, Charles	8pp
	FLYNN, James	4pp
	FLYNN, John Jnr	4pp
	FORD, Joseph	2pp
	FOX, James	3pp
	FURY, Frank	3pp
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	GALLIGAN, John	9pp
	GANNON, James	5pp
	GANNON, John, Rathowen	3pp
	GANNON, John, Whiterock	10pp
	GARRAHAN, Patrick	3pp
	GARVEY, Thomas	8pp
	GAVIGAN, Peter	7pp
	GEELAN, Thomas	2pp

1556contd	GERAGHTY, Andrew	4pp
	GERAGHTY, John Joseph	3pp
	GILHEANY, John	10pp
	GILL, John J.	8pp
	GILL, Michael B.	5pp
	GILL, Michael J.	1p
	GILL, Patrick	14pp
	GILL, Peter	6pp
	GILSENAN, John	3pp
	GILSENAN, Michael	7pp
	GINTY, James	5pp
	GLANCY, Joseph	1p
	GLENNON, Thomas	8pp
	GORMAN, Bernard	16pp
	GORMAN, Francis	23pp
	GORMAN, Peter	25pp
	GRAY, James, Moyne P.O.	5pp
	GRAY, James, Mohill	4pp
	GRAY, James D.	7pp
	GRAY, John	6pp
	GURREN, Matthew	4pp
1557	HAGAN, Edward	6pp
	HAGAN, Michael	3pp
	HALTON, Thomas	5pp
	HANIFY, Cristy	3pp
	HANLEY, M.J.	4pp
	HANLEY, Paul	4pp
	HANLEY, Peter	2pp
	HANLON, Hubert	2pp
	HANLON, Thomas	8pp
	HANLY, Thomas	2pp
	HARTE, John J.	7pp
	HERSON, Hugh	3pp
	HESLIN, Terence	1p
	HEVEHAN, James	2pp
	HIGGINS, Edward	3pp
	HOURICAN, Patrick	10pp
	HOWARD, Peter	1p
	HUDSON, Mark	3pp
	HUGHES, Edward	8pp
	HUGHES, Michael	4pp
	HUGHES, Patrick	3pp
	HUSSEY, John	3pp
	HUSSEY, John J.	2pp
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1558	ISDELL, William JORDAN, Patrick J.	12pp 3pp
1559	KANE, Alexander KANE, John Patrick KANE, Thomas KEARNEY, Thomas KEEGAN, Bernard KEEGAN, William KENNA, Michael KEENAN, Michael KEENAN, Thomas KELLEHER, Thomas KELLETT, Patrick KELLY, Edward KELLY, James KELLY, Joseph, Killoe KELLY, Joseph, New York City KELLY, Michael KELLY, Patrick, Granard KELLY, Patrick, Mohill KENNEDY, Bernard KENNY, Bernard KENNY, James P. KENNY, James, Longford KENNY, James, Drumlish KENNY, John KENNY, Richard KENNY, Timothy KEOGH, Thomas KIERNAN, Edward KIERNAN, James KIERNAN, John, Longford KIERNAN, John, Kilmore KIERNAN, Michael KIERNAN, Patrick KILBRIDE, B.J. KING, Patrick	3pp 4pp 8pp 4pp 5pp 1p 5pp 4pp 18pp 2pp 5pp 2pp 2pp 7pp 4pp 8pp 2pp 9pp 5pp 3pp 4pp 4pp 5pp 3pp 3pp 3pp 12pp 4pp 10pp 3pp 8pp 2pp 16pp 3pp 2pp
1560	LALLY, Patrick LANNON, Patrick LARKIN, John Joe LARKIN, Patrick LEAVY, Edward LEAVY, Michael	15pp 4pp 5pp 2pp 3pp 1p

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	LEAVY, Thomas	5pp	
	LEDWITH, Frank	2pp	
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	LENEHAN, John	3pp	
	LENEHAN John F.	12pp	
	LENNON, James	2pp	
	LOYD, John	3pp	
	LUSH, Thomas J.	14pp	
	LYNCH, Hugh	1p	
	LYNCH, Joe	15pp	
	LYNCH, John Joe	3pp	
	LYNCH, Thomas, Granard	2pp	
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1561	MADDEN, John	3pp	
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	MAGUIRE, Peter	2pp	
	MAHER, Michael	2pp	
	MALONE, Michael, Cork	3pp	
	MALONE, Michael, Ballymahon	2pp	
	MANNING, Aloysius	1p	
	MANNION, John	4pp	
	MANNION, Tom	2pp	
	MANNION, William	4pp	
	MARTIN, John		1p
	MARTIN, Luke	8pp	
	MASTERSON, Edward	4pp	
	MASTERSON, Francis	6pp	
	MASTERSON, James	5pp	
	MASTERSON, Michael	1p	
	MASTERSON, Thomas	3pp	
	MILEY, James	5pp	
	MILEY, Thomas	5pp	
	MIMNAGH, Fanny	3pp	
	MIMNAGH, James	5pp	
	MIMNAGH, John	6pp	
	MOFFITT, Edward	2pp	
	MOLLOHAN, Francis	4pp	
	MOLLOY, Thomas	1p	
	MONAHAN, Pat	2pp	
	MOORE, Daniel	4pp	
	MOORE, John	5pp	
	MORRISSEY, PADDY	6pp	
	MOUGHTY, Michael	4pp	

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	MULLIGAN, John	3pp
	MULLIGAN, John E.	6pp
	MULLIGAN, Patrick	3pp
	MURPHY, Anna	3pp
	MURPHY, James	9pp
	MURPHY, John J.	2pp
	MURRAY, John	2pp
	MURRAY, Michael, Roscommon	3pp
	MURRAY, Michael, Clonfin	5pp
	MURRAY, Patrick	6pp
	MURRAY, Thomas	3pp
	MURTAGH, James J.	10pp
1562	McALINEY, James	9pp
	McCABE, John J.	2pp
	McCABE, Patrick, Aughtnaclyffe	7pp
	McCABE, Patrick, Arva	8pp
	McCANN, Owen	2pp
	MacCORMACK, Edward, Killashee	1p
	McCORMACK, Edward, Granard	2pp
	McCORMACK, James	2pp
	McCORMACK, John, Derryadd	9pp
	McCORMACK, John, Moyne	4pp
	McCORMACK, John, Rathowen	2pp
	McCORMACK, Kenneth	3pp
	McCORMACK, Michael, Edgeworthstown	6pp
	McCORMACK, Michael, Lenamore, Rathowen	3pp
	McCORMACK, Michael, Winetown, Rathowen	6pp
	McDERMOTT, John	5pp
	McDONALD, John	5pp
	McDONNELL, Patrick	6pp
	McGANN, Henry	2pp
	McGARRY, Dan	8pp
	McGARRY, John Joe	2pp
	McGARRY, Patrick	2pp
	McGIRL, Michael	2pp
	McGOVERN, Francis	4pp
	McGOVERN, P.	8pp
	McGUINNESS, James	4pp
	McGUIRE, James	2pp
	McGUIRE, Thomas	4pp

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	McHUGH, John	2pp
	McKENNA, John	2pp
	McKENNA, Patrick	6pp
	McKEON Francis	3pp
	McKEON, Peter	4pp
	McLOUGHLIN, Maria	8pp
	McMANUS, Brigid	6pp
	McNALLY, James	1p
	McNALLY, John	5pp
	McNALLY, Michael	8pp
	McNALLY, William	2pp
	McNAMARA, Peter	8pp
	McNAMEE, Michael	3pp
	McNERNEY, Patrick, Granard	3pp
	McNERNEY, Patrick, Clonfin	5pp
	McQUADE, Michael	3pp
	McQUAID, Terry	3pp
	McVEIGH, Peter	3pp
	1563	NALLY, Thomas
NEARY, Patrick		4pp
NESBIT, Christopher		1p
NOLAN, John, Ballymahon		2pp
NOLAN, John, Bogwood		3pp
NOLAN, Joseph		5pp
1564		O'BRIEN, Arthur
	O'BRIEN John P.	1p
	O'CALLAGHAN, Seán	7pp
	O'CONNELL, Michael	7pp
	O'CONNOR, William	2pp
	O'NEILL, John	8pp
	O'REILLY, Peter	4pp
	O'SHEA, Cornelius	4pp
	O'SHEEHAN, John	5pp
	O'SULLIVAN, John J.	2pp
	O'TOOLE, Edward	4pp
	O'TOOLE, Michael	5pp
	1565	PINKMAN, Thomas
PRUNTY, Patrick		28pp

1566	QUINN, Bernard	15pp
	QUINN, Francis	5pp
	QUINN, William	6pp
1567	RALPH, John	9pp
	RAMSEY, Robert	8pp
	REDDINGTON, Patrick	6pp
	REGAN, Michael	3pp
	REILLY, Bernard	1p
	REILLY, Daniel	3pp
	REILLY, Edward	2pp
	REILLY, Frank	7pp
	REILLY, Hugh	4pp
	REILLY, James F.	2pp
	REILLY, John, Lanesboro'	2pp
	REILLY, John, Longford	3pp
	REILLY, John, New York	5pp
	REILLY, Michael	3pp
	REILLY, Patrick, Drumlish	10pp
	REILLY, Patrick, Balysodare [Ballisodare?]	6pp
	REILLY, Patrick, Granard	2pp
	REILLY, Patrick, Lanesboro'	6pp
	REILLY, Philip, Arva	8pp
	REILLY, Philip, Longford	2pp
	REILLY, Robert	3pp
	REILLY, William	3pp
	REYNOLDS, James	11pp
	REYNOLDS, John Joseph	3pp
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	REYNOLDS, Michael	4pp
	REYNOLDS, Patrick, California	5pp
	REYNOLDS, Patrick, Drumlish	5pp
	RODGERS, Bernard	12pp
	ROONEY, John	2pp
	ROURKE, Peter	4pp
	RUDDIN, Thomas	2pp
1568	SCANLON, Patrick	4pp
	SEERY, James	4pp
	SHANAHAN, Michael	3pp
	SHANLEY, Thomas	3pp
	SHEA, Peter	2pp
	SHEA, Thomas	7pp
	SHEEHAN, Seán	25pp

1568contd	SHEERAN, Joseph	1p
	SHERIDAN, D.J.	2pp
	SHERIDAN, James	3pp
	SHERIDAN, Michael	8pp
	SHERIDAN, William	1p
	SKELLY, Joseph	2pp
	SKELLY, Thomas	6pp
	SLEVIN, Peter	6pp
	SMITH, Bernard	4pp
	SMITH, Eugene	1p
	SMYTH, Andrew	4pp
	SMYTH, James	12pp
	SMYTH, John	6pp
	SMYTH, Patrick, Carrickallen	6pp
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	SMYTH, Terence	8pp
	SMYTH, William	5pp
	STROKER, William	10pp
	SWEENEY, Bernard	2pp
	SWEENEY, Peter	2pp
1569	TAFFE, John	2pp
	TAFFE, Patrick	5pp
	TARPEY, Edward	8pp
	THOMPSON, James	2pp
	THOMPSON, PATRICK	2pp
	TOOLE, James	2pp
	TREACY, John	4pp
	TULLY, John	5pp
	TURBETT, Hugh	3pp
	TWOHIG, Patrick	6pp
	TYNAN, Michael	4pp
	1570	WALSH, P.J.
WALSH, Thomas		2pp
WARD, James		1p
WARD, Patrick		3pp
WHELAN, James		6pp
WHELAN, John		6pp
WHITNEY, Michael		1p
WRYNN, Michael		6pp

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 BRADY, Charles, Edgeworthstown, Longford.
E Company, 1 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
First Lieutenant, B Company, 6 Battalion.
Material relating to his initial application including a detailed statement of service. Correspondence with MacEoin concerning his appeal. 20pp
- 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 under 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

- 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 Aughtnaclyffe, 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

- 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

- 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

- 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- McGOLDRICK, James, Ennybegs, Longford.
June 1951 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- McGRATH, Patrick
June 1951 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, Aughtnaclyffe, 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 [c.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

- 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 [c.1943] O'NEILL, 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, Aughnaccliffe, 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 letters 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, Aughnaccliffe, 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

- 1715 August 1940-
May 1951 SHEERAN, Peter, Drumlish, Longford.
B Company, 5 Battalion, Longford Brigade.
Handwritten copy statement of service and copy letter
of appeal against the refusal of his application under the
1934 Act. 5 items
- 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 [c.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 [c.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*. Published text of the act. 22pp
- 1727 [1930s] Standard issue Army stationery volume entitled *Precedent or Noting Book. Instructions for the registration and conduct of correspondence in Military Offices*. The volume is indexed alphabetically and was used by MacEoin to record name and locality of some applicants for military service pensions under an unidentified Act. Annotated by MacEoin, 'Most M.S.P. cases checked Nov 1967'.
17pp used
- 1728 4 March 1944 Letter from Peadar MacMahon, Secretary, Department of Defence, to MacEoin, in reply to a question he had tabled in the Dáil. He provides figures for pensions and service certificates awarded under existing pensions legislation and the total amount of pensions payable in the previous year. 1p
- 1729 March 1949-February 1955 **Royal Irish Constabulary Pensions:** correspondence between Michael Donohoe, 301 East 40th Street, New York City, and MacEoin, concerning Donohoe's application for a pension under the Royal Irish Constabulary (Resigned and Dismissed) Pensions Orders, contending that he resigned from the force on account of his national sympathies and offered his services to the I.R.A. Includes correspondence between MacEoin and officials of the Department of Finance concerning the application and letters from former colleagues supporting 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

- 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-December 1964 **Royal Irish Constabulary Pensioners**: copy 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 June 1954-
January 1956 Correspondence between MacEoin and T.J. Wilford, Marilyn Court, Union Avenue, Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia, a temporary cadet in the Auxiliary Division of the Royal Irish Constabulary in 1921 and a member of the company ambushed by MacEoin at Clonfin on 2 February. They discuss the possibility of Wilford writing an account of the ambush which is included (4pp) and commented upon by MacEoin.
10 items
- 1740 1956 Photograph taken from the driver's position of a motor car, showing the road ahead curving to the left, the parapet of a bridge to the right, with a field beyond rising to a hill. Handwritten note by MacEoin identifies the location as the site of the ambush at Clonfin, between Granard and Ballinalee.
2 items
- 1741 April-May 1956 3 part series by T.P Kilfeather, from the *Sunday Independent*, concerning the ambush at Clonfin.
3 items
- 1742 December 1957 Typescript extract from MacEoin's statement to the Bureau of Military History (pp.90-97 of 213pp and 10 appendices), together with a certificate to that effect signed by Michael McDunphy, Director of the Bureau. Extract consists of evidence given at MacEoin's court martial by three R.I.C. cadets, Maddox, Smith and Wilford, concerning MacEoin's behaviour during the ambush at Clonfin.
9pp

- 1743 [1950s] Typescript copy statement by Colonel Seamus Conway, Rathowen, Westmeath [to the Bureau of Military History] concerning his induction into the Volunteers by MacEoin in Ballinalee in 1917; local organisation and early military activity; attacks on R.I.C. barracks; formation of the Flying Column in November 1920; the fighting in Ballinalee; other actions in North Longford; MacEoin's arrest and Conway's appointment by Collins to command the column; and the Truce. Additional statement by Conway (4pp) concerning a trip to Dublin with MacEoin in November 1920 for a meeting with Collins and to collect munitions. 32 pp, 1p missing
- 1744 1950s-70s 2 handwritten lists of names of men involved in the Clonfin ambush and a hand drawn map of the ambush site by MacEoin. Handwritten statement by MacEoin of an incident after the Truce when he was visited at his headquarters at Stafford's Hotel, Longford, by one of the auxiliaries present at Clonfin. 5pp
- 1745 September-October 1962 Letter from Seán MacEntee, Minister for Health, inviting MacEoin to serve on a small committee representative of those active during the 1916-21 period, to consider appropriate inscriptions or insignia for the Garden of Remembrance at Parnell Square, Dublin, work on which was well advanced (13 September 1962, 1p). Letter from General Richard Mulcahy, Lissenfield House, Rathmines, who has also been invited to serve on the committee, enclosing a copy of his reply to MacEntee refusing the invitation (14 September 1962, 2pp). Letter from MacEntee thanking MacEoin for agreeing to serve (3 October 1962, 1p). 5 items
- 1746 17 August 1964 Press cutting from an unidentified newspaper recalling an engagement between an I.R.A. column and a party of Black and Tans on Selton Hill near Ballinamore, Leitrim, on 13 March 1921, during which six Volunteers were killed including Seán Connolly, I.R.A. commandant in the Longford, Roscommon and Leitrim area. Includes brief details of Connolly's life. 1 item
- 1747 September-October 1964 3 parts of the serialisation in the *Sunday Press* of Mary C. Bromage *Churchill and Ireland*. Deals with Churchill's involvement in imposing Partition and his opposition to the ports being handed back to Irish control. 3 items

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

- 1765 9 June 1950 Typescript list of 17 names, members of Cumann na mBan imprisoned in Mountjoy Jail in 1921, including the dates of their trials and the length of sentence imposed.
1p
- 1766 27 May 1958 Letter from T. Desmond Williams, Professor of Modern History, University College Dublin, to MacEoin, seeking his assistance in the preparation of a paper on the origins of the Civil War that he is to give to the Dublin Historical Association. He poses a number of questions relating to developments in January 1922 and suggests arrangements for an interview.
2pp
- 1767 November 1960 Letter from Colm Kelleher, Curragh Camp, to MacEoin (28 November 1960, 1p), enclosing a script (14pp) dramatising incidents in which MacEoin was involved during the revolutionary period.
2 items
- 1768 1 March 1963 Typescript copy notes by MacEoin on a speech by Peadar O'Donnell [to a meeting of a university society?] on aspects of the Civil War period. Includes notes by MacEoin on comments by Col Dan Bryan on O'Donnell's remarks. Notes intended for General Richard 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 Handwritten notes by MacEoin, consisting of headings and points for remarks in response to a talk by Professor Desmond Williams to the Fine Gael U.C.D. Students Branch on the period 1922-32.
5pp

- 1771 1 December 1965 Typescript text of the outline of MacEoin's remarks in response to Professor Williams' talk to the Fine Gael U.C.D. Students' Branch in the Shelbourne Hotel on the period 1922-32. 3pp
- 1772 19 June 1966 Notebook containing handwritten notes mainly concerning the Civil War, with details of the military situation in the Western Divisional areas. Also refers to the First Dáil Cabinet, the I.R.B. and Nelson's Pillar. 10pp
- 1773 6 July 1966 Cutting from the *Evening Herald*, an introduction to a new series on the Civil War, annotated by MacEoin; includes a photograph of the Longford Brigade taking over Athlone Barracks from British forces. 1 item
- 1774 22 September 1966 Letter from General Richard Mulcahy, Temple Villas, Palmerston Road, Dublin 6, to MacEoin, confirming arrangements for a group including himself, MacEoin and a number of contemporaries including Liam Archer, Michael J. Costello and Michael Hayes, to meet a Professor MacConaill. He encloses extracts from correspondence with the professor and supplementary material relating to the subject of the proposed interview. 3pp
- 1775 1966 Handwritten notes on a file cover, 'For further development when writing', dealing with events after 1916 mainly with reference to the reasons for the success of the movement for independence and the positions of both the Unionists and the British Government. 2pp
- 1776 1966 Typescript text entitled 'Notes 1966 for further development when writing'. Refers to the significance of the 1916 Proclamation; the term Provisional Government and its adoption by the First Dáil; the 1921 general election and the factors contributing to the success of the independence movement. 3pp

- 1782 20 March 1970 Typescript copy letter from MacEoin to Mr [T. Ryle] Dwyer, consisting of answers to a series of four questions posed by Ryle Dwyer concerning the Treaty and Document No. 2, the appointment of Collins as a plenipotentiary; agreement between Irish and British delegates on the holding of a plebiscite of inhabitants around the proposed border between north and south, the composition of the Boundary Commission, Collins' lack of interest in creating unrest in Northern Ireland, and responsibility for the Windsor raid in November 1921.
3pp
- 1783 October 1970 Typescript text of drafts and final version of a review by MacEoin for the *Catholic Standard* of Longford and O'Neill's *Eamon de Valera*.
20pp
- 1784 20 November 1970 Published text of MacEoin's review from the *Catholic Standard* of Longford and O'Neill's *Eamon de Valera*. 2pp
- 1785 16 August 1972 Letter from Fergus Moore, 115 Springhill Avenue, Blackrock, Dublin, to MacEoin. He is looking for a copy of the letter from Arthur Griffith, 14 January 1922, summoning the meeting at the Mansion House at which the Provisional Government was elected.
1p
- 1786 [1960s] Typescript account by MacEoin of the summoning of the First Dáil and the constitution of its Cabinet; the 1921 general election and the summoning of the Second Dáil; the position of the I.R.B. and the election of de Valera as President.
5pp
- 1787 [1960s] Handwritten account by MacEoin of his visit to Dublin in March 1921 at the direction of Cathal Brugha, the Minister for Defence; of his meeting Brugha who outlined a plan [to assassinate the British Cabinet?]; subsequent meetings with Collins and Mulcahy; his return to the country and arrest at Mullingar.
3pp

- 1788 [1960s] Handwritten notes by MacEoin, largely fragmentary, concerning various aspects of the period after August 1921; refers to de Valera's election as President; the Treaty debates and the outbreak of the Civil War.
 'What I have written I have written with one object only. To record to the best of my ability the facts of a great period in Ireland's history. There is much I could say about the time and people who played a historic, noble and sometimes ignoble part in that period.
 15pp
- 1789 [1960s] 2 typescript texts with handwritten annotations of an unidentified talk by MacEoin on the calling of the First and Second Dáil.
 'To students of history and young men and women of today, I want to put some facts before you ...'.
 4pp, 5pp
- 1790 [1960s] Handwritten letter from Vincent Browne, 32 Leeson Park Avenue, Dublin, enclosing a handwritten list of questions for his forthcoming interview with MacEoin. Questions are very broad in scope such as 'What part did you play in the War of Independence?'. Annotated by MacEoin, 'I don't know'.
 2pp
- 1791 [1960s] Typescript text with handwritten annotations (4pp) of a series of 25 questions and brief answers relating to MacEoin's experience and opinion of the War of Independence. Includes a second text (5pp) with the amendments incorporated. Both headed 'Questions (¾ hour)'. [Prepared basis for a radio interview?].
 2 items
- 1792 [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

- 1793 [1960s] Typescript text entitled 'Blurred History' dealing with the period from the appointment of the plenipotentiaries to the Pact Election, with specific reference to his own advice that the word 'delegate' rather than 'plenipotentiary' be used in the press release announcing their appointment; de Valera's insistence on the contrary; the *ultra vires* nature of their instructions; the negotiations and the discussion of the terms of the Treaty at Cabinet with particular reference to the Oath; growing lawlessness in the country and the background to the Pact Election.
'I am not going to tell you anything new, but although a thing may be known to thousands of people, if its contrary is asserted often enough it seems that even people who know the truth begin to believe the lie'. 14pp
- 1794 [1960s] Handwritten rough notes dealing with aspects of the period from the May 1921 election to the appointment of the plenipotentiaries. Includes description of the reaction to the Truce among the prisoners in Mountjoy and Collins' visit to see him, MacEoin, in jail; his release and reception by Collins; conversations with Collins and the latter's concern over the split among Irish sympathisers in the U.S.; their return to Longford; the maintenance of discipline in his Command, his military work and the inspection of the Divisional area. The later pages are concerned more with the general political situation and the development of negotiations. 19pp
- 1795 [1960s] Rough notes on the Treaty with particular reference to developments in Dublin while the negotiations were taking place; and an outline of points for inclusion in the chapter on the Treaty in MacEoin's proposed book. 4pp
- 1796 [1960s] Typescript and manuscript note by MacEoin on the effect of the wording of Section 12 of the Treaty dealing with the establishment of the Boundary Commission; and suggesting what the wording should have been, to include the concept of 'electoral areas'. 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 [1960s] Typescript text of notes by MacEoin on the nature of opposition to the Treaty and the strengths of the Treaty itself. He recalls his conversation with Sir Alfred Cope, Assistant Under-Secretary of State, in the House of Commons, and Cope's view that 'as a result of Lloyd George's surrender in the Treaty, the Liberal Party would be defeated in the 1923 general election and that the Party would be out of office for at least 50 years'. 4pp
- 1799 [1960s] Typescript note by MacEoin on assurances given by the British side at the time of the Treaty and subsequently, 'that the division of our country was a temporary and transient feature of the relationship between the two islands ... there was never a more flagrant breach of faith by them than the cynical fiasco perpetrated at the time of the Boundary Commission'. 1p
- 1800 [1960s] 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] Handwritten notes by MacEoin on the situation in the country in April 1922 but primarily concerning attempts to secure an agreed settlement by negotiation, with reference to Dáil proceedings 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 [1960s] Typescript note by MacEoin on the decision of the Cabinet to reissue commissions to officers in October 1921, 'in order to put the Army in an unequivocal position as a legal defence force of the Nation, under the control of the civil government'; his own acceptance of the post of O/C Midland Division with the rank of Commandant General. 2pp
- 1804 [1960s] Typescript notes by MacEoin dealing with the membership and activities of the I.R.A. in the period between the Truce and the Civil War. 'There were many people who should have been in the Volunteers before the Truce and now felt they should join and did so just to be on the "Band Waggon". Beasley (*sic*) asserts this fact known to us all in his life of Collins, 2nd volume, page 372. These Volunteers were sarcastically called "the Trucateers"; they were critical of the Officers and Volunteers who bore the brunt of the battle prior to the Truce; they were very aggressive and militant at this time and in many places they were, by their actions, guilty of breaches of the Truce on the Irish side, and were anxious to show their ability now'. 2pp
- 1805 [1960s] Handwritten notes by MacEoin concerning meetings held throughout the country after the ratification of the Treaty, to explain its provisions and promote its acceptance. Refers mainly to a meeting in Sligo addressed by Arthur Griffith and condemned in advance by the local I.R.A. 4pp

- 1806 [1960s] Incomplete chronology of events from April 1922 until the setting up by proclamation of a Republican Government, including a copy of the proclamation.
2pp
- 1807 [1960s] Handwritten note on the origin of the Civil War, commenting on the nature and significance of the de Valera - Lloyd George talks, the Truce, and the powers attributed to the plenipotentiaries.
1p
- 1808 [1960s] Typescript notes on the quantities of arms in the control of anti-Treaty forces, captured from the British Admiralty ship, the *Upnor*, near Ballycotton; on the violation of the Collins – de Valera Pact by the Four Courts Garrison; on the repudiation of the Craig – Collins agreement, January 1922, and the Craig – Collins Pact, March 1922, by the anti-Treaty forces; with comments on Collins’ belief that Civil War could be averted and on Craig’s declaration that Partition would be temporary.
4pp
- 1809 [1960s] 2 typescript drafts (10pp, 9pp) of a commentary mainly on the period January-July 1922, including his holding Athlone Barracks against attempts by anti-Treaty officers to take it over; his view as to the actual origin of the Civil War being well in advance of the taking over of the Four Courts; attempts to arrange a truce in May 1922; the I.R.B. and the Treaty; with closing comments on the Army Crisis, 1924, and the Government’s erroneous view that Mulcahy was President of the I.R.B.
9pp
- 1810 [original August 1922, copy 1960s] Typescript copy text of terms suggested by ‘a committee of prominent citizens of Cork’ and communicated by Major General Emmet Dalton to Michael Collins. Terms relate to a week’s truce to allow the anti-Treaty leaders to meet to discuss making peace along suggested lines. Typescript transcript of handwritten annotations on the original by Michael Aylward, Frank Barrett and Frank Aiken. Typescript copy of a communication from Collins to Dalton requesting the identity of the prominent citizens and reiterating the terms of the Government’s offer which still stands.
2pp

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

- 1816 [1960s] Typescript text of an unidentified account from a National Army viewpoint, of the taking of Kenmare by anti-Treaty forces, with particular reference to the killing of Tom 'Scarteen' O'Connor. Describes National Army activity in the Kerry area in the preceding days. [For a chapter of an unidentified book].
14pp
- 1817 [?] Handwritten (4pp) and typescript copy (3pp) notes dealing mainly with the drafting of the preamble to the 1922 Constitution, given to MacEoin by Fr Barnabas McGahan O.F.M., Guardian in the Friary, Athlone, sent by MacEoin to W.T. Cosgrave, Alfred O'Rahilly, General Richard Mulcahy and others and adopted; also includes comments on MacEoin's political education and influences.
2 items
- 1818 [1960s] Typescript note by MacEoin entitled 'What might have been', concerning the desirability or otherwise of the new Irish state in 1922-23 having a written constitution; and the effect of Kevin O'Higgin's death in prolonging Partition, 'as O'Higgins had met Sir James Craig, Lord Carson, Worthington Evans, Stanley Baldwin and others in Sir John Lavery's house in London to end Partition, and had made great progress and got agreement on a plan to end Partition'.
1p
- 1819 [1960s] Handwritten note by MacEoin on an unexpected meeting in the Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dublin, with Dr John Dignan, shortly after his elevation to the bishopric of Clonfert (March 1924), and his amazement at Dr Dignan's proposal 'at the earliest opportunity to declare that Mr Cosgrave's Irish Government are immoral, unjust and illegal and that the Irish people must resist them by every means at their disposal'.
3pp
- 1820 [1970] Typescript copy text of a statement issued by the Publicity Department, Dáil Éireann, consisting of a declaration signed by ten army officers calling for a closing of ranks to avert the catastrophe of a conflict of comrades and advocating 'the advisability of a unification of forces on the basis of the acceptance and utilisation of our present National position', and suggesting an agreed election. Further copy of the statement as published in the *Irish Independent* the following day. List of signatories differ slightly on the copies. Handwritten copy by MacEoin of the Army officers' statement, indicating its date of issue as 3 May, of publication 4 May; and of its being typed for him on 30 June 1970, intended for insertion in an article by him.
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 unique 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 Copy of general orders from the Supreme Council to all County Centres. Orders relate to organisation, coordination, military work, organising work, negligence, the elections and the future.
3pp
- 1825 12 January 1922 Photocopy of the statement issued by the Supreme Council of the I.R.B. on the Treaty, annotated by MacEoin as having been 'issued only for the information of T.D.s who are (*sic*) members of the organisation and it left those free to act as they wished in the matter of 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 [1922] Typescript copy with handwritten amendments of the Constitution of the I.R.B. [1922-23] marked 'Final Constitution' (9pp). Does not correspond exactly with the original copy no. 43 [P151/1826]. 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] Typescript copy of the Amended Constitution of the Supreme Council of the I.R.B. and Government of the Irish Republic, with typescript notes on 3 paragraphs. 4pp
- 1830 [1960s] Handwritten notes on the I.R.B. Constitution, 1912, with specific reference to Article 3. 'The Supreme Council reserves to itself the sole right on behalf of the Irish People to negotiate Treaties'. 2pp
- 1831 [1960s] Handwritten note by MacEoin on the influence of the I.R.B. during the revolutionary period, 'notwithstanding recent comments by former leaders in the period ... The fateful decision to dissolve was a doubtful decision because it left a vacuum filled by others not imbued with democratic principles. People who declared that the people had no right to govern. That the people had not the right to go wrong'. 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 [1960s] Typescript short note on the ratification of the 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 February 1922 Typescript copies with handwritten annotations and amendments of Collins' two articles in the *Irish Independent*, (6, 13 February 1922), 'Advance and Use Our Liberties' and 'Alternative to the Treaty. Document No.2 Analysed'. 18pp
- 1839 29 August 1922 *The Free State/An Saorstát* vol. 1, no. 28
Michael Collins memorial number.
- 1840 August 1922 Typescript copy notes with handwritten amendments and proofreading marks.
'These notes drafted early in August and apparently intended for public utterance, probably to Dáil, were without correction by him. What the changing circumstances, and his judgement and insight might have altered or added, no one else could venture to say'.
Notes consist of a broad statement of the achievement of the Treaty, the lack of an alternative, the origin of the split, responsibility for the Civil war and the threat it posed to future development as an independent country'.
18pp
- 1841 14 September 1927 Typescript copy of a letter from P. Treacy P.P., to the editor, *Cork Examiner*, referring to a recent speech by Canon Cohalan in Bandon, reported in the newspaper. Treacy, the parish priest of the Béal na mBláth district, supports Cohalan's contention that de Valera was in the area the day before the death of Collins. 'In the morning of the day of the murder he was seen superintending the arrangements, and about mid-day motored back to Ballyvourney'.
2pp

- 1846 February 1946- Cuttings, mainly from Irish newspapers,
August 1972 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
- 1848 1 January 1957 Typescript copy reply from MacEoin to Rex
Taylor, suggesting that he also look for the name
Adye Curran in the papers relating to the Phoenix Park murders. Handwritten
note by MacEoin with a typescript copy, on the circumstances of James Carey
making a statement in custody which he afterwards swore to in court.
4pp

- 1867 [1967] Note by MacEoin of 'Result [of] McGarry's enquiries 1967'. Refers to a tape recording made by [?] McGarry with Dr Cagney. 'In 1922 the D[irector of]/M[edical] Services G.H.Q. arranged with Dr Cagney, the resident surgeon in an ex-British soldiers' hospital to set aside a few beds for wounded Irish troops. It was to this hospital that the dead body of the C. in C. Michael Collins was brought. Dr Cagney had been in the 1914-18 War and had a wide knowledge of bullet and other wounds'. He gives an account of Cagney's view of Collins' wounds and the circumstances of his death. 'As it was a British Legion Hospital, Dr Cagney made no written report of his attention to Collins'.
2pp
- 1868 13 August 1969 Typescript copy letter from MacEoin, Stillorgan Road, Dublin, to Tom McCooey, R.T.É., thanking him for his broadcast, 'It happened today' but clarifying the position of Collins as Chairman of the Provisional Government and Minister for Finance.
1p
- 1869 March 1970 Undated letter from Thomas Ryle Dwyer, Denton, Texas, to MacEoin (1p), requesting assistance in relation to research on Collins, mainly his policy on the northern counties; typescript copy reply from MacEoin (20 March 1970, 3pp).
2 items
- 1870 July 1970 Handwritten draft talk on the leaders of the 1916-21 period and their achievements in forcing recognition and a Truce from Britain, with particular reference to MacEoin's view of Collins' incomparable contribution. Marked 'Typed 7/7/70'.
3pp
- 1871 1970 Typescript and handwritten notes on the debate on the Treaty in Dáil Éireann with extensive extracts particularly from Collins' speech, 19 December 1921; typescript transcript, taken from the Dáil Publicity Department original copy, of the Craig-Collins Agreement, 21 January 1922; handwritten notes by MacEoin on the Dáil debates.
18pp

- 1872 6 July 1972 Typescript copy text of a 'short history of my meetings with Michael Collins, 1917-22' by MacEoin, from their first meeting at the South Longford bye-election in May 1917 until Collins' death (2pp). Note from the editor's secretary, *Evening Herald*, returning the text (26 February 1973, 1p). 2 items
- 1873 [1960s/70s] Typescript notes by MacEoin on the Treaty debates with extracts from speeches, resumé of points, and some marginal comment. Notes concentrate on Collins' speech. 4pp
- 1874 [1960s/70s] Handwritten and typescript copy texts of a lecture on Collins by MacEoin, concentrating on his organising abilities with particular reference to his roles as Adjutant General and Director of Intelligence, his part in the 1918 general election, and the reorganisation of the I.R.B. (4pp each). `3 items
- 1875 [1960s/70s] Unidentified account of the origin and history of the National Land Bank including Collins' role in the organisation; an account of Collins complaining that MacEoin had not submitted sufficiently detailed reports in the aftermath of the engagement at Ballinalee; and his taking MacEoin to the bank and introducing him to Erskine Childers as his new Adjutant. 3pp
- 1876 [1960s/70s] Handwritten incomplete note from MacEoin to Dick [Mulcahy] mainly concerning Collins' presidency of the I.R.B. and his own recollection of having attended meetings at which Collins presided. 1p
- 1877 [1960s/70s] Handwritten notes by MacEoin on Collins' organisational abilities, both military and political; and his attempts to stop the Civil War. 3pp

- 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 1st 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 [1960s/70s] Handwritten notes on the background to Collins' death, particularly the circumstances of his presence in Cork. 'It is important to note the death of Collins was planned as early as March 1922 ... Childers & de Valera arrival (*sic*) in Béal na mBláth on the 21st August and overlooking or supervising ambush position ... Was killed from Murphy's house (Note the binoculars used by de Valera are still hung up at Murphy's 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 December 1965 Draft amended press release (2pp) to announce the establishment of the Foundation to award educational scholarships, to be considered at a meeting of the organising sub-committee. Includes a list of the membership of a governing body under MacEoin's chairmanship. Draft amended appeal for subscriptions to the Foundation (1p); and a handwritten letter from his nephew [Garret?], Roscommon Circuit Court, to MacEoin (13 October 1965, 4pp), making several suggestions as to how Collins' memory might best be served by the Foundation, including the subvention of students attending business school. 3 items
- 1886 January 1966-
April 1972 Material relating to the establishment and operation of the Foundation including a copy of the press release announcing the establishment (14 January 1966, 2pp); a list of members of the governing body together with biographical sketches (4pp); occasional agendas for meetings of the governing body (1966-70, 5 items) together with related papers such as applications for funding, reports on the progress of funded research, and proposals for the establishment of research and scholarship programmes. 19 items
- 1887 20 August 1967 Typescript text of a speech by Lieutenant General M.J. Costello at Béal na mBláth, consisting of an appreciation of Collins' achievements and including reference to the establishment and potential of the Foundation. 5pp
- 1888 November 1967 Annotated agenda for a meeting of the Governing Body of the Foundation (16 November 1967, 1p); copy of the text of an advertisement inserted in the newspapers (May 1967, 1p) announcing the availability of awards to assist research in modern Irish history; and copy draft undated reply to the Secretary, Vocational Teachers' Association, concerning proposals for the provision of scholarships to students and teachers within the vocational and technical education system (2pp), both items for consideration by the governing body. 3 items

- 1889 January-February 1969, Letter from Ita McCoy, Secretary to the
 March 1971 Foundation, 10 College Green, Dublin 2, to
 MacEoin (5 February 1969, 1p) enclosing a
 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). 7 items
- 1890 1969 Material relating to the work of the Foundation
 including a report on progress submitted by
 MacEoin, Chairman, and Ita McCoy, Secretary, for consideration at a meeting
 of the governing body, with details of funds raised and awards made (c.
 September 1969, 3pp); research proposals, applications for awards, and reports
 on the progress of research projects (1969, 5 items). 7 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

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
- 1893 May-July 1948 Copy for [Dr T.F. O'Higgins] the Minister for 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
- 1894 June 1950 Copy of a statement by Peter Gough, Sutton, Dublin, mainly concerning his joining the I.R.A. after demobilisation from the British Army and his involvement in the aborted rescue attempt of MacEoin from Mountjoy Jail. Letter from the Secretary to the Bureau to Gough (28 June 1950, 1p) enclosing a copy of his statement and thanking him for his cooperation.
- 5pp

- 1895 November 1951 Letter from Michael McDunphy, Director, 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
- 1897 23 May 1956 Handwritten letter from Seamus Conway, B.M.H., to [MacEoin] referring to an earlier conversation [on the possibility of MacEoin submitting a statement?] and enclosing a draft copy of Conway's own statement to the Bureau for his guidance.
1p
- 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

- 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
- 1900 19 December 1957 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'. 6pp
- 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
- 1905 21 October 1951 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	[c. 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 MacEoin</i> by John Mageean dealing mainly with his exploits during the War of Independence. 28pp
1912	1945-67	File of cuttings from Irish national and provincial and from English newspapers, mainly consisting of retrospective views of MacEoin's career with particular reference to the War of Independence. Includes three parts of a series by J. Doran O'Reilly in the <i>Sunday Chronicle</i> (July 1950), 'Dramatic episodes in the life of General Seán MacEoin'; four parts of a series by John Murdoch in the <i>Sunday Despatch</i> (February-March 1956), 'General Seán MacEoin's dramatic story'; as well as a number of cuttings from the <i>Longford Leader</i> 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 atheistic 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
- 1914 September- Correspondence between MacEoin, J. Doran
November 1950 O'Reilly, Palmerstown, County Dublin, John J. 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

- 1920 February-March 1966 Cuttings from the *Longford Leader* concerning a 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 arrangements 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
- 1929 [1960s] Notebook with handwritten notes labelled '1st and 2nd Dáil. History of Seán's arrest at Mullingar and his life in Mountjoy. Some reference to I.R.B., Beál na mBláth, Brughá's summons to Dublin and Seán's arrest'. 65pp

- 1930 [1960s] Typescript draft text with handwritten corrections and amendments of MacEoin's account of his arrest at Mullingar; his attempt at escape and his wounding; his treatment and interrogation in custody; transfer to St Bricin's Military Hospital and from there to Mountjoy; attempts by Collins to rescue him; his court martial.
49pp
- 1931 [1960s] Typescript text of a review by J.H. Martin of the film 'Shake Hands with the Devil'. Review deals mainly with the activities of the Igoe Gang in Dublin and the failure of the I.R.A. to deal effectively with it; the arrest of Sweeney Newell by the gang, his shooting, torture and eventual transfer to George V Military Hospital where MacEoin was also in custody; MacEoin's refusal to have a general anaesthetic administered for fear of betraying confidences while anaesthetised.
4pp
- 1932 1960s Typescript account by MacEoin of his own part in the aborted attempt to rescue him from Mountjoy Jail by commandeering an armoured car, gaining access to the prison, and rescuing him from the Governor's Office where he was to have prearranged an interview on behalf of the other prisoners.
3pp
- 1933 [1960s] Typescript account of the attempt to rescue MacEoin from Mountjoy Jail in June 1921. Includes an account of the capture of an armoured car, the aborted rescue attempt and the subsequent destruction of the vehicle. Headed 'Historical Data. Capture of armoured car from British by G.H.Q. Squad, Dublin, War of Independence, 1921'.
3pp
- 1934 [1960s] 2 typescript copies (3pp, 2pp) of MacEoin's statement from the dock at his court martial [made for inclusion in his autobiography]; typescript list of witnesses at MacEoin's trial (1p) with some additional names in MacEoin's hand.
3 items

- 1935 [1960s] Typescript draft text with handwritten amendments entitled 'Chapter IX. My Trial'. Includes a detailed account of his court martial as well as reference to events in the country generally and his eventual release. 16pp
- 1936 [1960s] Handwritten notes by MacEoin on events immediately after his conviction; his return to Mountjoy; and a visit from 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 [1960s] Typescript account headed 'Incident of the McKeown (*sic*) Affair' dealing with apparent disagreements within Dáil Éireann as to whether MacEoin's release from prison as an elected deputy was a precondition to proceeding further with negotiation. Arose from the sequence of events in which an ultimatum demanding his release as the last imprisoned Deputy was issued by Collins and Duggan and published; the publication of the ultimatum being described as 'unauthorised' by Erskine Childers, Director of Publicity; and a statement subsequently issued by President de Valera confirming the ultimatum. Copies as Appendix J to the proposed autobiography. 3pp
- 1939 [1960s] Further typescript draft text headed 'Appendices. Incident of the McKeown Affair' dealing with events preceding his release from prison after the initial refusal of the British to release him with all other imprisoned members of Dáil Éireann to attend the meeting summoned for 16 August 1921. 8pp
- 1940 [1960s] Handwritten note by MacEoin concerning his release, with specific reference to the Cabinet meeting, 8 August 1921, which discussed the decision to release all imprisoned deputies with the exception of MacEoin; Collins' and Duggan's ultimatum demanding his release; and Erskine Childers' strongly stated view that peace should not be jeopardised for the sake of one man. 1p

- 1941 [1960s] Incomplete typescript text [first page missing] 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 appointment 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. 6pp
- 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 [1960-61] Typescript text of Appendices C – J of 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

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

V. SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

A. Diaries and Address Books, 1926-67

- 1947 1926 Desk diary with few entries beginning 27 May. 'Starting diary today for 1926. Kept no diary while in France from 27/1/26 to 15/4/26'. c.12 entries for the whole year 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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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 book with extensive entries throughout the 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
- 1982 February 1928-
November 1930 Letter from Count John McCormack, Hotel Galves, Galveston, Texas, to 'My dear General 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
- 1983 September-
October 1936 Letters from Patrick Belton T.D., Irish Christian Front, Mansion House, Dublin (23 September 1936, 1p) and Martin P. Fallon, Irish Christian Front, Longford Branch (6 October 1936, 1p) concerning the formation of the branch in Longford and inviting MacEoin to speak. Receipt for MacEoin's subscription. 3 items

- 1984 August 1955 Material concerning arrangements for a holiday at Konigswinter. Includes correspondence between MacEoin and the Irish Travel Agency Ltd., D'Olier Street, Dublin, and copy correspondence between the agency and Sir Henry Lunn Ltd., New Bond Street, London, concerning the Minister's requirements.
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
- 1986 3 March [1964] Handwritten letter from Mrs Margaret Barrett, 45 Berkeley Square, London, to MacEoin. She introduces herself as a granddaughter of Lloyd George who became aware of MacEoin through a recent article in the *Irish Independent*. She invites him to stay or come and dine when next in London. 'The house we live in is one of the most beautiful and historic houses in London – formerly belonging to Clive of India'. Handwritten draft letter of acceptance from MacEoin.
2 items
- 1987 March 1969 Letters of sympathy on the death of his brother, Michael. One writer encloses a copy of a press release advertising the paperback edition of Calton Younger's *Ireland's Civil War* and the sale of the film rights to the book.
5 items

C. Domestic and Personal Business Affairs, 1933-70

- 1988 16 March 1933 Typescript list (11pp) of household furniture and effects removed from 54 Lansdowne Road, Ballsbridge. Labelled 'List of furniture moved to Garvagh from Dublin, 1933. Some sold later by public auction on return to Dublin, 1948'. Handwritten general inventory (9pp) of the contents of 54 Lansdowne Road.
2 items
- 1989 May-July 1939 Material concerning the financial position of the *Standard* newspaper, 'Ireland's national Catholic weekly', of which MacEoin was a director. Consists mainly of letters from Senator Patrick Baxter, Seanad Éireann, detailing the paper's financial requirements, and notices of meetings of the board of directors.
8 items
- 1990 January 1940-
April 1945 Material relating to the view taken by the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests that the placing of notices in the *Standard* newspaper did not fulfill their statutory obligations with regard to publicising the bequests of testators; and their consequent refusal to place such notices in the paper. Includes correspondence between the Secretary, *Standard* (1938) Ltd., Pearse Street, Dublin, and their solicitors, Joyce & Joyce, St Stephen's Green, Dublin; with copies of correspondence between Joyce & Joyce and the Secretary to the Commissioners; copy of counsel's opinion on the question of whether the *Standard* fulfilled the statutory requirements of the Commissioners (6 March 1940, 3pp); a confidential note on the origin, purposes, powers and procedures of the Commissioners (14 December 1944, 2pp); and a letter from Gerard Boland, Minister for Justice, to MacEoin, (26 March 1945, 2pp) in response to an approach on the matter, supporting the Commissioners' position.
21 items
- 1991 June 1941-
January 1945 Correspondence mainly between MacEoin and the Forestry Division, Department of Lands, concerning his application for a licence to fell trees on his land, and the conditions under which the licence would be granted; and with Fred Sheriff & Sons, Bailieborough, Cavan, concerning the sale of the timber.
8 items

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

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

VI. PHOTOGRAPHS

A. Military

- 2003 [c. 1920] Black and white photograph of three Auxiliaries in front of a wall of sandbags. Two are seated, one wearing a beret, the other a motorcycle helmet and goggles. The third is standing behind. A flagpole with a Union flag and the head of a fourth man peering over the sandbags are visible.
5x3½ inches
- 2004 December 1921 Black and white photograph of I.R.A. training in the Workhouse, Athlone. Eight Volunteers are presenting arms in a courtyard in front of a building with two officers to the right and one to the left. Annotated on the reverse with the names of the officers: Brigade Commandant Morrissey, Vice Commandant Adamson, and Captain Kit McKeon, Director of Training.
6x4 inches
- 2005 [c. May] 1922 Newspaper cutting of a group photograph of the Army Council of Six consisting of three representatives each from the pro- and anti-Treaty sides, formed to find the basis for an agreed peace. From left, Major General Seán MacEoin, Brigadier Seán Moylan, Commandant General Eoin O'Duffy, Commandant Liam Lynch, Adjutant General Gearoid O'Sullivan and Commandant General Liam Mellows. All are in civilian clothing with the exception of MacEoin. The photograph of MacEoin and Moylan [P151/2006] is a section of this.
6½x5 inches

- 2006 [c. May] 1922 Copy of a black and white full length photograph of MacEoin in uniform on the left, with Seán Moylan in suit and overcoat on the right. Both are smiling. Identified by Padraic O'Farrell as having been taken at a peace conference in 1922 and used by him to illustrate the cover of *Who's Who in the Irish War of Independence and Civil War* (1997). © J. Cashman, 1922.
10x8 inches
- 2007 February 1922 Group photograph of the Irish Army officers, including MacEoin, responsible for taking over the military barracks in Athlone on the departure of the British forces. Photograph published in the *Longford Leader* (4 November 1961).
8x6 inches
- 2008 August 1922 Black and white photograph of Arthur Griffith's coffin being carried from the chapel in Glasnevin. The coffin is being carried at waist height, at the front by Ernest Blythe on the left and [Joe McGrath] on the right. MacEoin is centre, at the foot of the coffin. A guard of honour lines both sides. 8x6 inches
- 2009 August 1922 Aerial black and white photograph of the funeral cortège of Michael Collins. The horse-drawn hearse is flanked by a guard of honour. Crowds of onlookers line both sides of the route. 4½x3 inches
- 2010 [1920s] Black and white photograph of an unidentified military occasion. About a dozen soldiers in uniform stand around informally. MacEoin is centre talking to another officer. Bunting hangs above their heads. An institutional building is visible to the left. 5½x3 inches
- 2011 [1930s] Black and white photograph of a group of officers on manoeuvres. MacEoin [as a reserve officer?] is on one knee to the left in uniform with topcoat. Seven soldiers lie or sit on the grass before him. Clusters of other soldiers are visible behind a hedge in the background. 4x3½ inches

- 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

- 2013 7 December 1929 Black and white photograph of MacEoin inspecting a guard of honour of the United States Army at South Boston Army Base while paying his respects to General Preston Brown as part of his official visit to the U.S. General Brown is in uniform, MacEoin in topcoat and hat, walking along the guard of honour. A cutting from the *Boston Evening American* reproduces the photograph with a brief caption. 10x8 inches
- 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 uniform 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 [1940s-60s] 9 family photographs, mostly black and white, 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 background. 3x2 and 5x3 inches
- 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

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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