

# Military Archives

## IAR = BAILL DE Cumann na mBan

4, Upper Janemount,  
Sunday's Well. Cork.

Reference No. 19410.

CORCAIG, 16th Sept. 1940.

We have pleasure in certifying that Miss E. Walsh, Upper Aghada, Rostellan, Co. Cork, was a very energetic member of the Aghada Branch of Cumann na mBan. She held the rank of Q.M. from 1919 until 1923.

1919.

She carried out her usual Cumann na mBan activities:-  
Attended weekly meetings, first Aid Lectures, assisted in public collections for Prisoner's Dependent and Belfast funds. Supplied food, clothing, and cigarettes to prisoners. Sheltered L.R.A. who were avoiding arrest. Her house and shop were at the disposal of the L.R.A. for meetings, etc.

1920.

Usual Cumann na mBan activities. attending meetings, parades, etc., assisted in public collections, and supplied food and comforts to prisoners. making & supplying haversacks & first Aid outfits for I.R.A.

Supplied food, cigarettes, clothing to men of A/S unit and to Battrn. Flying column operating in that Area. Sheltered A/S men. House still at the disposal of I.R.A. for meetings, etc. Stored arms & ammunition and kept money for I.R.A. (Local)

1921.

Attended usual Cumann na mBan meetings, Parades, etc carried out collections for dependent's funds. House still used by I.R.A. Carried and received despatches from I.R.A. Stored Arms & ammunition and kept money for I.R.A. Arms fund amounting to over £1,000

Her house & shop were also used for the storing of goods seized by I.R.A. from the enemy for the use of men and Active service. Still harboured men on A/S.

During the truce the applicant was kept very busy cooking & supplying food for men in training camps at Maryland. Roughly about 80 men in training.

1922/3

In spite of the hostility that existed in her area during this period, the applicant still kept up her activities, assisted in collecting money, etc. Her house was still at the disposal of the I.R.A. She stored Arms & ammunition, receiving & delivering despatches. Harboured I.R.A. on A/S.

On Oct. 1st 1922 she got wounded in her own house when Free State troops opened fire on I.R.A. Two I.R.A. and two Free State soldiers were wounded and attended to in her house. After this her house was constantly raided, and her sister's house was

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Certified statement of Miss E. Walsh, 1940.  
Upper Aguada, Restellian. Co. Cork.

After this her house was constantly raided, and her sister's house was then made H.Qs. but Miss Walsh still carried on as usual receiving & delivering despatches, and supplying comforts, etc. to men on A/S and in prison.

P.S. From June 1922 to August 1922 the applicant attended to the 25 men who were stationed at Aguada Hall outpost.

Signed:

*Maingread Bean W. Luapa.*  
*Rumade Cork I Brigade*

*Nita Murphy*  
*(OLD RANK) Adjutant. Cork I Brigade*  
*(PRESENT RANK) President. Cork Vol. Brigade*

*Micela Burke. Colf.*  
*M. Leahy Ex O/c Cork No. 1 Brigd.*

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