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FORM A.

SOLDIER'S APPLICATION FOR A PENSION

The Commissioner of Pensions reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

DEAD

Name of Applicant.

Geo. Mergenthaue

Anderson County.

Postoffice

Calvestone, Tx

Filed

4/4/17

Approved

FEB 20 1917

Pension allowed from

Mar 1 - 1917

Rejected

Commissioner of Pensions.

E. L. STEWART, JUSTICE

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For Use of Soldiers who are in Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of

I, John Mergenthal do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension to be granted me under the Act passed by the Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved April 7, 1913, on the following grounds:

I enlisted and served in the military service of the Confederate States during the war between the States of the United States, and that I did not desert the Confederate service, but during said war I was loyal and true to my duty, and never at any time voluntarily abandoned my post of duty in the said service; or (that I was in the service of the State of Texas during the war, to protect said State against the Indians and Mexicans for more than 6 months.) That I was honorably discharged or surrendered.

Disbanded in Louisiana at close of war in 1865

(Give date and cause.)

that I have been a bona fide citizen of this State since prior to January 1, A. D. 1900, and have been continuously since a citizen of the State of Texas. I do further state that I do not hold any National, State, city or county office which pays me a salary or fees of \$300.00 per annum, nor have I an income from any other employment or other source whatever which amounts to \$300.00 per annum, nor do I receive from any source whatever money or other means of support amounting in value to the sum of \$300.00 per annum, nor do I own in my own right, nor does any one hold in trust for my benefit or use, nor does my own wife own, nor does any one hold in trust for my wife, estate or property, either real, personal or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the assessed value of over one thousand dollars, exclusive of a home of the value of not more than \$1000.00; nor do I receive any aid or pension from any other State, or from the United States, or from any other source, and that I am not an inmate of the Confederate Home, and I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

- 1. What is your age? 84
2. Where were you born? in Germany
3. How long have you resided in Texas? Since 1855
4. In what county do you reside? Anderson
5. How long have you resided in said county, and what is your postoffice address?

Since 1871 Palestine Texas.

6. Have you applied for a pension under the Confederate pension law and been rejected? If rejected, state when and where. No

7. What is your occupation, if able to engage in one? Carpenter What is your physical condition? fair

8. In what State was the command in which you served organized? Texas. - Enlisted in Band no

9. How long did you serve? Give, if possible, the date of enlistment and discharge. whole time

10. What was the letter of your company, number of battalion, regiment or battery?

7th Texas Cavalry



11. If transferred from one command to another, give time of transfer, name of command and time of service.

12. What branch of the service did you enlist in—infantry, cavalry, artillery or navy?

Cavalry

13. If commissioned direct by the President, what was your rank and line of duty?.....

Private

14. If detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, what was the nature of your service and how long did you serve?.....

Volunteer.

15. What is the assessed value of your home, if you own a home?.....

16. What is the assessed value of your other property?.....

None

17. Have you transferred to others any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law?.....

No

Wherefore your petitioner prays that his application for a pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant)

J. Mergenthal

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *8* day of *July* A. D. 191*7*

[Seal.]

County Judge *Anderson* County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[Note.—There must be at least two creditable witnesses.]

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of

Anderson

Before me *Mills Q. Reeves*, County Judge of *Anderson* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *John Mergenthal and Frank T. Reeves*,

known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know

John Mergenthal, the above named applicant for a pension, and that they personally know that the said *John Mergenthal* has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1900, and that they have no interest in his claim.

(Signature of Witness)

J. M. Mergenthal

(Signature of Witness)

J. C. Spencer

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this..... day of..... A. D. 191.....

[Seal.]

County Judge..... County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

(If possible the two witnesses should have served with the applicant in the army, and if so, let them, or either, state it in their oath, their source of knowledge; also any information regarding applicant's army service.)

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of

Anderson

Before me, *Mills Q. Reeves*, County Judge of *Anderson* County,

State of Texas, on this day personally appeared *J. C. Spencer*,

who are personally known to me to be creditable citizens, who, being by me sworn, on oath state that they are per-

sonally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in his application are correct and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in his claim, and said applicant's habits are good and free from dishonor. And *J* further make oath to the following facts touching the applicant's service in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge.)

My only knowledge is gained from conversations with Mr. Mergenthal and others who were in the same company with him. All of his comrades are dead as far I can know. I have the same ^{knowledge} that Mr. Mergenthal was in the Civil War that I have that Geo. Washington was in the Revolutionary War.

(Signature of Witness) *J. Spencer*

(Signature of Witness) _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this *13* day of *Feb.* A. D. 191*7*.

Miss Q. Rivers

County Judge *Anderson* County, Texas.

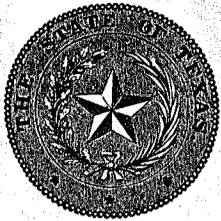
[Seal.]

CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, *R. R. Sadler* State and County Assessor in the County of _____ State of Texas, do certify that *J. Mergenthal*, or his wife or his trustee, or trustee for his wife, whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension, under the Act of the Thirty-third Legislature, approved April 7, 1913, is charged on the tax rolls of said county with a homestead of the value of *One thousand* Dollars, and of other property, real or personal, or both, of the value of *none* Dollars.

Given under my hand, this *13* day of *Feb.* A. D. 191*7* TX

R. R. Sadler
State and County Assessor.
By Irene Manley
Dputy



J. C. JONES, Commissioner

OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS
STATE OF TEXAS
AUSTIN

To the Adjutant General,
War Department,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to request the military record of John Mergenthal who is
reported to have enlisted in Company _____, Regiment 7 Texas Cavalry ✓
enlisted at San Antonio at beginning and
remained till end.

in service in the Confederate States Army.

Purpose: The _____ person above named is an applicant for a Confederate pension granted
by the State, and I desire to verify his proof of service.

Very respectfully,

J. C. Jones (TX)
Commissioner of Pensions.

Rec'd 4 A.S.O. FEB 17 1917

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WAR DEPARTMENT,

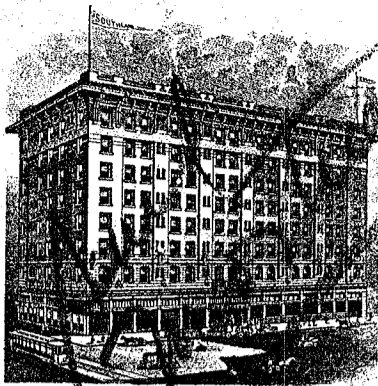
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, FEB 19 1917

Respectfully returned to
Commissioner of Divisions
State of Texas
Austin,

with the information that
John W. Houston
admitted a cash \$1501 as
a gift in 1895. E. J. Cook
rep. 1895. E. J. Cook
Evidently on roll from
Jan. 1895. 1895. 1895
in file. —
No record of cadet
or parole subsequent
May 1893

[Signature]
The Adjutant General.

Form No. 160-2—A. G. O.
Ed Sept. 20-16—15,000.



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DALLAS, TEXAS

June 27 1919

33805

Hon. H. B. Ferrell

Austin Tex.

Dear Sir

Am writing you to in-
form of the death of my husband
Jno. Kurgenthal of Palestine Tex
on Apr. 9th 1919. Confederate
veteran. Am also returning
you the check mailed him
and the proper papers to
continue pending me his portion
The check enclosed I was in-
formed to return to you so that
you would make out the
proper mortuary check &
mail to me Thanking you
in advance I am

Yours respect.

Mrs. Mena Kurgenthal
my permanent address is 542 E. 9th St.
Dallas Texas

July 8, 1919

Mrs. Mena Mergenthal,
542 E 9th St.
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Agreeable to your request I am enclosing Mortuary Application blanks, on account of the death of Mr. John Mergenthal, deceased Confederate pensioner. Please fill these blanks out and return to this Department as soon as possible, when a warrant for Thirty Dollars will be issued in your favor and mailed to your address.

It is possible that you are also entitled to receive Confederate pension, on account of the services of Mr. Mergenthal, and I am therefore enclosing blank application, which you will take to the county judge of the county of your residence, who will assist you in properly filling out same, after which you will return to this Department, and same will be given prompt attention.

Yours very truly,

Comptroller.



KR

ST. GEORGE HOTEL

ANSON CUNNINGHAM, Proprietor

*Answer
33805*

Dallas Aug 10 1919
Farmersville, Texas,

*H. B. Turner
State Camp,
Austin Tex*

Dear Sir:

*My application blank
for Meritary fund of the
Confederate Division of Pro-
perty of Palmetto No
#33805- has been misplaced
I will appreciate another
blank so can have same
filled out by my number
being 35943. Thanking
you in advance I am
yours very truly*

*Mrs. Anna Merquhart
5456 9th St
Dallas Tex*

RECEIVED OFFICE
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No. 4006



Aug. 13, 1919

Mrs. Mina Mergenthal,
542 E 9th St.
Dallas, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Complying with your request of 10th inst,
I am enclosing Mortuary Warrant application blanks,
on account of the death of Mr. John Mergenthal,
Confederate pensioner.

Please have the enclosed blanks filled
out and return to this Department at your earliest
convenience, when a warrant for Thirty Dollars
will be issued and mailed you.

Yours very truly,

Comptroller.



KR

E. L. STECK, AUSTIN

683-417-3M

MORTUARY WARRANT

In accordance with Law passed by Thirty-fifth Legislature of Texas in Regular Session

Dallas Texas, July 12th 1919.

STATE OF TEXAS

To Mrs. Mena Mergenthal Dr.

WRITE ADDRESS PLAINLY 542 E. 9th St., Sta. A, Dallas, Texas.

Account of Death of Pensioner No. 33805, County Anderson

Pensioner's Name in full John Mergenthal

ITEMIZE ACCOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THIRTY DOLLARS.

Funeral Expenses were nearly \$300.00, but this claim is

made for - - - - - \$30.00



To above account for Thirty and No/100 (\$30.00) Dollars Mrs. Mena Mergenthal

is just, due and unpaid.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12th day of July, 1919.

W. S. Skiles, Co. Clerk

Notary Public, Dallas County, Texas

By Fred Patrick, deputy

33805

No.

\$

..... Fund

OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS
STATE OF TEXAS
AUSTIN

Correct, for the sum of \$

Charge to

.....
Commissioner of Pensions.

Duplicate

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Dallas

Mrs Mena Mergenthal

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late John Mergenthal

of the State of Texas, and whose file number is 33805 and whose original county is Anderson

The said pensioner John Mergenthal died on the

8th day of April, 1919, in the town of Palestine

County of Anderson Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of His own wife who was related to the pensioner as

That the warrant which application is hereby made for, shall be applied to paying all or part of the expenses incurred by the said pensioner John Mergenthal

I further certify that the warrant for the current quarter has not been cashed by the pensioner, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I am related to the pensioner as (Friend) Wife

and that my home is in the town of Dallas, County of Dallas

State of Texas, that my postoffice address is 542 E. 9th.

Signed Mrs Mena Mergenthal

Before me, J. Garrison, a Notary Public in and for the County of Dallas, State of Texas, personally appeared Mrs Mena Mergenthal

(Seal of Office)

J. Garrison, Notary Public in and for Dallas Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, P. Bezel, do certify that I am an undertaker in the town of Palestine, County of Anderson, State of Texas

that I had charge of the body of John Mergenthal, who died in the town of Palestine, County of Anderson, State of Texas

on the 8 day of Apr 1919. That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 8 day of Apr 1919. That said body was buried in the

Cemetery, which is located in the County of Anderson State of Texas

and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said Mrs Mena Mergenthal, who makes the foregoing application.

Signed P. Bezel Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, E. V. Couverson, do certify that I am a practicing physician and that I attended Mrs Mergenthal in his last illness, and

am of the opinion that his ailments were General breaking down of old age. He had nephritis + Cerebritis + did fine toxemia



I further certify that I am of the opinion that the Mortuary Warrant above requested should be issued in the name of the aforementioned applicant, in accordance with Act passed by the Thirty-fifth Legislature, and approved 1917.

Signed E. V. Couverson Physician.

Physician's Address Palestine Texas

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