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Div. *W.O. No. 933300*

Ex'r.

Department of the Interior,
BUREAU OF PENSIONS,

The above title should be indorsed on every paper relating to this claim.

Washington, D. C., *May 7*, 19*10*

Madam:

In the above-entitled claim for pension, the evidence indicated in paragraph No. *58 and 9* should be furnished.

- No. 1. A certified copy of the letters of guardianship issued to the claimant, under seal of the court.
- No. 2. A verified copy of the public record, or, if no such record exists, the affidavit of the attending physician, showing the date and immediate cause of the soldier's death.
- No. 3. A verified copy of the public or church record of the soldier's marriage to the mother of the child; or, if no such records exist, the affidavit of the person who performed the ceremony; or, if that can not be procured, the testimony of credible persons who were present at the marriage, showing the date thereof.
- No. 4. Testimony of credible witnesses showing whether either the soldier or the mother of the child had been previously married. The death or divorce of the former consort or consorts, if any, should be proved:—in case of death, by a verified copy of the public record, or, if no such record exists, by the testimony of credible witnesses; in case of divorce, by a certified copy of the decree of the court.
- No. 5. Proof of the death, remarriage, or divorce of the mother of the child. If dead, a copy of the public record or testimony of credible witnesses showing the date of death; if remarried, evidence of the kind indicated above in paragraph No. 3, showing the date of remarriage; if divorced, a certified copy of the decree of the court.
- No. 6. Testimony of credible witnesses showing, in case the mother of the child died before the soldier, or was divorced from him, whether the soldier married again.
- No. 7. A verified copy of the public record, or of the church record of baptism; or, if no such records exist, the affidavit of the attending physician; or, if that can not be procured, the testimony of female attendants who can state how they are now able to fix the precise day, month, and year, showing the dates of birth of all living children of the soldier who were under sixteen years of age at the date of

— No. 8. Testimony of credible witnesses showing whether the child *for whom pension is claimed, namely, Florence and Odie Anderson*

are the only living children of the soldier, either by his last or by any former marriage, who *were* under sixteen years of age at the date of *death of widow*

— No. 9. Testimony of credible witnesses showing whether the child *are* for whom pension is claimed *are* living.

— Wherever it is indicated above that a fact may be proved by more than one kind of evidence, the classes of evidence are named in the order of their value. Evidence of a lower class will not be accepted unless it is shown that none of a higher class can be obtained. Copies of records should be attested by the officer having custody thereof; and if he has no seal by which to authenticate his signature, the attestation should be under oath.

— Witnesses must state their post-office addresses, ages, and means of knowledge of the facts to which they testify, and write their names immediately after their statements, leaving no blank space over their signatures; and it should appear in the jurats that they knew the contents of their affidavits, and that erasures or alterations, if any, were made before the oath was administered.

— This circular should be returned with the evidence.
Very respectfully,

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J. L. Waverly



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