

william mitchell

world war two

discharge interview

7 march 1946

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| IF DISCHARGE IS REPATRIATED PRISONER OF WAR MARK "POW" | IN HOSPITAL | |
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| ATTENTION Employment. |
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| 1. SURNAME MITCHELL | FIRST NAME William | INITIALS | RANK CSM | NUMBER B.100661 | SEX M |
| 2. DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF ACTIVE SERVICE:- 2 Sep. 1940 | | | PLACE Toronto | YR. OF BIRTH 1887 | |
| 3. SERVICE OUTSIDE CANADA:- | YES | NO | IN WHAT SERVICE? | | |
| | | X | Army | | |

4. CAUSE OF DISCHARGE:- **1029 (5c)(1)**

6. PRE-ENLISTMENT EDUCATION:-
Completed grade VIII in England (urban) at age 14 in 1901

6. LANGUAGES:-
English

7. OCCUPATIONAL HISTORY:-
**9 years - Fitter (automobile and machinist) in England.
3 years - 2 nd Engineer (steamfitting) in factory.
6 years - ran own fish and chips restaurant.
15 years- self employed ~~garage~~ operator and journeyman mechanic.**
garage

8. IMMEDIATE PRE-ENLISTMENT EMPLOYMENT:-
(WITH NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMPLOYER)
**Russell Construction Co., Toronto, Ont.
3 months Carpenter's helper.**

9. SHORT ACCOUNT OF SERVICE, TRAINING AND DUTIES:-
**First World War - 4 years Infantry.

Total service 67 months - Canada Infantry Corps.
Employment - promoted Sergeant - instructor immediately on enlistment
and instructed in all basic infantry subjects for 47 months.
Promoted to Company Sergeant-Major and for 20 months in charge of
company administrations, training of instructors and troops.
in infantry training company. (strength -500) Qualified in job-
method - instruction course (6 weeks)**

10. EDUCATIONAL COURSES WHILE IN SERVICE:-
Nil

11. MEDICAL OFFICER'S STATEMENT OF PHYSICAL LIMITATIONS (IF ANY):-
Not fit for any labouring job.

13. DISCHARGEES OWN STATEMENT OF FUTURE PLANS (IF ANY):-

No definite plan. I desire light employment, preferably administration interested in civil service. Machinery inspector, administration clerk or Dep.t of Veteran's Affairs investigator.

14. POST-DISCHARGE MAILING ADDRESS:-

98 Levey Ave., Toronto, Ont.
LEUTY

16. BASIS FOR COUNSELLOR'S RECOMMENDATIONS:-

CSM Mitchell is a vigorous capable man, younger looking than his 59 years. Though he will shortly be eligible for D.S. Pension, he prefers to work, stating the pension is much less than he can earn. He expressed interested in the Canadian Corps of Commissionaires and was referred to the Corps itself for further information. A rough carpenter, he intends to build a house under RMA using his credits.

For his present service ^{rank} he was employed as sergeant-instructor teaching all basic subjects for 47 months, and company sergeant major for 20 months. With this ~~work~~, he was in charge of instruction of NCO's and troops, in a training company about 500 strong. He was also responsible for administration, and due to shortage of officers, had to command the company on occasion.

His chief civilian occupations have been; fitter (motor vehicle and machinist) for 9 years in England; journeyman to mechanic and self employed garage operator for 15 years in Canada; second engineer in charge of steamfitting etc. in a large mfg. plant for 3 years; and self employed restauranteur (fish and chips) for 6 years.

Obviously Sergeant-Major Mitchell has broad mechanical knowledge as well as administration ability. Though anxious to find suitable employment, he has no definite plan. M.O.'s statement (not fit for any laboring job) would seem to include the mechanical trades in which Mitchell has had experience. However, with a fine sense of responsibility he should be suitable as inspector of mechanical equipment either in civil service or industry. Even an inspector's job which would not use his trade knowledge interests him, as do such jobs as administration clerk, investigator, (social services, gov't departments)

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16. ACTION RECOMMENDED:-

Classification - Seek employment.

Recommendation - Apply for civil service position as inspector (Machinery) administrator clerk, investigator etc.

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17. OTHER POSSIBILITIES SUGGESTED BY COUNSELLOR:-

Apply for Can. Corps of Commissionaires for employment.

Apply for DS Pension when eligible by age.

18. REFERRED TO:-

M.E.S. - 172 Spadina Ave., Toronto, Ont.

D.V.A - Credits - 55 York St., Toronto, Ont.

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DATE

Toronto, Ont. 7 March. 1946

SIGNATURE OF COUNSELLOR

J. A. McNeil Lt.
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RANK OR APPOINTMENT

Army Counsellor (6)

NOTE: - COUNSELLOR WILL CHECK TO SEE THAT THIS FORM HAS BEEN COMPLETED AS REQUIRED.