

# World War One News



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## Monthly News from Home & Abroad



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### December 1917

- 1st December** Permanent Allied Supreme War Council inaugurated. The last German forces driven out of German East Africa into Portuguese territory.
- 2nd December** Suspension of hostilities between the Russian and German Armies begins.
- 6th December** Finland declares independence. United States Battleship Division, under Rear-Admiral Rodman, joins Grand Fleet at Scapa Flow.
- 7th December** United States of America declare war on Austria-Hungary.
- 8th December** All hostilities on the Eastern front suspended.
- 9th December** Jerusalem surrenders to British forces. Italian naval raid on Trieste harbour. Austrian battleship "Wien" sunk.
- 10th December** Hostilities between Rumania and the Central Powers cease. Panama declares war on Austria-Hungary.
- 12th December** Funchal (Madeira) shelled by German submarine. German destroyers raid British convoy in the North Sea and sink H.M.S. "Partridge".
- 13th December** Armistice negotiations on Russian front resumed.
- 14th December** French cruiser "Château Renault" sunk by submarine.
- 15th December** Armistice signed at Brest-Litovsk between Russian Bolshevik Government and Bulgaria, Central Powers and Turkey, to begin at noon December 17th, and terminate January 14th, 1918. "Second Offensive Battle" of Verdun ends.
- 16th December** Cuba declares war on Austria-Hungary.
- 30th December** British defence of Jerusalem ends.

### BORTH news extra from November

**Shoemith Evans**, R.F.A., son of Mr. John Evans, Taicanol, is home on short leave. Close upon 20 bales of cork have been picked up along the shore from Borth to Ynyslas. **Sapper S. Trevor Morris** returned to France on Tuesday morning after spending a few days at his home in Libanus-place. **Pte. J. Simon**, son of Captain and Mrs. J. Simon, has been promoted lance-corporal. On Friday. **Mr. D. Idwal Jones**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jones, Cambrian-terrace, left to take up duties as an air mechanic. News was received on Monday that the steamship on which Capt. Jones, Craiglea, was master, had been sunk. Among the crew were the Captain's son Horace, Messrs. H. L. Williams, Leron and D. Hughes, York House, and Emlyn Herbert, Gerydon. The crew were all saved and landed. This is the second time the ship on which Mr. H. L. Williams sailed has been sunk. **Pte. D. J. Richards**, who was taken seriously ill in France is in hospital in Manchester and progressing favourably. On Sunday at Libanus Chapel, **Private Alun Evans**, gave an excellent rendering of the solo, "He Will Wipe Away All Tears." Pte Evans returned to France on Wednesday. **Private David Andrews**, son of Mr Andrews, Railway Hotel, is home on short furlough.

**Private Wm. Benjamin Davies**, brother of Mrs. Matthews, Leronian House, has been discharged from the army, having been wounded three times, at Laventio, Mametz Wood, and Messines Ridge. The Commanding Officer spoke very highly of him as having a good record as a soldier. **Pte. W. D. Jenkins**, Welsh Guards, son of Mrs. Jenkins, Brynteg, is home on leave from hospital.

### BORTH

Though a thorough patrol of the Coast from Borth to Ynyslas and Aberdovey is made, nothing has been seen of the occupants of the boat recently washed ashore at Aberdovey.

The pupils of the National School have despatched this week another parcel of cigarettes for the blinded soldiers and sailors at St. Dunstan's. **Seaman Evan Wm. Lewis**, Dalston House, and **Private David Hughes**, Boston House, are On Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Watkin, on their retirement from the Post Office, were presented by Miss Bathurst. on behalf of the majority of the inhabitants, with a Treasury note case (presented by the postmen), containing £.27, with a list of the 163 subscribers. They retire from the Post Office with the best wishes of their numerous friends. The collectors were Miss Bathurst and Miss Cassie Jones, Miss A. B. James and Miss Simon, Mrs Parry and Miss Roberts, Mr. Jack Arter and Mr. Isaac Pritchard. Mr John Edwards, son of Mr. Rowland Edwards, The Crossing, has obtained the master mariner's certificate.

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