

World War One News



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Monthly News from Home & Abroad



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February 1917

- 1st German "unrestricted submarine warfare" begins. Norwegian Government forbid all foreign submarines to use Norwegian territorial waters.
- 3rd United States of America sever diplomatic relations with Germany.
- 8th British operations against the Senussi come to an end.
- 14th British Government inform Japanese Government that they will support Japanese claims to German possessions north of the Equator if it is understood that Japan will support similar British claims south of the Equator. British Government give pledge in House of Commons that the restitution of Alsace-Lorraine is an object of the war.
- 17th Australian War Government formed.
- 20th Inter-Allied Conference ["Commission de Ravitaillement"] at Petrograd dissolves.
- 24th Battle of Kut, 1917, ends. Turkish Army retreats from Kut.
- 25th German forces withdraw from front line positions on the Ancre as part of the **withdrawal to the Hindenburg Line**. The pursuit to Baghdad begins. German destroyer raid on Margate and Broadstairs. British S.S. "Laconia" sunk by submarine.
- 26th President Wilson in address to Congress asks for power to arm merchant ships. Anglo-French Conference assembles at Calais to discuss operations, the co-operation of the armies and the co-ordination of operations by the French Commander-in-Chief.
- 27th President Wilson states that he considers sinking of "Laconia" the "overt act" for which he was waiting.
- 28th German proposals to Mexico for alliance against the United States published in the American Press.

BORTH.

RETIREMENT. Capt. Evan Davies, a native of Borth, who was dock pilot at Port Talbot

RESOLUTION. A teachers meeting I was held in Libanus after the evening service when it was decided that a treat and entertainment should be given to the Sunday School children in Easter week. The young women members were entrusted, with the arrangements for the treat.

THE WEATHER. Sliding has been in full swing, the meadows having been frozen hard.

FOR THE FORCES. On Monday morning Mr. Edwin Jenkins left for Brecon. His brother William is with the Welsh Guards. Both are sons of Mrs. Jenkins, Brynteg.

Pte. D. G. Richards is convalescent after his recent illness. He is performing light duties and is expected home shortly.

Captain H. Bostock and Lieut. Bostock, who were wounded some time ago, are now spending a few days at Borth.

Corpl. Howard Roberts met Pte. Ivor Edwards, London, grandson of Captain Thomas, Angorfa, in the support trenches in France on Wednesday, February 7th. Seaman T. Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jones, Troedyrhiw, came across two Borth boys in East Africa. They were John J. Davies and John W. Davies, Wesleyan Cottages.

Miss Eluned Evans, second daughter of the Rev. J. C. Evans, left on Tuesday for Shrewsbury to take up a clerkship in the Army Pay Corps. The eldest daughter of the rev. gentleman left last week to take up duties as dispenser at a hospital in Shrewsbury. He has also two sons and two daughters serving their country.