

World War One News



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Monthly News from Home & Abroad



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March 1917

1st British hospital ship "Glenart Castle" damaged by mine between Havre and Southampton.

2nd Hamadan (Western Persia) recaptured by Russian forces.

7th Passage of the Diyala (near Baghdad).

11th Baghdad occupied by British forces.

12th Russian Revolution begins. United States Government announce arming of all merchant vessels in the war zone.

16th Action between German raider "Leopard" and H.M.S. "Achilles".

17th Roye occupied by French forces. Bapaume occupied by British forces. German airship "L.-39" destroyed at Compiègne when returning from raid on England.

18th German destroyer raid on Ramsgate and Broadstairs.

21st British hospital ship "Asturias" torpedoed off Start Point.

24th British offensive into Palestine begins.

30th British hospital ship "Gloucester Castle" torpedoed between Havre and Southampton, but towed in.

BORTH. St. David's Day was observed at a Welsh national flag day. The collectors, who were dressed in the Welsh national costumes, were Miss A. C. Jones, Haselmere; Miss Annie Jones, Glendower; Miss Lloyd, Sunny Side; Miss Davies, Ballarat; Miss Doris Rees, Taliesin; Miss Llewelyn, Bronheilyn; Miss M. B. Jenkins, Everton; Miss Meddings, Alma Place; Miss Bertha Davies, Nathaniel; and Miss Rosa Herbert. Gerydon; The sum of £12 was realized. Seaman T. Jones. R.N., son of Mr and Mrs. Jones, Troedyrhiw, came home on Thursday and left on Monday to re-join his ship. The accounts of Libanus Chapel were read by the Secretary (Mr W. D. Jones, Bodfor), on Sunday evening, from which it appeared the church was still flourishing; The total collections for all causes during the year amounted to £200.00 The pastor (the Rev. J. C. Evans), Mr. L. Davies. Pomona and Mr. W. T. Lewis made touching references to the losses the church had sustained through deaths during the year. An enjoyable afternoon was spent in the National School on St. David's Day. The afternoon was devoted to the singing of folk songs, the greater part of the morning having been occupied in recitations and lessons in connection with the life of the Patron Saint. A lifelike enlargement of the Late Pte. David John Jones, son of Mr W. D. Jones, Bodfor, was unveiled. He was in the Canadian Infantry and was the first Borth lad to lose his life in action. Miss Bathurst addressed the children on first Borth lad to lose his life in action. Miss Bathurst addressed the children on the sacrifice the deceased had made, saying it was a great honour to have the photograph of such a hero on the walls.' The enlargement was made and given by Mr. R. Williams, Drug Stores. The Vicar as chairman of the managers suitably referred to the manly bearing and high character borne by the deceased and exhorted the boys to strive to do their duty. The children sent a large consignment of eggs to the national collection and are sending a further supply this week. They have also sent cigarettes to the hospital in Aberystwyth. At the Council School preparations for St. David's Day had been going on for some time. It was made an occasion for leading the thoughts of the children towards higher ideals of patriotism and citizenship. A feature was the singing of folk songs. The attempt at reviving inspiring memories of the past would be lost if the old songs and the old language were ignored. Important developments are taking place in Wales and interesting facts concerning past history of the land were treated. These were adopted in order to induce the children to place due value on their great inheritance and to show that Wales needs men and women who are prepared to make sacrifices. At the request of Miss Clifford Browne the children collected 320 eggs during last week which have been sent to the wounded soldiers in hospitals.