

Monthly News from Home & Abroad



December 1916

7th Mr. Lloyd George succeeds Mr. Asquith as British Premier.

11th Ministry of Labour formed in Great Britain.

13th British operations for the capture of Kut begin.

15th British Government recognise the "King of the Arabs" as the King of the Hejaz.

18th "First Offensive Battle" of Verdun ends.

19th British Government decide to institute National Service.

21st El Arish (Sinai) occupied by British force.

22nd Ministry of Food formed in Great Britain. Ministry of Pensions formed in Great Britain. Ministry of Shipping formed in Great Britain.

26th General Joffre created Marshal of France. Lord Devonport appointed Food Controller, Great Britain.

27th French battleship "Gaulois" sunk by submarine in the Mediterranean.

31st Campaign of the Sudan forces in Darfur comes to an end. Raspútin murdered in Petrograd.

BORTH.

ON FURLOUGH. Pte. W. D. Jones, Vaynol, who is in training near Liverpool, came home on Saturday on short leave.

CHRISTMAS PUDDING FUND. The Committee met on Wednesday of last week to prepare and pack parcels of Christmas gifts to the seventy boys with the colours at the various fronts. Thirty parcels were sent containing eatables, cigarettes, and tobacco. A card with the following inscription was enclosed: Look you, we love you, The God above you bless you and keep you, May this Xmas cheer you With the things that we wish you, May victory attend you In the New Year before you, We always remember you, We never forget you, All Borth will honour, With respect to each one of you, When Borth can welcome you, Meanwhile, God bless you. The remaining forty men who are mostly stationed in England are to receive postal orders.

SAD DEATH. Mr. and Mrs. Jenkin Jones, Caradog. Received news on Saturday from the Admiralty stating that wreckage had been picked up off Montrose with s.s. "Cannangian" on and in which ship their eldest son (Mr. Daniel Jones) was chief engineer. Particulars have not yet been received. Another son is also on sea. Mr. Jones was much liked, especially by those who sailed with him.

DISCHARGED. W. J. Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jones, Craig- fryn. has been discharged. He came home shortly before the outbreak of war and worked in South Wales, where he joined the R.F.A. In February, 1915 he was invalided home from France after ten months service. Mr. Jones is now in hospital in Aldershot suffering from an affected lung and has had his discharge.

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