

World War One News



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Monthly News from Home & Abroad



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November 1915

1st November

Kragujevatz (North Serbia) taken by Austro-German forces.

Battle of Dvinsk ends.

2nd November

British Premier (Mr Asquith) declares Serbian independence to be an essential object of the war.

4th November

Lord Kitchener leaves England for the Dardanelles.

5th November

German airship "L.Z.-39" destroyed near Grodno.

7th November

German cruiser "Undine" sunk by British submarine "E.-19"

Italian S.S. "Ancona" sunk by Austrian submarine.

10th November

Indian Corps begins to leave France for Mesopotamia.

Lord Kitchener arrives at the Dardanelles.

11th November

First British advance on Baghdad begins.

16th November

Babuna Pass and Prilep (South Serbia) taken by Bulgarian forces.

17th November

British hospital ship "Anglia" sunk by mine off Dover.

22nd November

Battle of Ctesiphon (Mesopotamia) begins.

General Sir H. Smith-Dorrien appointed Commander-in-Chief of British forces in East Africa [Did not take over command owing to illness.]

26th November

BORTH. Obituary. This week a mournful gloom was cast over the village by the death of two well-known and notable inhabitants. On Friday morning the death occurred of Mr William R. Roberts 4, Cambrian-terrace. At the age of eighty-four years. He had been confined to bed for the past seven weeks. He was a native of Bethesda, Caernarvonshire, and came to Borth forty-one years ago when he opened business as a grocer and confectioner. He retired from business twelve years ago. For a period of thirty years he acted as precentor at, Libanus Chapel where he, had also occupied the position of deacon for the past fifteen years. In recognition of his valuable services he was presented with gold-rimmed spectacles and a purse of gold. He was a staunch Liberal. He had always taken the keenest interest in local affairs and was popularly referred to as the "Mayor of Borth". His wife predeceased him several years ago. He is survived by two sons, Mr. H. W. Roberts, Borth and Mr H. Roberts, Pencoed, Bridgend, and a daughter. Mrs Jenkins, with whom he resided. The funeral took place on Tuesday afternoon at Penygarn. The Revs. J. C. Evans D. Caron Jones, and J. Llewelyn officiated at the funeral.

The death occurred on Sunday of Mr. Henry Stinchcombe at the age of sixty-seven years. He was a native of Gloucestershire. For twenty-six years he was stationmaster at Borth and removed to take up a similar position at Tylwch twelve years ago. While at Borth he delivered many lectures illustrated by lantern slides on the virtues of temperance. He was also a sidesman at St. Mathew's Church. He was nine years ago predeceased by his wife. He is survived by two sons, Mr G. W. Stinchcombe, at Llwyngwrl, and Mr Walter Stinchcombe, who is employed on the L. and N. W. Railway clerical staff. The funeral took place at Llanfihangel on Wednesday when a number of old friends acted as bearers.