

# World War One News



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## Monthly News from Home & Abroad



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### April 1917

3rd H.M.S. "Jason" (torpedo gunboat) sunk by mine off west coast of Scotland.

4th Khanaqin (North-East of Baghdad) again occupied by Russian forces.

5th German withdrawal to the Hindenburg Line completed.

6th United States of America declare war on Germany.

7th Cuba and Panama declare war on Germany.

8th Austria-Hungary severs diplomatic relations with United States of America.

10th British hospital ship. "Salta" mined off Havre.

11th Brazil severs diplomatic relations with Germany.

13th Bolivia severs diplomatic relations with Germany.

14th Battle of Vimy Ridge and First Battle of the Scarpe end.

23rd Second Battle of the Scarpe 1917.

24th Samarra (Mesopotamia) taken by British forces.

26th Second German destroyer raid on Ramsgate.

27th Guatemala severs diplomatic relations with Germany.

28th United States Congress pass Bill for raising 500,000 men.

29th General Pétain appointed Chief of French General Staff.

30th Mush (Armenia) occupied by Turkish forces.

**BORTH.** Miss Jennie Davies. Trigfan. and Miss Martha Lloyd. Sunnyside, left on Monday to take up Red Cross work in Oswestry. A football match was played on Good Friday between an Aberystwyth team and the Borth team, the home team winning by three goals to one. Private T. Jones, Craigrfryn and Seaman J. Brodigan have been home. The pupils of the National School sent a consignment of eggs to Netley Hospital so as to arrive on Easter Sunday, last week. Over 400 eggs altogether have been collected and about 600 cigarettes and sent to different hospitals, A letter has been received from France from a New Zealander and also an Englishman thanking the children.

Three boxes and a mast have been washed ashore at Borth, the boxes containing gun powder.

The total proceeds of the Y.W.C.A. day on Saturday, April 7th, amounted to £12 6s. 0d. The annual eisteddfod was held at Soar Chapel on Good Friday. The proceeds amounted to £8.00 which will be devoted to the Y.M.C.A. The pulpit of Shiloh was occupied by the Rev. D.E. Jones, Blaenau Festiniog; of Soar by the Rev. O. H. Jones, Llanilar; and of the Congregational Chapel by the Rev. Griffith Parry, Llanbadarn. The Rev. J. C. Evans occupied the pulpit of Libanus. A cantata, "David the Shepherd Boy," was given in Soar Chapel, Dr. James presiding. The following were the characters:

(David), Mr Tom Rees, Dolau; (Jonathan), Mr. D. J. Morgan, Bow Street; (Saul), Mr. T. E. Williams, St. Albans; (Samuel), Captain Davies, Maesteg (Shepherd and Attendant), Miss M. E. Hughes, Bryntirion, and Mrs. Arter, Bay View (Michael), Miss Beynon Evelwen; (Shepherds), Messrs. T. Davies, Trigfan, D. Thomas and A. Rees. On Tuesday St. Matthew's vestry was held when there was a good attendance. The year's accounts were passed and officers elected. Mr Watkins was again chosen by the Vicar for his warden. Three gentlemen were nominated as people's warden, and Mr. J. Matthews was unanimously chosen. Sidesmen and other church officers were re-elected. Pte. James Jenkins, Moreland Cottage, came home on leave over the week-end, and Corpl. R. Hughes, Bryntirion, came home on Sunday. Corpl. Hughes's sister, Miss M. L. Hughes, accompanied by Miss Gwladys Jones, Caradog, left on Monday to take up Red Cross duties in Cardiff. The death took place on Saturday at the age of seventy-six of Captain Hughes, York House. Deceased, who retired from the sea about twelve years ago, leaves a widow and a son, Seaman Richard Hughes. He was much respected throughout Borth.