
**MILITARY SERVICE PENSIONS
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**2nd MONAGHAN BRIGADE
5th NORTHERN DIVISION**

**MILITARY ARCHIVES
IRELAND**

ACTIVITIES IN CO. MONAGHAN 1920-21.

- 14th Feb. 1920 - Ballytrain Bks. attacked, explosives used. Bks. rushed and captured. Lasted 4 hrs. Led by O. O'Duffy.
- 9th Aug. 1920 - R.I.C. disarmed near Clones.
- 1st Jan. 1921 - Police patrol fired on in Ballybay, 1 killed, 3 wounded, 1 Volunteer killed. A relief party of police turned back being warned of an ambush.
- 20th Jan. 1921 - Attack on police at Stranooden, 2 killed, 1 wounded. Reprisals.
- 11th Feb. 1921 - Patrol fired on at Carrickmacross. Two wounded.
- 13th Apl. 1921 - Police fired on at Laragh.
- 28th Apl. 1921 - Ballybay R.I.C. barracks attacked. No casualties.
- 30th Apl. 1921 - Attacks on Carrickmacross and Castleblaney Bks. Attempt was made to blow up Carrickmacross with gelignite put in the fire place next door.
- 25th May, 1921 - Constable wounded at Annyalla.
- 31st May, 1921 - Police patrol ambushed at Tullyvarragh between Carrickmacross and Castleblaney. 1 killed.
- 16th June 1921 - Constable wounded at Ballybay.

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"MONAGHAN BATTALION."

No. 2. BRIGADE.

5th. NORTHERN DIVISION.

Particulars of Operations carried out -Period 1st. April 1920 to 31st. March-21

1. Burning of Enemy Barracks and Courthouse at Clontibret, Smithboro, and Middletown. April 1920.
2. Ambush British Military at Bragan, Co. Monaghan. April 1920.
3. General Raid for arms in Battalieu area on enemy population August 1920.
Note :- One I.R.A. man killed and at least three others wounded. Considerable amount of arms captured.
4. Seizure from Monaghan Courthouse of rate Books under enemy fire. September 1920.
5. Two raids on trains at Smithboro for enemy mails and enemy employees of the G.N.R. in September 1920 and November 1920.
6. Two raids on trains at Glaslough In August 1920 and November 1920 for enemy mails and G.N.R. employees.
7. Attack on R.I.C. at Monaghan. January 1921. (one wounded)
8. Ambush of Black and Tans at Straneden, 22nd Jany 1921(3.killed)
9. Attack on Police patrol and barracks at Castleblayney. Jany 1921.
10. Raid for Arms on Ulster Specials at Annyart, Castleblayney, Feby-21.
11. Disarming of British Forces at Tyholland in February 1921.
12. Raid of G.N.R. train at Glaslough for enemy employees. March 1921.
13. Reprisals on enemy population for burning and looting of Catholic property at Rosslea, co. Fermanagh.
Armed struggles took place with the enemy population defending their property. March 1921.
14. Raid for Arms on Ulster Specials at Drumhillary, Co. Armagh in which a large consignment was captured. March 1921.

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15. Rescue of Commandt. F. Fitzpatrick (a wounded prisoner) from
armed British Military and Police at the County Infirmary,
Monaghan. March 1921. (one I. R.A. man wounded)

16. Intensive enforcement of Belfast Boycott, raiding for enemy
Mails, Guarding Head-quarters and Local Officers, blocking
roads. Enforcing decrees of republican Courts and
otherwise impeding the activities of the enemy forces with
civil and military.
(During whole period)

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" PARTICULARS OF OPERATIONS CARRIED OUT "

Period from 1st. April 1921 to 11th July 1921.

1. Ambush of British Armed Forces at Greenmount, Castleshane,
Co. Monaghan. April 1921.
2. Raiding and burning of goods train at Glaslough, Co. Monaghan.
Conveying Belfast Goods. April 1921.
3. Ambush of Black and Tans at Castleblayney. April 1921.
4. Ambush of Black and Tan Patrol at Newbliss, Co. Monaghan. April 1921.
5. Ambush of Black and Tan Patrol and seizure of arms at Annayalla,
Castleblayney, Co. Monaghan. (one enemy wounded) May 1921.
6. Ambush of Auxiliaries at Caranagh, Co. Armagh, two I.R.A. men
killed and one wounded. (one enemy wounded) June 1921.
7. Intensive enforcement of Belfast Boycott, raiding for enemy mails,
etc. Guarding Headquarters and Local Officers, Blocking roads.
Enforcement of decrees of Republican Courts, and otherwise
impeding the activities of the enemy forces, both civil and
military during whole period.

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"Raids For Arms"

August 1920

House of Thomas Reddick, Brynlitter, Clontibret. (1. I.R.A. man wounded)

Houses of Robert Meaklim, Crumlin, Silverstream, and James Campbell,
Crumlin, Silverstream, armed resistance at these two houses.
(Two Shot Guns and some catridges captured)

Houses of Robert Greacen, Drumbear, Monaghan and Henry Jackson,
Tandergree Bane, Monaghan.

House of Willie Elliot, Aughtnamulla, Smithboro. (1.wounded, no arms got)

House of Sam Moore, Gortnana, Stranooden. (1.I.R.A. man Killed, Owen Keenan)

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"Ballytrain Barracks". Period - 1st April 1919 - 31st. March 1920.

Frank Grey, ✓

James Hughes, ✓

Eddie Hughes, ✓

John Hunt,

Louis Clinton,

~~James~~ Francis McGrory, ✓

James Flynn, ✓

John McCann, ✓

George McEnaney, ✓

Thomas Leonard, ✓

Tamlet, Siverstream, Monaghan.

Fedoo, Castleshane, Monaghan.

Alkill, Castleshane, Monaghan.
England.

United Staes, America.

Belguim Square, Monaghan.

Hill Street, Monaghan.

Market St., Monaghan.

Old Cross Square, Monaghan.

Magherarney, Smithboro.

*memo
The names of these
men are also given
on urgent list.*

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4TH BATTALION, 2ND. BRIGADE, 5TH. NORTHERN DIVISION.

OPERATIONS CARRIED OUT BY 4th. Battalion, from 1st. April, 1920 to 31st. MARCH, 1921.

1. Burning of Rockcorry R.I.C. Barrack (April.)
2. Raid for Poteen. (June)
3. Raid on Stuarts of Drum. (Hostile village). (June)
4. Capture of hostile workers of train at Newbliss Rly. Station. (August).
5. Raid on Mail train at Glaslough Rly. Station. (August)
6. General raid for arms; fight at Millars and Crawfords (man killed); fight at Hawthornes. (Hawthorne wounded and two of our men wounded); fight at Fleming's (man killed); fight at Moffett's and Lester's (man wounded). (August and September).
7. Attempted ambush in Ballybay (called off by Brigadier when men in position). (November)
8. Raid for petrol at Ballybay Railway Station, within a few yards of R.I.C. Barrack. (November.)
9. Fight with armed "Specials" at Rockcorry. (December.)
10. Raid for ammunition at Drumgrole. (December.)
11. Ambush in Ballybay (2 enemy killed and others wounded also one of our men wounded). (January.)
12. Ambush in Castleblayney. *(January)*
13. Ambush ~~in~~ at Sporthall. *(January)*
14. Fight with Tans and Military at A.S.U. Camp at Garrybawn. (Jany.)
15. Raid on Mail train at Doohamlet. *(March)*

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Ballybay
4TH. BATTALION, 2nd. BRIGADE, 5th. NORTHERN DIVISION.

OPERATIONS CARRIED OUT BY 4TH. BATTALION from 1st. APRIL,
1921 TO 11th. JULY, 1921.

1. Shooting spies and informers at Tullycorbett, Drumgarra and Latton. (April.)
 2. Raid on Mail train at Doohamlet. (April.)
 3. Blocking roads, cutting telegraph wires; general raiding for petrol and mails. (May)
 4. Ambush at Latton Five Crosses. (May). *Drumgarra Sullivan doesn't know of it.*
 5. Firing at passing Military at Latton. (May) *> Drumgarra*
 6. Trailing "B" Special organiser (June.)
 7. Burning Leslie Castle, Ballybay. (June.)
 8. Burning breadvan and ambushing Military at Tullycorbett. (June.)
 9. Ambush at Ballybay in connection with attack on Carrickmacross R.I.C. Barrack. (June.)
 10. Burning Fitzherberts Castle at Loughagish. (June.)
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CARRICKMACROSS BATTALION

CO. MO NAGHAN I.R.A.

PARTICULARS OF MAJOR OPERATIONS CARRIED OUT BETWEEN THE

1st APRIL 1920 AND 31st MARCH 1921.

1920.

SEPTEMBER 1st. RAIDS FOR ARMS. RESISTANCE OFFERED AT TWO H

houses . ONE MEMBER I.R.A. SHOT DEAD AT CORGREAGH,

ANOTHER WOUNDED IN HEAD AT SHANCO. (WHITES HOUSE)

1921

FEBRUARY 11th.

ATTACK ON POLICE PATROL ON CHURCH HILL,
TOWN OF CARRICKMACROSS. ONE VOLUNTEER SERDOUSEY
INJURED ABOTHER SLIGHT WOUND. (ONE BLACK AND TAN
WOUNDED IN KNEE.

P. J. O'Daly
Ex Ball Comdnt.
15/2/37.

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CARRICKMACROSS BATTALION

COUNTY MONAGHAN I.R.A.

PARTICULARS OF MAJOR OPERATION CARRIED OUT BETWEEN

1st APRIL 1921² and 11th JULY, 1921. (9)

MAY 1st. ATTACK ON POLICE BARRICKS IN CARRICKMACROSS LASTING
NEARLY TWO HOURS. ONE I.R.A. MEMBER WOUNDED, ABOUT
50 MEN TOOK PART IN ATTACK.

MAY 30th. ATTACK ON POLICE PATROL AT CORRINSLUGAGH (NEAR
TULLYVARA) ON ROAD BETWEEN CARRICKMACROSS AND
CASTLEBLAYNEY. ONE BLACK AND TAN KILLED.
15 MEMBERS I.R.A. TOOK PART IN ATTACK.

P. Jodaly

Ex Batt Commdk.

15/2/37.

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