

War of Independence

Diary of Mayo Events

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PLACE	DATE	INCIDENT
Westport	30/3/19	J. C. Milling R.M. shot dead.
Westport	01/4/19	Westport declared a military area.
Westport	14/4/19	SF club closed by police.
Westport	11/5/19	BF (British Forces) refuse to admit Irish-American delegates to Westport.
Ballyhaunis	04/4/20	IRA attack on RIC patrol. 2 RIC wounded.
Ballinrobe	17/5/20	First public Dáil court held.
Westport	30/5/20	Lands of Lord Sligo taken over by workers for tillage and milch cows.
Swinford	17/7/20	IRA attack BF patrol. 2 BF wounded.
Ballina	22/7/20	IRA attack RIC patrol. 1 RIC dead, 1 wounded, patrol surrenders.
Castlebar	26/7/20	BF suppress Dáil court.
Ballyhaunis	01/8/20	IRA attack BF guard on lorry near Ballyhaunis. 3 BF wounded.

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Swinford	19/8/20	IRA burn British stores at Swinford relay station.
Mayo	12/2/21	IRA seize account book of Mayo County Council.
Partry	07/3/21	IRA attack BF at Partry. 1 BF dead, 2 wounded.
Carrowkennedy	22/3/21	IRA attack RIC patrol. 1 RIC dead, 3 wounded.
Ballyhaunis	29/3/21	Constable Stephenson RIC wounded.
Kilmovee	29/3/21	James Mulrennan wounded by BF.
Ballyhaunis	01/4/21	Seán Corcoran IRA shot dead by RIC at Crossard, Ballyhaunis. Mullins wounded.
Bonniconlon	03/4/21	IRA attack RIC motor patrol near Bonniconlon. 1 RIC wounded.
Ballina	15/4/21	IRA attack RIC patrol at Ballina. 2 RIC wounded.
Clogher Cross	23/4/21	IRA attack RIC motor party.
Tourmakeady	03/5/21	IRA attack RIC lorry party at Tourmakeady. 4 RIC dead, 3 wounded. BF re-inforcements engaged by IRA. 1 BF dead, some wounded. Patrick Feeney IRA dead.
Castlebar	05/5/21	IRA attack RIC lorry party near Islandeady, Castlebar. 2 IRA dead, 2 wounded.
Westport	08/5/21	IRA attack RIC patrol at Westport. 5 RIC wounded.
Ballindine	09/5/21	T. Hopkins RIC Constable home on leave shot dead.
Tomroe	14/5/21	RIC surprise and engage IRA road blocking party.

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Newport	18/5/21	IRA attack RIC Bks. 1 Sgt dead, 1 Constable wounded.
Kilmeena	19/5/21	IRA attack RIC lorry party. 1 RIC dead, some wounded. James MacEivilly, P. Smith, J. Staunton and J. Collins IRA dead, others wounded.
Kilmovee	22/5/21	IRA attack RIC Barracks.
Glenhest/Newport	22/5/21	IRA and RIC engage in mountains. 1 RIC dead, 1 wounded. J. Browne IRA dead.
Bunree	23/5/21	James Howley wounded by BF while avoiding arrest.
Foxford	23/5/21	RIC Bks. attacked.
Ballina	24/5/21	IRA attack and wound D.I. White RIC.
Ballyhaunis	29/5/21	Boland shot dead at Aughamore, Ballyhaunis by BF.
Carrowkennedy	02/6/21	IRA attack RIC lorry patrol. D.I. and 5 RIC dead, 4 wounded, 2 die later. RIC surrender. IRA capture all arms including 2 Lewis guns and 3 lorries.
Foxford	13/6/21	Unknown man found shot dead near Foxford.
Ballyhaunis	16/6/21	IRA attack RIC Barracks.
Clydagh	26/6/21	IRA and RIC conflict at Clydagh. Patrick Nealon IRA dead, several captured.
Ballina	05/7/21	Sergeant Foody RIC found shot dead at Carralavin, Ballina, labelled 'Revenge for Dwyer and the Ragg'.

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