

PARTICULARS OF MAJOR OPERATIONS CARRIED OUT IN 2nd.
BATTALION AREA, 7th. BRIGADE, 1st. EASTERN DIVISION.

July 6th. 1921.

Armed attack on British Military Stores at
Newbridge, Co. Kildare.

Two lorries were commandeered for the occasion
and were driven by Patrick McGee, Battalion Engineer,
and Patrick Keegan, Athgarvan Company.

Roads leading to Newbridge were blocked and scouts
were posted at various parts, as per Sketch Map
enclosed. A small quantity of arms and ammunition and
a large supply of other goods were seized and taken
away in the two lorries.

The stores were fired and burned down, but the alarm
was given and the British Military turned out from
the Barracks which was only a quarter of a mile away.
They opened fire and the fire was returned by the
Volunteers but the two lorries got away. There were

no casualties on the Volunteer side, and it is not
known if there were any casualties on the British
side.

One of the lorries broke down at Athgarvan, about two
miles away, and was captured by the British, but the
other one got away and reached the Active Service
Unit Camp near Ballymore-Eustace safely.

Twenty-one Volunteers took part in this engagement
and the following nine were armed and took part in
the attack :-

Michael Smyth, 7 Artillery Place, NEWBRIDGE,
Battalion O.C.
Patrick McGee, Friary Rd., Naas.
Battalion Engineer.
William Jones, Kinneagh, Curragh Camp.
Battalion Officer of Training.
Patrick Kelly, Moorfield, Newbridge.
Thomas Martin, Eyre Street, Newbridge.
(deceased)
Peter Roche, Market Square, Newbridge.
(deceased)
John Tierney, Market Square, Newbridge.
(deceased)
Martin O'Neill, Ballymore-Eustace.
Patrick Keegan, Blackrath, Curragh Camp.
(Athgarvan Company).

M Smyth
Batt. O.C.

P McGee
Batt.
Engineer

W Jones
Battalion
Officer of
Training.

The following twelve Volunteers were engaged on
outpost duties - Blocking roads, etc. :-

John Cox, Roseberry, Newbridge. (Newbridge Company)
Thomas Jacob, Present address not known. do.
William Thorpe, Pollardstown, Newbridge, do.
James Hughes, Francis Street, Newbridge, do.
Thomas Brophy, Athgarvan, Newbridge. (Athgarvan Company)
(deceased)
Henry Mullally, Athgarvan, Newbridge. (Athgarvan Company)
Thomas Mullally, Athgarvan, Newbridge. (do.
Joseph Craddock, Athgarvan, Newbridge. do.
Edward Wilmot, Athgarvan, Newbridge, do.
John Baker, Athgarvan, Newbridge. do.
Matthew Mealia, Athgarvan, Newbridge. do.
Thomas O'Brien, Athgarvan, Newbridge, do.

m Smyth

Batt. O.C.

P. Magee

*Battalion
Engineer*

w Jones

*Battalion
Officer of
Training*

The military and police were very active following the raid,
and the following day, July 7th. , Michael Smyth, O.C.,
and William Jones, Battalion Officer of Training, were
captured as they were returning to the Active Service Unit
at Ballymore-Eustace.

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