

Range Wall attack (Raheen) Nov. 12th. 1920

An A.S.U. Column was formed on the night of 1st. Nov. from men mobilised to counteract reprisals after the shooting of Sergt. Cronin. R.I.C. in Tullamore. The mobilisation centre was Annville. Raheen, Geashill, and after sighting a suitable position for an ambush and waiting some days for the enemy to pass, eventually a lorry of Tans came from the direction of Portarlinton about 3 p.m. which A.S.U. opened fire on, the Tans returned the fire which was kept up for about 10 mins. by both parties. The A.S.U. suffered no casualties. from information received from R.I.C. Barrack-maid, Tullamore, there were 3 casualties as a result of the ~~engagement~~ engagement.

Remarks - This was the only position in this area suitable for an ambush, but for the attack to be successful the enemy would have to be travelling from Tullamore direction.

Arms. - About 8 A.S.U. had rifles. the remainder had shot guns, revolvers, and hand grenades.

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A. to B. was position of main body of A.S.U. (13 men)
C. was position of two men
D. " one man
E. " four men
F. " one man
one man Red Cross (shortsighted) was left at Headquarters.

Kavanagh's Gate (Raheen) Attack 21st. or 22nd. April '21

Men of the A.S.U. took position on the top of a low hill overlooking road from Portarlinton to Geashill and having waited one day for R.I.C. to pass returned the following day when about 5 o'clock in the evening of the second day a party of police and military were seen approaching from Portarlinton direction, the Military were allowed to pass, then the two tenders of R.I.C. and Tans were opened fire on when they came to position marked (X) they halted and took cover and returned the fire which lasted for about 15 mins.. The military had by now started an encircling movement and A.S.U. had then to retire. Result not known. The distance between A.S.U. and Tans ~~positions~~ positions would be roughly 350 yds. All A.S.U. were armed with rifles. 6 men took part (and one more doubtful)

A. to B. position of snipers .

Military Range Wall and Kavanagh's Gate
Raheny, Seashill Area

