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The Cross Lough ambush occurred on 19 March 1921 and was one of the largest engagements of the Irish War of Independence. It took place at the Rural Crossroads off Crossbeg Court Cork about 20 km south west of Cork city. About a hundred Irish Republican Army (IRA) volunteers executed an attempt by more than 1,300 British troops to encircle them. During the four long hours between 10:10 and 4:00 British troops and over 200 IRA volunteers were killed.

The ambush is one of the few rare large battles during the war.