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Irish teenagers

The Easter Rising was overwhelmingly a young people's revolution. As well as the hundreds of fighters in their late teens and early 20's, many teenagers took part, either as messenger-boys or in the actual fighting. The most famous was Sean Lemass, who was then known as Koisbeach.

General John Maxwell

Although he served the British army in the Sudan, in South Africa, and in the first world war, General Sir John Maxwell is best remembered for the execution of the 1916 Rising's leaders. After the British government allowed the military to handle the rebels' punishment, Maxwell was made "military governor" of Dublin and from May 2nd - 9th, tried the rebel leaders by secretive field court martial - a trial without either defence lawyer or inquiry. Of the 3,400 people he had arrested, 183 were tried and 90 were sentenced to death. Fifteen were shot between May 3rd and 12th. The executions helped win sympathy for Irish independence.

BLOODY SUNDAY

WAS A DAY OF VIOLENCE IN DUBLIN ON 21 NOVEMBER 1920 DURING THE IRISH WAR OF INDEPENDENCE. IN TOTAL 32 PEOPLE WERE KILLED INCLUDING 13 BRITISH SOLDIERS AND POLICE 16 IRISH CIVILIANS AND 3 IRISH PUBLICAN PRISONERS THIS INCLUDED PEOPLE WHO WERE MORTALLY WOUNDED BUT DIED LATER ROYAL MARINES HUGH MONTGOMERY WAS SHOT IN THE MORNING AND DIED ON 10 OF DECEMBER AND THREE OTHER PEOPLE WHO WERE WOUNDED AT GROVE PARK DIED LATER-ROBINSON AND CARROL ON THE 23 November AND TOM HDGAN ON 26 NOVEMBER. THE DAY BEGAN WITH A REPUBLICAN ARMY (IRA) OPERATION ORGANISED BY MICHEAL COLLINS, TO ASSASSINATE THE CARIO GANG-A TEAM OF UNDER COVER BRITISH INTELLIGENCE AGENTS WORKING AND LIVING IN DUBLIN. IRA MEMBERS WENT TO A NUMBER OF ADRESSES AND SHOT DEAD 14 PEOPLE [IN ADITION TO MONTGOMERY WAS MORTALLY WOUNDED AND DIED ON 10 December] NINE BRITISH ARMY OFFICERS [INCLUDING MONTGOMERY] A ROYAL IRISH CONSTABULARY (RIC) OFFICER TWO MEMBERS OF THE AUXILIARY DIVISION. TWO CIVILIANS AND ONE MAN [LENDRD WILDE] WHOSE EXACT STATUS ITS UNCERTAIN.



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