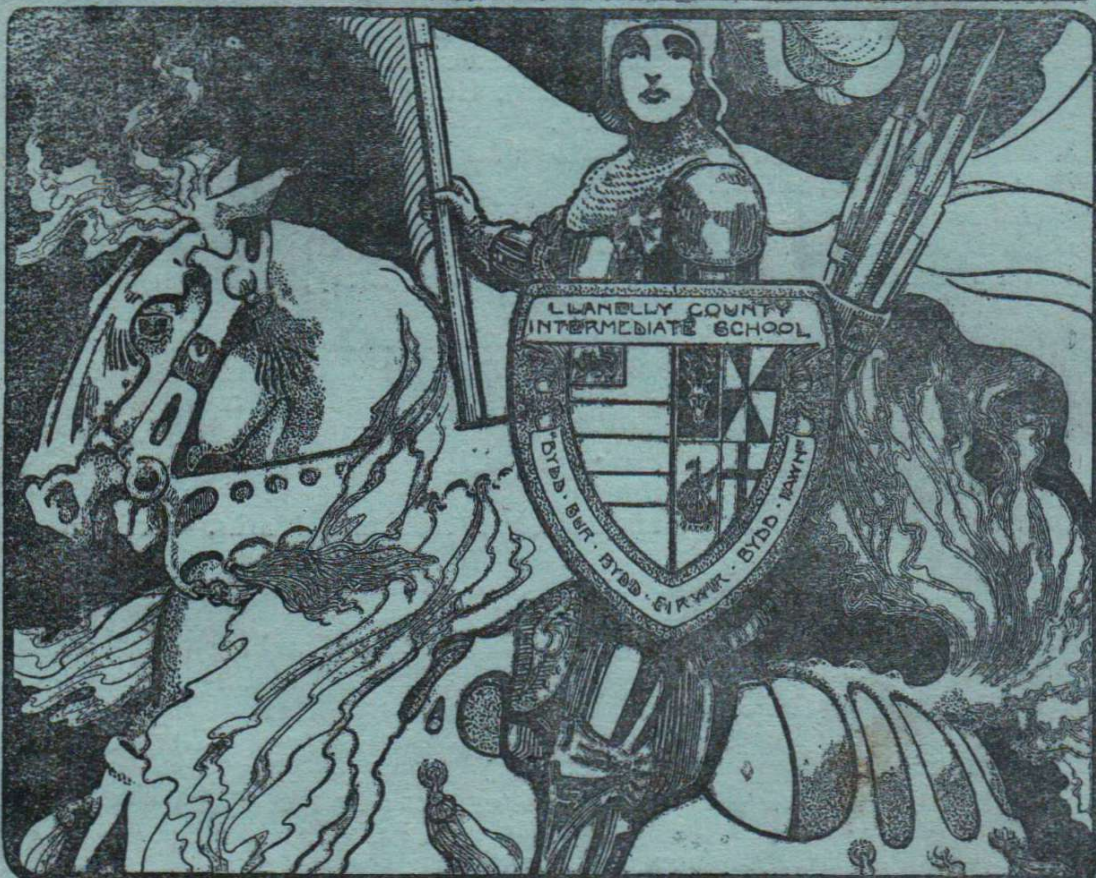


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EDITORIAL.

ANOTHER School year is drawing to its close. For many of us it is our last before we go to "play our part in the larger life of the world," and while thoughts of our School days are in our minds, we hope that the boys for whom this year has been their first, will also have many happy memories as they "go forth from this place."

This term we are bidding farewell to Mr. D. T. Roberts, who is the oldest master in School. Mr. Roberts has been a member of the staff for more than 40 years, a very long period interrupted only by active service in the first World War. We all hope he will be able to enjoy many years of happy retirement.

Work on the new School at Pwll has now been started and we hope that next year we shall be able to use the playing fields there for our Cricket and Football matches.

We wish the utmost success to those who are sitting the C.W.B. and School Examinations and also to all who are leaving us. We also hope that the holidays will bring about a rejuvenation in preparation of the new School Year.

K. R. LEWIS (Form VI).

NODIADAU GOLYGYDDOL.

Y mae blwyddyn arall yn dirwyn i ben yn hanes yr hen "Ysgol ar y Bryn," a chystal i ni gyfaddef fod hynny'n dwyn chwithdod i'r galon yn ogystal â chwerthiniad i'r wyneb. Mewn ychydig wythnosau, bydd y bechgyn wrthi'n ddyfal yn ceisio boddhau arholwyr y Bwrdd Canol, ac erbyn y flwyddyn nesaf fe fydd yr hen dô o fechgyn yn ein gadael, a'r tô newydd yn cymryd ei le.

Odid nad y peth mwyaf digalon a welir—neu a glywir yn hytrach—yn yr Ysgol erbyn heddiw ydyw Seisnigrwydd y bechgyn iau. Os hyn ydyw cynnyrch ysgolion elfennol Llanelli rhaid cyfaddef fod y dilyw Seisnig wedi amgylchynnu'r dref o'r diwedd. Pleser i galon pob Cymro Gymraeg ydoedd gweled sefydlu'r Ysgol Gymraeg yma; disgwylir pethau da iawn oddi wrthi.

Ond er mae Seisnig mewn iaith ydyw mwyafrif y bechgyn iau, rhaid cyfaddef fod y lleiafrif Cymreig yn hynod o ffyddlon i bethau Cymreig yr Ysgol, llawer mwy felly na bechgyn y dosbarthiadau uchaf. O ganlyniad nid yw'n hollol gywir i ddweud fod llwyddiant mawr wedi bod ar y Gymdeithas Gymraeg eleni. Ar wahân i hynny bu llwyddiant eithriadol ar yr Eisteddfod a'r trip. Diau y bydd rhywun yn ymdrin â'r Eisteddfod yn y cylchgrawn, ond cystal i ni ddweud yma na chafwyd ei thebyg yn yr Ysgol erioed.

Nid oes ball ar egnion y bechgyn Cymreig ym myd y bêl-droed. Enillwyd pedwar cap cenedlaethol eleni—tri gan Harri Thomas (VI), capten yr Ysgol a bachgen sy'n adnabyddus drwy Gymru am ei gicio anferth, ac un gan Bryan Thomas (IV), a enillodd gap y flwyddyn ddiwethaf hefyd gyda'r bechgyn dan 14 oed. Haedda'r ddau ganmoliaeth fawr oherwydd daethant â chlod i'r Ysgol yn ogystal ag iddynt hwy eu hunain.

Wrth derfynu'r tipyn nodiadau hyn dymunaf bob hwyl a llwyddiant i'r bechgyn yn yr arholiadau.

DONALD HUGHES.

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DE OMNIBUS REBUS.

NO fewer than five members of our First XV. were selected to represent the Welsh A.T.C. in the international matches against England at Stradey, and Scotland at Edinburgh. They were: Harry Thomas, Reggie Davies, D. Glyn Price, Wyndham Symons and David Rees. We must also congratulate Harry Thomas on being selected to represent the Welsh Secondary Schools in all their international matches this season.

For the first time in School history we have joined the Welsh Secondary Schools' Cricket Association. Recognition of this came in the selection of Trevor Lewis and Dennis Bowen to play in a County trial match between a combined Carmarthen and Pembroke XI. v. Glamorgan. Dennis Bowen was also selected for the second trial, East v. West at Neath.

An interesting afternoon's entertainment was provided by an exhibition of Viennese Puppetry. With the exception of a few "mature" Seniors, all availed themselves of the opportunity.

The School was visited this term by the Gaslight Company Film Unit which gave us an insight into the productive processes used in the manufacture of gas. This was much appreciated by an attentive audience who were particularly amused by the section on "Micky Mouse." The visit was arranged by an Old Boy—Mr. Barker, Manager of Llanelly Gaslight Company.

Nichol Mansel, who died last Term, had been away from School for a few years on account of illness, but was still on the School Roll and expected to return, unhappily, our hopes were in vain.

On July 26th, School will be visited by the Mayor—Councillor D. J. Joseph, J.P.—who will distribute Sports Prizes. The Chairman of the Governors, Alderman E. Aubrey will also attend.

Several boys have left us lately to take up appointments in the Clerical Departments of the Civil Service. In the examination, Wyndham Symons achieved the distinction of being placed fiftieth out of 1,043 candidates. Gerald Brace entered the Army Junior Examination for a permanent Commission. He was placed 49th out of 840, and 4th in the Royal Marines—the force which he has since joined. Robert Baxter gained an open Scholarship to Llandovery College, while J. Brian Stephens and Michael Gimblett have gained Assisted Scholarships to the same College.

We take this opportunity of welcoming Mr. T. Powell Jones, who joined the staff in March. He possesses high qualifications in Metalwork and has shown keen interest in both Rugby and Cricket.

With talk of a new School in the air, we can imagine the School of the future being a fantastic Utopia, where the boys will come to School in their jet-engined helicopters with electronic brains replacing the satchels on their shoulders. Mr. Roderick (who will probably still be there), will be busily shovelling pellets of Uranium 235 into the Atomic Pile to light his pipe before he tells the students amusing accounts of age-old ideas like Quantum theories which he taught at the beginning of his career. This will be the time when no master need get wet on a Saturday morning refereeing a School game, as the team will play to the rays of radar referee.

Quotation from a certain text-book:—"Chlorine gas is very injurious to the human body, and therefore the experiments should only be performed by the teacher."

During a recent weather forecast it was stated that a High Pressure Belt was situated over the British Isles. This fact was brought home to certain junior members when serious repercussions were felt by occupants of the White Hut.

The condolences of the School are extended to two members of the Staff—Mr D. E. Davies and Mr J. Lloyd—in their recent bereavement.

We would like to assure certain Form II. boys that—

- (a) The principal products of Kent are not Archbishops of Canterbury.
- (b) A man's assets are not his young donkeys.
- (c) A.D. does not stand for After Dark.
- (d) Joan of Arc was not Noah's wife.
- (e) Bacchus was not the god of gambling.
- (f) A Brunette is not a young bear.
- (g) The feminine of Drake is not Queen Elizabeth.

We have much pleasure in announcing the following gifts to the School Library:—Leslie Edwards, £1/1/0; W. Glyn Jones, £1/1/0; Arfon Evans and Henry Harries (Books for Biology Department; Mrs. Dudley Williams (Books for Classics Reference Library).

HUW WILLIAMS (Head Prefect).

KEN LEWIS VI.

Y GYMDEITHAS GYMRAEG

Llywydd	....	....	....	....	DONALD HUGHES.
Is-Lywydd	....	....	....	....	OMRI BOWEN.
Ysgrifennydd	....	....	....	....	T. HUW EVANS.

Cyn rhoi tipyn o hanes y cyfarfodydd a gynhaliwyd y tymor diweddaf, y mae'n rhaid rhoi hanes cyfarfodpwysig a gynhaliwyd ar Ragfyr 5, sef y Cyfarfod Cymysg rhwng Cymdeithasau Cymraeg Ysgol Gwendraeth, Ysgol y Merched, ac Ysgol y Bechgyn. Nid yn aml y cawn gyfarfod hollol Gymraeg fel hwn rhwng tair ysgol. Y mae cyfarfod o'r fath yn beth iach iawn. Noson Amrywiaethol oedd y cyfarfod, a chafwyd cyfle i weled y doniau rhagorol a berthynai i'r tair ysgol. Dyma'r rhaglen:—

Cydganu—"Plant Sir Fôn"—Y Tair Ysgol; Côr y Gwersyll—Ysgol y Merched; Adroddiad: gan ddau o ysgol Gwendraeth; Unawd ar y piano: Emlyn Jones (V), Ysgol y Bechgyn; Cân Werin: Ysgol Gwendraeth, Adroddiad: Ysgol y Merched; Unawd Eurof Thomas (3AI), Ysgol y Bechgyn; Adroddiad: Ysgol Gwendraeth; Scets: Wynne Jones a'i Gyfeillion (IV), Ysgol y Bechgyn; Cyd-adrodd: Ysgol Gwendraeth; Côr: Ysgol y Bechgyn; Cydganu rhai o ganeuon y Gwersyll gan y tair ysgol. Yr oedd dau arweinydd o bob ysgol; gair byr gan bob un o'r llywyddion. Cân Ysgol Gwendraeth; Adroddiad: Donald Hughes (VIA), Ysgol y Bechgyn; Unawd: Ysgol y Merched; Dawns Werin: Ysgol Gwendraeth; Scets: Ysgol y Merched; Unawd: Ysgol y Merched; "Hen Iaith y Cymro"; Ysgol Gwendraeth; Deuawd: Ysgol y Merched; Cân Werin: Ysgol Gwendraeth; Cân: tair o Ysgol y Merched; Côr Ysgol y Bechgyn yn canu "Nant y Mynydd"; Yna galwyd ar un o athrawon Ysgol Gwendraeth i ddweud gair yn fyr. Canwyd "Hen Wlad Fy Nhadau" i orffen, â phawb yn ymuno yn y cytgan.

Felly, gwelir fod y cyfarfod hwn yn un rhagorol, a gobeithio y parheir i gynnal cyfarfodydd o'r fath yn y dyfodol.

Yr ydoedd y cyfarfod cyntaf yn Nhyrnor y Pasg, ar Ioanwr 16, pryd yr anerchwyd y Gymdeithas gan Mr. Hughes ar y testun "Bywyd yng Nghymru yn y Ddeunawfed Ganrif." Fel y disgwyldid oddiwrth Mr. Hughes, cafwyd anerchiad diddorol iawn.

Cynhaliwyd y cyfarfod nesaf ar Chwefror 13. Ynddo darllenwyd drama gan Mr. J. R. Williams. Y mae Mr. Williams yn barod i'n helpu bob blwyddyn, ac y mae ar ei ben ei hun mewn gwaith o'r fath yma. Enw'r ddrama oedd "Y Fargen," ac yr oedd ynddi tua saith o gymeriadau. Fel arfer, gwnaeth Mr. Williams y cymeriadau yn fyw o flaen y gwrandawyr, a gellid profi mwynhad y bechgyn wrth edrych ar eu hwynebau.

Yn nesaf daw Cyfarfod Dathlu Gwyl Ddewi ar Fawrth 1, ond trinig y cyfarfod pwysig hwnnw ar wahan.

Mawrth 12 oedd dyddiad y cyfarfod nesaf. Yn y cyfarfod hwn darllenwyd papurau gan y canlynol:— Phillip Rees (IV) ar "Griffith Jones," Dewi Treharne (III) ar "Y Ficar Pritchard," John Jenkins (II) ar "Hywel Dda." Bechgyn ieuainc yw'r tri hyn, dim ond dechrau siarad yn gyhoeddus. Gwnaethant ddechreuad da, a hyderwn y parhânt i gefnogi'r Gymdeithas tra fyddant yn yr ysgol. Siaradwyd yn y cyfarfod, hefyd, gan Mr. Roberts, Mr. Williams a Mr. Hughes.

Ond, yn ddiamau, uchafbwynt y tymor hwn oedd yr Eisteddfod Gadeiriol a gynhaliwyd ar Fawrth 26. Yr oedd yr Eisteddfod hon yn llwyddiannus iawn, fel y bu yr eisteddfodau a fu o'i blaen. Gwasanaethodd y canlynol fel beirniaid:— Mr. Roberts, Mr. Williams a Mr. Hughes fel beirniaid Llên ac Adrodd; Mr. Haydn Jones a Mr. Frank Phillips fel beirniaid Cerdd; Mr. Jacobs a Mr. Bowen fel beirniaid tynnu darluniau, Mr. D Davies fel beirniad gwaith llaw,

Yr oedd yr Eisteddfod, wrth gwrs, yn hollol Gymraeg, a chafwyd cystadleuaethau brwd ar y testunau canlynol:—

Canu ac Adrodd, Canu'r Piano, Actio Scets, Gwaith Llaw, Tynnu Darluniau, Llinell Goll, Englyn, a chyfansoddi Brawddeg.

Uchafbwynt yr eisteddfod oedd cadeirio'r bardd buddugol, a chadeir-iwyd Llywydd y Gymdeithas, Donald Hughes (VIA) yn fardd buddugol Eisteddfod Gadeiriol Ysgol Ramadeg y Bechgyn, Llanelli, am y flwyddyn 1948. Canwyd Cân y Cadeirio gan Mr. Frank Phillips. Cyfansoddwr y geiriau doniol oedd Mr. Huw Roberts, a chyfansoddwyd y gerddoriaeth gan Mr. Haydn Jones.

Terfynwyd yr eisteddfod drwy ganu Cân yr Ysgol, a "Hen Wlad fy Nhadau."

Pleser mawr gennym oedd gweled y Prifathro yn bresennol yn yr eisteddfod, a siaradodd ef yn Gymraeg, cyn y diwedd.

Yr ydym yn ddyledus iawn i'r meistri Cymraeg am eu help a'u cynhorthwy, a diolchwn o galon iddynt.

Wrth ddwyn hanes y Gymdeithas i ben am eleni, dymunaf, ar ran y Gymdeithas, wyliau llawen i bob un, a phob llwyddiant yn yr arholiadau.

Dyma restr y rhai buddugol yn yr Eisteddfod:—

Canu offeryn, Emlyn Jones IVA; Y Gadair, Donald Hughes, VI; Llinell Goll, Howard Richards IVA; Gwaith Llaw, Geoffrey Howells Vc; Hubert Williams IIb, Carey Roberts IIIa, Calvin Roberts IIa; Llinell o Gynganedd, Donald Hughes VI; Côr: (1) V, Omri Bowen yn arwain; (2) IV, Huw Jones yn arwain; Cyfansoddi Drama, Wynne Jones IIIa1; Actio Drama, Parti Gethin Hughes IIb; Parti Wynne Jones IIa1 a Brian Thomas IV, y tri yn gyfartal; Adroddiad o dan 15 oed, Graham Evans IIIa; Adroddiad dros 15, Donald Hughes VI, Harding Rees, Rem., a Dewi Thomas IVA, y tri yn gyfartal; Unawd o dan 15, Eurof Thomas IIIa; Unawd dros 15, Donald Hughes VI; Tynnu Llun: Junior. (1) Neil Owen IIIb; Senior: (1) Harvey Thomas IVA, (2) Keith Jones IVA; Ateb Chwe Chwestiwn: Huw Thomas IVA, Omri Bowen Va; Darn heb atalnodau, Eifion Jones Vb; Brawddeg, Cyfartal, Omri Bowen V, a Donald Henry III.

Diolch yn fawr i'r holl ddosbarthiadau am eu parodrwydd i helpu.

T. HUW EVANS, Ysgrifennydd.

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Y LLYFRGELLOEDD CYMRAEG AC YSGRYTHUR.

Diolch o galon i'r cyfeillion canlynol am eu rhoddion gwerthfawr:—
Mewn cyfrolau—Mr. Stockton a Mr. J. L. Morris, Mr. J. Afan Jones, W. J. Phillips IVA, Hywel Jones IIa, Peter John Williams IIa.

Casgliad y ddimai at y Llyfrgell Ysgrythur, £1/9/4.

Hyfrydwch yw cydnabod haelioni parod llw mawr o ddisgyblion o'r holl ddosbarthiadau yn cyfrannu eu dimeiau i sicrhau llyfrgell deilwng yn yr Adran Ysgrythur. Y mae gennym bellach dros 400 cyfrol o waith yr awduron enwocaf yn Gymraeg a Saesneg yn delio â'r Hen Destament a'r Newydd, ac â Hanes Crefydd ar hyd yr oesoedd, ac yn arbennig hanes Cristnogaeth, a'i neges i'n hoes ni ein hunain. Daeth llawer o'r cyfrolau drwy garedigrwydd cyfeillion yr Ysgol o'r tu allan, a hen ddisgyblion, a disgyblion yn yr Ysgol, ond chwyddodd casgliad y ddimai gymaint nes ein galluogi i gael tua hanner y llyfrau drwy roddion parod y bechgyn sydd wedi aberthu'n llawen bunnoedd lawer o'u pres poced. Edrychwn ymlaen eto yn hyderus, gan wybod yn sicr na laesa bechgyn yr Ysgol ar y Bryn ddwylo nes sicrhau Llyfrgell Ysgrythur urddasol i gyfarfod â phob galw yn y dyfodol.

DYDD GWYL DDEWI.

Dathlwyd Dydd Gwyl Ddewi ar Fawrth 1, eleni eto, yn ôl traddodiad yr Ysgol ers blynyddoedd bellach.

Yn gyntaf cafwyd y gwasanaeth canlynol yn Gymraeg:—

Canu Emyr—"Cofia'n gwlad Benllywydd Tirion," (Elfed).

Darllen rhan o Epistol Paul at y Rhufeiniaid, Pennod 12, gan Brif-ddisgybl yr Ysgol—Huw Williams (VIa).

Adrodd Gweddi'r Ysgol.

Canu Gweddi'r Arglwydd.

Y Fendith gan y Prif Athro.

Ar ôl y gwasanaeth uchod cafwyd Rhaglen Amrywiaethol.

Yn gyntaf, canodd yr Ysgol y "Chorale" o waith Mr. Haydn Jones, M.Mus., ar y dôn "Caerllyngod," a'r geiriau, "O Arglwydd Dduw Rhagluniaeth" (Anne Griffiths).

Yna cafwyd araith gan Mr. Huw Roberts ar y testun "Hedd Wyn." Yr oedd yr anerchiad yn ddiddorol iawn. Rhoddodd Mr. Roberts hanes Hedd Wyn i ni, ac adroddodd yr englynion enwog er côf am dano.

Yna cafwyd unawd gan Willie Bowen (IVb Arts).

Wedyn traddododd Donald Hughes (Llywydd y Gymdeithas Gymraeg) araith ar "Thomas Gee." Dangosai'r araith hon ffrwyth ymchwil ac amynedd.

Cafwyd unawd arall, y tro yma gan Eurof Thomas (3A1).

Y peth nesaf oedd areithiau ar "Yr Iaith Gymraeg" gan Glyndwr Owen a'i gyfeillion o 2A1 a 2A2.

Canwyd "Hen Wlad fy Nhadau" gan yr Ysgol i ddiweddu.

T. HUW EVANS (VIa).

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TRIP CYMRAEG A DAEARYDDIAETH.

Trip cymysg oedd y daith eleni—cymysg o ran testunau a ddysgir yn yr Ysgol—sef y trip Cymraeg a Daearyddiaeth.

Cychwynasom yn ddiogel o'r Ysgol ar yr amser penodedig gan gymryd cyfeiriad Pontyates hyd nes dyfod i Gaerfyrddin. Nid oes raid manylu ar y darn yma o wlad oherwydd y mae'n weddol gyfarwydd i lawer.

Dilynasom heol Pensarn—sef yr heol Rufeinig o Lannon. Fel ffrâm ansefydlog o amgylch safai gogoniant Natur—yr harddwch a dynnai foliant o enau'r mwyaf mud ohonom.

Cadw ar yr heol fawr oedd amcan y gyrrwr beth bynnag, a sylwem ni ein bod yn dilyn heol y pererinion a'r Goits Fawr, a arweiniai tua de-orllewin Cymru. Dywed hanes wrthym mai heol ddigon gwastad oedd hon yn y ddeunawfed ganrif, a chadarnhad oedd ei llyfnder esmwyth heddiw.

Y man cyntaf i ni ymweld ag ef oedd Eglwys Llanddowror—cof-golofn addas i waith ac amynedd di-ddiwedd yr enaid mawr hwnnw Gruffydd Jones. Drwy garedigrwydd yr Arch-ddiacon gwelsom hen law-ysgrifau a ysgrifennwyd ganddo at yr S.P.C.K. yn 1752. Ni allem gredu ein llygaid ein hunain wrth dreulio seibiant yng nghwmni'r llaw grynedig honno. Cafwyd gwasanaeth fer yma yng ngofal yr Arch-ddiacon ei hun. Darllenwyd papur gan Eifion Jones V ar Gruffydd Jones a'i waith.

Ein nod nesaf oedd Castell Penfro a'i adfeilion celfyddgar. Gwelsom dŵr Harri'r VII. ac ymbalfalasom yng nghrombil yr hen adeilad, er mwyn anadlu awyr iach y sir o'i gopâon prydfarth.

Yr oedd yn rhaid ymweled â phorthladd Penfro gan syllu ar ei elfennau daearyddol.

Yna yn ôl i gyfeiriad Manorbier ac at adfeilion yr hen gastell gan syllu ar yr Eglwys yr arferai Gerallt Gymro fyned iddi pan laniodd y Daniaid yma. Cawsom olwg ardderchog ar y môr yma gan syllu ar y gwenyg yn cystadlu a'i gilydd am y cyntaf i gyrraedd y marian melyn. Taflai'r tonnau uchelgeisiol eu hunain yn ddi-drugaredd ac yn ddiseremoni yn erbyn y creigiau serth. Darllenwyd papur yma gan Penri Williams VI.

Y lle olaf yr ymwelsom ag ef oedd Tŷ-Gwyn-ar-Daf, gan weled adfeilion hen gastell o'r 6ed ganrif. Darllenwyd papur yma gan Omri Bowen V, yn delio â gwaith Hywel Dda.

Yna yn ôl tuag adre' wedi llwyr flino ond yn eithaf hapus.

PENRI WILLIAMS, VI.

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YMADAWIAD MR. D. T. ROBERTS.

I Mr. Roberts, 1948 yw ei flwyddyn olaf yn yr Ysgol fel athro ieithyddol. Drwy gydol ei yrfa yma, gweithgarwch a diwydrwydd fu'i nodweddion hanfodol. Ar hyd y ddeugain mlynedd bu'n trafod pob math o ddisgybl, ac yn cyfleu i bobun yn ei ffordd fedrus ei hun, yr addysg enfawr a feddai. Nid rhyw lith i'w thraethu ar ei ymadawiad vdyw'r ychydig eiriau yma, ond nodyn a fydd yn dwyn yn ôl i rywun oriau pleserus a hen atgofion. Wrth ymadael ag ef yn gorfforol felly, dymunwn bob llwyddiant a bendith iddo yn y blynyddoedd sy'n ei aros.

Anrhydeddwyd yr Ysgol y dydd o'r blaen gan ymweliad Mr. Melville Richards, Athro Cymraeg newydd Prifysgol Lerpwl. Ei bwrpas yma oedd holi ynglŷn ag arholiadau llafar y Bwrdd Canol yn Gymraeg.

Llongyfarchwn y Parchedig Hywel Wyn Griffiths, B.A., B.D., gweinidog y Methodistiaid yn Nhreorci, a hen ddisgybl yn ein hysgol, ar dderbyn ohono alwad i fugeilio Eglwys Trinitï yn Abertawe.

BEFORE THE STORM.

All the sky was blue, and bright,
 Ne'er was seen such a lovely sight,
 All was perfect peace, and pleasure,
 All Nature's agents joined together
 To bring peace to the hearts of all,
 Before the coming of the squall.
 But in the sky there was a cloud,
 Whose dark black shadow did enshroud,
 All the earth o'er which it passed,
 And as it sped, the blackness massed,
 Until the sky was overcast.

THE STORM.

All was still, no sound was heard,
 No-one heard the song of a bird,
 All the leaves were still on the trees,
 None were wafted by a cool breeze.
 Then did the storm break with a roar,
 The winds up in the skies did soar,
 The heavens open, the thunder crashes,
 Across the sky the lightning flashes.
 To and fro, the storm did rage,
 Mad as an animal kept in a cage,
 Whose only thought, each passing day,
 Is how, and when to get away.
 Then by the tempestuous Gods,
 Who rule the skies with iron rods,
 Command was given that the storm should cease,
 And all the earth to be at peace;
 And now at last the winds drop down,
 No longer do the black clouds frown,
 The sun breaks through, the storm is o'er.

AFTER THE STORM.

Now the sun shines, and all is peace,
 The thunder, and the cold winds cease,
 Here and there, butterflies flutter,
 And on the branches birds do twitter.
 There is a freshness in the air,
 Sweeter by far, than perfumes rare,
 The dew sparkles on the grass
 Like diamonds or burnished brass.
 Peace reigns, forgotten is the storm,
 The sun shines down, the earth to warm.

THE LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

During the Easter term, the Society held five meetings. The first of these was held on January 9th, when a mixed meeting was held in the form of a Brains Trust. The members of the Brains Trust were Sylvia John, Nansi George and Ena Evans from the Girls School, while the boys were represented by Huw Williams, Stephen Murphy and David Griffiths. The question-master was the President, Kenneth Lewis.

An interesting question was, "Should doctors have the power to put those suffering from incurable disease out of their misery?" David Griffiths supported the view that they should, while Huw Williams disagreed, maintaining that scientists are making such rapid progress in their work that although a disease might be incurable when a person is born, it might be curable as he got older. After discussion, the Brains Trust was still divided in its opinion, and the question was left undecided.

Another controversial question which the "Brains" had to tackle was "What constitutes good literature?" Ena Evans thought it should have good style, good language, and at the same time be interesting. Stephen Murphy on the other hand took a more revolutionary view, saying that he thought nothing of style or language, but agreed that it should be interesting. To sum up, in his opinion good literature was good reading.

Other questions asked were, "Are the landed gentry worth preserving?" "What is the Brains Trust's opinions of ghosts and spirits?" "Is the youth of to-day degenerate?" "What is success in life?" "Does the Brains Trust agree with co-education?" and "Are women more fickle than men?"

The next meeting was held on January 23rd. The first part of the meeting was devoted to a series of rounds of the parlour game, "Twenty Questions." Of the objects given them to guess, the team was successful in guessing "Mr. D. T. Roberts' car," "The Ink-room," "The school field" and "The Empire State Building, New York," while they failed over "Flying-Officer Kite's moustache" and "An Electric Cable."

After this, the meeting became of a more serious nature, when a discussion was held on the motion, "That world government is impracticable." John Glynne Evans opened the discussion in support of the motion. Internationalism, he said, would mean sameness and monotony, which was never good in any department of life. Referring to Wales in particular, internationalism would dispense with the Welsh language, its literature and its music. Moreover, world government would lead to language difficulties, and troubles of this sort were difficult to overcome. He ended by quoting the lines of Kipling—

"East is east, and west is west,
And never the twain shall meet."

In the following discussion, David Griffiths, Geoffrey Thomas, and Walford Evans supported the speaker, while Gareth Hughes and Keith Jones strongly opposed him, arguing that world government was an inevitable step in the development of society.

On February 20th, a debate was held on the motion "That life was far better a hundred years ago than to-day." The principal speaker for the affirmative was Wyndham Symons, while the principal speaker for the negative was Kenneth Bowen.

Wyndham Symons in opening the debate, spoke first of food, comparing with that of the last century, our present food situation. He pointed out that in the old days food was plentiful, as well as cheap; that

bread and butter was bread and butter, and not bread scratched with margarine. He spoke next of the health of the people. In the last century, there was very little factory smoke to pollute the air, and there were the wide open spaces lacking to-day. People suffered less from nervous trouble, as their minds were free from the hurry and bustle of to-day. He concluded by saying that life in the 1800's was much better fundamentally, if not scientifically, for it is better to live in peace of mind than be troubled by the complexities of science.

Kenneth Bowen opened his case for the negative by first outlining the conditions of life a hundred years ago. A famous writer had said that although slavery was abolished in 1833, it had continued in Britain for many more years amongst the poorer classes. Wages were very low, and parents had to supplement the family income by sending little children to the factories and mines as soon as they could perform the simplest mechanical operation. Nowadays, education up to the age of fifteen is compulsory, while other reforms, such as assistance for the poor, homes for the aged and sick had become law. He concluded by making reference to the many aids and conveniences that science has given to us, particularly in the field of medicine and surgery.

During the debate which followed, Spencer Thomas, Penri Williams, and Gwilym Samuel spoke on behalf of the affirmative, while David Hughes, Gareth Hughes, Philip Beynon, David Phillips, Kerry Thomas, Gerald Banfield and Michael Glynne spoke for the negative.

The motion was then put to the vote, and resulted in a win for the negative.

The next meeting was held on March 5th, when a debate was held on the motion "That the freedom of the Press should be curtailed." The principal speakers were David Griffiths for the affirmative, and Gwyn Francis for the negative.

Opening the debate on behalf of the affirmative, David Griffiths pointed out that the only opinions we read in our national daily papers are those of the financiers who run their newspapers only for profit and one-party propaganda. It needs large capital to run a newspaper, and so the ordinary people have no say in the political views and policy of a paper. Secondly, a newspaper concerned with the making of profits cannot be a good newspaper, no more than could the Church do good work in the same circumstances. Lastly, he said that an uncontrolled press could do a great deal to hamper the smooth flowing of international friendship.

The speaker for the negative began by saying that it was only through an uncontrolled press that voice could be given to individual opinion. That was one of the constituent freedoms of democracy, and without it, he maintained, democracy would be a sham. In Germany, during and prior to the recent war, freedom of the press was curtailed, and as a result, the German people were misguided with false propaganda, and the world was plunged into war. In summing up, he said that democracy without the absolute freedom of the press would be a failure, and if that freedom was restricted, then we would be heading towards dictatorship.

In the ensuing debate, Keith James, David Hughes, Kerry Thomas, Philip Beynon, Kenneth Bowen and Gerald Banfield supported the affirmative, while Trevor Lewis, Geoffrey Thomas, Spencer Thomas and Alun Thomas spoke for the negative.

The voting ended in a win for the affirmative.

The last meeting of the session took place on March 19th, when a

Mock Trial was held; a boy from School was tried on a charge of stealing a quantity of "tuck" from the Tuckshop.

After witnesses had been called for both the prosecution and defence the two counsels gave their main addresses.

Gwynne Jones, counsel for the defence, based his case on the fact that the evidence was insufficient to prove his client's guilt, and pleaded, with great emotion, that the defendant was a victim of circumstance.

The counsel for the prosecution, David Griffiths, then gave his case. He maintained that the defendant should not only be punished for his crime, but also for the disgrace that he had brought upon his school. The defence, he said, had tried to portray this young criminal as a meek, gentle and honest schoolboy. He asked the jury not to be misled by this, and went on to say that he was convinced that if they did this, justice and right would prevail.

After the judge had summed up the various points brought up in the case, he asked the jury to consider their verdict. After a short interval, in which the jury made up their minds, a verdict of "Not Guilty" was returned.

Those who took part in the trial were as follows:—Prisoner, Peter Evans; Judge, Kenneth Lewis; Counsel for the Prosecution, David Griffiths; Counsel for the Defence, Gwynne Jones; Usher, Gwyn Francis; Warder, Alan Bonnell; Witnesses, Geoffrey Williams, John Glynne Evans, Spencer Thomas; P.C., Frank Jackett, Gareth Hughes; Jurymen, Alun Thomas (foreman), Nigel Royster, Graham Beddoes, Malcolm Symons, Norris Paster, Tony Ferris; Chairman of the Assize, David Phillips.

An encouraging feature of this meeting was the attendance, which numbered about a hundred boys. We very much hope that this grand support will be continued next session.

In conclusion we would like to thank Mr. Rees and Mr. Thomas once again for their very active interest in the Society.

GARETH LL. HUGHES,

R. ALAN BONNELL, Joint Secretaries.

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MUSIC NOTES.

As yet another School year draws to a close, all connected with the Music Department can look back on the past months with a feeling of pride, for the efforts of the Choir, Orchestra and Music Society have combined to make this last year one of the most eventful and successful in the history of the School.

During the Easter Term, the Music Society held three meetings, all of which were very well attended.

The first of these was held on January 7th, when a Balloon Debate was held. Papers were prepared on the lives of the composers Handel, Haydn, Dvorak and Sibelius by David Griffiths, Glynne Evans, Leonard Felton and Omri Bowen respectively. The motion on which of these composers had contributed the most to music was then put to the vote, and this resulted in a narrow win for Haydn.

On January 21st, Mr. Phillips gave a lecture on "Conducting." Besides giving many useful hints on being a conductor, he recounted many humorous incidents which had occurred in School over many years while he had been in charge of the Orchestra. A vote of thanks was proposed by Glynne Evans, and seconded by David Phillips.

The last meeting of the session took place on February 11th, when a discussion was held on the motion, "The Interpretation of a piece of music." Kenneth Bowen opened the discussion, and gave a very enlightening insight into the subject. He spoke of how difficult the work of the conductor is, especially when the composer has given no indication how he wants his music played, but went on to condemn the interpreter who allows himself too much scope. Others who spoke in the discussion were: Omri Bowen, Alun Jenkins, Glynne Evans, Michael Evans and Leonard Felton.

During the latter part of the Easter Term, music activity was centred on the School Concert, a rendering of "The Messiah" given in Llanelly Public Hall, and for very many hours both Choir and Orchestra practised assiduously, under the guidance of Mr. Phillips and Mr. Haydn Jones, to achieve that standard of near-perfection set in previous years. That they succeeded goes without saying.

A section of the orchestra together with orchestras from Ammanford, Carmarthen and Cross Hands, have also been playing in a combined amateur string orchestra. Their first concert (arranged by the University Council of Music, Wales), was given at Ammanford on May 26th. Three further concerts, one at Llanelly, will be given in October.

Also during the summer term, a number of boys from school have been privileged to hear two very fine recitals.

The first of these was on May 28th, when Monsieur and Madame Le Marc Hadour gave a lecture/recital of French Songs. The gentleman had a very fine baritone voice, and his singing was of a high quality, while Madame was a very accomplished pianist, and introduced the items in almost perfect English.

On June 2nd, a visit was paid to the Girls' School by Miss Eiluned Davies, the well-known B.B.C. pianist. As can be seen from the following programme that she gave, the works that she played differed greatly in period and character, thus giving quite a representative picture of music through the ages. Here it is:—

Sonata in B Minor—Domenico Scarlatti.
Sonata in C Major—Mozart.
Minuet in B Minor—Schubert.
Variations on the name "ABEGG"—Schumann.
Nocturne in A Flat Major and Ballade in F Major—Chopin.
Nocturne—Francis Poulanc.
Gnomers' Dance—Lizst.

Both these recitals were greatly appreciated by the boys, and brought a fine climax to what has been a year of great achievements.

GARETH LL. HUGHES.

THE CONJURING CLUB.

President	.....	THE HEADMASTER.
Vice-President	.....	ERIC EVANS, Lower VI.Arts.
Chairman	.....	J. WYNFORD EVANS, IVa.Science.
Vice-Chairman	.....	GEOFFREY WILLIAMS, IVa.Science.
Secretary	.....	ALAN DAVIES, Lower VI.Arts.

Although it only started last September, the Conjuring Club is flourishing. So far, eight meetings have been held. Lectures have been given on "Preparing a Xmas Show," "Houdini," "Oriental Magic," "Chemical Magic," "Impromptu Magic," and "Gambling Methods."

Several interviews have been obtained for the club, but no descriptions have been given because no meetings have been held since the interviews took place. These interviews included one with Jasper Maskelyne, the world-famous illusionist; Kita'o, Egyptian yogi, and Chris King, burlesque conjuror. Mr. Maskelyne said "If you ever see a ghost, kick it and it will yell." He also mentioned that his family has given over 60,000 consecutive performances.

It was originally intended to present a show at the end of this term, but time flew, and it had to be cancelled, although plans had arrived at a fairly advanced stage.

Many famous tricks have been given away during this session. These include "Sawing a Woman in Half," and the "Indian Rope Trick." Also we were informed of a very easy method of escaping from regulation police handcuffs.

Mr. Humphreys has attended several meetings, and his advice has been most helpful.

Our vice-president, Eric Evans, also deserves a vote of thanks for giving five lectures out of seven. It should be noted that he intends jumping into the docks with chains and handcuffs on as soon as he can obtain the handcuffs! Anyone with a pair of police handcuffs for sale, please contact him.

To close, we wish to deny a rumour that we hypnotised the masters who set the exam papers!

J. WYNFORD EVANS, Chairman.

A. W. DAVIES, Secretary.

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RUGBY NOTES.

Results of matches played since last issue:—

- v. Pontardawe (A)—School 3 points; Pontardawe, nil.
 - v. Gwendraeth (H)—School 6 points, Gwendraeth 4 points.
 - v. Carmarthen (A)—School, nil; Carmarthen, 6 points.
 - v. Llandilo (A)—School, 3 points; Llandilo, 12 points.
 - v. Dynevor (H)—School 25 points; Dynevor, nil.
 - v. Cardigan (H)—School 30 points; Cardigan 6 points.
 - v. Gwendraeth (A)—School, 3 points; Gwendraeth, nil.
 - v. Ammanford (A)—School, 3 points; Ammanford, 3 points.
 - v. Neath (H)—School, 14 points; Neath, 3 points.
 - v. Cardigan (A)—School, nil; Cardigan, 3 points.
 - v. Old Boys—School, 3 points; Old Boys, 3 points.
- Record for Season:—Played 19, Won 10, Drawn 3, Lost 6.

CRICKET.

Captain, D. Glyn Price; Vice-Captain, David W. G. Rees;
Secretary, Trevor Lewis.

Added interest has been taken in School Cricket this year by the erection of a concrete wicket on the School Field. Practices have been held during the lunch intervals with the 1st and Junior XI's sharing the wicket on the first four days of the week and the staff on Friday. Considerable improvement has been noticed in the School batting and the benefits of the new wicket should be revealed in about two years, when members of the Junior XI. will be making their entry into the 1st XI. Three members of the staff, Mr. Hampton, Mr. Morris and Mr. Thomas, have again given splendid service to School cricket with their coaching and sound advice. Trevor Lewis and Dennis Bowen gained distinction for School by being selected to appear for a Pembroke-Carmarthenshire XI. v. Glamorgan in a Welsh Secondary Schools Trial. Dennis obtained 6—52 and was selected to appear in the Final Trial.

School v. Dynevor.

School commenced the season by entertaining Dynevor at Stradey on May 25th. Batting first, School were in trouble right through the innings, being all out for 41. Trevor Lewis batted right through for 17 not out. Dynevor also fared poorly, amassing only 39 runs. Huw Davies (5—12), and Dennis Bowen (3—12), were School's most successful bowlers.

Result: School won by 2 runs.

Llanelly Tuesdays v. School.

Llanelly Tuesdays entertained the School XI. at Stradey on May 25th. Winning the toss Llanelly Tuesdays elected to bat and scored 140 for 9. Sam Alford, a former School captain, scored 48. Resuming after the tea interval School replied with 63 for 4. (Huw Williams 22, Glyn Price 14 not out, and Alan Bonnell 12 not out).

Result: Draw.

School v Swansea Grammar.

This game at Stradey produced some interesting Cricket. Swansea winning the toss elected to bat on an easy paced wicket and scored 78 for the loss of five wickets before declaring. David W. G. Rees returned a bowling analysis of 4—25. With limited time, School played for a draw and stumps were drawn with a total of 44 for 5. (Dennis Bowen 22 not out).

Result: Draw.

School v. Soar Youth Club.

For the first time since 1944, School were able to play on the School Field. Soar batting first totalled 81 for 8 declared (Ellis Lloyd 3—11, David W. G. Rees 3—22). School nearly passed this total without loss, but unfortunately Glyn Price was run out after scoring 33 runs. The remaining runs were soon obtained without further loss.

Result. School won by 9 wickets.

Dynevor v. School.

For their first away game School travelled to Townhill, Swansea. Winning the toss School fared badly on an easy paced wicket. Wickets fell frequently until the score stood at 26 for 9. Alun Griffiths (17 not out) and Ellis Lloyd (15) put on 32 runs for the last wicket. The School innings eventually closed with a total of 58. Dynevor easily passed this score for the loss of 6 wickets.

Result: School lost by 4 wickets.

School v. Gowerton.

School entertained their old rivals, Gowerton, at Stradey on June 16. School batted first and scored 85 (Dennis Bowen 28 not out, Glyn Price 20). Gowerton, scoring rapidly, passed the School total for the loss of 8 wickets (David W. G. Rees 4—22, Huw Davies 4—38).

Result: School lost by 2 wickets.

Gowerton v. School.

In their return match at Gowerton on June 26th, Gowerton batted first and scored 185 for 3 in a short time. At lunch the School total stood at 3 for 3 wickets. The School innings closed at 45 (Raymond Griffiths 16, Trevor Lewis 14).

Result: School lost by 114 runs.

D. GLYN PRICE (Captain).

DAVID W. G. REES (Vice-Captain).

TREVOR LEWIS (Secretary).

Averages:—

Batting	Avg.	Bowling	Avg.	Wkts.
Dennis Bowen	.... 21	D. W. G. Rees	.... 9.7	16
Trevor Lewis 12.2	Hugh Davies 11.2	11
Glyn Price 11.8	Dennis Bowen 16.4	9
Huw Williams 11			

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JUNIOR CRICKET XL

Captain Gordon Lewis.

Vice-Captain Wynford Francis.

The Junior Team has an unbeaten record up to the time of printing, winning all 7 matches. Results:—

Coleshill 66	School 103
Stebonheath 40	School 93
Stradey 45	School 73
Stebonheath 49	School 54 for 1
Stradey 13	School 14 for 2
Lakefield 58	School 105 for 6
Technical School 69	School 76 for 6

Batting:—

	Inns.	Times	N.O	Runs	H.I.	Av.
Brian Stephens	.... 5	1		88	41	22
Wynford Francis	.... 4	1		64	32	21.33
Gordon Lewis	.... 6	2		81	31	20.25
Mervyn Morgan	.... 6	4		30	15	15
Bernard Shaw	.... 5	0		60	21	12
Brian Davies	.... 5	0		37	32	7.40
Arthur Gwynne	.... 4	1		12	5	4

Bowling:—

	Overs	Maidens	Runs.	Wickets	Aver.
Mervyn Morgan	.... 35.1	11	47	17	2.76
John Davies	.... 56	23	73	23	3.17
Bernard Shaw	.... 37	8	71	10	7.10

OLD BOYS' UNION.

THE ever-popular Old Boys' Dinner and Old Boys' Dance were held again this year, the dinner on December 30th at the Ritz Cafe, and the Dance early in January at the Ritz Ballroom.

At the Dinner our guest of honour was Dr. Idris Jones, Head of the Research Department of the National Coal Board. In the course of a brilliant speech, he paid tribute to the School and its great influence on his character and career, both in the academic sphere and in the realm of sport. It will be remembered that he has gained his Rugby blue and his Welsh International cap for Rugby, as well as his Doctorate in Chemistry, and is, in fact, one of the most brilliant of our Old Boys.

It was a joy to have with us our Patron, Mr. G. J. Thomas, M.A., former Headmaster, whose vigorous speech and remarkable memory delighted those who, like myself, had been his colleagues for many years, while his reception by his Old Boys must have warmed his heart, and made him feel rich indeed, in the best treasures of an elderly Schoolmaster, the increasing affection of his former pupils.

The Dance was brilliantly successful and very well attended. The usual happy re-unions of old class-mates of various generations contributed largely to the pleasure of the occasion.

It is pleasant to record that the efforts of the O.B.U. to found the Little Theatre Movement in the town have borne fruit. A large and fully representative Committee has been formed, and among its officers are our Secretary, Fred Edwards, who is Joint Secretary of the Movement, and myself as one of the Vice-Presidents.

In May a very pleasant outing was arranged, when a party of Old Boys travelled to Tenby by special bus. Fortunately, they were favoured by perfect weather.

The annual Old Boys' Rugby Match was held in April; details will be found on another page. The Cricket Match has been fixed for July 22nd.

All members of the O.B.U. will be pleased to learn of arrangements that have been made for presenting Mr. G. J. Thomas with his own portrait in oils, which John B. Bowen (1926), Art Master of the School, will paint in the near future. Knowing both artist and subject, we are not surprised to learn that the task will be undertaken as a labour of love and not as a professional commission. Indeed, we are very fortunate to have as one of our members an artist of such skill as a portrait painter, whose work is becoming increasingly appreciated in the town and district.

As usual our members in various spheres of activity have been maintaining and enhancing the reputation of the School. This year their successes in the various Universities have been unusually brilliant, evidence, perhaps, that the bad effects of the War years are passing. Up to the time of going to press we have noted the following successes:—

Dr. Wyndham Beynon, who was Assistant Director of Medical Services at Gibraltar during part of the War, has been made Chief Medical Officer at the Great Ormonde Street Orthopaedic Hospital, one of the most celebrated Hospitals in the world.

Dr. Linford Rees has been appointed Psychiatrist to the Welsh Regional Hospital Board, one of the most important medical appointments in Wales. This is all the more remarkable in view of the fact that Dr. Rees is still under forty.

Academic successes noted are:—

Medicine:

Vivian Roderick, M.B., B.S. (London).
Garwin Collins, M.R.C.S, L.R.C.P.

Veterinary Surgery:

Philip Taylor, M.R.C.V.S.

Chemistry:

W. Orville Thomas, 1st Class Honours B.Sc (Wales).
George Nancollas, 1st Class Honours B.Sc. (Wales).
Both at Aberystwyth University College, where they were the only students gaining First Class Honours in Pure Chemistry.

Agricultural Botany:

G. Ellis Marks, 1st Class Honours B.Sc. (Wales).

Geology:

Douglas Bassett, 1st Class Honours B.Sc. (Wales).

Engineering:

Eric Williams, 2nd Class Honours (Wales).

Mathematics:

R. Dennis T. Richards, Senior Optime B.A. (Cantab).

Metallurgy:

William John Thomas, 1st Class Honours B.Sc. (Wales).

Economics:

William John Jones, 2nd Class Honours B.A. (Wales).

Geography:

John M. Davies, 2nd Class Honours B.Sc. (Wales).
Eric Harry, 2nd Class Honours B.Sc. (Wales).

Latin:

David John Rees, 2nd Class Honours B.A. (Wales).

Education:

Leslie Wynne Evans, M.Ed. (Durham). He previously gained the M.A. Degree of Wales, and is Lecturer in Education at the University College, Cardiff.

Orville Thomas and George Nancollas are proceeding to Research Work in preparation for the Doctorate of Philosophy. Dennis Richards has been chosen to pursue the very advanced work of Part III. in the Mathematical Tripos at Cambridge, while Ellis Marks and W. J. Thomas have already been appointed to important posts, under the Government and Imperial Chemical Industries respectively. Eric Williams has entered the Civil Service Scientific Section and Douglas Bassett has joined the Staff of the University College, Aberystwyth.

We sincerely congratulate all these Old Boys and wish them all success in their future careers.

Elwyn Samuel, County Councillor, has been appointed to the Governing Body of the School.

As we close these notes we learn with deep regret of the sad bereavement suffered by our Secretary, Fred Edwards, whose little son has suddenly died. We extend to him and Mrs. Edwards our most profound sympathy.

And now, at the end of our eleventh year since the revival of the O.B.U., we thank all Old Boys who have joined the Union, and look forward to a still more successful future.

T. V. SHAW,

MOUNTAIN SONG (Translation).

The mountain shepherd-boy am I,
 See castled hills beneath me lie,
 The sun flings here its earliest beams,
 Here linger last its latest gleams,
 The mountain boy am I.

This is the torrent's parent home,
 I drink it fresh mid rock and foam,
 It gushes from the rock's lip out,
 I catch it up, hands cupped about,
 The mountain boy am I.

The mountain is my own fair realm,
 There come the winds which overwhelm,
 From north and south they roar along,
 Yet I o'erpower them with my song,
 The mountain boy am I.

O'er thunder's crash and lightning's sheen
 I stand on high in blue serene,
 I know them well, and loudly cry—
 "Don't touch my father's house! Pass by!
 The mountain boy am I."

But when the tocsin echoes here,
 And beacon fires glow far and near,
 Then down I hasten, join the throng,
 And swing my sword, and sing my song,
 "The mountain boy am I."

From Ludwig Uhland.

W. T. STOCKTON.

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ATHLETICS.**HARRIERS:—**

- (a) Welsh Novice X-Country Championships at Llantarnam, December 6th, 1947.....5 Miles.**

Llanelly Grammar School 4th. Jeffrey Bowen 2nd.

- (b) Welsh X-Country Championships (Youths) at Pyle, January 24th. 3 Miles**

Llanelly Grammar School 2nd. Jeffrey Bowen 1st.

- (c) West Wales X-Country Championships at Clydach, February 28th. 3 Miles.**

Llanelly Grammar School 2nd. Jeffrey Bowen 2nd.

- (d) English X-Country Championships at Sheffield, March 13th. 3 Miles.**

56 teams started and over 500 competitors. From start to finish this huge mass of runners was hemmed in a funnel of less than ten feet, with the result that only the exceptionally fast athletes were able to

get to the front. Jeffrey Bowen, Welsh Champion two years in succession, 1947 and 1948, had to be content with 60th position in a very slow race.

Harrier Team, 1948:

Jeffrey Bowen, Ronald Morgan, T. J. Morgan, Brian Davies, Gareth Kemp, Colwyn Griffiths, D. Job Williams, Arthur Phillips, T. B. Davies, C. Salter, F. Jackett, W. Devonald, Keith Jones.

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SCHOOL SPORTS AT STRADEY PARK.

MAY 11th, 1948.

RESULTS:

(House initials after names)

880 yds. (Senior): Hubert Thomas Cup (standard 2 mins. 26 secs.): Jeff Bowen (C.), 2 mins. 7 secs.

100yds. (Junior): W. J. Parry (E.), 13 secs.

100yds. (Senior): D. R. Williams (C.), 11 secs.

100yds. (Middle): Harvey Thomas (E.), 10-5 secs. (new School record and new Welsh record).

75yds. (Colts): Edmund Roberts (C.), 10-5 secs.

Javelin (Senior): (standard 100 ft.). Elfryn Davies (I.), 134ft. 1in. (new school record).

440yds. (Junior) (standard 70 secs.). M. Baxter (E.) 1|

Cycle Race — Mile (Senior), (standard: 4 mins. 16 secs.): F. Webber (E.), 3 mins. 20 secs. (new School record).

Cycle Race—880 yds. (Middle), (standard: 2 mins. 30 secs.): Ken Jenkins (E.), 1-41 (new School record).

Cycle Race—660 yds. (Junior): (standard: 1 min. 58 secs.): Hugh Williams (D.), 76 secs.

Cycle Race—440yds. (Colts): (standard 1min. 30secs.): Leslie Morris (D.), 31-8.

Putting — the — Weight (Junior): (standard, 28 ft.): R. Walker. 34 ft. 8 ins.

Boat Race (Form III.): IIB2.

220 yds. (Senior): (standard, 26 secs.) D. R. Williams (C.), 27 secs.

220 yds. (Middle): (standard 27 secs.): Harvey Thomas, (E.), 25-5.

220 yds. (Junior): (standard, 29 secs.): M. Baxter, (E.), 30 secs.

150 yds. (Colts): (standard, 21 secs.): Edmund Roberts, (C.).

Hop, Step and Jump (Senior): (standard 36 ft.): D. R. Williams, (C.), 37 ft.

Sack Race (Form II's): Terry Kemp, 2aI.

Mile (Open): V. Griffiths Shield. (standard, 5 mins. 30 secs.): Jeff Bowen (C.), 5 mins. 18 secs.

Tug of War: "Rugger" beat "Soccer."

Discus (Middle): (standard, 80 ft.): M. Jenkins, (D.), 72 ft. 7 ins.

Walk—660 yds. Junior: (standard 3 mins. 45 secs.) Roy Jenkins (D.), and John Jones, (C.), 3 mins. 8-1/5th sec. (new School record).

Walk—880 yds. (Middle): (standard, 4 mins. 55 secs.): T. J. Morgan (D.), 4 mins. 9 secs.

Walk—Mile (Senior): (standard, 9 mins.): P. Bourne (I.), 8 mins. 22 secs.

Walk—440 yds. (Colts): (standard, 2 mins. 50 secs.): Brian Jones (C.),

2 mins. 10 secs.

440yds. (Middle): (standard 63 secs.): H. Thomas, (E.), 59 secs.

440 yds. (Senior): (standard, 59 secs.): Jeff Bowen (C.), 61 secs.

Long Jump (Middle): (standard, 16 ft.): H. Thomas (E.), 17 ft. 9 ins

Relay (Form II.) 330yds. (standard, 45 secs.) Ila1, 42 secs.

880 yds. (Middle): (standard, 2 mins. 33 secs.): B. Andrews (C.), 2 mins. 22-2/5ths secs. (new School record).

Hurdles—110 yds. (Senior): (standard, 17 secs.): G. Clement (D.), 17-2/5ths secs.

Hurdles—100 yds. (Middle): (standard, 17 secs.): G. Jones (I.), 19 secs.

Hurdles—75 yds. (Junior): (standard, 14 secs.): R. Walker (E.), 15-4/5ths secs.

Hurdles—75 yds. (Colts): (standard, 15 secs.): E. Roberts (C.), 15-2/5ths secs.

High Jump (Colts): (standard, 3 ft. 3 ins.): D. Protheroe (E.), 3 ft. 8ins. (Western Roll).

Relay—880 yds. (Old Boys v. Present): (standard, 2 mins.): Old Boys beat Present. 1 min. 49 secs. (which beats School record).

Relay—440 yd. (Middle): (standard, 1 min.): Dewi. 55 secs.

Relay—440 yds. (Junior): (standard, 1 min. 10 secs.): Elli. 57 secs.

440 yds. Handicap: Bibbs Cup. (1st 4 from Events 7, 27 and 28). M. Baxter (E.), 61 secs.

Houses: 1, Cennech, 192; 2, Dewi, 174; 3, Elli. 164; 4, Illtud, 138.

Winning Form: 6B, 100 points.

Events completed after Sports Day:—

Long Jump (S.), G. Clement (6) (D.), 18 ft. 7 ins.

High Jump (S.), G. Clement (6) (D.), 4 ft. 9 ins.

Shot (S.), Gwynne Jones (6) (E.), 33 ft. 10 ins.

Discus (S.), G. Clement (6) (D.), 90 ft. 1 in.

Cricket Ball (S.), E. Davies (5b.), (I.), 267 ft. 11 ins. (new School record).

Hop, Step and Jump (M.), B. Andrews, (5b.), (C.), 33 ft. 8 ins.

High Jump (M.), J. Howells (5c.), (I.) 4ft. 8 ins.

Shot (M.), M. Jenkins (R.), (D.), 36ft. 3 ins.

Javelin (M.), B. Thomas (4a. Arts) (I.), 86 ft. 7 ins.

Cricket Ball (M.), B. Williams (5b) (D.), 204 ft. (new School record).

Long Jump (J.), W. J. Parry, (4b Sc.), (E.), 15 ft. 4½ ins.

Hop, Step and Jump (J.), H. Rodge, (3b2), (I.), 32 ft. 5 ins.

High Jump (J.), M. Baxter (4b.Sc.), (E.), 4 ft. 2 ins.

Discus (J.), R. Walker (3b.1.), (E.), 81 ft. 6 ins.

Javelin (J.), John Jones (4a.Sc.), (C.), 111 ft. 7 ins. (new School record).

Cricket Ball (J.), John Jones 4a. Sc.), (C.), 228 ft. 2 ins. (new School record).

Long Jump (C.), E. Roberts (2a.1.), (C.), 14 ft. 1in.

Hop Step and Jump (C.), B. Lobbett (2a.2.), (D.), 28 ft. 9 ins.

Shot, (C.), I. Davies (2a.2.), (I.), 32 ft. 3 ins.

Javelin (C.), G. Jenkins (2b.2.), (I.) 76 ft. 4 ins.

Cricket Ball (C.), D. Johns (2b.1.), (I.), 163 ft. 6 ins.

Awards:—

Champion Form (Shield)—2A.1.

Champion House (T. Roberts Cup)—Cennech

Champion Junior (T. Roberts Cup)—M. Baxter 4A.Sc.

Champion Middle (Xmas Evans Cup)—H. Thomas 4A.Arts.

Champion Senior ((Capt. Jacob's Cup)—G. Clement 6. D. R. Williams 5A.Sc.

Champion Colt (T. Roberts Cup)—E. Roberts 2A.1.
 Best Stylist (T. Roberts Cup)—P. Bourne 5A.Sc.
 Runner-up Best Stylist (Medal)—E. Williams 2A.2.

June 5th.—Carmarthenshire Secondary Schools A.A.A. Championships.

Team—

Senior—Llanelly 1st Junior—Llanelly 2nd
 Middle—Llanelly 3rd Lower Junior—Llanelly 1st.
 Champion School—aggregate points—Llanelly.

Individual—

Cricket Ball (Middle)—Brian Williams 4th
 Cricket Ball (Junior)—John Jones 1st (71 yds. 2 ft.)
 Cricket Ball (Senior)—Elfryn Davies 1st (83 yds. 6 ins.)
 High Jump (Lower Junior)—D. Protheroe 4th.
 Javelin (Lower Junior)—R. Hughes 6th.
 75yds. (Lower Junior)—E. Roberts 1st.
 Shot (Lower Junior)—I. Davies 6th.
 High Jump (Junior)—M. Baxter 1st,
 100 yds. (Junior)—W. J. Parry 4th.
 High Jump (Middle)—J. Howells 3rd.
 Discus (Senior)—G. Clement 2nd. J. Clement 3rd.
 660 yds. Walk (Junior)—R. Jenkins 2nd.
 300yds. Relay (Lower Junior)—Llanelly 1st.
 Javelin (Junior)—John Jones 4th.
 880 yds. (Senior)—J. Bowen 3rd.
 100yds. (Middle)—H. Thomas 2nd.
 Hop Step and Jump (Senior)—H. Thomas 1st.
 440 yds. (Middle)—K. Phillips 5th.
 150yds. (Lower Junior)—E. Roberts 1st.
 Discus (Junior)—R. Walker 2nd.
 Long Jump (Middle)—H. Thomas 2nd.
 220yds. (Senior)—D. R. Williams 3rd.
 110 yds. Hurdles (Senior)—G. Clement 3rd
 Javelin (Senior)—Elfryn Davies 2nd.
 880 yds. Walk (Middle)—T. J. Morgan 2nd; R. Andrews 3rd.
 High Jump (Senior)—D. J. Williams 2nd; G. Evans 3rd.
 400yds. Relay (Middle)—Llanelly 2nd.
 220 yds. (Junior)—M. Baxter 4th.
 Discus (Middle)—M. Jenkins 3rd
 880 yds. (Middle)—B. Andrews 4th; R. Morgan 5th.
 220 yds. (Middle)—H. Thomas 2nd
 Long Jump (Senior)—H. Thomas 1st; G. Clement 5th.
 Shot (Senior)—G. Jones 4th.
 Mile Walk (Senior)—P. Bourne 1st.
 Mile (Senior)—J. Bowen 4th.

COUNTY BADGES awarded to:—Harry Thomas, Elfryn Davies, Peter Bourne, John Jones and M. Baxter.

June 12th.—Welsh National Secondary School Sports at Wrexham.

Mile Walk (Senior)—P. Bourne 2nd.
 Hop Step and Jump (Senior)—H. Thomas 5th.

June 22nd.—Carmarthenshire A.A.A. Sports at Stradey Park—

100yds. Youth—Harry Thomas 1st; B. Williams 2nd.

Javelin Junior—Elfryn Davies, 1st; 152ft 5ins (Carmarthenshire County Record).

Long Jump, Youths—Harry Thomas, 1st.

440 yds. Youths—B. Andrews, 2nd.

Shot, Junior—G. Clement 1st; H. Thomas, 2nd.

Long Jump, Junior—G. Clement, 1st; H. Thomas 2nd.

100 yds. Junior—D. R. Williams, 2nd.

Discus, Junior—G. Clement, 1st; 107ft 5ins. (Carm. County Record).

880 yds Walk, Youth—T. J. Morgan, 2nd.

Relay, Junior—Llanelly G.S., 1st.

July 10th.—English A.A.A. Junior Championships at White City, London.

Peter Bourne 3rd in the Mile Walk.