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OPENING CEREMONY

LLANELLY BOYS' GRAMMAR TECHNICAL SCHOOL

BY

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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd, 1960 at 2.55 p.m.

THE LLANELLY BOYS' GRAMMAR TECHNICAL SCHOOL

In January 1895, as a result of the Welsh Intermediate Education Act of 1889, the Llanelly County Intermediate School for Boys was established and 31 boys assembled in the Athenaeum Building, Llanelly.

In September, 1897, the School moved to new and impressive premises in Marble Hall Road and in September, 1950, the first and smaller instalment of the present school was completed. That enabled the junior section to be transferred to the new school, which was two miles away from the old.

Now, after ten years, the eagerly awaited extension of the new school has been completed and all the boys are housed under one roof on the beautiful campus of Stradey.

The Education Act of 1944 resulted in a reorganisation from which the school emerged as THE LLANELLY BOYS' GRAMMAR TECHNICAL SCHOOL, in which today 841 boys are being prepared for the universities, training colleges, trades, professions, and, in increasing numbers, for colleges of technology.

The school is remarkable for the quality of its old boys who occupy the highest positions in educational, legal, scientific and political fields. The Old Boys' Association, with its vigorous London Branch, is one of the strongest in the country.

The school has also a fine Rugby Football tradition and its record of successes was crowned in 1958, when at its first attempt, the school won the Public Schools' Sevens Trophy at the Roehampton Tournament.

The most recent of its extra-mural successes is the selection of Royston Jones, already a holder of The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, to accompany Sir John Hunt's party on this summer's expedition to Greenland.

An interesting feature, now firmly established, of the academic life of the school is the Sixth Form Forum in which 150 Sixth-Formers meet for an afternoon every week with the aim of marrying the Arts and Sciences.

Four headmasters have served the school, the present headmaster Mr. S. G. Rees, M.A., being an old pupil. He is assisted by 41 highly qualified assistant masters all deeply conscious of the high tradition they strive to uphold.

The Governing Body consists of five Foundation Governors, and ten other members, the Chairman being Alderman W. Douglas Hughes, J.P.

2.55 p.m. His Royal Highness arrives at Llanelly Boys' Grammar Technical School and will be received by:—

Lt. Col. Sir Grismond P. Philipps, C.V.O., Lord Lieutenant of Carmarthenshire.

County Alderman W. T. Griffiths, O.B.E., Chairman Carmarthenshire County Council.

W. S. Thomas, Esq., Clerk of the Carmarthenshire County Council.

J. R. Jones, Esq., Chief Constable of Carmarthenshire and Cardiganshire.

2.56 p.m. The following will be presented to His Royal Highness by the Lord Lieutenant of Carmarthenshire:—

J. G. Protheroe-Beynon, Esq., High Sheriff of Carmarthenshire.

Rt. Hon. James Griffiths, P.C., M.P., LL.D.

County Alderman Thomas Davies, J.P., Chairman Carmarthenshire Education Committee.

County Alderman W. Douglas Hughes, J.P., (Freeman of the Borough of Llanelly), Chairman of the School Governors.

Iorwerth Howells, Esq., B.A., LL.B., Director of Education for Carmarthenshire.

County Alderman Edgar Lewis, Vice-Chairman Carmarthenshire Education Committee.

Councillor A. Bowen, J.P., Chairman, Llanelly Rural District Council.

C. B. Hughes, Esq., Clerk to the Llanelly Rural District Council.

Councillor A. J. Evans, J.P., Mayor of Llanelly.

S. Samuel, Esq., Clerk to the Llanelly Borough Council. W. Ll. Lloyd, Esq., M.A., H.M. Chief Inspector for Wales.

S. G. Rees, Esq., M.A., Headmaster, Llanelly Boys' Grammar Technical School.

2.58 p.m. His Royal Highness accompanied by the Lord Lieutenant of Carmarthenshire and the Royal Party will proceed through an avenue formed by School Prefects to the

Entrance of the School where the Chairman of the Governors will present the following members of the Governing Body of the School to His Royal Highness:—

County Alderman Emrys Aubrey, J.P.

County Alderman J. Ll. Evans, M.B.E., J.P.

Councillor John Griffiths.

Mrs. M. R. Howells.

Councillor Mrs. Loti Rees Hughes.

Councillor W. J. Davies.

Councillor S. T. Hughes.

Councillor Edward Lewis, J.P.

Councillor G. M. McConkey.

Councillor Mrs. C. R. Rees.

Councillor S. J. E. Samuel.

County Alderman D. J. Stone, J.P.

Councillor D. J. Joseph.

Councillor Gwilym Thomas.

J. O. Evans, Esq., Administrative Officer.

Gwyn I. Thomas, Esq., M.A., Deputy Director of Education for Carmarthenshire.

H. Rolfe, Esq., B.Sc., A.Inst. P., Deputy Headmaster of the School.

Tudor Lloyd Thomas, Head Boy, Llanelly Boy's Grammar Technical School.

W. T. Lloyd, Esq., A.R.I.B.A., County Architect, Carmarthenshire County Council.

Rev. T. V. Shaw, M.A., Former Headmaster of the School.

G. J. Thomas, Esq., M.A., Former Headmaster of the School.

Representatives of the Ministry of Education: -

A. E. Marrington, Esq.

Dr. T. E. Williams, H.M. Staff Inspector.

CEREMONY OF OPENING

AT

THE ENTRANCE DOOR

- 1. The Chairman of the Governors, Alderman W. Douglas Hughes, J.P., will ask the County Architect, Mr. W. T. Lloyd, A.R.I.B.A., and the Contractors, Messrs. Bennett Brothers, to present His Royal Highness with the key to the school.
- 2. His Royal Highness will declare the school open.
- 3. The Chairman of the Governors, Alderman W. Douglas Hughes, J.P., will ask the Rev. T. V. Shaw, M.A., former Headmaster of the School, to offer a Dedicatory Prayer.
- 3.5 p.m. His Royal Highness accompanied by the Chairman of the Governors, the Director of Education, the Headmaster and the Royal Party, will visit the School Library, Science Laboratories, Workshops, and Gymnasia where the pupils will be working and present an opportunity for His Royal Highness to see pupils at their studies:—

School Library: Form: Sixth Upper.

Teacher: D. G. Anthony, Esq., Min. of Ed. Cert.

Chemistry

Laboratory (1). Form: Sixth Lower.

Teacher: D. Smith, Esq., B.Sc.

Chemistry

Laboratory (2). Form: Sixth Lower.

Teacher: J. R. Thomas, Esq., B.Sc.

Woodwork: Form: V.T.

Teacher: W. H. Davies, Esq.,

Cert. City and Guilds.

Metalwork: Form: V.T.

Teacher: T. P. Jones, Esq.,

Cert. City and Guilds.

Gymnasium (1): Form: Gymnastic Club.

Teacher: Howell Thomas, Esq.,

Dip. Physical Education.

Gymnasium (2): Form: Gymnastic Club.

Teacher: T. J. Jones, Esq., Dip. Physical Education.

3.25 p.m. His Royal Highness, accompanied by the Chairman of the Governors, the Director of Education, the Headmaster of the School, and the Royal Party, will proceed to the stage of the Assembly Hall. On the Stage will be assembled members of the Governing Body, County Aldermen, D. Mansel-Lewis, Esq., and Lady Mary Mansel-Lewis, Mrs. C. R. Mansel-Lewis, representatives of the Ministry of Education, the Chairman of the Divisional Education Committee, the Divisional Education Officer and the Head Boy of the School.

Assembled in the Auditorium will be the pupils of the School.

On the Second Stage, at the opposite end of the Hall, will be assembled Carmarthenshire County Councillors and Ladies, Officers of the Authority, Representatives of Neighbouring Authorities, Headteachers of Secondary Schools, Officers of the Old Boys' Association, Principals of the Llanelly Technical College and Llanelly Art School, Clergy and Ministers of Religion, wives of Staff, the parents of the Head Boy and representatives of the first students of the School.

3.26 p.m.

CEREMONY IN THE SCHOOL HALL

"HEN WLAD FY NHADAU"

- 1. Welcome to His Royal Highness by the Chairman of the Goverors, Alderman W. Douglas Hughes, J.P.
- 2. The Chairman of the Governors will invite His Royal Highness to address the Assembly.
- 3. Address by His Royal Highness.
- 4. The Chairman of the Governors will call upon the Head Boy, Tudor Lloyd Thomas, who will invite His Royal Highness to accept a token of appreciation from the Boys of the School.
- 5. Expression of Thanks by the Headmaster, S. G. Rees, Esq., M.A.

"GOD SAVE THE QUEEN"

3.40 p.m. His Royal Highness and the Royal Party, will proceed along The Balcony where members of the Staff of the School will be assembled in this order:—

J. R. Williams, Esq., B.A., Senior History Master.

W. Rees, Esq., B.A., Senior English Master.

G. R. Hughes, Esq., B.A., Senior Welsh Master.

C. L. Humphreys, Esq., B.Sc., Master-in-charge of Engineering Science.

J. B. Bowen, Esq., B. of Ed. Cert., N.S.A.M., Senior Art Master.

R. Jacobs, Esq., B.A., Senior Geography Master.

M. R. Thomas, Esq., B.A., Senior French Master.

J. J. Lloyd, Esq., B.Sc., Mathematics Master.

L. J. Sutherns, Esq., B.Sc., Senior Biology Master.

D. A. Thomas, Esq., B.A., Senior Classics Master.

J. V. Harris, Esq., B.Sc., Senior Mathematics Master.

M. Rees, Esq., B.A., English Master.

G. Evans, Esq., B.A., Senior Economics Master.

R. Wynne, Esq., B.A., Senior Master for Religious Knowledge.

G. D. Thorne, Esq., B.Sc., Botany Master.

H. E. Price, Esq., B.A., Master for Economics and Geography.

G. I. Evans, Esq., B.A., Modern Languages Master.

D. M. Williams, Esq., M.A., LL B., English Master.

E. Jones, Esq., B.A., Modern Languages Master.

V. L. Rees, Esq., B.Sc., Science Master.

D. R. I. Jones, Esq., M.A., Welsh Master.

W. L. Llewellyn, Esq., B.Sc., Mathematics Master.

W. S. Alford, Esq., B.Sc., Mathematics Master.

J. R. Thomas, Esq., B.A., French Master.

R. J. Davies, Esq., B.Sc., Physics Master.

J. V. Hayes, Esq., B.A., Classics Master.

D. H. Rees, Esq., B.A., Welsh Master.

H. Dunn-Jenkins, Esq., B.Sc., Senior Geology Master.

H, John, Esq., B.Sc., Engineering Science Master.

L. Pugh, Esq., F.R.C.O., Senior Music Master.

K. Mars, Esq., B.Sc., Physics Master.

D. Hughes, Esq., B.A., Welsh Master.

G. Hughes, Esq., Min. of Ed. Cert., General Subjects.

His Royal Highness and the Royal Party will proceed to the Headmaster's Study where His Royal Highness will be invited to sign the Visitors' Book and, if His Royal Highness so desires, take refreshment.

3.50 p.m. His Royal Highness and the Royal Party will leave the School.

The following will accompany the Royal Party to the Helicopter:—

The Chairman of the Governors, Alderman W. Douglas Hughes, J.P.

The Headmaster of the School, S. G. Rees, Esq., M.A. The Chairman of the Education Committee, Alderman Thomas Davies, J.P.

The Director of Education, Iorwerth Howells, Esq., B.A., LL.B.