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## EDITORIAL.

With the publication of the Christmas edition of the Magazine, we approach the end of yet another "first term." We wish to take this opportunity to welcome the boys who have just entered the School, to congratulate those who were successful in the W.J.E.C. Examinations last Summer, and to extend our good wishes to all who left us last year.

We gratefully acknowledge contributions to the Magazine from the Headmaster and Mr. G. J. Thomas the former Headmaster, as well as from the Old Boys' Association and all sections of the School. We regret that, owing to lack of space, we have to hold some articles over for a later issue.

To the winners of the Short Story Competitions, we say "Well done!"; to all those who entered the competitions "Please try again!"

Finally, it our great pleasure to wish the Headmaster, Members of the Staff, our fellow pupils, Old Boys, and all friends of School, a very Happy Christmas and a most successful New Year.

JOHN G. GEORGE.

## NODIADAU GOLYGYDDOL.

Unwaith eto, ar derfyn tymor arall yn hanes yr hen ysgol, mae'n amser ysgifennu ychydig o nodiadau ar fywyd yn gyffredinol yma.

Daeth llu o fechgyn newydd i'r ysgol ar ddechrau'r tymor, a hapus oedd sylwi fod y mwyafrif ohonynt yn Gymry, ac yn medru'r Gymraeg. Cymaint oedd eu brwdfrydedd fel y daeth llawer ohonynt i fyny o'r Pwll i gyfarfodydd y Gymdeithas Gymraeg, a chawsant groeso cynnes gan y bechgyn hŷn.

Y mae cyflwr y Gymraeg yn iach iawn. Cymry yw'r mwyafrif o aelodau'r tîm pel-droed yr ysgol, ac y mae llawer o Gymry'r ysgol yn ymddiddori yn y gêm newydd sydd wedi dod fel llif dros yr ysgol—Gwyddbwyll.

Cefais y pleser mawr o fynd i'r eisteddfod yng Ngraerffili ym mis Awst, a chlywais lawer a wyr enwog ein cenedl yn siarad yno. Clywais T. H. Parry Williams, Gwenallt, Tom Parry, Cynan ac eraill. Mwynhâd mawr oedd clywed Roland Morris yn cario'r dydd yn y gystadleuaeth chwarae'r piano. Y mae Roland yn aelod o'r Gymdeithas Gymraeg, a llongyfarchwn ef yn fawr ar ei lwyddiant.

Edrychwn yn hapus yn ôl ar dymor hapus ym mywyd yr ysgol, ac edrychwn ymlaen at dymor llwyddianus arall. Carwn ddiolch i bawb sydd wedi helpu cadw safon y bywyd Cymreig yn yr ysgol yn uchel, a chadw traddodiad mawr yr ysgol. Hyderwn y caiff bawb lwyddiant mawr yn eu haroliadau, ac i bawb, Nadolig llawen a blwyddyn newydd wir dda.

J. HYWEL JONES (VI).

Llongyfarchwn J. Hywel Jones yntau ar ei lwyddiant yn yr Eisteddfod Genedlaethol pan gipiodd hanner y wobr am gyfansoddi telyneg, i rai o dan ddeunaw oed.

## DE OMNIBUS REBUS.

Little do such men know the toil, the pains,  
The daily, nightly, racking of the brains,  
To range the thoughts, the matter to digest,  
To cull, fit phrases, and reject the rest.

It is our pleasant duty to welcome three new members of the Staff, Mr. H. Price, Mr. G. I. Evans and Mr. Hywel Thomas. We hope that their stay with us will be long and happy.

This term also we are glad to see with us two masters who have been away for some time—Mr. William Rees, who after four years as Lecturer at Llandrindod Emergency Training College, has returned to the post of Senior English Master, and Mr. H. Gwyn Jones, who having successfully completed a year's course in Educational Psychology at London University, has taken over the post of Senior Biology Master.

Both Mr. J. L. Morris and Mr. W. Rees have been ill for part of the term. We are glad to see them back and wish them a speedy and complete recovery.

During the absence of Mr. William Rees, Mr. Huw Griffiths, an Old Boy, has given valuable service to the School.

We are pleased to report that Mr. D. Gwynne Anthony is serving on the Staff again this year and to place on record his valuable contribution to the Science Societies at the Junior School.

For the first time in School's history, the boys are occupying two buildings, as a section of the new School Buildings at Pwll has been opened to the junior forms this term. In spite of this compulsory division, the dictum "e pluribus unum" still applies.

A section of the School attended a matinée performance of Smetana's "The Bartered Bride" at the Empire Theatre, Swansea. All who went, returned with a favourable opinion of the Welsh Opera Company's performance.

This year again we have the pleasure of the company of a number of Students from Aberstwyth and Swansea. We hope that their stay with us will be a happy one.

The School's Rugby teams are in their customary fine form and both the 1st and 2nd XV's are, as we go to Press, unbeaten. We have also contributed six players to the Welsh Secondary Schools Trials. Keep it up lads!

A happy occasion this term was the visit to School of a distinguished Old Boy—Mr. Clifford Evans. He spoke to the juniors in the new School building and gave a talk to the seniors and a section of the Girls' School in the Girls' School Hall, which was kindly loaned for the occasion by Miss Thyer-Jones. The delight of the large audience was evident by the enthusiastic ovation he received. Later in the term a large contingent of boys paid a visit to the Grand Theatre, Swansea, to see Mr. Evans' production of Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night."

The disappearance of certain atomic professors from Harwell has resulted in a very wary eye being kept on some of our budding Einsteins!

The appointment of a new Chancellor of the Exchequer produced many glum looks in the Economics class. By Adam Smith! Their applications weren't even opened!

A certain Master was heard complaining that Archie Andrews is not the only chap being educated who has a wooden head!

#### More Howlers.—

Indirect speech is a speech not spoken by the person who is speaking it.

A circle is a line running round a dot for ever.

Bishops wear guitars around their legs.

St. Andrew is the patent Saint of Scotland. The patent Saint of England is Union Jack.

Lady Godiva was a jockey.

#### Gifts to the Library.—

We wish to acknowledge the following gifts to the Library:—  
Mr. Hampton—a large number of books for the English Section.  
John Anthony Morgan—£1/1/0 for the Biology Section.

JOHN G. GEORGE.

## APT QUOTATIONS ?

The New School Building.—

Earth has not anything to show more fair  
Dull would he be of soul who could pass by  
A sight so touching in its majesty.

(Wordsworth.)

Biology Lab.—

Our meddling intellect  
Misshapes the beautiful forms of things;  
We murder to dissect.

(Wordsworth.)

French Class.—

Fifty million Frenchmen can't be wrong!

Girls' School.—

Sweet girl graduates in their golden tresses.

(Tennyson.)

Gate Prefects.—

They also serve who only stand and wait,

(Milton.)

Morning Interval.—

For this relief much thanks!

(Shakespeare.)

Form VI.—

Many have genius, but wanting art, are forever dumb.

(Longfellow.)

Journey to School on Morning of Exams.—

Who are these coming to the sacrifice?

(Keats.)

It is better to travel hopefully than to arrive.

(Stevenson.)

Heard in the Lit. and Deb.—

I am no orator as Brutus is;

But, as you know me all, a plain blunt man.

(Shakespeare.)

C.W.B.—

"It hath only changed in name."

## HEAD PREFECT'S MESSAGE.

As the closing stages of the first term of another school year draw near, let us cast our minds back to one of the main events which have taken place to make this term a memorable one.

Early in the session, on September 21st, the new Boys' Grammar School building at Pwll was officially opened—a very important event in the history of the School. A large gathering of distinguished guests, members of the Staff, prefects, form representatives and parents, attended the opening ceremony. It was truly a proud moment for all when the guest of honour, Mr. Hardman, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Education, declared the new building open and I am sure that those who were honoured to be present, will long remember this occasion.

It now remains to be hoped that the Senior part of the school will be completed in the very near future.

The important thing for both Seniors and Juniors to remember constantly is that, although we are at present in two buildings, we are still all members of one school. Each boy, whether he is Junior or Senior, is entrusted with the honour and good name of the School—a responsibility that must be looked upon as sacred by every schoolboy.

School Societies, Athletic and Rugby Clubs, help to educate and broaden the outlook of every boy. All are invited to become members of these School societies; every boy should be a member of at least one of them. It is pleasing to see that the Juniors in the new building, without any senior guidance, have successfully maintained School traditions by forming such new societies as The Modelling Club, The Fur and Feather Club, The Collecting Society and a society for young aquarium keepers. The spirit shown by the Juniors is one which augurs well for the future.

Of course, to boys both Past and Present who have had intimate connections with the "Old School," their sentiments and memories, will ever remain with "Yr Ysgol ar y Bryn." But it is the united School spirit that matters, and this we must keep alive until the Boys' Grammar School again assembles under one roof.

On behalf of the pupils of our school, I wish to extend to the Headmaster, Staff, Old Boys and all those connected with the School, sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

JOHN NORTH,  
(Head Prefect).

**OPENING OF NEW SCHOOL BUILDINGS AT PWLL,  
SEPTEMBER 21, 1950.**

**PROGRAMME.**

**PART I.**

1. Welcome to the Assembly and introduction of Mr. D. R. Hardman, M.P., by the Rev. Chancellor S. B. Williams, M.A., Chairman of the Education Committee, and Alderman Joseph Howell, Chairman of the Governors and Foundation Governor.
2. Presentation of a key by the County Architect (Mr W. T. Lloyd, A.R.I.B.A.) and Mr. Henry Thomas, Contractor.
3. Official Opening of the new School by Mr. D. R. Hardman, M.P.
4. Dedicatory Prayer by the Rev. Chancellor S. B. Williams, M.A.  
The Assembly will proceed into the Dining Hall.

**PART II.**

1. The School Song—By the School Choir.
  2. Chairman's Introductory Address.
  3. A History of the School, by Mr T. V. Shaw, M.A. (Headmaster).
  4. Address by D. R. Hardman, Esq., J.P., M.P., M.A., LL.B., (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Education).
  5. Vote of Thanks.
- To Propose, Alderman Joseph Howell, Chairman of the Governors.
- To Second, Alderman W. Douglas Hughes, J.P., Vice-Chairman of the Education Committee.
- To support Rt. Hon. James Griffiths, P.C., M.P., LL.D. (Minister for the Colonies); Dame Gwendoline Trubshaw, D.B.E., J.P. (Senior Foundation Governor); Mr Iorwerth Howells, B.A., LL.B., Director of Education.

**A HISTORY OF THE SCHOOL.**

(An outline of the account given by the Headmaster at the Official Opening of the new Buildings.)

**BUILDING.**—Following the passing of the Welsh Intermediate Act of 1889, a Fund was opened in 1891 to help to provide Llanelly with an Intermediate and Technical School for Boys and Girls, separately. Opened on July 10th by the late Mr. W. Thomas, Cwmbach, with the large sum of £500, the Fund speedily accumulated, eventually reaching £6,200. That was, in fact, about one tenth of the cost of the new building just opened, and this, in turn, is only one third of what the completed premises will ultimately cost. The old School building was opened in 1897, and by a strange co-incidence, on September 21st, the day of the opening of the building at Pwll. An inspection of the foundation stone near the lower entrance will reveal that it was laid on October 26th, 1896 by Ald. Gwilym Evans, J.P., Chairman of the Governors. Another stone at the upper entrance—formerly the Girls' entrance—indicates that the opening ceremony was performed by Mrs Rowland Maclaren, "one of the lady Governors."



**PERSONNEL.**—On January 22nd, 1895, the first Headmaster, Mr. William Lewis, M.A., opened the School in the Athanaeum (now the Public Library) with 31 boys—i.e., one LESS than the present number of MASTERS! Numbers increased steadily, and at the time of his early death about twenty-one years later, the numbers had increased to 960. The second Headmaster, Mr. G. J. Thomas, M.A., was appointed in January, 1917, after an "inter-regnum" of about a year, in the middle of the first World War. In common with most schools, numbers rose very rapidly, and at one time there were 540 boys crowded into the space of half the present old building. So that problems of accommodation became the constant pre-occupation of Governors and Head until the new building became available; for even after the Girls departed in 1940, to their own new School, numbers again increased, reaching the peak figure of 642 in 1947.

The present Headmaster, who had served on the staff as an English Master for fifteen years, succeeded Mr. Thomas in January, 1937. During the War years he had to cope, not only with increasing numbers of our own boys, but also with three "waves" of evacuees, two of whom were in the School at the same time, one of them being part of a Girls' School!

This section of the outline would be incomplete without reference to the grievous losses sustained in the two Wars. The School lost a Master (Mr. Foster, in whose name an annual Memorial prize is awarded), and 46 Old Boys in the first war. In the second, 59 Old Boys made the supreme sacrifice.

**CURRICULUM.**—The School was particularly fortunate in the choice of its first Headmaster, to whom fell the task of laying the foundations and traditions. On a broad-based general curriculum, he established the School as a pioneer and leader among the schools of Wales in Manual Instruction, a position it has retained ever since. The second Headmaster, added Biology and Geology to the curriculum, while the present Headmaster has added Economics and has established Scripture in both English and Welsh throughout the School, as well as providing increased opportunities for the use of Welsh language in teaching Welsh History to Welsh-speaking boys throughout the School, and strengthening the teaching of Art and of Music.

With some seventeen subjects available for selection up to the highest level of the new General Certificate of Education, supported by a vigorous corporate life, offering more than a dozen School Societies to appeal to all interests, and by a traditionally high standard of field games and athletics, it is obvious that, when the fine new buildings are completed, with their excellent playing fields, Llanelly will possess a Grammar-Technical School unsurpassed in Wales.

## LLANELLY—100 YEARS AGO (Continuation).

### Social and Cultural Activities.

The townspeople in general must have relied much for social and cultural activities on Church, Chapel and Friendly Society, but in addition there had been for some few years co-operative reading and book societies among the professional and commercial classes, while, to encourage reading amongst the working men, some of the more enlightened employers had set up reading rooms in their works. In these rooms could presumably be read the local papers then circulating in the district, the "Swansea Cambrian" and the "Carmarthen Journal," which provided general as well as local news. The "Llanelly Advertiser," the first local paper, had appeared as a monthly in 1848, but it ran only for a short time.

As an offshoot of the reading and book societies, the Mechanics' Institution had been formed in 1847 under the presidency of Mr. William Chambers, Junior. It was one of hundreds founded throughout England and Wales on the model of the London Mechanics' Institution (now Birkbeck College) established in 1824 by Dr. George Birkbeck. The object of these institutions was to raise the general standard of culture, especially in industrial centres, and in Llanelly the Institution did great work for many years, giving place in the fullness of time to the Public Library. It was housed at first in the English Congregational Schoolroom in Park Street. It collected a library, arranged lectures on scientific and literary subjects by prominent Llanelly townsmen and visitors from Swansea and Carmarthen, organised debates on topical subjects and set up evening classes to supplement the rather meagre facilities for education then provided. In 1849-50-51, a spring-time of interest in Science, the Llanelly men who lectured were Mr. William Chambers, Jnr., on the Neighbourhood of Llanelly and the advantages of the Institution; Mr. R. T. Howell on Science in relation to Commerce and Manufacture, on Heat, and on Attraction (with demonstrations); Mr James Buckley on Ornithology; Mr John Thomas (Printer) on Llanelly and neighbourhood, and Welsh Customs; Mr. T. Hall (Schoolmaster) on Africa; Mr. E. Bagot (Civil Engineer) on Geology; Mr. John Cameron on The Chemistry of a Cup of Tea, and The Chemistry of Soils; and Mr. Benjamin Howell (Timber Merchant) on Provident Institutions.

Another off-shoot of the reading and book societies was the Chamber of Commerce. This met usually in Dr. Cook's house on the site of the present Public Library. The members were prominent business men, and in their discussions, as already mentioned, they criticised freely the shortcomings of the Burgess-Trustees before power was transferred in 1850 to the elected local Board of Health. Some members of the Chamber became members of the first Board, which, it may be worth noting, was constituted as follows:— Messrs. William Chambers, Jnr. (Chairman), David Evans (Grocer), R. T. Howell (Bryncearau), Benjamin Jones (Solicitor), John Jones, J. J. Letcher, J. E. Morgan, C. W. Nevill (Vice-Chairman), Richard Palmer, John Samuel, William Thomas (Cwmbach?) and Morgan Williams (Banker). The officials appointed were:— Clerk: Mr. F. L. Brown (Solicitor); Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector: Mr. G. Harries; Rate Collector: Mr William Isaac (Watchmaker).

There was no regular place of entertainment in the town in those days, but there were red-letter days when colour was brought into the life of the community by the visit of a singer, speaker, or entertainer of more than local reputation and occasionally even of Wombwell's Menagerie or Ginnett's Circus when on tour through South Wales. Three such events during the summer of 1849 were described by the local correspondent of the "Swansea Cambrian," and it may be interesting to give an account of them.

### A Chartist Lecturer

On Wednesday, July 4th, Mr. Henry Vincent, a prominent Chartist speaker, came to lecture on Peace. The meeting was held in the Town Hall and the chair was taken by the well-known Dr. Hopkins, Goitrewen. Mr. Vincent, then 36 years of age, had taken an active part in political agitation and had been described as the "Demosthenes" of the Chartist Movement. His public lectures on social, educational and political subjects had created concern as well as interest, and in 1839 and 1840 he had been imprisoned for what were then considered to be subversive speeches. His coming to Llanelly was looked on with dread by many

and there was some difficulty in finding a place for the meeting. But, as the "Swansea Cambrian" correspondent wrote: "in spite of foreboding and anxiety, Mr. Vincent was heartily welcomed by a crowded audience, amongst whom we observed some of the most respectable inhabitants of the neighbourhood." The lecturer rivetted the attention of the audience for he was "a finished speaker in the various styles of oratory," and "a really good, fervid, fluent and florid orator." The vote of thanks was proposed by the Rev. David Rees, Capel Als, and seconded by George Webb, Esq. A request was made that he should come again and he promised to do so. He was staying for the time at Swansea where he lectured several times on such subjects as "The State and Progress of the Political Parties," "The Tendencies of the Age," "Civil and Religious Liberty," "Social and Political Advancement," all subjects that stirred political thought among the people. He lectured also at Carmarthen and Tenby. During his public career he fought many parliamentary elections as an advanced radical, always unsuccessfully as might have been expected in those pre-democratic days. But he lived to see in operation the Reform Act of 1867, for which, it is said, his public lectures did much to prepare the way. He died in 1878 at the age of 65.

### **Concert at the Town Hall.**

On Tuesday, 31st July, Miss Louisa Vinning, the "Infant Sappho" "fairy in form and nightingale in voice," "an extraordinary and gifted genius," "a miniature Jenny Lind," gave a fashionable concert at the Town Hall, "before an enraptured audience, formed principally of the élite of the town and surrounding country," a party coming from as far as Carmarthen. Many of the fashionable gentlemen of the place could not get sitting room. Music lovers may like to know that Miss Vinning sang Bishop's "Bid me discourse," "I'm a young lassie ye ken," "By the sad sea waves" and "The Swiss Girl." She was assisted by her father who played violin and piano solos, and sang Albert Smith's comic song, "The Medical Student."

### **Grand Gala at Llanelly.**

On Monday, the 6th August, Mr. W. B. Franklin, the popular pyrotechnist of Vauxhall Gardens, London, gave a grand gala in the Hall Street Market. The original arrangement, according to the programme, was to hold the function in the Park Street Market (i.e. the open space between Park Street and Water Street) but this was found to be inadequate for the extensive display the artist desired to give the good folk of Llanelly. It was about three years since anything of a similar nature had taken place and the promised display caused "a great deal of excitement and pleasure to all." The market was crowded; "every available spot was occupied, windows, house-roofs, church and steeple." A signal rocket was fired at 8.45 p.m., and thereafter came the fireworks and set pieces, "creating a furore of applause." At 9.20 a ponderous Montgolfier balloon went up in elegant style, passing over the hills and Pembrey. Then came more fireworks and set pieces—Serpent Chase, Chinese Piece, Royal Star—concluding with "The Fiery Dragoon." The audience expressed itself highly gratified by so gorgeous a display of fireworks.

P.S.—Perhaps those interested in local history will like to know that a copy of Mr. G. T. Clark's Report on Llanelly in 1849 may be seen in the Public Library (Reference Department). It belonged to Mr. R. T. Howell, of Bryncaerau—a member of the first local Board of Health and one of the most public spirited citizens in Llanelly 100 years ago.

G. J. THOMAS.

## HIRDDYDD HAF.

Mae'r dydd yn hir, y nos heb gyffro draw,  
 Ac nid oes sôn am gwsg a'i gloion harn.  
 Distawrwydd dwys a hedd a geir gerllaw,  
 Mae'r fro yn wâg—yn dawel fel hen garn.  
 Fe ddaw sŵn canu o'r hen eglwys dlôs,  
 A adeiladwyd ers blynyddoedd maith  
 Gan seintiau fyrdd y lle, ar ben y rhôs.  
 Fe ddaw i'm clust yn awr dinc tlws yr iaith,  
 Yr hen Gymraeg, hen iaith fy nhadau gynt,  
 Yr unig iaith a wyddent hwy erioed,  
 Yr iaith a roddodd imi ar fy hynt—  
 Rhyw bleser mawr tra'n cerdded drwy y coed  
 Yr hwyrnos hwnnw, ac o hyd pan âf  
 I'r eglwys honno ar ryw hirddydd hâf.

J. HYWEL JONES (VI).

## A VISIT TO NORTH WALES.

As a result of the Carmarthenshire S.S. A.A.A. Championships, nine boys from the School Athletic Team were chosen for the County team, which was to compete in the National Championships at Bangor on Saturday, 15th July.

On Friday, 14th July we assembled outside the Station in order to catch the bus to Crosshands, where we were to join the rest of the team. At Crosshands the two buses which were to convey us to Bangor were waiting, and as soon as the party was complete we set off. After a short stop at Lampeter we journeyed on to Aberystwyth where dinner was provided.

Leaving the famous seaside resort behind, we noticed a change in the scenery. The countryside became more hilly and rugged, the road became narrower and houses rarer and rarer—we were now really in the heart of Wales and all round was nature at her best.

The nearer we got to Bangor the more mountainous and impressive became the scenery. Sheep seemed like small pieces of cotton wool, and the narrow mountain streams like gleaming veins of quicksilver on these mist enshrouded mountains.

We passed through Machynlleth, Dolgelly and Harlech, places steeped in Welsh history. As we entered the slate quarrying district of Blaenau Ffestiniog, where almost everything is made of slate—houses, pavements, fences, and walls, we who had been fortunate enough to have been taught by Mr Huw Roberts immediately thought of him, and we looked eagerly at his birthplace of which he is so proud.

About tea-time we reached Portmadoc where we were given tea by the girls of the local Grammar School. Then a few of the party left for Criccieth, a few miles further on. Those of us left at Portmadoc were billeted out at various homes.

North Wales appeared at first to be a different country, and not Wales at all as we knew it. The air was keener and the people spoke a very different Welsh. Their hospitality, however, was almost unbelievable and we were treated most generously. It was a strange and somewhat uncomfortable feeling to go to bed with a mountain almost in the garden, especially when one is used to fairly level green fields and gentle hills.

Next morning dawned cold and wet. Leaving Portmadoc the party went to Criccieth to pick up the rest of the team. Then we set off through the rain for Bangor.

At Bangor the rain increased and there was a cold wind blowing inland from the sea. The championships were being held on the University Athletic Grounds and we soon got down to the business of competing in field and track events. There were approximately six hundred competitors, about fifty from each county in Wales. This necessitated a programme carried out to the minute and the organisers succeeded admirably in their task; every event took place at the advertised time, and although it rained everyone had an enjoyable time. Although the School party did not gain a first place in any event we all benefited greatly from the experience.

We returned home to Llanelly on Sunday with very happy memories of Bangor and North Walian hospitality. We are very much indebted to those kind people who welcomed us into their homes—the County authorities for their endeavours to make this trip possible—and to Mr. Tom Jones for his valuable coaching and advice prior to the trip.

In 1951 the National Championships are to be held at Cardiff, and it is hoped that an even larger contingent from School will participate as members of the County Team.

BERNARD ANDREWS (Upper VI).

### "THEY ALSO SERVE."

(Winning Short Story—Senior Competition)

by JIM HENDERSON, Form VI.

The church is situated upon one of those tiny hills shielding the valley. Every morning as the sun peeps over the poplars, the villagers carry milk from the pastures in wooden pails slung across their shoulders; every evening as the sun bids farewell with a gentle breeze there is someone in the church, praying.

Autumn. As the sun appeared over the trees the confused mutterings of the countryside were suddenly shattered by the jarring roar of an explosion—a discord in the pastoral symphony. Then silence again—nothing stirred. As the sun rose high over the valley Father Pierre stood in his vestry listening to the complaints of a visitor. The priest was an old man, white haired, but with smiling eyes and a happy mouth. His face showed plainly his kindly nature and underlined his iron will. His visitor was young, fair-haired, intelligent—but a mere stripling. He came from the village. The priest was standing behind the table, implacable, almost like Time itself. The youth facing him seemed to realise that he was not pitting intelligence against intelligence but rather vigour against experience.

"Father, I tell you that the Boches are demanding land and cattle from my mother which she cannot and will not give."

"My son, you and I are members of God's Holy Church. Even though the Germans have become our conquerors, it is not our duty as Christians to come into conflict with the secular power. Even if the Germans destroy the church and us with it, there is virtually nothing we may do to prevent it."

"We can fight."

"We may fight, yes. But a time will come when this great evil will be swept away from all the land and the people will turn to the church to help them regain their lost prosperity and their way of life."

"But you cannot submit to the Boches! Surely they do not fight the very Church of God?"

"They fight, they murder, they plunder—that is enough to condemn them in the sight of God. But we cannot fight the Germans. Although Frenchmen, we are also Churchmen. To Churchmen, nationality is unimportant....."

Suddenly the lofty silence of the church was disturbed. The noisy clatter of hob-nailed boots rattled upon the stone floor, echoed amongst the dusty wooden rafters and the vestry door was flung open by a young villager. His peasant clothing was tattered and ripped by a mad race through ditches and fields. His face was streaming with sweat and a thin line of blood trickled from a gash above one eye. As the explosion had shattered the morning peace of the countryside, so this desperate fugitive shattered the peace which enfolded the tiny church. The young visitor from the valley recognised the intruder as his brother almost as soon as he appeared. He uttered an exclamation of alarmed surprise, but the man ignored his queries and directing a torrent of words at the priest.

"I am from the Maquis. Doubtless you heard the explosion this morning—I was responsible. The railway bridge in the valley has been destroyed but unfortunately the Boches got on my trail. I must apologise to you for seeking shelter upon such holy ground but I fear there was no alternative for me—they are coming up the hill now."

Looking out of the window, the priest caught a glimpse of black figures, like beetles, crawling towards the hilltop.

The visitor spoke quietly to his brother.

"You must hide in the vaults. Come with me."

In a second they were gone and there was silence in the tiny room, disturbed only by the hoarse breathing of the old man and the crackling of the coals in the grate.

When the pursuers reached the church they remained outside until their officer arrived. It was he who entered and strode down to the vestry. He was a red-haired fellow with a face like a moon. His French was fluent but brutal.

"Are you the priest here?"

"I am. Sit down, M'sieur."

"I'll stand. You are hiding a man for whom we are searching. I demand that you hand him over."

Father Pierre stood his ground. The German realised what manner of man he was dealing with.

"Now look here, I'm a reasonable fellow. I've been chasing all over the countryside for this fellow and before sunset he will be in our hands for the place is surrounded. I'm tired and I'm in a hurry. I will give you an alternative. Either you swear that you are not hiding anyone in this church or I shall be compelled to have it ransacked."

"The church does not support murder."

"I fail to see what connection that has with this."

"Supposing I had your man. I could not hand him over to you for I would be betraying my own principles in supporting an act of murder."

"It would not be murder. Besides, if you failed to hand him over, then you would still be a Judas in betraying your God by perjury. The question is, are you going to obey my orders?"

A dead leaf floated down outside the window.

"I'm afraid I am not."

"Very well,—the place will be ransacked."

"No! Stop! I swear, I swear! There is no one here!"

"It is too late now."

"No! You cannot destroy the church."

The German swung round. Silence.

"Very well. I am foolish but I accept your word—your word as a priest of God. But you know the consequences if your act is proved false. We will destroy you. We will destroy this beautiful building and all that it stands for in the eyes of your fellow countrymen. But you will have been the cause of it. You will have betrayed your Maker. You will have sacrificed faith before better judgement and you will have destroyed everything that you hold dear to you in order to give this miserable individual a few more hours of life—for he is sure to die."

He left. Father Pierre watched them file down the hill again.

When he returned, the young visitor found him still standing by the window.

"They have gone," he said.

"Yes..... they have gone. But out of my own mouth I have betrayed you all. I have betrayed my faith, I have forsaken Him. I am dead! I lied to him. I told him your brother was not in the church. I lied!"

"But everything is alright. My brother is not here for he has gone. He slipped away while the Boche was in here with you."

"But the place is surrounded. He will be killed."

"Yes, I know but it was inevitable. I think he knew that himself. That is why he left. He walked out to death to save us—to save the church. It was suicide but a glorious suicide."

Autumn. In the morning there was an explosion. At vespers there was a shot somewhere in the valley and a Frenchman died.

## Y FERCH 'R OCHR ARALL.

(Buddugol yn y Gystadleuaeth Gymraeg.)

Dacw hi'n "poso" yn y ffenestr, a'i ffrog ore amdani, a'r haul yn disgleirio ar 'i gwyneb. Rhydd gip fach slei withe drwy gil 'i llygad, i weld os odw' i'n edrych. Ond 'rwy i'n rhy dda iddi. 'Rwy'n deall 'i chastie hi i'r dim, ac er 'y mod yn 'i hedmygu'n fawr, 'rw i'n ddigon cyfrwys i weld na chaiff hi siawns i ddweud fy mod yn hoff o sbio arni. wa'th 'mae'n hoff, fel pob merch arall, o adrodd wrth 'i ffrindie fod hwn a hwn â'i lygad arni.

Wel, gwell i mi "introdwio" fy hun i chi'n gynta'. Fi yw'r bachgen sy'n byw yn "Nymber ten," a'r ferch syn achosi gymaint o drallod i mi yw M——, na, gwell i mi beidio â'i henwi, ond 'i galw "y ferch 'r ochr arall."

Rhaid cyfadde', mae'n ferch fach smart iawn; ond dyna 'rwy i'n "hogyn bach reit ddel" hefyd, ac mae'n edrych fel pe buase ni'n siwto'n gilydd i'r dim, ond 'dych ch'i ddim yn nabod 'y ferch 'r ochr arall.' Merch yw hi am y bois. 'Rwy i'n cofio hi a rhyw bump ar y "string" a 'dwy i ddim yn lico peth fel 'na.

Beth sy' mor hudol am y "ferch 'r ochr arall" te? Wel, mi weda i 'tho chi. Ma rw' "figure" rhyfedd 'da hi, medden' nhw, ond 'dw i ddim yn gweld gwahaniaeth rhyngddo a "figure" rhyw ferch arall. Beth yw'r gwahaniaeth 'te? Yn fy meddwl i, ma' ganddi rhyw "facial attraction," y ffordd ma' hi'n edrych ar fachan, sy'n gwneud iddo gochi fel tomaten, ac i wingo yn 'i sgidie, a'r ffordd ma' hi'n crychu 'i heilie, wel! Mae'n "hotstuff" ichi.

Mae 'na o hyd. 'Co hi yn edrych mäs drw'r hen ffenest' na o hyd. O! dacw hi'n edrych ffordd yma . . . . dyna hi wedi troi 'n awr. Bu bron iddi fy nal, ac fe fydde 'i ar ben arna 'i wedyn. 'Na gyf fydde 'i glywed am fis, "O, dylech chi 'i weld, y bachgen 'r ochr arall, chi'n gw'bod. 'R'o'dd e'n esgus ysgrifennu, ac yn sbio arna i 'r un pryd." Ie, Ie, fel 'na fedde hi.

Ma' hi yn yr ysgol. 'R'w i'n yr ysgol. Y mae hi oddeutu dwy ar bymtheg. Minne 'r un fath. Ond y mae cyment o wahanieth rhyngom ag sydd rhwng cath a chwrcyn, rhwng dydd a nos. Ond 'r 'ym yn cydfynd ar un peth. Bechgyn yw y mwyafrif o'm ffrindie i,—bechgyn yw y mwyafrif o'i ffrindiau hi. Ma' hi'n dod adre o'r ysgol boiti pump o'r gloch,—'r un pryd â minne. Y mae hi allan bob nos cyn saith, tra 'w i'n gweithio'n ddyfal. Felly, fe welwch, 'i bod hi'n "rhel girl about town," a minne'n rhel hen "swot."

Ond, 'rhoswch chi nes bod yr haf yn dod. Dyna'r amser fydda i'n "shino." 'R'w i'n credu y bydda i'n dod i nabod y "ferch 'r ochr arall" yn well, ac yn ei gweld yn fwy aml!

J. HYWEL JONES (VI).



## MARCH HARES.

(Winning Short Story—Junior Competition)  
by BRIAN DAVIES, Form IIA.E.

First it must be understood that Hares-and-Hounds had been a favourite sport in St. Clements since the year the school began. But this year it was different.

The Head (who had been a runner himself) told us that this would be the last year of the March running.

"Not only the last year, but the last of the Harriers" he had said.

The reason came out.

The new tenants of the Overlands had said that they would not allow us to run over Overlands Park which skirted the school. This was the only ground available, and so, no more running.

The head had also said that we had always had the right to run over Overlands but now the new owners had put in a claim to stop the right and so after the March Run, the sport must lapse.

My brother, who had just started this term and was as keen as mustard, just groaned and said: "I'll never be a hare like you, Jim."

So on the last day and on the last run, Higgs and I decided to lay the best trail we ever could.

"We will even lay it near the bog," I said. The bog was not extremely dangerous, except in parts, so we did not think of any casualties.

We did so and got home well before the hounds and we were just checking up on the hounds when I realised that my brother was missing. As I knew it wasn't like my brother to break rules, I made enquiries. Someone said that he had been seen running close to the bog and was following a false trail over it. That settled it.

I went to tell Diggins, my Junior house master, and together with a few other chaps we set out. We fairly flew. As I went I had visions of father in India who had set me in charge of him.

Then I heard his voice.

"Coo-eeeeee," he yelled.

Yes! Sure as ninepence it came from the bog.

"Coming old chap," I shouted and turning the corner I saw him. He was stuck up to his knees in the bog. He was very lucky, I thought, he must have fallen in a shallow place. He had been there a full two hours and it was a miracle that—I broke off my thoughts, afraid of the consequences.

It seemed that he had been standing on some sort of ledge. We got him up, and we decided as there was a firm place there, we could put up a warning board. While we were doing this we found something very interesting, yes, it was the old boundary wall which had sunk into the bog.

We soon ascertained that with the help of the masters and old charts and so I am very happy to say that our runs go on just as before and will continue for many a day to come.

## O OGOF I GELL.

(Buddugol yn y gystadleuaeth i'r rhan isaf o'r Ysgol).

Gan JOHN RICHARDS, 3.B.1.

Ar ddiwedd yr haf eleni yr oedd Huw ac Alun Prys yn aros gyda'u hewythr ar lan y môr. Un nos ar ddiwedd eu gwyliau aeth y ddau am dro ar hyd y traeth cyn mynd adref trannoeth.

Wrth gerdded ar hyd y traeth tu allan i'r pentref sylwasant fod y lle yn wyllt yr olwg. Tyfai brwyn ac hesg ar hyd y lle i gyd ac yn y pellter gwelent olion hen fynachdy ar ben clogwyn serth. Gwnaethant eu ffordd tuag at y mynachdy gan fwriadu ei archwilio ac ymhen hanner awr yr oedd y ddau'n cerdded o'i amgylch y tu mewn i furiau cadarn hen oes ond yr oedd wedi cwmpo i fath o anialwch gyda rhannau o gerrig mawrion ar wasgar ar hyd y llawr ac hefyd nythod llawer o adar y môr yn ei dyllau. Ar hyd y mur tyfai mwsogl ac eiddew tew. Dringodd y ddau i ben y mur ac oddi yno cawsant ddarlun hardd o'r traeth odditanynt a'r môr yn llanw.

Wrth fynd i lawr gwelsant ran o'r eiddew yn cael ei chwythu un ochr gan ddangos agoriad tywyll yn y mur. Daethant i lawr y mur cyn gynted ag y gallent a rhedasant tuag ato. Gwthiasant yr eiddew un ochr a chan gynnu matsyn aethant i mewn i'r agoriad a oedd yn diferu'n ddiwedd. Pan oeddynt ar gynnu'r chweched matsyn cwmpodd y ddau i lawr grisiau a oedd wedi eu torri allan o'r graig. Cafodd Huw ei daro'n anymwybodol, ac allan o'r cysgodion daeth dyn a darawodd Alun hefyd i ddistawrwydd. Pan ddihunodd y ddau gwelsant dau ddyn yn sefyll o'u blaen. Pan welwyd eu bod wedi diuno dechreuodd un o'r dynion siarad. Dywedodd wrthynt yr oedd yn rhaid iddynt farw oherwydd y dywedent eu bod wedi dod ar draws eu cyfrinach. Y cynllun oedd i fynd â hwynt allan y nos honno tra oeddynt yn nol peth nwyddau'r farced ddu oddiwrth llong fach yn y bae. Cyn dod at y llong byddent yn eu taflu wedi eu clymu dros ymyl y cwch.

Ar ol dweud y cwbl aeth y ddau allan ac edrychodd y ddau frawd o'u hamgylch. Yr oedd yr ystafell neu ogof wedi ei llenwi bron gan flychau pren ac haearn ac ymhob pen yr oedd agoriad, un i'r mor a'r llall i'r mynachdy. Yn sydyn cafodd Alun gynllun, "Rhwbia dy raffau yn erbyn un o'r blychau yma," dywedodd. "Y mae'r corneli yna'n llym," a chyn hir yr oedd y ddau yn rhwbio â'u holl nerth. Ar ol awr o rhwbio cafodd Huw ei hun yn rhydd a chyn hir yr oedd y ddau yn mynd mor gyflym ag y gallent oddi yno. Ar ol cyrraedd y traeth dan y mynachty gwelsant y llanw yn agoshau'n gyflym at y clogwyn ac hefyd mwy na thebyg mai oddi yno yr ai cwch allan pan fyddai'r llanw yn ddigon uchel.

Rhedodd y ddau nerth eu traed nes cyrraedd y pentref lle y dywedasant wrth y polis. Aethant allan mewn cwch modur gyda'r plismyn. Pan ddaethant at y llong daliasant y criw heb drafferth, ond yr oedd y ddau eraill wedi ffeindio eu bod wedi dod yn rhydd ac wedi ffoi.

Aeth y ddau frawd adref trannoeth a bu dipyn o amser cyn iddynt glywed bod helynt yr ogof wedi bod yn fodd dal gang mawr o ladron y farced ddu.

## THE EIFFEL TOWER.

Undoubtedly one of the most spectacular—I would even go as far as to say beautiful—sights, in Paris is the Eiffel Tower. In whatever part of Paris one happens to be, over the buildings against the skyline, one can always see this magnificent structure of iron, steel and concrete.

It is situated in one of the most beautiful parts of Paris, on the southern bank of the Seine. Directly opposite it is the magnificent Palais de Chaillot, shaped almost like an arc of a circle except for the gap in the middle. On the opposite side is the Ecole Militaire with the lovely avenues of trees between. It is interesting to note that one of the battles in the liberation of Paris was fought here.

When the tower was first conceived by the engineer Eiffel, he was at once laughed at. He was accused of trying the impossible and it was said that if it were put up it would only spoil the magnificence of the scenery of the city with its giant bulk against the skyline. Now we can see that all his critics proved to be absolutely wrong. It was built mainly as a principal attraction for the Great Exhibition of 1889 and when it was eventually completed, was hailed as a masterpiece.

Looking up, the summit of its 987 feet seems to be an insuperable distance away. The small balcony at the top seems tiny in comparison with the immense foundation of four giant girder legs. But when we reach the top a great surprise is in store.

Nowadays there are two lifts which convey us up to the first, second or third (top) floors, whichever we choose—or whichever our stomachs allows us to choose. The charge to the top is 300 francs, about six shillings in English money.

The lift is worked by a series of cables and is exceptionally safe—even though everyone seems to have his doubts. There are glass windows all the way around it so that occupants with strong constitutions may watch the thrilling ascent.

The first floor is immense. It has restaurants, cafes, bookstalls, souvenir shops and practically everything. This floor is quite high, but the height is nothing compared to that of the summit! The lift continues to the second floor where everyone has to change lifts. The second floor is somewhere about half-way up the tower or just a little higher. But all the same, it is very high. Here also there are cafes, where everyone seems to drink 'coca-cola' (the Americans can't do without it and they are the important people in Paris). We take a walk around the second floor and are pleasantly surprised at the distance. It is really very high.

But we go higher still. We change lifts and start on the last lap of the journey—for journey it really is. Everyone alights at the top floor. We first enter an enclosed balcony with glass windows all the way round. Above each window there is a map of that particular section of Paris naming all the famous landmarks. But the surprising part about it is the size. There is a refreshment bar, souvenir stalls and practically everything. All 1,000 feet up in a tower! If we wish, we can buy special Eiffel Tower stamps to send on cards souvenirs.

But if the weather is favourable, and in the summer it always seems to be in Paris, we can go out on to an open balcony and one of the best views we can hope to see meets us as we step on to the balcony. All Paris is spread out before us. We can pick out all the famous spots—Sacre Coeur, Notre Dame, Le Louvre, Arc de Triomphe and many many others. They say that on a clear day one can see the windings of the Seine to a distance of 60 miles.

From this you can see that it really is a wonderful structure and has, in its comparatively short history, become a household name in the mouths of all nationalities.

H. RUBENSTEIN, VIA.

### MONITORS IN LOWER SCHOOL.

Andrew Templeton, IIB1, Head Monitor.  
 Colin Morris, IIB1.  
 Thomas Powell, IIB1.  
 David Parsons, IIB2.  
 Wilfred Quirk, IIB2.  
 Alan Thomas, IIB2.

### THE SCHOOL BELL.

Green fields re-echo with joyful cries  
 Of schoolboys under the morning skies,  
 When over the frosty air, is borne  
 A sound which raises a heavy groan.  
 Oh! that old School Bell!

The morning's long, the lesson is boring,  
 The master drones on, outside it's pouring.  
 The scratching of nibs, the shuffling of feet  
 Cease, as the boys the glad sound greet.  
 Hurrah! the School Bell!

The last day of term has once more come,  
 And masters and boys stream happily home;  
 In a quiet room, on a lonely shelf,  
 Is standing unhappily by itself,  
 A silent School Bell.

T. DAVID GEORGE (2A English).

## THE HOME AQUARIUM.

The keeping of an aquarium not only produces an opportunity of seeing beautiful fish but ensures a great scientific principle. Life in an aquarium allows us to realise the balance between fish and plants.

An aquarium may be bought at any pet shop or Aquarist, but if it is preferred the fancier can make his own. To make an aquarium 24ins. x 12ins. x 12ins., a length of angle iron about 16 feet 6 inches should be bought. This should be cut to 2ft. and 1ft. lengths, mitred at the ends and welded. The next step would be to rub the frame with emery cloth and give an undercoat of paint. When this is dry a layer of Aqua-glaze should be put on the inside of the frame into which the glass should be gently pressed. The glass used should be 32oz. with  $\frac{1}{4}$ inch. plate-glass in the bottom. The tank should be left for two weeks to dry. Then it must be tested and if waterproof, the final coat of paint can be applied. It is safer to buy an aquarium than risk further expense and inconvenience with a home-made tank.

### ARTIFICIAL LIGHTING.

This method of showing up the tank is very popular. A strip of tin 24 inches wide can be bent like a bridge and the ends sealed with more tin held in position by solder. A fitting can be fixed through the tin to hold a bulb.

Gravel can be bought at 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. a pound. In the tank I have mentioned 20lbs. are required. Before use, the gravel should be well washed. It should then be laid out in the tank. A dish must be placed on the gravel and a jug in this. The water is poured slowly into the jug until the gravel is covered, then it can be poured quickly.

The water used should not be tap water, as it has a high percentage of Chlorine in it. If possible rain water should be used, and if it is collected from a drain pipe it must be filtered.

### PLANTS AND PLANTING.

Plants can be divided into three groups: (a) Oxygenating, (b) Decorative and (c) Covering.

(a) Oxygenating.—*Vallisneria Spirallis* is a grass like plant about 12 inches tall. Hairgrass is about six inches tall and resembles the bushy side of a hairbrush. Both these plants are propagated by means of a runner. *Elodea* is a tall stemmed plant with irregular pairs of leaves up the stem. Hornwort is similar but has finer leaves and grows more bushy.

(b) Decorative.—*Vallisneria Torta* is like twisted grass. Hornwort and Hairgrass are both excellent decorative plants.

(c) Covering.—Hornwort and *Myriophyllum*, both very much alike, are good covering plants.

A nice selection for a two foot tank would be: nine *Vallisneria*, two bunches of Hairgrass, two *Eodeas* and a piece of Hornwort.

The tank should be left for two weeks before adding the fish. Before the fish are bought one must know what diseases a fish can have. If the fish are healthy the Dorsal or back fin will be upright.

There are two common diseases, namely Fungus and White Spot, both of which can be recognised by a film of white slime around the body. It can be cured by putting the fish in a gallon of water to an ounce of salt; the infected fish should be left in this solution for two days.

#### FEEDING.

Live-foods are welcomed by all fish. The common live-foods are: Daphnia, Cyclops, Bloodworms and Mosquito larvae. All these live-foods can be caught at any fresh water pond. Dried foods are most popular but Ants Eggs should not be used as they tend to hatch in the house. There are many other dried foods such as Brosiam, Sprats, etc. When dried foods are used care must be taken not to overfeed the fish for all waste food will pollute the water.

#### FISH.

The Goldfish is the most popular fish and is familiar to everyone. From this exquisite fish many fancy fish have been bred such as the Shubunkin which has no scales. It has a bluish body with large fins. Then there are the Veiltail, and the Moor (or black Veiltail), which are like a Shubunkin with long flowing fins.

The Golden Orf and Golden Rudd are very much alike. They have long thin bodies coloured red. The Green Tench has a green body with blood-red fins. There is also the Minnow and the Stickle-Back. The Blue Bitterling has a grey body with a blue band along the rear half.

A nice community tank would be: two Goldfish, two Golden Orf, two Shubunkins, two Blue Bitterling and one Moor.

If one is careful the fish will live for years and will give you endless hours of pleasure watching them.

C. W. QUIRK, 3B2.

#### LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

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The first meeting of the Society this term was a debate on the motion "That the Welfare State destroys individual initiative." The speakers for affirmative were Harold Rubenstein and Noel Edwards, and for the negative Bernard Andrews and Kenneth Jenkins. Though the motion was not actually political it involved certain political implications and a lively debate was held. From the floor, Bernard Williams, Nigel Royster and Gordon Davies (form I) spoke in support of the motion; Russell Williams, Kerry Thomas, Idris Thomas, Malcolm James and Edmund Aubrey spoke on behalf of the negative. When the vote was taken the result was a win for the negative by 17 votes to 9.

On October 13th the Society was privileged to hear Mr Stockton giving a lecture on Architecture. The title of the lecture, "The House that Jack Built," caused considerable speculation and wonder which was soon dispelled as Mr. Stockton proceeded to give an interesting and enlightening history of architecture from Greece and the days of Hellas to the Renaissance in England. By deft usage of chalk and judicious use of the epidiascope the lecturer added even greater interest to his subject, while his reference to architectural examples in Llanelly—though not always complimentary—emphasised the truth of Machiavelli's assertion that "Imitation is natural to Man." Mr Shaw spoke, paying tribute to Mr. Stockton as a lecturer and thanking him for his address.

On October 26th a junior debate was held at the New School Building at which a number of senior boys attended. The motion was "That Life a hundred years ago was more interesting than to-day." The speakers were: for the affirmative, Brian Davies and Colin Jones, and for the negative, Brangwyn Bennet and Bernard Morris. The debate was an extremely good one—not at all "junior" in tone and in the ability of the speakers. In the open debate Kenneth Jenkins, David Jones, John Rogers and Jim Henderson spoke. When the vote was taken the motion was rejected by a large majority.

In the next meeting, on November 10th a debate was held on the motion "That travel is the best education." Bernard Williams spoke for the affirmative and James Henderson for the negative. There followed an interesting open debate which produced some of the best arguments and the sharpest wit of the term's meetings, and Mr. M. Thomas guided the debaters amid the maze of controversy with a few well chosen words. The vote resulted in a win for the negative.

It was with great pleasure and no little pride that on November 20th we welcomed Mr Clifford Evans, one of School's more famous Old Boys. The meeting took place in the Girls' School Hall by courtesy of Miss Thyer-Jones. Mr. Evans addressed an assembly of senior girls and boys, paying tribute to the masters who had taught him and to Mr. Shaw who was in the chair. It was an extremely interesting and amusing lecture. Mr. Shaw in thanking Mr. Evans spoke of the effect of such lectures on the "school spirit," and on the ambitions of those present. Wynford Evans, the Society's president, proposed a vote of thanks which was admirably seconded by Marie Tracy-Phillips.

Some of us may regret the passing of the old Finale with its farcical knockabout humour, but it was felt that a more suitable end of term programme could be devised. This Christmas, therefore, two one-act plays, produced by Mr. G. I. Evans, under the general direction of Mr Afan Jones, will be presented under the auspices of the Literary and Debating Society.

On November 30th, a meeting taking the form of the radio programme "We beg to differ," and a Quiz Competition was held. The Girls' School was invited and the teams consisted of an equal number of boys and girls. The meeting was a great success, the Girls winning the Quiz Competition by a small margin.

E. NOEL EDWARDS,  
MALCOLM JAMES.  
Joint Secretaries.

## Y GYMDEITHAS GYMRAEG A'R URDD.

Llywydd	....	....	....	J. HYWEL JONES.
Is-Llywydd	....	....	....	D. HARDING REES.
Ysgrifenyddion	....	....	....	OWEN REES, W. CECIL EVANS.

Daeth yr amser eto i draethu ychydig yn rhagor o hanes y Gymdeithas Gymraeg a'r Urdd yn ein hysgol ni. Yn anffodus er pan ysgrifennwyd y cylchgrawn diweddfaf y mae'r ysgol wedi ei rhannu yn ddwy ac y mae'r rhaniad hwn wedi effeithio dipyn ar rif y bechgyn. Serch hynny y mae'r Gymdeithas yn parhau i fod yn llwyddiant mawr ac yn cyrraedd ei hamcan, sef helpu bechgyn yr ysgol i arfer siarad yn gyhoeddus. Agorwyd y gymdeithas eleni eto gan Mr Huw Roberts ar Fedi 20, ar y testun, "Report on the Teaching of English in England, 1924." Syfrdanwyd ni gan y teitl, ond cyn diwedd yr araith gwelsom amcan y siaradwr. Siarad oedd am adroddiad ar ddysgu Saesneg yn Lloegr, a dangosodd fod yr un rhwystrau wedi wynebu dysgu Saesneg yn Lloegr a oedd yn wynebu dysgu Cymraeg yng Nghymru, ac er i'r rhwystrau hyn gael eu cydnabod yn Lloegr, yn araf iawn y cydnabyddir hwy yng Nghymru. Cymharodd addysg Cymru heddiw gydag addysg Lloegr ganrifoedd yn ol pan oedd Lladin yn iaith cyd-wladol. Amcanion addysg yng ngolwg Mr. Roberts oedd (1) Uno cymdeithas a chodi safle dyn; (2) Cysylltu bywyd ysgol a bywyd byd; (3) Datblygu galluoedd plentyn, a (4) Deall bywyd.

Cynigiwyd pleidlais o ddiolchgarwch i Mr. Roberts gan Cecil Evans (VI), ac eiliwyd gan Peter Williams (IV). Cawsom air hefyd gan Mr. Williams

Cynhaliwyd y cyfarfod nesaf Hydref 4, pan gawsom Noson Lawen. Cawsom noson llwyddiannus a difyrus ac ychwanegwyd at y llwyddiant gan y canlynol:—

"Have a go," o dan ofal Gethin "Pickles" Hughes (IV), gyda chynhorthwy oddiwrth Wynne Jones (VI), Keri Goldstone (IV), a Gethin Williams (IV), cyfeilio wrth y piano oedd Hugh "Carson" Jones; deuawd ar y piano gan y llywydd a Hugh Jones; pedwarawd gan Harding Rees (VI), Hugh Jones (VI), Keri Goldstone (IV), ac Eurof Thomas (V); "Twenty Questions." Dilynwyd y cyfarfod drwy ganu "Ble mae Daniel" ac "Un bys un bawd yn symud," a "Hen Wlad fy Nhadau," gyda Mr. Williams yn arwain.

Dadl oedd y cyfarfod nesaf ar Hydref 18. Y testun oedd "Mai mantais yw rhannu'r ysgol yn ddwy." Y siaradwyr oedd: dros, Roy T. Davies (VI) a Dewi Griffiths (V); yn erbyn, Hugh Jones (VI) a Peter Williams (IV). O'r llawr siaradodd Glyndwr Walker (V), Alun Bowen (VI), Gethin Williams (IV) a Calvin Roberts (V) dros y cadarnhaol ac Eurof Thomas (V), Gethin Hughes (IV), Edmund Aubrey (VI), Howard Richards (VI), Carey Roberts (V), Hywel Jones (IV) ac Ifor Jones (IV) dros y nacaol. Yn y bleidlais cafodd y nacaol dri ar ddeg o bleidleisiau a'r cadarnhaol bump.

Clywsom hefyd lais Mr. Williams a diolchodd i'r prifsiaradwyr am siarad mor dda.



Tachwedd 8fed cymerodd y cyfarfod y ffurf o Seiat Holi, pan fu Cymry'r staff yn aelodau. Y tri meistr a fu'n cynrychioli'r staff oedd Mr. D. E. Davies, B.A., Mr. C. Lloyd-Humphries, B.Sc., a Mr Myrddin Rees, B.A. Y pedwerydd aelod o'r seiat oedd Mr. Huw Roberts, B.A., a ddaeth yn ol am yr ail dro y tymor hwn i gynorthwyo'r Gymdeithas. Canmolwn y pedwar Cymro am ddelio a'r cwestiynnau mewn ffordd feistrolgar ar bynciau digrif fel "A yw mwstach yn ychwanegu at urddas meistr?", a phynciau difrifol fel "Addysg Gymraeg i bob Cymro yng Nghymru?" a "Beth yw barn y seiat ynglyn a sefydlu ysgolion Cymraeg uwchraddol a choleg Cymraeg?"

Cynigiwyd pleidlais o ddiolchgarwch gan Harding Rees (VI), ac eiliwyd gan Alun Bowen (VI). Diolchodd Mr Hughes hefyd i'r seiat am eu parodrwydd i gynorthwyo'r Gymdeithas. Y mae'r Gymdeithas yn cydnabod â diolch wasanaeth Cymry'r staff am eu parodrwydd bob amser ynglyn â phethau Cymraeg yr ysgol.

Cynhaliwyd y cyfarfod nesaf ar Dachwedd 15 pan gawsom areithiau gan y bechgyn. Yr oedd nifer o destunau wedi eu gosod; y rhai a gymerodd rhan oedd Roy T. Davies (VI), Glyndwr Walker (V), Harding Rees (VI), Geraint Jones (V), Carey Roberts (V), Peter Williams (IV), Dewi Griffiths (V), Arfon Jones (VI), Islwyn Morris (IV), Gethin Hughes (IV), Vivian Jones (IV), Ifor Jones (IV), Cecil Evans (VI), Hywel Jones (VI), Keith Owens (III), Owen Rees (VI), Eurof Thomas (V). Cawsom noson diddorol iawn a dangosodd Mr. Williams sut i drafod pynciau ar y pryd.

Y mae dau gyfarfod ar ol y tymor hwn, sef "Darllen Drama," gan Mr. Williams ar Dachwedd 29, a Dahlu'r Geni, Rhagfyr 13, ac wedyn—Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Dda i chwi oll.

W. CECIL EVANS,  
OWEN REES, Ysgrifennyddion.

### THE SCIENCE SOCIETY.

Chairman .... RUSSELL WILLIAMS, Form V.  
Secretaries .... EUROF THOMAS and CAREY ROBERTS, Form V.  
Form Representatives:—

Form V: CALVIN ROBERTS, DUDLEY PALMER and G. PATON THOMAS.

Form IV: JOHN THOMAS AND TERRY KEMP.

Form III: BRIAN WALTERS, RAYMOND JONES, JEFFREY, WHEELER.

The first meeting took the form of a very interesting lecture by the Chairman, Russell Williams, on "A Trip to the Stars." In it he spoke about the theory of the formation of the Solar System and possible life on other planets. His points were illustrated by means of the epidiascope.

The second meeting, held on the 19th October, took the form of a "Film Show." The films were supplied by the Petroleum Film Bureau and were:—

1. Transfer of Power—a film dealing with water power and the development of the wheel,
2. British Aircraft Review, 1948—showing the Aircraft Exhibition at Farnborough Airport, and all the latest aircraft,
3. Cinemagazine No. 8—showing how the common housefly was destroyed, together with a number of other interesting items.

At the third meeting Mr. Humphries gave a demonstration of glass-working. He showed how to cut, bend and seal glass tubes, how to make wash bottles, how to mend test-tubes and how to blow glass bubbles.

The fourth meeting was a continuation of the previous one. Boys were allowed, under the supervision of Mr. Humphries, to practice glass-working.

The attendance has been very good. We are pleased to report that the Junior School has been well represented in the meetings.

A Junior Science Society has been formed under the guidance of Mr. Anthony.

We wish to thank Mr. Humphreys for his guidance and assistance, and also for allowing us the use of the General Science Laboratory and equipment for our meetings.

CAREY ROBERTS                      Secretaries.  
EUROF THOMAS

### THE CHESS SOCIETY.

Activity in the Chess Society this term has been intense, and the inter-form matches are well on their way. At present Form VIB are leading with Form IV a close second. It is hoped to arrange matches with Swansea Grammar School, Carmarthen Grammar School and Llandyssul Grammar School. A team has been entered in the Junior Postal Chess League and we now await news of its matches.

It is hoped to organise the Open Chess Championship this term.

In the early part of the term, Alan Davies, ex-Secretary of the Society, gave a Simultaneous Display. He played 14 games at once—three of which he won and six of which were drawn.

Chess is also active in the Junior section of the School, and it is hoped that matches can be arranged in the near future.

MORRIS L. PASTER.  
(Secretary.)

### THE RADIO SOCIETY.

Presidents	....	....	THE HEADMASTER, Mr. H. ROLFE, B.Sc.
Instructor	....	....	Mr. T. de C. EVANS, A.I.P.R.E.
Secretary	....	....	J. LYNN DAVIES, VIB.

Owing to his business activities, the instructor, Mr. Evans, has not been able to assist the Radio Society this term, with the result that very few meetings have been held. It is hoped, however, that his good services will be available next term, and that the Society will revert to its usual procedure.

Although our official meetings have thus been limited, the members have kept up their enthusiasm, and several have been concentrating on the erection of sets and other radio equipment at home.

We again extend our sincere thanks to the Headmaster and Staff for their helpful advice at all times, and also to Mr. Rolfe for kindly allowing us the use of the Physics Laboratory to hold our meetings.

J. LYNN DAVIES, Secretary.

## JUNIOR SCIENCE SOCIETY.

This Society has been formed with the intention of holding meetings after lunch every Wednesday.

Officials:—

President	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Mr. SHAW
Chairman	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	D. COLIN JONES, IIA(E)
Secretary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	JOHN ROBERTS, IIB1

Committee:— MERVYN MARKS, IIB2; AUBREY JONES, IIA(W); F. HUGHES, IIB(W); MICHAEL DAVIES, IIB(E); ALUN REES, IA(W); DAVID WYN HOWELLS IA(E); ALWYN HIGMAN, IB(W); BYRON TUCKER, IB(E).

There have been large attendances at all meetings and many boys were refused admission during lectures by Mr. Humphreys on glass-work. It is hoped they will have an opportunity to hear the lectures when they are given again.

Speakers and Subjects:—

October 20th: W. Quirk—Keeping Fish.  
 October 25th: D. Colin Jones—How a Plane Flies.  
 November 8th: Terry Fleming—Keeping Rabbits.  
 November 15th: Mr. Humphreys—Glass-work (Demonstration).  
 November 22nd: Mr. Humphreys—Members on practical glass-work under supervision of Mr. Humphreys.

It has been decided to form four other societies to work under the guidance of the Science Society. They are the Modelling Society, Fur and Feather Society, Collecting Society and Aqua Society.

### COLLECTING SOCIETY (Meeting on Mondays).

Chairman	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	IAN BASSETT, IIA(W)
Secretary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	ROGER GILL, IA(E)

This club will eventually be engaged in the establishment of collections of leaves, birds' eggs, insects, flowers, butterflies and moths. The club hopes to establish a library for reference and identification purposes.

### AQUA SOCIETY (Meeting on Tuesdays)

Chairman	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	W. QUIRK, IIB2
Secretary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	J. ROBERTS, IIB1

An aquarium containing fresh water fish, insects and plants has already been set up, together with a tank containing goldfish. Members of the Aqua Society are responsible for feeding and maintenance work. They also meet to hear lectures and discuss points of interest to aquarium keepers.

### FUR AND FEATHER SOCIETY (Meeting on Thursdays).

Chairman	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	VINCENT DAVIES, IIB2
Joint Secretaries	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	ANTHONY WILLIAMS, IIB(E) TERRY FLEMMING, IIB(E)

Members are responsible for the care and feeding of the animals. They also make cages and hutches. Rabbits, tame mice and a tortoise have already been obtained, and it is hoped soon to enlarge the stock.

### MODELLING SOCIETY (Meeting on Fridays).

Chairman	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	D. COLIN JONES, IIA(E)
Secretary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	MERVYN MARKS

Lectures are given during the lunch-time meetings, and practical work on models of aeroplanes and yachts, model railways and puppetry is carried out after afternoon school.

### URDD SIARAD CYMRAEG.

Prif amcan y mudiad hwn ydyw ceisio achub yr iaith Gymraeg rhag darfod. Ceisir gwneud hyn trwy:—

1. Ffurio grwpiau o siaradwyr Cymraeg yn nhrefi a phentrefi Seisnigaidd Cymru.

2. Gwisgo bathodyn yr Urdd Siarad Cymraeg, a siarad Cymraeg â'n gilydd ym mhob man posibl, ac i annog, trwy berswâd ac esiampl, ein cyd-Gymry i wneud yr un peth.

Nid oes i'r mudiad unrhyw gysylltiad ag unrhyw gorff enwadol, nid oes iddo gysylltiad ag unrhyw blaidd wleidyddol. Y mae'r bathodyn ar furff calon, ac arno fap o Gymru â'r geiriau:—

"U.S.C. Ein Hiaith a Barchwn."

Tâl aelodaeth ydyw dau swllt.

Y mae cangen gref o'r mudiad hwn yn Llanelli. Rhif yr aelodau ydyw cant. Y mae nifer o fechgyn o'r ysgol hon wedi ymuno. Os oes rhai a deimla ar eu calon y dymument ymuno, gellir cael y manylion oddi wrthyf fi.

EUROF THOMAS (V.A.)

### RUGBY NOTES.

This year, School are captained by Bernard Price, assisted by Roy James, the vice-captain, and under their leadership the First XV have been very successful. Up to the time of writing, the team is undefeated having won seven of the eight games played, one being drawn.

The Second XV have a 100 per cent. record having won (by considerable margins) the three games played.

School opened the season well when they played Dynevor G.S. at home and won by 23 points to 3. The next few games were played under bad conditions and were confined to the forwards. The School pack rose to great heights and on each occasion School emerged worthy winners. The most notable victory was at Gowerton, and School also did extremely well at Swansea when they held an unbeaten Swansea G.S. XV to a pointless draw. In the return game with Swansea, School were well on top despite the fact that in the second half they lost the services of A. Jenkins (scrum-half), and had J. B. Thomas (hooker) as a "passenger."

In the Welsh Secondary Schools' trials, School has been well represented. Seven of the First XV were chosen for the first trial and six of these played at Whitland and also for the West v. Mid-Glamorgan at Pontardulais. Two of these, A. P. Harries and J. B. Thomas will play for the West against the East at Newport in the near future, while P. Evans travels as reserve.

We wish these boys the very best in their attempt to gain international honours.

School results to date:—

First XV.:—

- School 23 points Dynevor G.S. 3 (home).
- School 9 points, Gwendraeth G.S. nil (home).
- School 11 points, Gowerton G.S. 3 (away).
- School 10 points, Carmarthen G.S. 3 (away).
- School 6 points, Ammanford G.S. nil (home).
- School nil, Swansea G.S. nil (away).
- School 3 points, Pembroke G.S. nil (away).
- School 9 points, Swansea G.S. nil (home).

## Second XV:—

School 11 points, Carmarthen G.S. 2nd XV nil (home).  
 School 16 points, Ammanford G.S. 2nd XV nil (away).  
 School 17 points, Swansea G.S. 2nd XV 5 (home).

BERNARD PRICE (Captain).  
 ROY JAMES (Vice-Captain).  
 O. REES (Secretary).

**JUNIOR RUGBY.**

Captain ..... NORMAN H. LEWIS.  
 Vice-Captain ..... LESLIE M. ROBERTS.

The Junior Rugby team have so far had a very successful season having won all their matches except one, when they were narrowly beaten by 3 points by Pembroke Dock Second XV. Up to date the School Juniors are top of the Llanelly Schools League, four points ahead of Stradey, who are second.

## Results:—

Coleshill (home, Won, 12-0.  
 Technical (home), Won, 23-3.  
 Stradey (home), Won, 14-13.  
 Stebonheath (away), Won, 15-9.  
 Coleshill (away), Won, 3-0.  
 Technical (away), Won, 23-0.  
 Pembroke Dock 2nd XV (away), Lost, 0-3.  
 Burry Port (away), Won, 14-0.  
 Stradey (away), Won, 8-3.

They have again been successful in winning the Llanelly Schools' Junior Rugby Cup.

NORMAN LEWIS (Captain).

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES AT THE JUNIOR SCHOOL.  
RUGBY.**

The Colts XV (under 14 years) have already started to prepare for the Easter term. They have played a number of trials and narrowly lost to an older side from Burry Port by 3 points to nil. The Lower School Colts managed to beat the Upper School Colts by 8 points to 3.

During the Easter term they will compete for the W. J. Thomas Challenge Cup now held by Stradey Modern Secondary School.

Inter-form matches.—These are proving very popular and there is great enthusiasm and competition for places in the Form teams.

## Results are as follows:—

IA (W) 8 points, IA (E) 5 points.  
 IB (W) 3 points, IB (E) 3 points.  
 IIA (W) 6 points, II A (E) 9 points.

**HARRIERS.**

The Junior Harriers Club has a great following.

On December 6th the Junior Harriers' Club met the Upper School Juniors and won by 67 points to 83 points.

Captain, Colin Morris, IIB1.  
 Vice-Captain, Gwynne John, IA (E).  
 Secretary, Alan Thomas, IIB2.

**CRICKET.****OLD BOYS' MATCH.**

The annual match with the Old Boys' XI was played at Stradey Park, kindly lent by Llanelly Cricket Club, on July 15th. Captained by D. G. Rees, the Old Boys included several prominent local players.

Batting first, School declared when they had scored 86 for the loss of 7 wickets. Top scorers for School were A. Griffiths (20), D. B. Rees 18, and H. Davies (capt.) (13). The most successful Old Boys' bowler was G. Tucker with 4 wickets for 20 runs.

In reply the Old Boys scored 61 runs for the loss of 9 wickets, their top scorer being O. Bowen, who made 12. A. Griffiths was School's most successful bowler, taking 4 wickets for 11 runs.

School 86 for 7 wickets (declared).

Old Boys' XI 61 for 9 wickets.

Result: Match drawn.

We extend our congratulations to Hugh Davies, captain of the First XI who played for the Welsh Secondary Schools against English Secondary Schools at Cardiff. We also congratulate E. Lloyd and A. Griffiths, who played for the Carmarthenshire and Pembrokeshire team against Glamorgan-shire at Neath, and also H. J. Rees, who was 12th man for this match.

Under the "News Chronicle" scheme for coaching in cricket, two boys from Welsh Secondary Schools have been selected for further coaching. We are very pleased to report that Hugh Davies is one of the two selected.

Owing to rain the annual match against the Staff had to be cancelled.

HYWEL JONES (Secretary).

**WELSH JOINT EDUCATION COMMITTEE.****Higher School Certificate:—**

- Bowen, Kenneth John: Economics, History, Music.  
 Bowen, Omri Clement: Welsh, Music, History (Subsidiary).  
 Burrows, Thomas Alan: Economics, History, Geography.  
 Davies, Howell Rhys: Botany, Zoology, Geology.  
 Davies, John Llewellyn: Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics.  
 Evans, John Garvin: Pure Mathematics, Applied Mathematics, Physics (Subsidiary), Chemistry (Subsidiary).  
 Evans, Michael Aubrey: English, Geography, Music (Distinction).  
 George, Emyr: Pure Mathematics, Physics.  
 George, John Goulstone: Latin, English, History.  
 Griffiths, John Alan: Geology, Geography, Economics (Subsidiary).  
 Hopkins, Cedric Llynfell: Pure Maths., Applied Maths., Physics.  
 Jones, Thomas Gwynfor: Chemistry, Botany, Zoology.  
 Lewis, Elvet Davies: Economics, Geology, Geography (Subsidiary).  
 Lloyd, Thomas Ellis: Economics, Geology, Geography.  
 Longhurst, Ieuan Thomas: Pure Maths., Applied Maths., Physics.  
 Morris, Graham Daniel: Economics, Geology, Geography.  
 Morgan, John Anthony: Chemistry, Botany, Zoology.  
 Rees, Geoffrey: Economics, Geology, Geography (Subsidiary).  
 Richards, Alun Philip: Chemistry, Botany, Zoology.  
 Royster, William Nigel: English, French (Oral Power), Economics.  
 Thomas, John Edward: Pure Maths., Applied Maths., Physics (Subsidiary).  
 Webber, Frederick Clarke: Botany, Zoology, Geology.

## School Certificate with Matriculation:—

Bowen, Alun Hardy.  
 Davies, Alun.  
 Davies, John Lynn.  
 Davies, Roy Thomas.  
 Dumayne, Alun James.  
 Howells, Jeffrey Harries.

Jenkins, Milton George.  
 Lewis, Robert.  
 Paster, Morris Lewes.  
 Phillips, William John.  
 Rees, David Harding.  
 Snicker, Arthur.

## School Certificate without Matriculation:—

Banfield, Gerald John Charles.  
 Baxter, Michael Colin.  
 Berman, Sidney.  
 Bowen, Kenneth.  
 Carman, John.  
 Davies, Islwyn Dyer.  
 Davies, John Bevan.  
 Edwards, John Nelson.  
 Evans, Basil Edwards.  
 Francis, Thomas John.  
 Garside, Owen Chadwick.  
 Griffiths, David Keith Bowen.  
 Griffiths, Huw Jeffrey.  
 Griffiths, John Clive.  
 Hancock, Richard Thomas.  
 Harry, Sydney Huw.  
 Hughes, Winston David.  
 James, David Islwyn.  
 Jenkins, David Alcwyn.  
 Jones, David Bradley.

Jones, David Huw.  
 Jones, Graham George.  
 Jones, John Howard.  
 Jones, Robert Herman.  
 Jones, William Howard.  
 Leyshon, David Hugh Parry.  
 Meade, David Thomas Clement  
 Morgans, Mervyn John.  
 Richards, Howard.  
 Samuel David Byron.  
 Thomas, Alun Bowen  
 Thomas, John Terence.  
 Thomas, Peter.  
 Thomas, Ronald John.  
 Watts, John.  
 Williams, Byron Wynne.  
 Williams, David Arthur.  
 Williams, Martyn Eifion.  
 Young, Arthur.  
 Hughes, Ronald Melvin Gibson

## Supplementary Certificates:—

Andrews, George Bernard.  
 Brown, John Terence.  
 Coomey, Ernest James.  
 Corcoran, Derek Wallace James  
 David, Anthony.  
 Davies, David Keith.  
 Davies, Huw Daniel  
 Edwards, Edward Noel.  
 Edwards, Thomas Ronald Lewis  
 Evans, Gareth Hopkin.  
 Evans, John Wynford.  
 Evans, Peter William John.  
 Gwynne, Geraint Michael.  
 Harries, Alan Prosser.  
 Hughes, David Howard.  
 Hughes, John Evans.  
 James, Alun Harries.  
 James, Roy Davies.  
 Jenkins, Alun Wynne.  
 Jenkins, David Graham.  
 John, Mydrim Hugh.  
 Jones, Arfon Harry.  
 Jones, Eifion ap Tudno.

Jones, Emlyn.  
 Knott, Brynley Howell.  
 Lewis David Ieuan.  
 Mills, Donald.  
 Morgan, Evan Brian.  
 Morgan, Thomas Edward H.  
 Phillips, Arthur John.  
 Price, Arnold Bernard.  
 Rees, David Bevan.  
 Rees, Lynn Ingram.  
 Rees, Phillip.  
 Richards, Terence William.  
 Roberts, Edward John Walford  
 Shaw, Bernard.  
 Thomas, Daniel John Ilston.  
 Thomas, David Lyonel.  
 Thomas, Glyn Harvey.  
 Thomas, Idris Frank.  
 Thomas, John Kerry.  
 Thomas, William David Charles  
 Thomas, William Hywel James  
 Williams, Bernard.  
 Williams, Hywel Gwyn.

## Ex-Pupil:—

Jones, Graham Roland.

## Supplementary (Regulation XXIV):—

Davies, John Llewellyn.

Hopkins, Cedric Llynfell.

**SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES.**

Leverhulme Scholarship, London School of Economics, University of London. (Equivalent to State Scholarship).

Jones, Graham T. D.

David Jenkins Scholarship for Music. Aberystwyth University College.—

Bowen, Kenneth John.

County Art Bursary.—

Thomas, Glyn Harvey.

As in the previous year, the County Education Authority granted a Major Award to all who gained the Higher Certificate and entered a University this year.

Civil Service Clerical Examination.—

Griffiths, Clive.

Griffiths, Huw.

**ANNUAL PRIZES.**

Foster Prize.—

Longhurst, Ieuan T.

J. B. Morgan Prize.—

(a) Morgan, John Anthony.

(b) Royster, William Nigel.

Graham Rees Prize.—

Evans, Michael Aubrey.

William Lewis Memorial Prize.—

George, John Goulstone.

**VALETE.**

Upper VI:—

Bowen, Kenneth John.  
Bowen, Omri Clement.  
Bowen, Jeffrey Ungeod.  
Burrows, T. Alan.  
Davies, Howell Rhys  
Davies, John Llewellyn.  
Evans, John Garvin.  
Evans, Michael.  
George, Emyr.  
Griffiths, John Alan.  
Hopkins, Cedric Llynfell.  
Jenkins, Alun.  
Joseph, Mervyn.  
Jones, Graham T. D.  
Jones, Thomas Gwynfor.  
Lewis, Elvet.  
Lloyd, T. Ellis.  
Longhurst, Ieuan T.  
Morris, Graham D.  
Morgan, John A.  
Rees, Henry J.  
Rees, Geoffrey.  
Richards, J. Alun.

Richards, John Kenneth.  
Royster, William Nigel.  
Webber, Frederick.  
Williams, Clifford Michael.

Lower VI: —

Anthony, Royston.  
Davies, Royston.  
Davies, Gerald.  
Hopkins, Evan.  
Jones, Keith.  
Jones, Eifion ap Tudno.  
Lewis Ian.  
Rees, David B.  
Thomas, Lionel.

V.A.1:—

Coles, William Henry.  
Davies, John Leslie.  
Jones John Theodore.  
Leyshon, David.  
Rees, Ifan Jenkin.  
Rees, James Howell.  
Williams, John Walter.  
Young, Arthur.



## V.A.2:—

Davies, John Charles.  
 Jenkins, Milton.  
 Lewis, Raymond.  
 Morgan, H. Ieuan.  
 Morgan, Herbert.  
 Owen, David.  
 Peters, Malcolm.  
 Phillips, Keith.  
 Richards, David Archie.  
 Shaw, Bernard.  
 Thomas, Harvey.  
 Williams, William Oscar.

## V.B.:—

Carman, John.  
 Davies, Huw.  
 Evans, Peter.  
 Evans, Terry.  
 Jennings, Howard.  
 Jones, Dennis.

## V.C.:—

Baxter, Michael.  
 Benjamin, Victor.  
 Evans, Roald.  
 Watts, John.

## IV.A.:—

George, Aeron Wynne.  
 Humphries, Brian.  
 Jones, Walford.  
 Lodwick, Gwyn.  
 Lloyd, Alun.  
 Wakefield, Norman.  
 Walker, Roy.  
 Williams, Douglas.  
 Williams, Ronald Walter.

## IV.B.:—

Charles, W. D.  
 Dalley, Brian  
 Donoghue, T.  
 Ellery, L. W.  
 Guy, Malcolm.

Henry, Donald.  
 Howells, T. W.  
 John, William.  
 Jones, Royston.  
 Lee, Gordon.  
 Morgan, Eryl.  
 Owen, Neil  
 Pollard, David,  
 Preece, David.  
 Shingler, John.  
 Thomas, David.  
 Thomas, Peter.  
 Treharne, Dewi.  
 Williams, Hubert.

## III.A.1:—

Beddoes, Graham.

## III.A.2:—

Blewitt, Malcolm

## III.B.2:—

Hughes, Gordon.  
 Parry, James R.,

## II.A.1:—

Elliott, William J.

## II.B.1:—

Capron, R. Joseph.

## II.B.2:—

Baker, Vivian.  
 Jenkins, John Desmond.  
 Williams, Malcolm.  
 Willis, Clive.

## I.A.2:—

Jones, Mafonwy.  
 Phillips, David.

## I.B.1:—

Davies, Brian.  
 Davies, John Howard.  
 Evans, David Lynn.  
 Hinkin, Cecil.

## I.B.2:—

Thomas, Clive  
 Thomas, Radvin.

**SALVETE.**

Anthony, I. J. Stuart.  
 Baxter, Keith Vincent.  
 Beard, David Walter.  
 Bevan, Anthony Hugh.  
 Bevan, Geoffrey Hubert.  
 Britten, Roger James.  
 Brookfield, Terence Albert.  
 Brown, Byron John.  
 Calaghan, Clifford.  
 Cann, Roger Grenville.  
 Case, Handel Walter.  
 Clement, Peter Robin John.  
 Cohen, Alan Max.  
 Cole, Arthur John Hilton.

Cooke, Warren Denver.  
 Cotton, Brian.  
 Crossman, Ronald Thomas.  
 Davies, Barry.  
 Davies, Brian.  
 Davies, Brian.  
 Davies, David Alan.  
 Davies, David Barrington.  
 Davies, David Brian.  
 Davies, Doyran.  
 Davies, Frank.  
 Davies, Geoffrey Allen.  
 Davies, Gordon Spencer.  
 Davies, Harding Daniel.

Davies, John George Royston.  
 Davies Philip Aneurin.  
 Davies, Raymond.  
 Davies, Terence John.  
 Derrick, Michael Anthony.  
 Emanuel, Grevil John M.  
 Evans, David Alan.  
 Evans, Denzil.  
 Evans, David Wyn.  
 Evans, Geoffrey Bowen.  
 Evans, John Gareth.  
 Evans, William Alan.  
 Evans, William Brian.  
 Every, David Brian.  
 Fry, Allan John.  
 Gange, Kenneth Edward.  
 Gill, Roger Walter.  
 Griffin, Peter Charles William.  
 Griffiths, Delme.  
 Griffiths, Graham.  
 Griffiths, Leslie John.  
 Griffiths, Neville.  
 Griffiths, William Huw.  
 Hand, Victor.  
 Harries, David Thomas Brian.  
 Harries, Lynford.  
 Henderson, James.  
 Higman, John Alwyn.  
 Holden, Harry James.  
 Hopkins, David Brian.  
 Howell, Roger Brangwyn.  
 Howells, Desmond.  
 Hughes, Graham.  
 Hughes, Howard Ian.  
 Isaac, Brian.  
 James, Clifford Wm. Keith.  
 Jenkins, David Geraint.  
 Jenkins, Terence.  
 Jennings, Brian.  
 John, Hywel.  
 Johnston, Brian.  
 Johnson, James Brian.  
 John, John Fisher.  
 John, Keith.  
 John Kenneth.  
 John, Kenneth Henry.  
 John, William Ieuan.  
 Johns, Gwyn.  
 Jones, David Alun Powell.  
 Jones, David Peter.  
 Iones, Clive.  
 Jones, John Graham.  
 Jones, Keith.  
 Jones, Thomas Geraint.  
 Jones, Vernon Dennis.  
 Kemp, Selwyn R. Denzil.  
 Kenyon, Roger.  
 Lewis, Graham Alfred.  
 Lewis, Gwynfor.  
 Lewis, Royston David.  
 Lewis, Vivian Beverly.  
 Matthews, David B.  
 Mexam, John Harding.  
 Michael, Derrick.  
 Mills, Ronald.  
 Morgan, Wyndham G.  
 Morris, Gerald.  
 Noot, Godfrey.  
 Oddy, Philip J. Peter.  
 Owen, Peter.  
 Phillips, Gareth C.  
 Prosser, Gwilym I.  
 Pugh, Douglas.  
 Rees, Allen.  
 Rees, Allen Hopkin.  
 Rees, Arfon Longhurst.  
 Rees, David Alun.  
 Rees, Deryl Anthony.  
 Rees, Russell John.  
 Roberts, Alan.  
 Roberts, Graham Wyn.  
 Roberts, Terence Morris.  
 Richards, Leonard W.  
 Richards, William Howard.  
 Sharpe, Ronald T.  
 Spencer, Malcolm.  
 Stephens, John Keith.  
 Sully, William Geoffrey.  
 Thacker, Kenneth B.  
 Teague, Conrad Vincent.  
 Thomas, David Vernon.  
 Thomas, Desmond.  
 Thomas, Eifion John.  
 Thomas, Hugh Vaughan.  
 Thomas, Ivor Denzil.  
 Thomas, John Michael.  
 Thomas, Roger David.  
 Thorne, Anthony B.  
 Tucker, Byron.  
 Turnell, Adrian M.  
 Walker, Hubert A.  
 Warlow, Michael.  
 Washer, Anthony J.  
 White, Michael J.  
 Wilkins, John H. B.  
 Williams, Basil.  
 Williams, Brian.  
 Williams, Brian L.  
 Willams, Colin.  
 Williams, David John.  
 Williams, Eric Alfred.  
 Williams, Gareth.  
 Williams, Gareth.  
 Williams, Graham.  
 Williams, Huw Llewellyn.  
 Wills, Gary.  
 Wood, Eric.

## OLD BOYS' UNION.

At the Annual Meeting, held on Tuesday, September 26th, the following Officials and Committee were elected:—

President, Mr. T. V. Shaw; Hon. Treasurer, Mr. Ronald Thomas; Hon. Secretary, Mr. F. T. Edwards; Committee: Messrs. Wynne Thomas, W. H. Davies, F. H. Phillips, D. Alun Thomas, R. Jacob, Haydn Davies, Cliff Thomas, Mathonwy Jones, W. J. Williams, Denzil Thomas and G. L. Hughes.

The membership of the Union at the time of the Annual Meeting was 124, at the time of going to press it is 314, the highest ever. This remarkable increase is almost entirely due to the fact that this year the Committee gave priority for dance tickets to paid-up members of the O.B.U. It is hoped that members will keep up their subscriptions and in this connection the Committee have made a rule that as from next year, all subscriptions will be due on September 21st and not one year from the joining date as hitherto.

The ever-popular dance will be held on Friday, December 29th, and all tickets have been sold. Over 850 applications were received but the Committee would like to make it clear that the number is limited to 550 and no money will be accepted at the door. M.C.'s for the evening will be Messrs. F. T. Edwards and W. H. Davies.

The Annual Dinner will be held at Allegri's Central Cafe on Wednesday, December 27th, at 6.45 p.m. The principal guest will be our Patron, Mr. G. J. Thomas, who has endeared himself to all by his pleasant manner, humorous speeches in the recent dinners and happy knack of remembering, sometimes far too well, the majority of his former pupils. His toast will be proposed by the Rev. H. Lewis Clarke. Other speakers will include Messrs. W. T. Stockton and Rupert C. Darch. Entertainment will be provided by Messrs. F. Jenkins, R. Clarke, Tony Tegg and Glanville Davies, of Llan Gang fame. The M.C. will be F. T. Edwards. Tickets, priced at 6/6 each, have gone extremely well, very few remaining at the time of going to press.

We are pleased to record that during the last 12 months our list of Vice-Presidents include:— Dr. Idris Jones, Mr. D. T. Griffiths, O.B.E., Mr D. J. Charles, Mr D. T. Roberts, Mr T. Roblin, Mr H. Hampton, Mr W. T. Stockton, and Captain Jacobs. Mr D. J. Charles is also Hon. Auditor.

Since the Annual Meeting the Treasurer and Secretary made further enquiries about Old Boys' ties and are now pleased to state that the ties will be available during the early part of February at the latest. The ties will cost 9/- each and those members who apply through the medium of the post are kindly asked to include 3d. with their remittance to cover postage and packing. Applications, stating membership number, should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, 30, Denham Avenue, Llanelly.

It is with pleasure that we record the following successes of Old Boys and extend to them hearty congratulations from the O.B.U.:—

Gerald B. Thomas, B.Sc. (Wales), (Hons. Economics).

Philip Taylor, B.Sc. (Wales), Hons. Chemistry.

John Morris B.A. (St. David's College, Lampeter).

David J. Jones, B.A. (St. David's College, Lampeter).

Bernard Evans, B.A. (St. David's College, Lampeter).

Basil Pudner, B.A. (Wales), (Hons. French).

John Heyward Thomas, B.A., B.D. (Wales).

Geraint Llewellyn, B.A. (Durham).

Harry Cass, B.Sc. (Wales).

Samuel Alford, B.Sc. (Wales).

Ivor Rees, B.A. (Wales).

Royston Griffiths, B.A. (Hons. History).

Dr. Wyndham Beynon, of Guy's Hospital, has just been appointed Chief Specialist to the Bournemouth Area.

We are very proud to note that the Rev. Llywelyn Williams, B.A., Minister of King's Cross, London, Welsh Chapel, has been elected Member of Parliament for Abertillery. It is also a pleasure for us to record that Mr. Herbert Roberts and Mr. Edgar Thomas (Ponthenry), have become Justices of the Peace.

The Old Boys Union Scholarship has been retained by Huw T. Evans for the second year.

The William Lewis Memorial Prize has been awarded to John George for the best performance in Latin.

The London Branch is now in full swing and will hold their Re-union Dinner on Friday, December 15th, when the guest of honour will be the Right Hon. James Griffiths, M.P., H.M. Minister for the Colonies.

And now in conclusion we wish all our readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

F. T. EDWARDS, Hon. Secretary.