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#### **EDITORIAL**

We unfortunately have to reverse the trend set by last year's magazine as the amount of space taken up by printing poetry is extremely costly and, possibly, the easiest to dispense with. As rising costs put greater publications than this out of business, we hope that you will accept this sacrifice in order to keep the magazine as both interesting and a valuable record of school achievements.

The common criticism of School Magazines is that they are boring. If this is true of this issue, then we render no apologies as the number of articles we received was infinitesimal in relation to the size of this school. We thank all those who did contribute and ask those who did not, "Why did you not contribute?" Apathy seems to be the evil of the Age.

#### SCHOOL NOTES

On behalf of the school we would like to extend a belated farewell to the three members of staff, Mr. Tom James (Chemistry), Mr. R. B. Morgan (French) and Mr. Myrddin Harries (Welsh), who took their leave of the teaching profession at the end of last year. All three had been on the staff of Dynevor for over twenty years and had contributed much to the life of the school, in addition to their academic duties,—Mr. James in the "field" of football, Mr. Morgan by his organisation of school trips to France, and Mr. Harries who gave much to the musical side of the school.

We also wish to record the departure of Mr. P. J. Fox, who left to take a post in Scotland, and Mr. Denis Jones who, at the beginning of this year, entered the promised land of Neath Girls G.S.

We wish them all happiness and good health.

We again thank the Gideons for their continuing generosity in presenting the First formers with copies of the New Testament. It is to be hoped that the boys realise the true value of these books.

The Annual Speech Day and Prize-giving was held again last year, on Thursday, March 28th, 1968, at the School Hall. We would like to thank Alderman P. P. Evans for once again chairing the meeting and the Deputy Mayor and Mayoress, Councillor Sam John and Mrs. John, for their civic patronage. We extend our gratitude to Professor F. H. T. Rhodes, D.Sc., Ph.D., F.G.S., for his interesting speech and we wish him good luck in his new chair of Geology in the U.S.A.

Mr. W. D. Davies again led a school party of 47 boys, abroad on the cruise ship, "Nevasa". Together with Mr. Hounsell and Mr. Mike Richards the party, between December 1st - 18th, visited Gibraltar, Malta, Alexandria (to visit Cairo and the Pyramids), Itea and Delphi, in Greece, ending the cruise in Venice from where they flew to Gatwick and so home.

We congratulate the School Captain, Andrew Mendus, for having won three rounds of the Welsh under-18 badminton championships to reach the semi-finals. Partnering P. Maynard he has also reached the same stage in the doubles competition.

The school has received a letter from Mr. D. J. Richards, M.B.E., O.St.J., J.P., Chairman of the Swansea Savings Executive Committee, pointing out that the school savings bank, under the guidance of Mr. O. A. Morris, saved over £11,000 in the 1967-1968 school year, which was probably the highest gross savings of any school in the country. Congratulations to all concerned.

We welcome eight new members of staff to the school this year. Old Dyvorian and ex-school cricket captain, Mr. W. J. Evans, B.A., has returned to the school as head of the French Dept. Mr. D. G. Hanbury has come here through Swansea University to teach Chemistry, as has Mr. D. J. Taylor to teach English. Mr. D. Nehemiah, who is a former All-whites forward, has joined the French Dept. from Penlan. Dr. D. J. Morgan, who is now on the biology staff, is another Old Dyvorian, and we must take this opportunity of congratulating him on his attaining a Doctorate of Philosophy at Exeter recently. Finally we extend our greetings to Mr. Adrian Davies (P.T.), Mr. G. Roberts (English and Drama) and Mr. W. D. Tiplady (Mathematics).

The school's good academic record is maintained this year by Andrew Mendus who, at the age of only 17, has gained a place at Jesus College, Oxford, to read Chemistry.

We are pleased to note that a new Careers and Counselling room has recently been opened in the school, welcoming the addition of counselling, which has been known in American seats of learning for some years now.

The School Eisteddfod was won by Llewellyn, AGAIN, this year with Dillwyn, Grove and Roberts trailing behind in that order. We, the Editorial Committee (consisting of Dillwyn, Grove and Roberts members) hope that this result will not be repeated as it is very discouraging and unfair—Llewellyn try too hard!

In the magazine last year we paid tribute to one of our old pupils, Roy Evans, former Wales and Swansea A.F.C. player. It was therefore with a deep sense of shock, that we heard of his tragic death in a road accident. To his family and friends we extend our deepest sympathy and just record this one thought:—He will always be remembered by all who knew him, as a perfect gentleman, on and off the football field.

# SENIOR EISTEDDFOD—3rd "Dawn"

The long reign of a never-ending night Ends, as the evil time gives way to light. Over the whole land there is not a sound; The stillness is complete, the quiet, profound. With bated breath the world awaits the day, As the black sky accepts its first, blue ray, Drawing the line between earth and sky, Tracing out the trees and fields, as they lie. Suddenly, a cuckoo's call breaks the spell With its sweet, lonely sound, clear as a bell,— An ageless curfew ringing out the dark Across the long, low mountain, cold, bleak and stark. The dry, sifted dust whispers down my way As I tramp down the deserted highway, Over the moor, the blue dawn is breaking, All around, the countryside is waking. The joyful chorus of the morning birds Articulates my feelings, without words, Which, though tools of a poet's devotion, Can only reflect the true emotion.

IOLO MORGANWG, (Dillwyn)



#### THIS YEAR'S PREFECTS

BACK Row (L. to R.): R. Skilton, J. P. Walters, D. Hayward, C. Warlow, T. Brown, P. G. Morgan, P. Webster, W. G.

Thomas, I. A. Edwards, P. Ley,

SECOND ROW (L. to R.): R. Presley, S. Palmer, F. Prosser, N. Jones, R. Hignett, R. Wiley, A. Comley, E. Homer, G. Jeffreys.

FRONT ROW (L. to R.): Mr. C. Evans, S. Gaccon, P. Gibson, A. Mendus, Mr. D. B. Norris, B. Rees, J. P. Stoot (Jnr.), V. Evans, Mr. W. J. Evans.

Not in Photo: B. P. Rogers, M. T. Ness.

# SCHOOL EISTEDDFOD

# FEBRUARY 27th and 28th, 1969

# **RESULTS**

1.	Senior Vocal Solo		V. Evans (G) and
	,,		S. McNeff (LL)
2.	Senior "Adroddiad" (Cym	ry)	I. Rees (G.)
3.	Senior Piano Solo		D. Williams (LL)
4.			J. Lewis (LL)
5.	Senior Folk Song		P. Gray (R)
6.	Senior Poem (Compositio	n)	R. Davies (D)
7.	Senior "Adroddiad" (Dys	gwyi	A. Thomas (G)
			Dillwyn
9.	Senior Welsh Short Story		G. Davies (D)
10.	Junior Welsh Essay		H. Davies (R)
11.	Senior Guitar Solo		Toye & Harries (G)
12.	Senior English Recitation		J. Lewis (LL)
13.	English Choral-speaking		Dillwyn
	Junior Recorder Solo		Boylan & Neild (G)
15.	Junior "Adroddiad" (Cym	ıry)	
16.	Junior Solo		J. Quirk (R)
17.	Art (Forms I & II)		Wiberg (LL)
19.	Art (Forms V & VI)		Gwilliam (LL)
	Junior Speech		Dalling (R)
21.	Junior Piano Solo		K. Daniel (R)
22.	Junior "Adroddiad"		
	(Dysgwyr)		G. Hughes (G)
	Junior Guitar Solo		
24.	Senior Music Competition	ı	S. McNeff (LL)
25.	Junior Poem (Composition	n)	Sullivan (LL)
26.	Junior Violin Solo		Graph (R)
	Junior Instrumental Solo		Hansel (D) & Curvin (LL)
28.	Senior Instrumental Solo		P. John (D)
29.	Cydadrodd (Welsh Chora	ıI	
	Speaking)		Grove
30.	Junior House Choir		Llewellyn

# FINAL HOUSE POSITIONS

1. Llewellyn	 162 pts.
2. Dillwyn	 $141\frac{1}{2}$ pts.
3. Grove	 $138\frac{1}{2}$ pts.
4. Roberts	 101pts.

#### THE NEVASA TRIP

Last December, a party of 47 boys from Dynevor School, under the supervision of Mr. Walter Davies, Mr. Mike Richards and Mr. George Hounsell, went on a Mediterranean cruise on the S.S. "Nevasa".

In the period of 17 days we visited altogether Gibraltar,

Malta, Egypt, Greece and Venice.

Our first two stops were at Gibraltar and Malta, and we were surprised to see how proud they were of their link with Britain. Though we went a bit far with our patriotic singing on entering and departing from the ports, with songs like "A Life on the Ocean Waves" and "Rule Britannia".

By far the most interesting place, mainly because it was so entirely different from the others was Egypt. It was the first time that most of us had seen real poverty, and a country in the state of war. Egypt in the past has had a great history, yet, today, she is very backward, using tools of the

time of the ancient Pharoahs.

The Pyramids at Giza and the Sphinx were found disappointing by many and showed that pictures we had previously seen were greatly exaggerated. The country was a great eye opener to life, and we enjoyed ourselves, though few would like to live there.

After Egypt we passed the island of Crete and made our way to the Gulf of Corinth, which almost separated the

Morea from the rest of Greece.

The ship anchored off-shore the tiny Greek village of Itea

from where we could see Mount Parnassus.

By coach the party then travelled up unbelievable winding roads to Delphi, which is the ancient centre of Greek culture. This culture we were able to admire in the Temple of Apollo, the Theatre, Stadium and the many statues.

Our last stop was at Venice, another centre of the Old World. It was very cold and misty because of the time of the year, yet we were still able to appreciate the famous St.

Mark's Square, the Basilica and the Doges Palace.

One of the most exciting experiences of the whole trip was the flight back. It had taken us so long to reach Venice yet in only 13/4 hours we had reached Gatwick Airport from Venice.

Yet for all the places that we visited, I'm sure most of us enjoyed the social life as much as the excursions ashore.

I shall never forget those first few days of paradise in our cells, commonly known as dormitories. Severe epidemics of sea sickness struck us and because of the peace and quiet we were able to have sweet dreams. The only noise we heard was the everlasting clanking of chains, creaking of bunks, and the racket upstairs making us believe that the crew were really a group of hostile natives on the war path.

The ship was quite a little United Nations with parties from South Wales, London and Yorkshire, and an Indian crew with mainly Scots officers. There was also a group from the Royal Hospital School, nicknamed because of their dress, the 'flour graders'.

Asking one boy which part of England he came from, he promptly replied, "I do not live in England but in Yorkshire". We got on very well with our ship companions and showed them that Wales was not just a land of coal mines and sheep runs, as they had been led to believe.

Our school party was divided up into two dormitories, those of Grenville and Franklin, and our representation in all competitions was excellent.

An esteemed member, who shall remain nameless, won the table tennis tournament and another gained second prize as an "empty spirit" in the fancy dress.

Franklin dormitory reached the finals with deck hockey, and another team reached the finals again in the Quiz. However they lost, but their captains are still claiming that it was "fixed". Other life on the ship varied from film shows and dances to discussion groups. Also, with so many members of the opposite sex aboard, I'm sure it needs little imagination to guess any other activities.

We thoroughly enjoyed ourselves and are most grateful to British India for organising the trip so well, But most of all, we would like to thank our three Dynevor organisers, who did such an excellent job.

COLIN WINSTONE, Upper VI Arts.

#### SENIOR EISTEDDFOD—1st

#### A Piece of Pork

The man comes round, He has a stick in his hand He waves his stick and shouts Herding us into a waiting truck.

The truck moves off,
Bewildered pigs slip and scramble on top of each other
Fear of being crushed!
The heat and stench are unbearable,
Many of us faint.
No ventilation.
But what does the man care,
He knows where we are going.

The doors open—light floods in. Fresh air! Some of us jump out of the truck. Many of us fall. Outside we are in a stone churchyard. A strange smell—death. Panic. Run. Out of the door, I didn't notice, Down the street Run-death. The man runs after me, shouting and swearing, A man and a woman see the poor man's plight. And offer their assistance, They laugh, the man nods I scream and run faster.

I catch my leg on a broken crate, Flesh tears, who cares? Death behind, Run. Run.

Some children run up to the man. They joke and laugh as they run.

"Catch the piggy,
Catch the pig, don't let it get away"
Don't they realise - - - ?
Run, Run.
An alleyway!
Down the alleyway
Catch the pig, quick, catch the pig.
Laughing, joking,—death.
Run. Run. Run.
Dead end. Caught.
Carried.

"No please leave me alone. I haven't harmed you". Into the abattoir A man with a knife. I kick and scream "Murderers", They gape and laugh. The knife falls, I watch the blood spurt.

ROBERT DAVIES (Dillwyn).

# THE THREAT OF THE MASS-MEDIA/COMMUNISM ON TELEVISION. (*Pravda*, 30th Feb., 1969)

"Insidious propaganda", "Communist inspired", are just two of the claims by the more enlightened among us about "The Magic Roundabout". The characters in this seemingly harmless programme are satirical caricatures of Western society.

Zebedee is a complex character. By adhering to the Communist ideology he is able to make things run smoothly and to solve the problems that arise in the garden. He has however been tempted by Western ideas, viz., his preoccupation with bed.

The long hair of Dougal is seen as a rebellion against convention and therefore dangerous. His mania for sugar is not as simple as it seems. He is a drug addict and mixes his drugs with sugar. The long hair and drug addiction are seen by the Party as evidence of the fact that he is a runaway Nazi.

Mr. McHenry, the ton-up boy, Dylan, the beatnik dropout, and Florence the girl lost in adolescence and the cruel, harsh, degenerate world of the Capitalists, are all portrayals of the Communist idea of the West. Furthermore, the moral degeneration of the West is seen in Mr. Rusty's greenhouse, which is obviously a centre for microbiological research on germ warfare.

We come finally to Bryan. He is representing the workers; patient, unintelligent, but curious, helpful and honest. His shell is his burden. The burden imposed upon him by the capitalist, imperialist ruling class.

Our youth is threatened by this propaganda. Our very existence threatened. We must make a stand and put a stop to this programme! Long live Winnie-The-Pooh! Frodo forever!

Сні-сні.

#### IMPRESSIONS OF CAMBRIDGE

Cambridge is a university which offers the student both exceptional advantages, and, in a sense, exceptional disadvantages, a place where the undergraduate soon learns that he will sink very fast if he does not swim, where, as in Looking-Glass Land, one has to run at a great pace simply to stay in the same place for any length of time. Since the university has what are probably the shortest terms in the country, a great deal has to be crammed into eight weeks, a great deal not only of work

but of everything, social life, sport, "culture", or whatever else one may be interested in. There are two great and everpresent dangers here: one is the temptation to retreat into a protective shell of some kind, to assume a pose of conscious eccentricity, or of facile self-assertiveness, simply to show that you, as an individual, are "riding the tide" of Cambridge life. The second danger is far more serious, and in a way arises out of the first: the protective husk is often so hard to penetrate that friends are not easily made, and relationships may be very superficial if they are achieved at all; often they are not, and the result is that acute loneliness which is the curse of Cambridge, and which afflicts virtually everyone in their first term, and may, with those less fortunate, remain for most of their residence here.

I have deliberately begun by outlining the less pleasant side of Cambridge life, lest anyone should imagine that it is an easy existence of aristocratic leisure for everyone. I hasten to assure anyone who is still reading this, after that rather sombre picture, that the majority of students, amongst whom I am happy to include myself, soon find their feet and settle into a more or less comfortable rhythm of work and play, simply accepting the ludicrous pace of things as a fact of life, and making the best of it. Let no-one imagine that his years at university will be a pleasant sabbatical after the pressures and strains of Sixth-Form work! I have the distinct impression (how justifiable it is I could not say) that I have done rather more work over the past two terms than I did in two years in the Sixth-Form. You will almost certainly find that you have to work to a rhythm of, at the very least, one essay a week, as well as any other work which your subject may require, and the fact that attendance at lectures is wholly optional certainly does not mean that you can safely disregard them.

At work and in everyday life in college you are able constantly to reap the benefits of contact with some of the best brains in any given subject; Cambridge continues to attract the specialists and experts in many fields, and it is not merely a truism to say that in a great number of subjects, not least Theology, Cambridge thinks today what the academic world thinks tomorrow! Naturally, in the presence of so many scholars of exceptional eminence, one of the first things the student acquires is a severe inferiority complex; but, once again, the only cure is to accept the fact that you are stupid and that your supervisor (or whoever it may be) is brilliant, and take it from there, making the best possible use of the brilliance of Professor X or Dr. Y: after all, some of it is surely bound to rub off on you sooner or later!

I have sketched, not, I hope, at excessive length, the impression which life at Cambridge has made on one, not wholly untypical, student, and I would emphasise that it is an *impression*, and so doubtless suffers from incoherence and faulty judgment. Nevertheless, looking back at what I have written, I think that one thing emerges clearly—that Cambridge is a *challenge*, which, if accepted, offers opportunities which are perhaps unique in their way. I sincerely hope that there will be those in Dynevor in the coming years who are ready and willing to grasp this nettle: I assure them that they will not regret it.

R. D. WILLIAMS

(Former school Vice-Captain and last year's school Magazine editor.)

#### SENIOR EISTEDDFOD-2nd

#### "THAT MANY SPLENDOUR'D THING"

Just look at her! Chatting to every Boy in the room . . . Except me.

Oh! To Hell with it! Who cares? I really don't know what I ever saw in her Anyway, I'm finished with girls.

Jealous? Me jealous! Don't make me laugh. Envious of those twerps? - - Rubbish! Of course, she is pretty, and talented, and interesting; but this time She's gone too far.

Hang on . . . she's coming over. What a cheek!
Just you watch me
Put her in her pl . . . .

Oh! Er - Hullo! New dress? Yes, yes, it's quite stunning. Gosh! You do look awfully smart tonight.

JULIAN LEWIS, Llewellyn.

## ST. BRIDE'S BAY, PEMBROKESHIRE. (JANUARY)

The mist streamed inland from these cliffs and after sixty miles of gloom a sudden patch of blue sky seemed unreal. Slowly the vapours grew transparent and in an instant the mist had gone. Sweet sunlight reached the sodden earth, also revealing a quiet arc of land and sea. A myriad of crystals twinkled in the waters of the bay while a covert isle with its gannets stood on the clear horizon.

Bad weather often hides the isle for days from sight of land, so a surprise view was all too gracious. I had netted Grassholm, and through the lens I quite perceived the sheen of ten thousand birds. How many now were performing that precision dive, a spectacle which proved to be too high for human eyes? I dreaded to glance on to the beach, unless a neatly-strangled gannet should catch my sight.

Not this time, thank heaven; murmuring wavelets slid across the sand and meekly lapped at the foot of the crumbling ochre-stained cliffs. Dark cormorants flew with regular beat above the surface of the water while fulmars glided to and from their ledges.

In the adjacent fields steam rose like incense from the ground, inviting the larks to fly high and sing. It was completely calm; there were no white horses to leap into the dewy stillness of the air and transform the scene with a swirl of impatience. An hour's duration might destroy this fine panorama.

J. DATE, L.VIA.

#### **CASGLU**

'Rwyf i 'nawr yn ddeuddeg oed ac am naw o'r blynyddoedd hyn derbyniais yn flynyddol, Gerdyn Cenhadaeth oddi wrth wraig garedig yn yr Ysgol Sul. Cystal cyfaddef, nid wyf yn hoffi mynd o dy i dy gan ddweud, "A oes gennych rywbeth i'r Genhadaeth?" Tosturiaf wrth y ferch fach a gredodd mai ystyr y llythrennau B.M.S. oedd "Bring Money Soon". Wrth fynd o gwmpas i gasglu i'r Genhadaeth, 'rwy'n gweld gwynebau serchus yn troi'n sarrug wrth ymadael a'u chwecheiniogau. Casglu arian—tasg anodd a diflas, ond y mae ffordd lwyddiannus i'w wneud. Gwelais raglen deledu unwaith, a dangoswyd bod pobl yn barod i roi dim ond iddyn nhw gael rhywbeth yn ôl. Felly y mae rhoi da tuag at ymchwil i wella Cancer, ond prin yw'r rhoi er mwyn gwella byd yr hen a'r newynog yn yr India. Ac, wrth gwrs, y mae pobl yn barod i gyfrannu ar unrhyw achos ond iddynt gael tocyn raffl am eu cefnogaeth. Rhoi gan obeithio cael. Y mae ysbryd Mr. Scrooge vnom bob un! Druan ohonom!

Y llynedd, buom yn dysgu 'Glas y Dorlan' gan I. D. Hooson. Dywed y bardd ei fod yn ymweld ag amgueddfa:

"Le cedwir creiriau lu, Gwelw doredig dystion O'r gwychder gynt a fu."

'Nawr yr wyf wrth fy modd ymhlith pethau hen oesau ac y mae camp dynion cyntefig yn fy synnu. Eto cytunaf â'r bardd nad yw

> "holl ysblander Ymerodraethau dyn"

i'w cymharu â gwyrth tegwch a rhyfeddod aderyn byw megis Glas y Dorlan.

Ond diolch i ddynion am gasglu hefyd; Iorwerth C. Peate am gasglu offer diwylliant Cymru Fu yn Sain Ffagan; Bob Owen, Croesor am gasglu hen lyfrau a llawysgrifau; Madame Curie am gasglu ffeithiau a thrwy hynny darganfod radium. A diolch i Dr. Barnardo ac eraill am gasglu plant amddifaid a digartref.

Diolch arbennig i'r dynion glew hynny sy'n dod o gwmpas ein tai bob wythnos i gasglu lludw ac ysbwriel!

HYWEL DAVIES, 2C.

#### HEN ADEILAD

Safai'r hen fwthyn ar ochr y ffordd fawr o Fachynlleth i bentref bach Corris yn Sir Feirionnydd. Hen ffermdŷ ydoedd, wedi sefyll yn yr un fan ers canrifoedd.

Unig breswylydd y bwthyn oedd Ifan Jones, a fu'n byw yno ar hyd ei oes, fel ei gyndeidiau.

Unwaith erioed y bûm i yno. Ar yr adeg honno yr oeddwn yn fachgen wyth mlwydd oed, yn aros gyda'm modryb yng Nghorris. Euthum i'r bwthyn ar neges iddi, i ofyn am fenthyg hanner dwsin o wyau i swper.

Pan gyrhaeddais yno, yr oedd y glaw yn dechrau disgyn. Rhois gnoc ar y drws ac agorwyd ef i mi. Safai hen ŵr yno, oddeutu deg a thrigain oed, yn ymddangos yn ŵr iach am ei oed. Eglurais iddo pwy 'roeddwn a gwahoddwyd fi i mewn i'w dŷ.

Tra yr oedd yn mofyn yr ŵyau, eisteddais mewn cadair freichiau anferth, o'i gymharu a'm corff bach ar y pryd, ac edrychais o amgylch y parlwr bychan. Sylwais ar yr hen ddresel a'i lond o hen lestri ag olion llwch arnynt, dwy gadair freichiau dreuliedig a stôl fechan o flaen y tân. Lle tân haearn oedd yno,

a'r tân yn bentwr o lo a choed tân. Yr unig ddodrefnyn arall oedd bwrdd pren derw a lliain gwyn arno.

Dychwelodd yr hen Ifan â'r ŵyau ond yr oedd y glaw wedi cynnyddu a bu'n rhaid i mi aros yno am awr nes cael mynd adref. Yn ystod yr awr honno cefais hanes y bwthyn a'i drigolion ers canrifoedd, ond anodd yw cofio'r hanes yn awr. Dychwelais i dŷ'm modryb gyda'r ŵyau mewn basged a chawsom swper godidog.

Mae bron wyth mlynedd ers hynny. Ni welais Ifan Jones byth eto. Bu farw ychydig fisoedd wedi f'ymweliad. Ond gwelais yr hen fwthyn yn ystod gwyliau'r haf llynedd. Gwerthwyd yr ychydig ddodrefn ers amser, a safai'r bwthyn yn wag, a phob ffenestr wedi ei dinistrio gan rhai o fechgyn y pentref. Mae'r hen fwthyn wedi dirywio llawer ac mae'n debyg mai adfeilion yn unig a erys mewn blwyddyn neu ddwy.

GERAINT DAVIES, 5D.

# SCHOOL "URDD" BRANCH

#### **Officers**

Branch Leader: Mr. Dennis Lloyd

Chairmen: G. Jeffreys, UVISc.I and K. Williams, UVIA.

Vice-Chairman: W. Julian, 5D.

Secretaries: (General), D. Morgans, LVIA; (Finance), G. Jones, LVISc.I; (Publicity), G. Clement, LVIA.

Treasurer: G. Davies, 5D.

#### REPORT

Once again this year, the Dynevor "Urdd" Branch has been one of the most flourishing societies in the school. Meetings have been held weekly at 4.0 p.m. on Thursdays in 1A Room.

We are grateful to no fewer than 14 members of staff (including three new members) for giving of their time and taking part in debates, brains trusts, Welsh record forums, etc. We are especially grateful to Mr. B. Davies and Mr. Tiplady who attended practically all our meetings. Here are some of the highlights of the season so far.

On October 8th the School Branch took part in a "Top of the Form" contest at Mynyddbach School. The final result was Dynevor  $58\frac{1}{2}$  points; Mynyddbach  $55\frac{1}{2}$ . To show that there was no ill-feeling, our lady hosts provided the Dynevor team and their 50 supporters with refreshments at the end (pop and crisps!).

On December 12th a number of specially invited (?!) senior boys attended Mynyddbach "Urdd" Branch's Christmas Party and had a very enjoyable evening.

On October 17th our French assistant for this year, Monseieur Yvon Mocaër, who comes from Brittany and speaks his native Breton tongue, talked to us about the Celtic ties between the languages and cultures of Wales and Brittany. This was a fascinating talk, and it is certain that Monsieur Mocäer will be a fluent Welsh-speaker before he returns to Brittany!

In a Welsh Quiz Contest held on November 14th, the result was: Grove, 43 points; Roberts, 24; Llewellyn, 23; Dillwyn, 17.

On 21st November, Mr. John Lane, the "Urdd" full-time organiser for West Glamorgan, paid us a visit and showed colour slides of Llangrannog and Glan-llyn Camps and other "Urdd" activities. This was a very well-attended meeting.

On Saturday, March 8th, members once again took part in, and acted as stewards at the "Urdd" Swansea Area Eisteddfod held in Dynevor School Hall, and this Summer a large number of Dynevor boys will again spend a week at Llangrannog and Glan-llyn Camps with Mr. D. Lloyd and new member of staff Mr. A. Davies, bringing another highly successful season to an end.

#### SENIOR EISTEDDFOD-4th

#### Visiting a Comrade

(After reading Remarque's 'All Quiet on the Western Front') Wegeler sinks lower in the bed,

Helpless agitation works his face, a face held by Death;

I thought that death would not be like this, in war it should be swift, with mercy,

But Franz lies here imprisoned within himself, his flesh puffed out.

His features disappearing beneath this blanket.

A comrade, member of the Iron Youth!

Iron to mud, to be moulded by whims.

Detering is concerned about Franz's watch,

If he does not take it he feels the orderly will have it.

He is not callous, he knows Franz has little time;

Time is a capital sum, each individual has his own expenditure, and

Soon Franz will be overdrawn; also watches are rare.

Franz is past speech, his tongue fills his mouth;

He should not die here, isolated by his suffering;

Place him in the summer fields of poppies, so he may die with his new comrades.

He is no longer the Franz of my youth.

D. S. FEENY, UVI Arts. Dillwyn House.

#### "GROUP SIX"

The Dynevor/Glanmôr Sixth form society which was revived in 1967 has continued to hold meetings this year. The regular meetings, held at 4.30 either in Dynevor or Glanmôr, have included visits to the theatre, play-readings, musical evenings and a poetry reading. Furthermore, G.6. held two concerts, one of Melody and Rhyme and a folk concert and I should like to thank all those who performed for us in these concerts. Group 6 mainly holds meetings during the Christmas and Easter terms and we hope that the society will continue to hold meetings next year. The organisers of G.6 wish to extend thanks to all those who made meetings successful, to all members for their continued support and, most of all, to Miss Jean Evans of Glanmôr and Mr. Gwyn Roberts, without whose help G.6 would cease to function.

T. RICHARDS, Sec. G.6.

#### "A SHOCKING ARTICLE"

How about this for a bright idea? Light bulbs! . . . what, what, what! Only 3 watts, that's not so bright (copyright, H. Secombe).

Anyway, we got the idea at an electrifying display of the school football team. This power pack of ever-ready players has been fused together by a live-wire coach from Washington D.C. Due to the positive support of Dim, Flash, and Sparky, their current standard has overcome the resistance of the opposition. They have realised their full potential by switching from negative tactics to a light, more variable style. They include a number of good adapters, but their best transformer is Plug who is at the core of their flexible approach. They are usually in their element when they conduct movements to pylon the pressure and burn out their opposition. This battery of turned-on, socket-to-me players who have a strong ohm record, have insulated their place at the top of the league by their recent victory over Moscow Dynamo and must retain this position if they continue circuit training and their hard-cell attitude.

J. P. Stoot.

#### THE DEBATING SOCIETY

(Geoffrey Toye, John Male, Julian Lewis)

During this year there have been debates on most Monday nights. The debates, for the most part, were poorly attended and indeed, while audiences were few, debaters were almost non-existent. Perhaps the fault is with the Society, for nobody is expected to attend a dull debate, but the meaning of "dull' seems to be worthy of debate itself; for while the debating society felt that it meant anything that did not interest the quick and intelligent mind of a grammar-school pupil, it soon became apparent that "dull" meant "that which is serious, decent, and worthy of an intellectual debate".

The society found it necessary to include debates such as: "This House Believes that the sex and sadism in Nursery Rhymes is corrupting the younger generation." Indeed Mr. Norris's opinion of this topic led to one of our number having to read it aloud during a morning assembly, before the laconic smiles of the pupils and the frowns of the staff. However, we must be grateful that the Headmaster was broad-minded on this occasion as this debate had the greatest attendance.

If any boy has what he considers to be a suitable debate we hope he will see us about it, especially if he will propose or oppose the motion.

G. TOYE, U.VIA.

#### DYNEVOR CHRISTIAN UNION

The Christian Union is a development of the Christian Forum which was started by Mr. J. P. Morgan last year. Last term Mr. Morgan found that it was not possible for him to continue with this activity and the Christian Union was born when a small group of Christians in the school obtained permission to continue this activity by themselves. We would like to thank the Headmaster and staff for allowing us to run this activity.

So far there have been seven meetings, the most notable speaker being Mr. Tony Deveson. He made two visits to the school in November. At the first meeting he told a group of about thirty-five how he became a Christian. He told us that once he had been a night-club owner in Soho but now he lives for Christ working as an evangelist in many countries.

The aim of the Christian Union is to present the living Christ to the boys of the school. Our aim is to show that in this affluent society faith in Christ is able to give a person a real purpose in life that is so often lacking in many people today. For each one of the Christians in the Christian Union Christ is a reality and life without Him is meaningless. We want others to know that life with the Lord Jesus Christ is life with a capital 'L'.

The Christian Union usually meets on Wednesdays at 4.00 p.m. in the Art Room.

BRIAN REES, U.VI Sc.I.

#### PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB

Part way through the Christmas term the Dynevor Photographic Club was revived by some Sixth Form boys under the auspices of Mr. J. Rees, Mr. R. J. Howells and Mr. J. G. Jones. During the second meeting a Committee was appointed, consisting of C. J. Lewis, D. G. Leend, P. Carr and D. J. Thomas.

Meetings for next term will be held in the Geography Department on the second Monday of each month. The programme consists of slide shows, talks, etc. Notices will be posted on the notice board and everybody is welcome to attend.

D. J. THOMAS, L.VI Sc. II. (Secretary)

#### GREAT SEA MYSTERIES OF DYNEVOR

Where are they now? Have you ever thought . . . about what lies in the deep, dark corners of this hallowed establishment? In our frank, honest, george, searching, devastating, startling, edifying article we are going to expose everything! . . well almost everything.

Certain omissions in our school have not come to light recently and the editorial committee (ha!) of the School Magazine have been contemplating (sleeping) about what is between the lobbies of the De-la-beche block and the school yard. Trapdoors are the only entrance to this vast space—why? . . . why not?

Steps leading to nowhere, mysterious rooms behind locked doors—how long are these enigmas (!) to continue? No longer, comrades, for we have hired, at incredible expense  $(2\frac{1}{2}d.)$  that ace, roving reporter, and sea correspondent of Numismatist's Weekly, Sigismund Jones. Jones investigated these mysteries for some time (and parsley, being something of a sage) and finally he returned to our office. When asked for the solution to these mysteries he replied, "Arrgh!", whereupon he collapsed on the floor, sprawling strangely (vile habit!). We did not find his reply particularly enlightening unfortunately and so this puzzle remains unsolved.

What about the great SEA mysteries of Dynevor? Well that's what we find so mysterious.

BEELZEBUB, AGAIN.

#### OLD DYVORIANS ASSOCIATION

Several generations of Old Dyvorians will, we know, wish to be associated with us in our expression of gratitude and best wishes to the three members of staff who retired last summer. The long and devoted service to Dynevor of Mr. Myrddin Harries, Mr. Tom James and Mr. R. B. Morgan earned for them the respect and gratitude of innumerable past pupils and it is with great sincerity that we ask them to accept our good wishes for a lasting and happy retirement. We shall of course hope to have the pleasure and honour of seeing them again at our annual dinner in April.

Well over one hundred Old Dyvorians attended the last reunion dinner in March, when Mr. Cyril Goldstone, a most popular and welcome choice as President, was invested with his Chain of Office by Mr. Hubert Joseph.

In his address, Mr. Goldstone gave notice of the Committee's decision to extend the range of social activities to include a Sports Evening and a Supper-Party. Members were also informed that it had been agreed to change the date of the annual dinner in 1969 to the second Monday in April, so enabling to attend those Old Boys who were at various English universities.

The Sports Evening, arranged mainly through the good services of Messrs. Len and Norman Blyth, proved such a success that we hope to hold another in the not too distant future. Our sincere thanks are due to these two gentlemen and to the Swansea Sports Club for their contribution toward such an enjoyable evening.

An opportunity for members' wives to join us at a social function will be provided by the Supper-Party arranged for a Wednesday evening in May.

Although we were unsuccessful last year in our attempt to hold the next in our series of public lectures, the Committee is determined to continue with this venture and has extended an invitation to an eminent Old Dyvorian to speak either this year or early in 1970.

Members and present Sixth-formers are reminded that copies of the previous three lectures are still available from the Honorary Secretary.

Members of the school's rugby and cricket teams will be pleased to learn that a decision has already been taken to hold both the Old Boys' matches at St. Helen's again this year, despite the increased cost of these fixtures.

The number of Old Dyvorians who, long before the matches are held, express their desire to take part is evidence of the interest in these games.

Although weather and ground conditions have prevented the playing of an Old Boys' soccer match at the Vetch Field in the last few seasons, we hope to arrange such a fixture this year, probably in late April.

Our Golf Society played two matches against the Old Goreans last summer, when the Committee was pleased to note the number of present members of staff interested in playing. Mr. Wilfred Higgs would be delighted to receive the name of any Old Boy wishing to join the Society.

The Annual General Meeting of the Association held last February, while noting with great satisfaction the continued increase in membership, expressed the hope that all those leaving school this year who wished to maintain a link with Dynevor, would consider joining us. Details of membership can be obtained from the Hon. Secretary.

#### SPORTS SECTION

#### **SENIOR RUGBY, 1968 - 69**

This season the school has produced one of its best First XV since the illustrious days of Billy Hullin. The side consists of a wide cross section of fifth and sixth formers, and due to the untiring efforts of Mr. J. Hopkin this group of individual talents has been welded into a very efficient working unit. In fact, the teamwork has been of a very exceptional standard throughout the season. The results up to date are:

Glan Afan (H)	 Won	 8 - 0
Vardre Youth (A)	 Won	 9 - 8
Maesteg (H)	 Won	 21 - 5
Gwendraeth (A)	 Won	 13 - 3
Pontardawe (A)	 Won	 19 - 0
Maesydderwen (A)	 Lost	 12 - 9
Dyffryn (A)	 Won	 6 - 3
Penlan (H)	 Won	 9 - 0
Sandfields (A)	 Won	 11 - 9
Garw (A)	 Lost	 6 - 5
Glanafan (A)	 Won	 21 - 8
Tonypandy (H)	 Won	 8 - 0
Dyffryn (H)	 Lost	 8 - 6

Record: Played, 13; Won, 10; Lost 3

The Second XV have also had a successful season, although, like the First XV, have suffered many cancelled fixtures. Their record is:

Played 11; Won 6; Lost 4; Drawn 1.

A very good aspect of this year's Second XV is that there have been many occasions when its members have been called upon to fill in vacancies in the First XV, and without exception these boys have acquitted themselves very well. This augurs well for next year's campaign.

This year again, Mr. Hopkin has tried to run a Third XV, but the great difficulty has been in arranging fixtures. So far this season the Third XV have played 3, Won 2, and Lost 1.

All boys associated with Senior Rugby in the school would like to place on record their appreciation of all the help they have received from many masters this season, but especially to Mr. Hopkin and to Mr. A. Davies.

#### FIRST YEAR RUGBY

The 1A Rugby Team have had a very successful season; their keenness and form promise well for the future. Their high position in the league can be credited to good team spirit and work. It is unfair to pick out individuals because this has been a team effort, but special praise must be given to the pack who often completely outplayed much bigger opponents, and to Christopher Thomas, whose general play and leadership from the scrum-half position was outstanding. His rugby ability and mature understanding of the game should ensure a higher honours in the future.

The 1B team were far less successful. Nevertheless, their enthusiasm has never waned and many of their players have proved able substitutes for regular A Team players.

Record: 1A ... Played 12; Won 9; Lost 2; Drawn 1 1B ... Played 10; Won 1; Lost 9.

#### SECOND YEAR RUGBY

This team is the most improved team in the school and the 2A have had a very successful season, their only two defeats coming at the hands of Bishop Gore and the touring Wandsworth School from London. Their record is: Played 11; Won 9; Lost 2. In the First Round of the Swansea Schools Rugby Cup they beat Oystermouth by 20 pts. - 0.

Members of the side include I. Batcock (Capt.), K. Aubrey, P. Davies, M. Lamnea, I. Beynon, M. Loney, J. Bevan, D. Langley, E. Templeton, A. Young, B. Edwards, G. Ley, H. Davies, A. Wieberg, P. Rees and D. Cudd.

The 2B Team have not been doing so well, having lost 4 games, and were knocked out of the Cup by Emmanuel G.S. by 20pts. - 0.

Members of the side include: T. Hansel, S. Edwards, M. Rosser, W. Gould, A. Edwards, P. Best, M. Rees, G. Howell, P. Ridgewell, S. Williams, P. Hennells, A. Lloyd, P. Hopkin, A. Standish, J. Lewis.

#### THIRD YEAR RUGBY

This team is enjoying another very successful season, having an undefeated league record, scoring 153 points for, and 14 against. They are having a hard struggle in the Cup matches reaching the semi-finals with replays against Bishop Gore and Dumbarton. In a friendly match they registered a 14-0 win against the hitherto undefeated Wandsworth Comprehensive School from London.

The strength of the team lies in the pack with outstanding players in D. Henning. P. Sterio, C. Rees, C. Gange, and D. Griffiths. Unfortunately, S. Guard, who is the main strength of the backs is lost to us for the rest of the season, having broken a collar-bone a second time since playing for the school.

The 3B side is enjoying its rugby even though it does not have such an impressive record as the 'A' side. Quite a few of the side have, however, played in the 'A' side this year.

#### 4th YEAR RUGBY

This inexperienced team has suffered by a lack of leadership due to losing its two best forwards to the Swansea Schoolboys side. Its league record is very average—played 10; won 6; drawn 2; lost 2. However in the K.O. Cup it has reached the semi-final and with a fair run of the ball should reach the final for the third successive year.

#### SOCCER

#### FIRST XI

This has been one of the most disappointing seasons experienced by the 1st XI in the last 5 years. The main weakness being the inability of many of the players to repeat their club form for the school team.

Altogether the team played nine games, winning 3, drawing 4 and losing the remaining 2. The team gave encouraging performances against Bishop Gore, Penlan and Llanelli. However, lack of goal punch resulted in defeat in the important game against Llanelli. The team wish to thank Mr. Adrian Davies and also Mr. Tom James for their support and encouragement throughout the season.

#### Results

#### Ivor Tuck Trophy

Rd. 1	v.	Bishop Gore	Α	2	2
Replay	٧.	Bishop Gore	H	5	1
Rd. 2	v.	Penlan	Α	0	0 (Aband.)
Rd. 2	v.	Penlan	Α	1	0
Rd. 3	v.	Llanelli	Н	1	2

#### Friendlies

v.	Swansea Schoolboys	H	5	1
v.	Bishop Gore	Α	3	4
v.	Penlan	Α	1	1
V.	Llanelli	Α	2	2

#### Scorers:

DAVIES:

B. Evans 5; P. Bevan 3; T. Brown 3; C. Davies 2; D. Griffin 2; P. Webster 2; C. Warlow 1; Arthurs 1.

#### Who's Who in the Team

PRESLEY:	Superfit Athlete!! Catlike! Goalkeeper?
STANTON:	"Nick" Pretty Boy! Has come on a lot this
	year so too has his football

HOWELLS: His normality demands our deepest sympathy. "Terry the Red" (nosed Reindeer). Wild man Brown:

from Sketty Park.

"The CRUNCH"!!! No more need be said. POWELL: GRIFFIN: Captain? A tremendous player, sets a great

example . . . incidentally he wrote this. Should go far—the further the better! (Many

BEVAN: thanks to "The Beano" for lending him when

needed).

Webster: Recruited from the Rugby team, he has now been returned and our money refunded with apologies.

"B.V." Questionable private income after EVANS: Llanelli game.

"Charlie". First class dribbler—always wears

a bib.

Warlow: "Hot Lips". A sizzling performer (on the field as well)—from Swansea's lower quarter.

"Clumsy". Centre forward with that wide CLEMMENTS: awake feeling.

MR. DAVIES: Really takes an interest in his boys. It has been heard along the "pipe line" that he is to take over Sir Matt's job at Old Trafford. Many times we have been encouraged by his famous

chant: "Too wet (or too dry) to play football,

kick it, kick it, hard up the middle!"

#### INTERMEDIATE 'A' XI

Dynevor started off the season by losing most of their opening matches. They lost to Penlan and Bishop Vaughan, and in these games they were beaten by the odd goal, 1 - 0, 2 - 1.

Since then they have come into the form that is worthy of such a team. Their last four matches have been won convincingly, 3 - 1; 3 - 1; 5 - 1; 7 - 1.

The leading goalscorer is B. Thomas with nine goals, and at the moment the side lie third in the League Table. They are also through to the third round of the Cup competition.

#### INTERMEDIATE 'B' XI

This is a young side consisting mainly of first year boys, many of them being Junior Town XI boys. Their record augurs well for the future since they are unbeaten, and have dropped only two points in the League Championship. As a result they are top of their League with a record which reads:

Played 9: Won 7; Drawn 2; Lost 0.

They are also through to the next round of the Cup since they beat Townhill "B" 8 - 1 in an earlier round.

#### SENIOR 'A' XI

The side made a fine start to the season with a resounding win over Cefn Hengoed. They won their next four matches, but then came a drawn game with a strong Bishop Vaughan side. The team followed this with a good win over Townhill. It now seemed that the side were set for the League Championship, but Penlan 'A' upset their hopes with a good win which took them above the school team to the top of the table.

Although they won the next few games played, recent matches, when they could only draw with Bishop Vaughan 'B' and then a loss to Oxford Street, have dashed all hopes of the side for a chance of League honours.

#### SENIOR 'B' XI

The side, like the 'A' team, made a fine start to the season, with a convincing win over Cefn Hengoed 'B'. They then won the next six matches and it seemed they would be fighting for League honours later in the season.

This term, however, they have lost heavily to Penlan 'C' and Pentrepoeth 'A', 8 - 1 being the score in both games. They are now out of the running for League honours. A recent win against Oxford Street 'B' by 7 - 1 has restored some confidence to the side.

#### CRICKET 1968

#### SENIOR XI

#### OFFICERS:

Captain .. C. Parfitt Vice-Captain .. T. Noonan Secretary .. C. Warlow

This was the most disappointing season for many years since only four games were completed out of ten fixtures, The rest were all cancelled due to the abysmal weather. Of the games played, two were drawn, one tied and one lost. Results were:

v. Penlan .. Match drawn v. Sandfields .. Match tied. v. Old Boys .. Match lost. v. Staff XI .. Match drawn.

The boys who represented the team regularly included:

C. Parfitt, T. Noonan, C. Warlow, K. Simpson, B. Rees, N. Stanton, J. Rees, E. Carter, S. John, R. Samuel, N. Popham, G. Morgan and S. Maynard.

The team would like to thank Mr. D. J. Hopkin and other members of Staff for their loyal support.

C. WARLOW (Secretary)

#### JUNIOR CRICKET

The First Year Cricket XI, in its first season in the Swansea School League, did very well. We went through the season without losing a game and became League Champions.

The whole team played well, and fielded extremely efficiently, but special mention must be made of the batting and bowling performances of K. Aubrey and K. Thomas.

Several of the games were very close and the results were only decided in the last over. We are now hoping for the same keenness and success in the coming season when the team will be playing in the Second Year League.

The 2nd year side had a most successful season and reached the final of Swansea Schools League Championship. In the final they met a strong Ystalyfera XI, our side failed to play as well as they had done previously and were beaten. Special mention must be made of good individual performances by Christopher Rees, Christopher Gange, Robert Thomas, Clive Gigg, Michael Jenkins, David Henning and David Griffiths.

PLAYING RECORD:

Played 7: Won 6; Lost 1.

#### SENIOR 'A'

The Senior 'A' Cricket XI had a most disappointing season. The side lacked spirit and capitulated too easily against opposition which lacked their ability or technical skill. Early defeats against Bishop Gore and Oxford Street made it obvious that they would have no share in final League placings. So it proved, and their record was: Played 5: Won 2; Lost 3.

#### **BASKETBALL**

1969 has seen the formation of the Swansea Schools Basketball League. This has come about through the efforts of Mr. W. Perrins, an Old Dyvorian, who is now the Chairman of the League. The school have entered a team and have done remarkably well. At the present time they occupy second place in the League Table. Their record is: Played 7: Won 5; Lost 2.

### Matches played are:

Bishop Vaughan	Lost	 34 - 11
Penlan	 Won	 19 - 11
Cefn Hengoed	 Won	 34 - 6
Bishop Gore	 Won	 24 - 16
Bishop Vaughan	 Lost	 14 - 11
Penlan	 Won	 36 - 13
Cefn Hengoed	 Won	 36 - 4

Members of the squad are: R. Evans (Capt.), B. Jones, N. Griffiths, I. Aldren, K. Scrine, P. Mayes, S. Wilde, D. Henning, P. Holt, P. Sterio, I. Fraser, A. Fielding, D. Kiman.

#### TABLE TENNIS CLUB

This year has seen the revival of the Table Tennis Club after an absence of a few years from the school's sporting activities. The Club owes a great deal to the support given by Mr. Taylor and Mr. Taylor, and thanks must also be given to the Headmaster, Mr. Norris, and to Mr. Hopkin for their help in the initial organisation.

Up to now activity has been concentrated on trial to select squads for selection to the school team. Plans for the future include matches against other schools and a School Championship.

C. Lewis, LVI. Sc.II, Secretary.

#### **BADMINTON**

The Badminton Club has maintained its high standard of play and equipment this year. The team has extended its unbeaten record to almost 2 years, and is drawn from a band of 15 - 20 keen 5th and 6th formers, who play regularly. We

should like to thank Mr. Mike Richards for his great help and encouragement, and also the caretaker, Mr. Wilkins, for his co-operation concerning the use of the gym.

Results of matches played since the magazine was last published are:

#### SEASON 1967-8

February-March, 1968. The team defeated Bishop Vaughan (masters), Llanelli G.S., Bishop Gore.

v.	Swansea College of Education	 Α	 Won 8-1
v.	Neath G.S.	 Α	 Won 9-0
v.	Llanelli G.S.	 H	 Won 9-0
v.	Penlan		Won 9-0
	Bishop Gore	 Η	 Won 5-4
v.	Bishop Gore		Won 8-1
v.	Llanelli G.S.	 Α	 Won 8-1

#### The regular team is:

A. Mendus (Capt.)	P. Maynard	lst pair
V. Evans	S. Palmer	2nd pair
P. Guest	N. Jones	3rd pair

P. Andrewartha, P. Hughes, T. R. Jones and A. L. Williams have also played for the team.

The outstanding game was the defeat, 9 - 0, of the very strong Llanelli team. In this game the whole side played exceptionally well, but special mention must be made of the 3rd pair, who played well above themselves in winning all their games.

We hope to arrange further games with Neath G.S., Penlan, Swansea University, Swansea Training College, Gowerton G.S., and possibly David Evans later this season.

A. MENDUS (Secretary).

#### SWIMMING 1968

During the season the school participated in four interschool galas. Results were:

Bishop Gore	 64	Dynevor	 74
Cefn Hengoed	 74	Dynevor	 104
Bishop Gore	 76	Dynevor	 71
Cefn Hengoed	 84	Dynevor	 94

Members of the squad were: R. Howells, A. Wieberg, W. Morgan, G. Harris, M. Cudd, R. Lawson, P. Hughes, P. Jones, R. Webb, C. Rees, J. Sullivan, M. Rogers, A. Christopher, G. Moore, R. Williams, K. Lennox, R. Flowers, G. Thomas, M. Harwood, P. Clement, M. Flavell, R. Hopkins and J. Lloyd.

In the Inter-House Swimming Gala excitement was high and many records were broken. Final House placings were:

Grove
 Llewellyn
 Dillwyn
 Roberts
 90 points
 73 points
 58 points
 54 points.

Survival Swimming was introduced into the swimming curriculum during the year, and proved most popular. A total number of 44 certificates were obtained by boys from the school.

#### **ATHLETICS**

A team from the school participated in the West Glam. Secondary Schools A.A.A. Championships at Swansea, but once again the lack of time and training facilities proved a severe handicap. Some good performances were recorded, however, by the following boys: T. Jones, R. Presley, S. Powell, J. Thomas and B. Jones, who all qualified for the County Championships at Cardiff. M. Gange, who is probably the most outsanding athlete ever produced by the school, was prevented from competing by G.C.E. examinations.

These few boys, as members of the thriving Swansea Harriers Club, participated in many athletic meetings during the season, and their results were most encouraging.

The school sent a strong team to the Swansea Schools Athletic Championships and most boys performed with great credit. Outstanding performances were set up by L. Coulson, S. Trick, R. Thurston, M. Flavell, B. Jones, J. Jones, J. Thomas, S. Guard, K. Scrine, P. Bowden, R. Marslem, I. Batcock, G. Morris and J. Bevan.

An innovation this year is that the school has participated in the A.A.A. Star Award Scheme. This is intended to create a wider interest in Athletics and every participant must attempt both Field and Track events. He is given points for his performances and for his final points total he earns a Star Award Certificate. As a result of the school's efforts the following certificates were won:

Two Star Award . . . . 28 Three Star Award . . . 14 Four Star Award . . . 9

The Five Star Award was gained by the following boys: A. Jones, J. Harrison, J. Thomas, and S. Guard, a second year pupil.

The school was fortunate to have another very fine day for the Inter-House Athletic Championships. Performances continue to improve, and as usual, competition was very keen. This year again, Roberts and Llewellyn were the chief contenders, with Roberts just edging out Llewellyn in the final counts. Final placings were:

Grove ... 88 points
Dillwyn ... 94 points
Llewellyn ... 152 points
Roberts ... 159 points

#### SPORTS NEWS

Michael Gange, last year's School Captain, became the first ever boy from the school to win an international Athletic Vest when he represented Wales against England, Scotland and Ireland at Connah's Quay in July. He participated in the discus and javelin events. This was the culmination of an outstanding athletic season for Michael, during which he gained many area and national championship titles.

He also gained a final Welsh Secondary Schools Rugby Union Trial, and was reserve against the Welsh Youth. He obtained his rugby county cap for Glamorgan.

S. James and J. Parton brought great honour to the school when they were selected to represent the F.A.W. Schoolboys XI towards the end of the 1967/68 season. We hear that Jeff Parton, who signed for Burnley A.F.C., has already played in their Central League side.

John Rees represented the Welsh School Cricket Association under 16 XI against Middlesex Colts. His brother, Christopher Rees, and K. Aubrey also represented the same Association's Under 14 Cricket XI.

The Association Football Referee's Class, which Mr. John Pursey ran last year is already bearing fruit. Already some very good reports have come through about P. Honey-Jones who has refereed some Swansea League matches.

R. Beesley has also helped out in School matches.

The school Victor Ludorum was S. Guard of Llewellyn House.

- R. Casey, G. Emmanuel, I. Aldren and P. Fury have represented the Swansea Schools F.A. XI. Unfortunately P. Fury broke a leg in an earlier game and has only just started playing again. R. Maslem, D. Harris, C. Clark and J. Bowden have also played for the very successful Intermediate Town XI.
- J. Rees and G. Jones were selected to represent the Swansea Schools Under 16 Cricket XI. C. Rees and K. Aubrey represented the Town Under 14 XI.
- P. Arthur, an Old Dyvorian, was again selected to represent Great Britain Olympic Weight Lifting Team at Mexico, where he achieved a personal best performance.

Two school rugby teams acquitted themselves extremely well in Swansea Schools Rugby Union Cup Finals held at St. Helen's last April. The Second Year XV held their old rivals Bishop Gore to a draw, after losing centre I. Bevan with a broken collar bone early in the game.

The Under 15 side were playing Penlan, and were in the lead at half-time, but unfortunately they lost G. Mount, who had been the outstanding Town forward, towards the end of the first half. His loss proved the turning point and eventually Penlan ran out worthy winners.

The following boys have received Football Association of Wales Youth and Grammar Schools XI trials this year:—R. Presley, B. Evans, S. Powell, A. Bevan, C. Davies, T. Brown. R. Presley has been selected as the substitute goal-keeper for the Grammar Schools XI versus Scotland at Wrexham.

B. Jones and K. Evans were the school's representatives in the Swansea Schools Rugby XV. The former received a Welsh Schools XV trial. D. Griffiths, D. Henning, S. Guard, C. Gange and F. Walters have gained a place in the Town Under 14 XV.

The Alun James Memorial Cup for the Senior Mile winner was won by Derek Griffin, for the third successive year.

R. Casey has been selected as a travelling reserve for the Football Association of Wales Under 15 XI against Ireland.

The following boys played in Welsh Secondary Schools rugby trials this year: S. Rees, P. Webster, C. Warlow, T. Mayberry and A. Tyrell.

