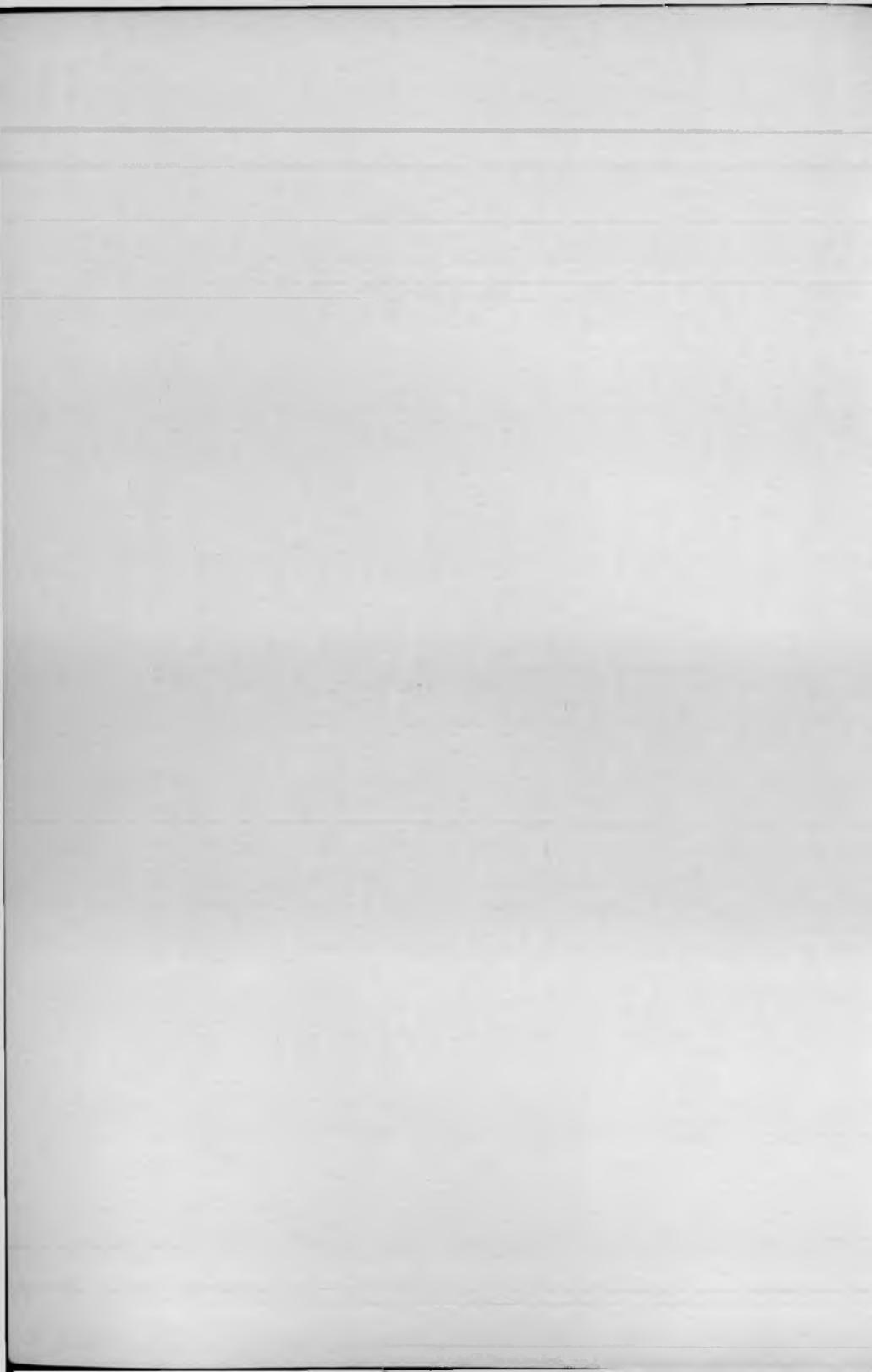




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EDITORIAL.

The fact that this issue of the School Magazine is going to press in January rather than in December, as originally planned, enables us to claim its publication as the inaugural event of the School's Seventy Fifth Anniversary Celebrations. It was in 1883, we are told, that Dynevor began as a Higher Grade School in Trinity Place, and the story of its development and of its fortunes in good days and bad is undoubtedly an essential part of the history of Swansea over the last three quarters of a century. It is therefore intended that the next issue of the Magazine should be a special Commemorative Number, and we are glad to be able to say that Old Dyvorians have kindly agreed to co-operate in making it an issue worthy of the occasion.

In producing the present number the work of the Editorial Committee has been made more difficult by the baffling reluctance—which may be described as charming or exasperating according to taste—of our otherwise highly articulate fellow pupils to submit their literary efforts for publication. Since December we have also been deprived of the counsel of the School Captain, J. Richardson, as a result of a leg injury in the Soccer House Finals, but his place on the Editorial Committee has been taken by the Acting Captain, H. W. Lewis.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Our first task is to welcome our new headmaster, Mr. Meredydd Glyn Hughes, M.A., who comes to us from Hampton Grammar School, Middlesex. Mr. H. Griffiths, our deputy headmaster, has kindly written a short note of introduction which appears later in this issue.

The main events in the celebration of the 75th Anniversary of the School will take place on Thursday, May 22nd. In the morning a Special Service of Thanksgiving will be held at which parents and Old Dyvorians will be very welcome, and in the evening an Anniversary Speech Day Meeting will take place at the Brangwyn Hall. The fact that the Permanent Secretary of the Welsh Department of the Ministry of Education, Sir Ben Bowen Thomas, has kindly agreed to be our guest speaker emphasises the importance of the occasion in the life of the School.

We also understand that the Old Dyvorians are arranging a Commemoration Dinner on March 3rd, and that one of the guests will be the Lord Mayor of Cardiff, who is an Old Boy of the School. His Lordship has accepted an invitation to visit the School earlier in the day to speak at our St. David's Day Celebrations, and we look forward to his contribution to the proceedings.

Another memorable event of the coming year will be the participation of our Junior Choir in the Annual St. David's Festival of the London Welsh Association on March 22nd. The Albert Hall is always packed for this function which is regarded as the highlight of the cultural activities of the London Welsh, and we are very proud of the honour bestowed upon us by the invitation to send up a choir, especially in our Commemoration year. We regard it as a recognition of the musical tradition which has been steadily built up at the School over the years.

Turning to more mundane matters, this year has seen an increase in the number of prefects to twenty-five—as no doubt many members of the School will have found to their cost. J. Richardson, U.VI Science, the School Captain, breaks the School tradition by measuring six foot plus. His deputies, as originally appointed, were C. Reynolds (U.VI, Arts) and H. Lewis (U.VI, Science), but events since then have brought about a complete change. J. Richardson's accident unfortunately means that his activities will be restricted for some considerable time. H. Lewis has therefore been appointed acting School Captain and J. D. Austin (U.VI Science)

has taken his place as Vice-Captain. At the same time the other Vice-Captain, C. Reynolds, left the School and he has been replaced by J. R. S. Phillips (U.VI Arts).

The other prefects are, on the Arts side : H. Carroll, G. Clarke, H. Davies, D. Jones, N. M. Jones, A. W. Rees, B. P. Williams and S. N. Winks ; on the Science side : D. Charles, R. Harris, D. Hopkins, P. Ley, R. Mahoney, B. Mainwaring, B. Reeve, G. Taylor, P. Vaughan, A. Walters, A. Williams and D. Winfield.

We congratulate Mr. Harold Richards on his appointment as Headmaster of Manselton County Secondary Modern School, and wish him every success in his new sphere.

We welcome Herr Waldermoyer, the German assistant, and Monsieur Frammery, the French assistant who has come to take the place of Monsieur Abersour who unfortunately had to return to France. We all hope that their stay amongst us will be a happy one.

We also welcome David Jasper 3C., who comes to us from Exeter Choir School and is proving an important addition to the School Choir, and Jim Gries of 3D., who comes from Lafayette, Indiana, and is spending a year in Swansea.

The structural improvements, which were begun last year, are now well under way, and the interior now actually sports a new coat of paint. In addition, the terrors of automation have at last caught up with us, and the post of School bellringer has now been abolished. We are now awakened from our torpor at the end of each period by a nerve-shattering peal on the new electric bell. Whenever this sound is heard, members of the staff who served in the submarine service during the war immediately take cover under the Staff Room table.

After a lapse of a year, we are pleased to note that the Hobbies Exhibition has regained its position in the School activities. It was organised on this occasion entirely by the Sixth Form, ably advised by Mr. Bennett. A report of the Exhibition appears later in this issue.

Under the guidance of the Headmaster, greater emphasis has been placed on the House system, by regular meetings, and it is to be hoped that in this way a strong spirit of inter-house rivalry will develop in the School.

The state of the School library has been a matter of concern for some time, and during last term a Library Committee was formed, under the leadership of Mr. O. A. Morris.



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Back Row : R. HARRIS, S. N. WINKS, P. VAUGHAN, D. CHARLES, S. PHILLIPS (*Vice-Capt.*), D. WINFIELD, N. JONES,
Second Row : D. JAMES, D. AUSTIN (*Acting Vice-Capt.*), B. WILLIAMS, G. TAYLOR, A. WALTERS, D. HOPKINS, A. WILLIAMS,
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Seated : H. CARROLL, T. H. DAVIES, A. W. REES, R. MAHONEY.

This Committee was responsible for the book Exhibition in the Hobbies, which was so successful. One hundred and seventeen books were subscribed for by parents to the value of over £80. This figure does not include the books already presented by the Sixth Form.

It is our aim to build up a flourishing library, which is an essential feature of any modern grammar school.

The School Concert was held again this year with its usual success, in spite of the bad weather on the night. A full account appears elsewhere in this issue.

While on the subject of music, we must offer our congratulations to a distinguished old boy, Philip Croot, who has continued his outstanding success in this field by having broadcast a performance of his Overture "Boyhood" which is dedicated to the Staff and Boys of this School.

Last term saw the introduction for the first time of a special School Christmas Card. Over four thousand were sold and it was possible as a result to send the considerable sum of £20 to the Empire Cancer Research Fund.

During the term, the Sixth Forms were addressed by an Old Boy of the School, Mr. Tucker, who has recently returned from Ghana.

The School was also visited by two missionaries—the Rev. Rawkin, who spoke on life in Papua, and Miss Leyshon, who spoke to the Fourth Forms about her work in India. Miss Leyshon was educated at Swansea Training College and has spent many years in the service of the United Church of India.

Towards the end of the term the School was honoured by the presence of yet another distinguished Old Boy, Mr. Geraint Walters, who is the Director for Wales of the Ministry of Works. Mr. Walters gave a very informative and amusing talk on the Civil Service and was kind enough to answer several questions on careers afterwards. We note with interest that since his visit to us he has been awarded the C.B.E., and offer him our congratulations.

The S.C.M. met twice during the term at Llwyn-y-Bryn and was addressed by Mr. Percy Morris, M.P., and Dr. Glyn Lewis, who spoke on "Religion and Politics" and "Religion and Medicine," respectively.

The Bank Leak Tribunal has investigated and published its findings, but what about the other and greater "Leak"? On the eve of the day that the world was shaken by the announcement of the Russian Sputnik One, our Debating Society debated the motion "This House deplores the belief that flying Saucers are non-existent." Up to the moment of publication, Khrushchev has said nothing, so we are still keeping our fingers crossed.

We congratulate Hywel Lewis on his selection for a Welsh Schools Rugby Trial last term; also three other boys, Ray Harris, Roy Evans and Roger Saunders, who have been appearing regularly in the Swansea Boys' Soccer team.

A welcome, if somewhat belated, report on the activities of the School's First Cricket XI last summer also appears in this issue.

In conclusion, we hasten to assure readers who may have felt apprehensive about the mysterious brown boxes which members of Staff have been observed carrying out of the building, that they contain nothing more alarming than common or garden eggs.



Mr. M. G. HUGHES.

Last term we were glad to welcome to Dynevor School our new headmaster, Mr. Meredydd G. Hughes, M.A. (Cantab.), Barrister-at-Law. From Rhyl Grammar School Mr. Hughes proceeded to Emmanuel College, Cambridge, where he read mathematics, and afterwards spent a further year at the University of London. His mathematical studies at Cambridge were interrupted by War Service which took him to China for two years. More recently he took up the study of law, and has been called to the Bar at Lincoln's Inn.

He taught at Cardiff High School and comes to us from Hampton Grammar School, Middlesex, where he was Senior Mathematics Master from 1953. We all wish him well in his new sphere and look forward to a happy and prosperous period for the School under his guidance.

HOLIDAY IN MAJORCA.

Last summer I spent a holiday in Majorca, the largest of the Balearic Islands. One summer morning a week before the summer holidays we took the train to London, and on reaching London we spent the night in a hotel. Next morning at 6.30 we drove to the airport just outside London. It was a cool damp morning and about two hundred people were in the assembly hall waiting to weigh their luggage for their trip to places as far apart as Nigeria, Gibraltar, Africa and Egypt. We then boarded our plane which was a Hermes four-engined 78 seater and were soon airborne. We felt comfortable and relaxed, looking down at the landscape and sea from 11,000 feet up and travelling at 200 m.p.h.

Lunch was served by the stewards and after four and a half hours' flight over France, the Pyrenees and the Mediterranean, we eventually landed at Barcelona.

After a short stop and a visit to the beautiful city of Barcelona, where we had lunch, we returned to the Airport.

We again boarded a plane, this time a smaller one belonging to the Spanish Airline, and one hour later we landed at Palma, flying over it by night and looking down at the coloured lights of the streets and ships which reflected on the calm waters of the Mediterranean. It appeared to be like a diamond necklace with sparkling jewels.

Arriving at our hotel, we were warmly greeted by some of the management and staff. We were soon shown to our rooms where after the long and tiring journey we soon fell asleep.

During our fortnight's stay at Palma, every day was crowded with happy and interesting events. Some will remain in my memory for always, such as a trip in an extremely old taxi to a village tucked away in the mountains in the northern part of the island. Here in Valldemosa, the world famous composer, Chopin, came to recuperate from an illness. He lived in a disused monastery where he wrote some of his nocturnes, sonatas and polonaise and on my visit there I was greatly privileged by being allowed to play on Chopin's original piano.

When in Spain, everyone is expected to visit the Corrida (the bull fight). Every Sunday evening thousands of people flock to the bullfight at the Plaza de Toros. We too went to see Spain's National Sport with great interest. It was a scene gay with the multicoloured clothes of the spectators and at last it began. Music filled the air and the tumultuous crowd

fell silent as the grand parade began, Presently a bull was released and was tantalised by the Matador's assistant ; then the Picadors, who were mounted on armoured horses thrust long lances into the bull's neck and as the bull turned away in pain, the banderilleros entered carrying two short, gaily decorated lances which they skilfully harpooned into the bull's neck. After this the trumpets sounded a fanfare and the matador proudly entered the ring and bowed graciously to the crowd. The bull charged viciously and the matador manouvered his cloak gracefully until the bull was exhausted. The bull was ready for the kill and for the last time the bull charged. The matador quickly glided his red cloak away and the sword was thrust in. The bull staggered for a moment and then dropped down dead.

Those two experiences stand out together with a visit to some underground caves and lakes where one floated on gondolas amidst the stalagmites and stalactites. The cave was illuminated by coloured lights from an undetectable source. Many days, spent in the hot sunshine and bathing in the blue Medierranean (where rain only comes in the Winter) made the holiday a dream and a paradise.

JOHN ISAAC, 3D.

UTOPIA.

It is nice to get up early especially during the holiday season, so one morning in late July, at 6.00 a.m. I was met by a friend, who was sartorially dressed in old overalls, a dirty coat and beret. He was extremely cheerful and assured me in my half dazed condition that today we were on an easy number.

We arrived at the depot and were shown into a room where men sat on forms, leaning across tables discussing last night's dart match, and the losers they had backed the previous day. A small man appeared and asked my friend and myself "Are you those———students? Well, get into that lorry." It was a decrepit looking object which smelt to high heaven. We asked him for a pair of gloves so that we wouldn't soil our hands. These I am pleased to say, were forthcoming three days later. With a rumbling and banging the empty lorry tore (?) down the Mumbles Road. We tried the hooter to find it also was on vacation, and to warn unwary pedestrians of our approach the best means was to bang the sides of the cab and shout. Arriving at Mumbles we had breakfast with the other occupants, who were discussing what was going to win the 2.30. The Foreman told us that to earn our money we had to do at least 5 loads a day, so at 9.00 a.m. we started emptying dustbins, and at 1.00 p.m. we had twice filled the lorry and had realised how difficult it was to be a real dustman.

We had walked dozens of miles by 4.00 p.m. and had also discovered a pair of shoes of the right size, but the bottles and scrap metal were not placed with the refuse but hoarded. The last load of the day was soon over and as we departed to tip our lovely rubbish we had already caught the dustman's disease of delving. One of our number was leaning out of the back looking for the pair of sandals he had mislaid. We returned home at 6.00 p.m. having put in some "overtime," and had started to realise there was more in collecting dustbins than meets the eye, and after three days, I had discovered the method of judging the weights of dustbins and the dodge of leaving the heavy ones for someone else to empty.

To encourage anyone applying for this honourable job, you have to hold 8 passes at ordinary level and 4 at advanced level.

P.S.—If any member of the upper 6th is seen delving into dustbin in the future, you now know the reason, and perhaps he will show you its delights.

"DOOLITTLE"

(Assistant Dustman—First Class)

FARNBOROUGH DIARY.

During the first week of September every year Farnborough becomes the "Mecca" of the aeronautical world. Thousands of people converge on Farnborough to see the latest in British aircraft, guided missiles and many of the accessories that make up the finished aeroplane. I was able to spend the week visiting Farnborough and other nearby airfields.

The week started on Sunday, September 1st. I arrived in Reading about 1 p.m. and spent the rest of the afternoon at White Waltham. Here West London Aero Club were flying constantly, while A.T.C. cadets were having flights in gliders. On the other side of the field at Fairey's works one of the A.O.P. jet helicopters was being tested.

Monday morning was spent at Blackbushe. Visitors included an American Curtiss Commando which stayed the whole week. In one of the hangars a Javelin was being overhauled. The afternoon was spent at Farnborough watching the flying display.

Tuesday at Blackbushe saw the appearance of two Belgium light aircraft—a Cessna 310 and a Piper Super Cruiser; military aircraft of Continental Air Forces, the R.A.F. and the United States Navy and Air Force were also present. The newly formed German Air Force was represented by a Heron.

Wednesday saw the arrival of a number of civil Continental aircraft, including a Dutch Beech Craft Super 18 and a German Cessna 182. Interesting military aircraft seen were a Martin Mariner of the Dutch Navy and a Douglas C 119 of the Belgian Air Force. The R.A.F. was represented by a large number of Ansons and other aircraft, while United States aircraft were numerous. A visit to the United States Navy hangar revealed a number of aircraft.

Thursday saw the arrival of the Piper Tri-Pacers—one Irish and the other Dutch. The German Air Force was again represented, this time by a Douglas C-47 Dakota. Old memories were aroused by the presence of a Mosquito and a Brigand. Today was the last private day of the Display. The afternoon was fine and my trip to Farnborough was rewarded by the sight of the massed flypast of 60 Canberras and 30 Valiants. It was rumoured that the Russians were at the Display! The contrails remained above all the afternoon forming a good background for the flying. In the evening at Blackbushe, two Viscount 700's and one Viscount 800 flew over on I.L.S. (Instrument Landing System) approaches.

On Friday a quick trip to Fairoaks in Surrey was rewarded by the sight of a number of rarer English light aircraft particularly the Lockheed 12A and Chrislea Super Ace. Blackbushe was not so rewarding as on previous days but interesting visitors included a Belgian Gemini and a Canadian Expediter. The afternoon was spent at Farnborough again—mainly to see the aerobatics—111 Squadron being perfect. The Naval aerobatics too were good but not so intricate as those of the R.A.F.

Saturday was fine and I went to Farnborough—inside this time—to see the Static Park Exhibition Hall, the Guided Missile Park, which included the latest in British Guided Missiles—Seaslug, Bloodhound, Fire Streak, Bobbin and Thunder Bird.

This ended an interesting and thoroughly enjoyable week, although the weather was not always good, with plenty of aircraft, aerobatics and flying having been seen.

AEROSCRIBE, UVI Sci.

SINGLETON PARK,
SWANSEA.

24th January, 1958.

DEAR MR. EDITOR,

Thank you for your kind invitation to contribute the Swansea letter to this term's magazine.

One of the first things that one realises on entering Swansea College is the difference between the urban noisiness surrounding Dynevor and the rural quietness of our present surroundings. Swansea College is ideally situated in a pleasant out of the way part of Singleton Park, and yet at the same time it is within reasonable access of the town. The College, at the present time, is in a state where the old is contrasted with the new. On the one hand there is the old, gargoyled, Abbey building, and on the other there is the fine new Natural Science building. When it is finished the University College will be all on the style of this building, and it will be one of the most modern Colleges in the country.

Although we have been at the College for only one term, we have already gained several distinct impressions of College life. One of the first things that strikes a 'fresher' on entering College is the importance of self-discipline. Here the student decides for himself how much work he must do to enable him to pass the examinations at the end of the year. There is no question of compulsion, but the student is made to realise, if he does not already appreciate the point, that he is in College to work, and the Professors are not there as taskmasters. College life, on the whole, is far less restrictive than that experienced in a Grammar School, and the student experiences a new kind of independence and self-reliance.

Another notable feature of College life is the variety of social activities, which permit a greater number of interests to be pursued. The extra-curricular activities in a Grammar School are necessarily restricted mainly to sport, whereas intellectual and artistic pursuits are also catered for in College, and this is beneficial inasmuch as it leads to a generally broader outlook among students.

There are, however, a number of more practical facilities than those mentioned above. Swansea College has a first class Library, where students can work at most times of the day, and there is a large number of reference books, which cover almost all the requirements of any student. Other facilities on the non-academic side are the Junior Common Room, where one can relax in easy chairs and read newspapers

or work, and the Refectory, where most students gather in between lectures to have some light refreshment and pass away an hour in talk or light reading. There is also the Union House, the social centre outside the College proper, where students gather for indoor recreation, to listen to the wireless or watch television, or just to relax and talk quietly amongst their friends. College life is not one of continuous work, and so interest in some non-academic line is encouraged, although not enforced, among students.

We wish the School every success in the coming year and look forward to seeing as large a contingent of Dynevor boys entering Swansea College this coming October as entered last year.

Yours sincerely,

DAVID R. THOMAS.

COLIN R. DAVID.

MODERN PILGRIMS.

Since early times, it has been the practice of the church to make a pilgrimage to some sacred spot. In Mediaeval times, there were many such spots, the most famous of which in Wales was that of Saint David in Pembrokeshire. With the reformation the practice of making pilgrimages was stopped but during the early years of this century, it was revived in the Church in Wales.

Last Easter, my friend and I decided to go on pilgrimage to St. David's. We had planned to go in the modern way, by train and bus. When we mentioned our plan to the Vicar of Landore, he told us that in going by modern transport, we would ruin the true spirit of the pilgrimage. He asked us if we were prepared to walk ; if we were, he would come with us. Well, at first, eighty miles seemed a nightmare to one who was accustomed to sitting comfortably in a 'bus ; but after some discussion and trial walks, we decided to follow in the footsteps of the Mediaeval pilgrims, and walk to Saint David's.

During the following months, we engaged ourselves in planning the route, contacting the clergy and people in the places through which we would pass, and making other preparations for our long trek.

At last, we were ready. In the evening of August 15th (one of the days which the Church puts aside for celebrating a feast of St. Mary, mother of our Lord), we knelt at the altar to be blessed by the Vicar, and to receive the blessing which the Bishop of Swansea and Brecon had sent us.

Our starting point was the great ruined abbey at Neath, and on the morning of August 16th, we knelt around a portable altar to receive the first communion of our journey. Everyone was in great spirits as we left Neath, and this group of six pilgrims clad in open necked shirts and shorts attracted a great deal of attention. After leaving industrial Morriston, our journey lay through beautiful countryside. We went through Llangyfelach, across the marsh at Pontardulais, and up to Llanon, where our first day's journey ended.

On the morning of Sunday 18th August, we bid farewell to the people of Llannon, and made our way to Carmarthen, which was our terminus for the second day. At Carmarthen we had arranged to stay at Trinity College, and we had the privilege of sleeping in the new building which was recently opened by H.R.H. Princess Margaret.

From Carmarthen we journeyed through Whitland and Haverfordwest, and these places were both halts in our journey. At Haverfordwest, we were joined by the scouts of the Landore St. Paul's troop, and together on the morning of Wednesday, 23rd August, we set out from Haverfordwest on the last seventeen miles of our journey. We arrived at the ancient cathedral city at three o'clock in the afternoon, and there we were joined by a coachload of "easy-way" pilgrims from St. Paul's.

Together, we processed down the High Street of St. David's to the great Cathedral Church. We were met by the Dean, and he led us around the Cathedral, singing hymns in Welsh and English, and stopping at various points for prayers. Our journey around the cathedral culminated in the Chapel of the Most Holy Trinity, where are enshrined the remains of our Patron. Here was the goal of our pilgrimage, and as we knelt around the shrine and prayed for our native land, we felt that our journey had not been in vain.

Our journey had been like the journey of life. It was very hard in some places, but very happy in others; some people were kind and some were indifferent. But we kept our spirits up by our daily prayers and daily communions, looking forward to reaching that goal which lay before us, and when we reached it, we knew that every inch of our walk had been worth the effort.

ALAN REES, UVI Arts.

CUI BONO.

Many times since my arrival at Dynevor I have been asked to give a comparison of our countries, this mainly in the field of education and educational systems. And so I will now, in this article, make an attempt towards those ends.

My current experience is one which I would not surrender voluntarily. I have and am thoroughly enjoying my stay among you. I believe the stated opinions are fair to all. At best, however, they are the carefully drawn opinions of but one, who is not an expert in the field.

The reader must be aware that to many educators and surely to my mind, physical growth, emotional and various other psychological matters relevant to development are nearly, if not equally, as important as the development of the intellectual capabilities of the student. My considered opinion is that the U.S. certainly leads in these lines. What but evil can come of over-restrictive rules, fear, worry, regimentation, and lack of personal expression.

Now we come to the field of academic attainment, which is used by many unknowing people as the only form of comparison. In the actual development of the "top dogs" you lead slightly; but notably in "A" and "B" forms you receive an education certainly no better than that available to the average American. And, people not in the grammar school have little or no opportunity for an advanced education.

We are currently being told that while in your schools you get six years of Algebra, Geometry, etc., we get but one or two. However, on a close examination it is revealed that we have far more class time in these subjects, having five 55-minute classes a week in contrast to your two of approximately 35 minutes' duration. By concentrating on fewer subjects per year we get as many class hours on a subject in one year as you get in four. On other subjects, notably sciences, you do get a better foundation.

Actually while the academic education received by you is probably superior, in one respect it defeats its own usefulness in that its lack of flexibility hinders any student with special needs and/or interests. For, while our schedules are drawn up individually, you have but four schedules for each year, and these divided by ability not interest or contemplated need.

To return to several of the subjects mentioned previously, it must be stated that our schools perform many useful services, such as vocational and social guidance, recreational

programs, many extra-curricular activities, speech therapy, etc., all of which are valuable, though to varying degrees. Of these, the guidance and therapy programs are certainly most beneficial. Stuttering, which is rather prevalent over here, is almost non-existent in the States. I believe that the pre-dominance here is due not only to the lack of therapy but to the pressure the students are subjected to to maintain their positions (notably eleven-plus).

Our recreational programs have the decided disadvantage in that they can be, and are, attended by anyone in town. Normally they are attended by "toughs" which necessarily form an incompatible and unmanageable society.

My comments may have led to the impression that the American system is superior. This I couldn't or wouldn't say. Neither system is perfect. The ideal system might be achieved by blending the superior points of both systems.

J. C. GRIES.

A CARAVAN HOLIDAY.

For our summer holidays this year we decided to stay in a caravan, which was being lent to us by an uncle. It was situated at a caravan site called "White Cross Bay" on Lake Windermere.

On the way up we stopped at Chester for the night, and the next morning we carried on, through the Mersey Tunnel, to Windermere.

When we reached the site, we found that the caravan was placed in a very attractive position beside the lake with plenty of space around it. We also found that the site was very clean and that there were ample amenities; such as clean toilets, showers, hot and cold running water, laundry and drying-room and also a cafe where meals were served.

The first few days were spent in exploring the lake by means of a motor-boat, and also finding friends on the site. After the first few days we decided to visit Coniston Water and Beatrix Potter's house at Far Sawrey near the lake, and then go on to Wast Water.

The visit to Beatrix Potter's house was very interesting as we were able to see some of the old prints and drawings of her famous characters: Peter Rabbit, Squirrel Nutkin and the rest. As we went on to Wast Water, the scenery gradually became more and more rugged until when we finally reached Wast Water the mountains were very bleak and high. Amongst the highest are Scafell, Great Gable and Scafell Pikes. We returned by the Hardknott Pass and Wrynose Pass, which is an old Roman road.

The next few days were spent in visiting Windermere and Bowness and also shopping at Ambleside, these were towns near Lake Windermere. There were also, unfortunately, some rainy days which were spent in playing games with some of our friends.

The first long trip we made in the car was from Windermere to Ambleside and then on through beautiful scenery to Rydal Water and Grasmere. After Grasmere we travelled on through some hilly country to Thirlmere, which is a reservoir. From Thirlmere we could see Helvellyn, one of the highest mountains in England. Then we went on past Keswick to Bassenthwaite Water which is rather flat at the North and Eastern ends. We stopped for lunch at Bassenthwaite and then we carried on down the other side of Bassenthwaite Water until we came to a very steep pass called the Whinlatter Pass. This was one of the many beautiful stretches of scenery in the Lake District. After we had gone over the Whinlatter Pass, we went on down to Crummock Water and Buttermere which are two of the most beautiful lakes in Cumberland.

From Buttermere we very quickly came to the Honister Pass, which was very steep and winding, and ran over a very rugged piece of country. We left the Honister Pass and came down into Borrowdale, a very fertile and beautiful valley; then we made our way on to Keswick and Derwentwater. As we were nearing Derwentwater, we stopped and looked at the Bowder Stone. The Bowder Stone is a huge boulder which fell down from the mountain many years ago and landed in a very precarious position in which it has remained. It is an object of great curiosity and we climbed to the top of it. We left the Bowder Stone and soon reached Keswick and Lake Derwentwater. Then we made our way back to Windermere via Thirlmere, Grasmere and Rydal Water.

After the trip described in the last paragraph we spent most of the following days playing in the bay and in a dinghy with our friends, shopping in the towns and making trips around Windermere. On one of our trips to the Southern end of the lake in the boat, we saw a yacht regatta; and on another trip in the boat to Waterhead we saw a hydroplane race.

One of the last trips we made was from Windermere over the Kirkstone Pass and past Brothers Water to Ullswater. On the way we saw a "Draghunt" at Troutbeck. A draghunt is a race involving hounds; these hounds are made to follow a trail of aniseed and the first hound to reach the end of the trail is the winner.

Ullswater is very beautiful and it is also very famous as it is the place where Wordsworth wrote his poem "The Daffodils." After Ullswater we went on to Penrith and then on to Keswick via another Troutbeck ; from Keswick we went on back to Windermere by way of Thirlmere, Grasmere and Rydal Water which we have already described. We spent the last day before leaving on a visit to Tarn Hows which was supposed to be very beautiful but we didn't see much of it as the visibility was not very good.

The next day we had to leave Windermere and we were very sorry to have to do so as it was so beautiful and we had had such a lovely time.

M. AND D. PARKES. 2D.

STUTTGART VISIT 1957.

Easter of this year saw the arrival in Swansea of a group of German boys and girls on the first part of an exchange visit between the two towns. The German group stayed in our homes, and we had a very happy time showing them the town and the surrounding beaches. Mr. Richard Evans, who was the Swansea leader, arranged several trips which were very enjoyable. The Easter holidays passed quickly and we were soon back in School, longing for July 21st, the day of our departure to Germany.

The day duly arrived and a group of girls from Clarke's College, and boys of Dynevor, under the leadership of Mr. Evans, left Swansea for Stuttgart, via London, Dover, Ostend, Köln, Bonn, and down the beautiful Rhine Valley to Stuttgart. It might be added here that the taking of the girls to Stuttgart was an innovation this year, which did not seem to detract from the enjoyment of Senior members of the Dynevor group.

We reached Stuttgart on the evening of Monday, the 22nd, when we renewed many friendships, and made many new ones. We were taken to the homes of our hosts, who nearly all lived in and around the beautiful City of Stuttgart. I can only describe the City by quoting from the Guide Book : " Stuttgart, capital of Württemberg, is a City surrounded by woods and vineyards nestling in a vast depression amidst the surrounding heights. It is a modern city, almost entirely rebuilt after the war, but despite this fact, it has retained some of its old world beauty."

The highlight of our visit was a five day tour of Switzerland, Austria, and Italy. We saw some wonderful scenery, and visited such famous towns as Zurich, Lucerne, St. Moritz, and crossed the Brenner and Pordoi Passes to Innsbruck, thence to Oberammagau and back to Stuttgart.

On our return to Stuttgart, we were received by the Lord Mayors of Tübingen and Stuttgart, and in the same week some of the group saw Tottenham draw with a Stuttgart Team.

May 1, on behalf of the group, take this opportunity of thanking our German hosts, and especially Mr. Evans for making our visit to Germany such a splendid and enjoyable trip.

C. J. WOOD, LVI Sci.

ZAGREB.

It was 10 o'clock on the evening of July 8th. The carriage load of Welsh amateur gymnasts were preparing to sleep when the door of our compartment opened revealing a man dressed in military uniform holding a pile of papers in his hand.

" Koje zemlje ? " he asked officiously.

" Six penn'orth and a rissole," came a sleepy reply from a dark corner of the compartment.

We had now entered Yugoslavia.

At 1 o'clock the following morning the train slid to a halt at Zagreb.

Our hostel was an orphanage, from which the children had been taken to the Adriatic coast for a holiday. We were given a nightcap of tea with rum, instead of milk, in it and then went to sleep for the remaining hours of darkness.

The day began at 4 o'clock in the morning with the usual continental breakfast (but for the tea and rum), then the opening ceremony of the 2nd Gymnaestrada which is a gathering of the world's gymnasts, rather similar to a Scouts' Jamboree.

The next four days were crammed with shopping sprees, a gymnastic display, siestas and another display. These displays were really tough going. In an open air arena, with a temperature over 90 degrees F. and only a vest to protect the back, a lot of weight was lost and bodies burnt, especially when, after finishing the display, the team had to stand smartly to attention as the British Anthem was played and the Union Jack dipped in salute.

When any spare time was allowed, a walk around the city was everyone's idea of relaxing.

The people were shy but certainly not inhospitable. The city trams were a nightmare to travel in, with people, old and young, clinging by their fingertips to anything or anybody as the trams rattled, alarmingly near the pavement, along the street. The conductor sat inside a little cubby-hole near the door and never left his refuge during the whole journey.

One incident on a tram surprised me. On the last but one day of our stay in Zagreb, the Russian team invited us to their hostel for an evening, and on the way the tram was again packed with people who stared and breathed garlic all over an "expensive" tie which was bought in M & S in Oxford Street. A young couple stood, with arms entwined, gazing into each other's eyes. A man sitting down near them got up at his stop to leave. Immediately the young man jumped to the empty seat and for the rest of the journey sat there holding a hand of the girl, who was still standing and still gazing into his eyes.

The Russians greeted us shyly, and took us to a large room furnished with a few chairs and a large piano. There was a strained atmosphere for a while until the ice was broken by a rock and roll tune beat out on the piano and everybody tried to dance under the tuition of a Cardiff girl.

In the meantime I had found a Russian who spoke very little English. From him it was learnt that during their stay in Zagreb the Russian teams were not allowed to wander through the city, they drank only soda water and ate food cooked by Russian cooks only.

The following day the closing ceremony took place. In to a large stadium marched over a thousand gymnasts, led by an immense, goose stepping Russian carrying, at arms length, in his right hand, the Russian flag, 23 ft. high. A speech was made in French, German and Serbo-Croat. The flags of the 12 participating countries were lowered as each national anthem was played and the 2nd Gymnaestrada was declared at an end in French, German and Serbo-Croat.

I have only one regret about that journey to Yugoslavia and that is I wish I could understand French, German or Serbo-Croat.

GYM.

IT PAYS TO INCREASE YOUR WORD-POWER.

(or, First steps toward not being an iggerant devil any longer)

GRAPHITE	:	Statistician.
GRATEFUL	:	Roaring Fire.
GUISE	:	Antonym for Dolls.
GUITAR	:	Mucus congestion.
GURGLE	:	Roll on.
GUTTA PERCHA	:	Someone who sits on the kerb.
HANDICAP	:	Balaclava helmet.

HEARSE	:	Towel that isn't his.
HIPPODROME	:	Section of the Zoo.
HORTICULTURE	:	Intellectual snobbery.
ILLEGAL	:	Large bird not in the best of health.
KIDNAP	:	Sleep like a child.
KILT	:	Slain.
KITTIWAKE	:	Cat with insomnia.
KNAPSACK	:	Hammock.
LOCOMOTION	:	Mad gesture.
LOGARITHM	:	Folk song of Lumberjacks.
LOLLIPOP	:	Sugar Daddy.
MONSOON	:	A Scot, nearly 21.
MUMMERY	:	A Nursing Home.
NEUROSIS	:	Rosebuds.
NITRIC	:	Political manouvre by Mr. Bevan.
NOTORIOUS	:	Socialist Association.
NUDITY	:	Popular song, just published.
PALMISTRY	:	Illegitimate.

SILVA, LVI Sci.

THE SCHOOL CONCERT 1957.

Another School Concert has come and gone, and it can be looked back upon with considerable satisfaction. Once again, it was held in the homely surroundings of Ebenezer Chapel, before a large and appreciative audience.

The first half consisted of music by Schubert and Mendelssohn. The Choir opened with three Schubert songs including "Ave Maria" in which the soloist was Peter John (3B), while part one concluded with a performance of Mendelssohn's Motet, "Hear My Prayer," in which the soloists were Aled Thomas (2C), Adrian Jones (3A) and newcomer David Jasper (3C). The trebles were heard to good effect in three songs by the above-mentioned composers, the soloists being Peter John, Vivian George (3A) and clarinettist Michael Rees (5C).

Four Welsh Folk-songs were later heard, two sung by the Choir with Peter John as soloist, and two by Aled Thomas.

Soloists included Aled Thomas who sang two songs of Schubert's, while extracts from the same composer's Song Cycle, "Maid of the Mill," were performed by John Williams (LVI Arts).

Chamber Music was represented by part of the third movement of Schubert's "Trout Quintet" led by Mansel Hughes (4B), while a smaller group played the "Rondo" from Haydn's Piano Trio No. 1 in G major; this was followed by "March and Variations" by Mr. J. E. Richards, our music master, for Recorder Band.

Instrumentalists emerged from the background this year ; it is good to see so much interest being taken in this sphere of music-making. Pianist Anthony Withers (4D), performed Mendelssohn's "Bees' Wedding," while Peter James (LVI Arts) played the finale from Schubert's "Violin Sonatina in D," and later "The Elephant," by Saint Saens.

Alan Rees (UVI Arts), at the organ gave a performance of Karg-Elert's Choral Improvisation on the tune "Now thank we all Our God," and also combined with the School Orchestra, led by Peter James, to play arranged extracts of Handel's "Water Music." (It was interesting to note that this organisation—which makes up in enthusiasm for what it may lack in finesse—now includes several wind instrumentalists.)

As a fitting climax, the choir and orchestra combined to give a rousing performance of Haydn's Chorus "The Heavens are Telling." It was noticeable that considerable improvement has been made in the Tenor and Bass sections of the Choir.

Before the interval the evening's Chairman, Councillor F. A. Gorst, welcomed the new headmaster and spoke of future plans for Dynevor. The headmaster expressed his appreciation of the strong musical tradition of the School, and of the fine spirit of friendly co-operation which he had observed—in preparation for the Concert.

Last, but not least, thanks must be offered to our enthusiastic music teacher, Mr. John Richards, Mr. Myrddin Harris and Mr. Morgan Lloyd, and to the "back-room boys" who also contributed much towards the success which so much hard work so richly deserved.

P.J., LVI Arts.

We have heard recently from our music correspondent that the programme for the next concert may look something like this :

CONCERT

to be given by

DYNEVOR SCHOOL CHOIR and ORCHESTRA

Conductor—J. E. RICHARDS (I.P.T.B.—73 bus route)

in the

PHILHARMONIC HALL

DRESS OPTIONAL (BUT PREFERABLE)

PART ONE

1. **Overture**—"Tenhorsepower" *Waggoner*
2. **Two Sweets**—"Ein Sago," "Tapioca" *Sib Alias*
3. **Variations on a theme by Persill** *d' Tergent*
(Young Persons Guide to the Wash Tub)
Dazz ; Mama ; Drift ; Tighed ; Scurf.
4. **Belshazzar's Feast** *Banquets*
Trout—Franz Schubert
Poulet Pizzicato (Plucked Chicken)
Tutte (Fruity)
Cafe Continental.
5. **Suit**—"Made to Measure" *Austin-Read*

INTERVAL.

PART TWO.

6. **Solo**—"Art thou troubled" (Pills shall relieve thee)
*Beecham*Treble Solo (Bycarr Bonaight of Tso Dah)
Wind Obligatto.
7. **Suite**—"Genevieve" *Sauer-Puss*
(i) The Saloon. (ii) The Four-Ale Bar.
(iii) Three in a bar. (iv) The Tap Room.
8. **Symphony No. 3** (The Cess-Pool) *Sludj*
(First and probably last performance anywhere.)

NOTES.—Sludj, born in Omsk, and not a naturalised citizen of Golder's Green, has called this work his *Magnum Opus*. One might ask why, and one would get a darned silly answer. Perhaps some clue as to the motif of the work may be gathered from the opening theme played *Con Sordini* by the percussion department on a wet flannel. This leads to a polyphonic development on the one-string fiddle, an instrument towards which Sludj showed a sentimental attachment. (It is said that he played this poignant instrument to the queues outside the Omsk Labour Exchange.) A third theme, played *Molto Pianissimo* by a muted triangle, gives way to an insistent and inexorable rhythm beaten out on the skull of the second oboe who sits in front of the tenor trombone.

The finale is reached when the end comes.

HOBBIES 1957.

Another Exhibition, with all its frets and worries, triumphs and disappointments, trials and (many) errors, has come and gone. The gymnasia have returned to their normal calm, and the furrows of mortification have been erased from the brows of Mr. Burgess.

It can confidently be said that this year the Exhibition surpassed all previous ones. We had excellent publicity in the local press, and the crowds were consequently larger. In the second place, our human dynamo, the School Captain, drilled his not unwilling co-prefects and sixth formers into a ruthless and efficient body of responsible and reliable helpers, so that the Exhibition was prepared, mounted, run, and dismantled with the minimum of disorganisation and the maximum of speed.

The new "Books for the Library" Section proved a great success. It was indeed pleasant to see Mr. Morris hard at it up to 9 p.m.—calm and unruffled as usual. Parents and friends of the School were most generous, and our Library will reap the harvest.



The Deputy Mayor, Councillor P. P. EVANS, opens the Hobbies Exhibition.

It would be invidious to name any particular boys as outstanding in their help, for all stall-holders were really and truly inspired with a fine sense of responsibility which was good to see. Nevertheless, certain sections deserve a special mention, I think. The Scouts, the Photography, and the Angling Sections were particularly attractive; yet immediately one thinks of those live crowded halls, with their air of holiday, one sees all the other stalls in the mind's eye—the careful collections—the attractive Live Pets (I noticed that some Sixth Formers had their own special live “pets” of an evening), the suave, polished aeromodelling, the amazing Miscellaneous Stall—indeed, all of them were so well presented that it made our great handicap of having no permanent hall fade away.

I cannot conclude without giving a word of praise to the Entertainers. The Jones Brothers, in their policeman act; the “Squeeze Box” from Myles; the Dynevor Puppets by John Summervill, Michael John and Brian Williams (3B); the Scuffle—or more correctly—Skiffle Group; the Jazz Section so ably led by Peter Lewis, and the poundnote burning wizard—Sidebotham—all ably marshalled by Geoffrey Clarke (when he could tear himself away from “robbing the public” at the Cinema)—all these made a great impression upon their audiences. Perhaps one or the other may follow our own Harry Secombe to fame and fortune in the years to come.

We must not forget, too, Gerald Hearne (3C), for his excellent work in the Cinema Room.

Once more, then, I say “Well done, School,—Floreac Dynevor.”

THE LITERARY AND DEBATING SOCIETY.

Chairman : J. D. AUSTIN, UVI Sc.

Secretary : J. R. S. PHILLIPS, UVI Arts.

Vice-Chairman : S. N. WINKS, UVI Arts.

The Society has once more been active and has had an extremely successful term. Some of this success is no doubt due to the fact that the programme for the whole term was arranged as soon as possible at the beginning, thus ensuring continuity. However, much credit must be given to the enthusiastic support of all sections of the School and it is gratifying to note the number of Junior boys present and also the increased support from the Sixth-form. While complimenting the School on their attendance, it is disappointing to see how few speakers there are at each meeting, most of the debating being left to senior members and a few staunch juniors. The Society's aim of teaching its members to speak confidently

and clearly in public cannot be satisfactorily achieved unless more boys contribute to the debating instead of gathering at the back of the room and murmuring while others are doing all the active speaking. With this one qualification, therefore, the Society has had a highly satisfactory term and everyone concerned, not least the organisers, has had a great deal of enjoyment from its activities.

The term opened with a serious debate on the subject of wage claims and was very well attended in view of the nature of the topic, although it was quite small in comparison with that at later debates. There was much keen discussion from the floor and the house showed that it was almost equally divided in its opinions.

The second meeting was taken up by a debate on flying saucers proposed with his usual enthusiasm by J. Linnell, L.VI Sc., who is our authority on space travel. He succeeded in convincing his audience without assistance from any sputniks and the notion was carried by a large majority. Incidentally, everyone was glad to welcome back at this meeting, Clive Tucker, one of the mainstays of last year's Society.

Followers of Stuart Winks were not disappointed when he opposed a motion calling for educational reform put forward by R. Austin U.VI Sc. Our American friend, Jim Gries, ably dispelled all misapprehension concerning the American system of education and towards the end of debate the Headmaster honoured the Society with his presence.

The last debate before half-term was a complete innovation in the Society in that it was a junior debate. The motion that "the prefects should be chosen by the boys and not the masters" was suggested by the junior boys and they also provided four speakers who spoke very well from the front. However, the debate was presided over by a senior Chairman and the senior members were permitted to speak from the floor. Unfortunately the junior members were slow in supporting their colleagues from the floor and the seniors did not find much opposition until just before the end. Greatly to the surprise of all the prefects present the motion was heavily defeated. This would seem to be a vote of confidence in the prefects in spite of all the things said about them.

The final item on last term's programme was the Inter-House Quiz which has now become a regular feature of the Society. Although held in the somewhat unsuitable surroundings of the Canteen, the Quiz was a success and Dillwyn finally emerged victorious after a hard-fought contest.

J. R. S. P. (U.VI Arts)

Christmas Term Programme.

SEPTEMBER—

- 27—" This house believes that the trades unions are not justified in making wage claims during the present period of inflation."

Proposer : S. Phillips, U.VI Arts.

Opposer : H. Davies, U.VI Arts.

Carried (21—19 ; 5 abstentions).

OCTOBER :

- 4—" This house deplores the belief that flying saucers are non-existent."

Proposer : J. Linnell, L.VI Sc.

Opposer : G. Clarke, U.VI Arts.

Carried (31—8 ; 13 abstentions)

- 11—" . . . that football pools are a curse to society."

Proposer : D. Austin, U.VI Sc.

Opposer : R. Mahoney, U.VI Sc.

Defeated (26—11 ; 7 abstentions).

- 18—" . . . that school reform should be introduced."

Proposer : R. Austin, U.VI Sc.

Opposer : S. R. Winks, U.VI Arts.

Carried (34—21 ; 3 abstentions)

- 25—" . . . that the monarchy is defunct and ought to be abolished."

Proposer : H. Carroll, U.VI Arts.

Opposer : R. Pickthorne, L.VI Arts.

Defeated (33—30 ; 7 abstentions).

NOVEMBER :

- 1—" . . . that the prefects should be chosen by the boys and not by the masters."

Proposer : L. Jones, 3A.

Secunder : J. Barrington, 2B.

Opposer : D. Williams, 3B.

Secunder : E. David, 3D.

Defeated (62—24 ; 15 abstentions).

- 8—" . . . that the peculiar shape of Teddy Boys is due to atomic radiation."

Proposer : J. C. Davies, 5D.

Opposer : D. Mendus, 5D.

Defeated (65—42 ; 13 abstentions).

- 15—" . . . that ignorance of the Arts is more dangerous than ignorance of the Sciences."
Proposer : P. Ley, U.VI Sc.
Opposer : D. Morgan, L.VI Arts.
 Defeated (32—28 ; 8 abstentions).
- 22—" . . . that the eclipse of classical music by popular music is only temporary."
Proposer : P. James, L.VI Arts.
Opposer : B. Harding, L.VI Arts.
 Defeated (42—25 ; 8 abstentions).
- 29—" . . . that the Christian faith in its present form is not applicable to the modern world."
Proposer : K. Davies, U.VI Arts.
Opposer : A. Rees, U.VI Arts.
 Defeated (29—23 ; 4 abstentions).

DECEMBER .

13—Inter-House Quiz.

Llewellyn	..	15	} Llewellyn.
Grove	..	10	}
Dillwyn	..	16	} Dillwyn.
Roberts	..	11	}
Dillwyn	..	20	} Dillwyn.
Llewellyn	..	16	}

THE SCHOOL CRICKET XI—1957.

The past cricket season presented an unenviable task to the selection committee, as many of our old stalwarts had left. However, the school team experienced a most enjoyable season and on three occasions was only narrowly defeated.

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Owing to the bus strike, this year's fixture list was much curtailed, four matches having to be cancelled. Barry Matthias captained the team and his consistently sound bowling performances together with his excellent captaincy provided a valuable inspiration to the team.

Our most exciting match was undoubtedly that against our rivals, Bishop Gore. Facing the formidable total of 156, the school was in grave danger of defeat as half the team had

been dismissed for 26. Unfortunately not even a brilliant innings by our Vice-Captain, D. Beynon could avert defeat. In the annual encounter with the Old Dyvonians at St. Helen's the School was unable to emulate last year's victory. Despite a marathon contribution by A. Lewis, the Old Dyvonians won an exciting match by 34 runs. Once again the whole School was privileged to see the unusual sight of the masters at the mercy of the boys, when the former were defeated by the school team, although they put up a gallant struggle.

With one memorable season completed, we eagerly await the next, and I would urge every boy interested in representing the School cricket team to present himself at the trials in April.

Finally, on behalf of the Captain and team, I would like to express our sincere gratitude to Mr. W. S. Evans for his interest and coaching throughout the season.

T. HALE, U.VI Arts.

THE POET REBELS AGAINST HIS CRAFT.

The torture begins with words.
Back in the dark aeons,
In the labyrinth recesses,
The long cry towards
The treed mate expressed exactitude.
The tortures of the damned in irons
In Spanish cells ; of cobras the kisses
In the pit ; or the water death,
Were naught beside the torture
Of the words. Monstrous amplitude
Blurring the central rhythmic nature,
Defining the fleeting nuances
Of the germinal core that is :
Core of a cold male oneness
Happy in its nakedness
Until the feminine breath
Of the words in the outer rings
Clothes falsely, or inexactly, and begins
The torture of the words.

OLD DYVORIAN.

THE PRECARIOUS JOURNEY.

Laughter in the mocking mountain,
Silence on the pouting plain,
Gurglings from the sparkling fountain,
Splashings of the falling rain.

Thunder, thunder of the soul,
Flashing fire of the mind,
Swelling, swelling of the breast,
Staring forward, not behind.

Moving, moving, passing spirit,
Struggling through this furious life,
Loving, loving, still we hurtle,
Onward, filled with massive strife.

Laughter, laughter in the distance,
Burning tears ever near,
Mournful, mournful, is our passage,
Pressing is the awful fear.

Answer, answer, wayward spirit,
Listen to my silent prayer,
Nearer, nearer comes the haven,
Hurry, tell me, are you there ?

Laughter in the mocking mountain,
Silence in the pouting plain,
Gurgling from the sparkling fountain,
Splashings of the falling rain.

D. H. DAVIES, U.VI Arts.

HOUSE NOTES.

DILLWYN.

Dillwyn House, under Mr. Bryn Davies, Senior House Master, spent last term actively if not with conspicuous success. Hywel Lewis, U.VI Sc., who is acting School Captain, was elected House Captain, with Peter Ley as Vice-Captain and Geoffrey Clarke, Secretary.

In the Inter-House Soccer Series we were ably represented, but fortune did not smile on us. Our Senior team lost 4 - 2 in the first round and our Juniors after beating Grove were defeated by Roberts in the finals. We are confident, however, that our rugby teams will show that Dillwyn is a force to be reckoned with in the man's game.

Dillwyn contributed many fine exhibits to the Hobbies Exhibition, including the Exhibit of Honour, D. G. Price's "Mosquito." In the Hobbies Inter-House contest we were narrowly beaten by Roberts.

The Lit. and Deb. Inter-House Quiz was won by our team, ably led by Chick, L.VI Sc., defeating Llewelyn in the finals by a decisive margin.

Our other success was in the gymnastic field where our 44½ marks topped the list.

In the marks awarded for term work, we did not distinguish ourselves, and regret to find that we were placed last in the final totals. So, Dillwyn, let's pull our socks up and show a better result next term.

D.M.

GROVE.

During the Xmas term, the House took part in all functions. Although both Junior and Senior Soccer teams were knocked out in the first round, we have hopes of our rugby teams for the coming games.

The House was unfortunate in losing Clive Reynolds, the House Captain, at Xmas. His place has been ably filled by D. Hopkins, L.VI Arts.

We look forward with interest and optimism to the coming inter-House activities.

S.N.W., U.VI Arts., House Secretary.

LLEWELYN.

Under our Housemaster, Mr. W. S. Evans, and our Captain, D. Charles, U.VI Sci., and Vice-Captain, R. Harris, U.VI Sci., Llewelyn has had quite a successful term.

We were knocked out in the Junior section of the Inter-House Soccer Competition but defeated Roberts in the finals of the Senior competition.

Llewelyn's efforts in the Hobbies were somewhat disastrous and we came last with a score of 95 points.

In the Inter-House Quiz organised by the Debating Society, we won the first round but were defeated in the final by four points by Dillwyn after a closely fought contest.

However, it is very pleasant to note that Llewelyn's overall position in the School was 2nd, with a total of 387½ points but we nevertheless hope to improve our position during the rest of this year.

J. R. S. PHILLIPS, U.VI Arts., House Secretary.

ROBERTS.

Christmas Term, 1957, was a period of great success for Roberts House, for in every field the House proved its versatility. In school work, Roberts was first with 84 pts. in the Senior division, and 155 pts. in the Junior section. In the Hobbies, the House was first with 127 pts., while Roberts also won the Junior division of the soccer competition. In the Senior competition, however, we were runners-up to Llewelyn, while in Gym. work, we were third with 41 pts. Overall, Roberts, was first with 482 pts., with a lead of 95 pts. which leaves room for further improvement in 1958. Our success was tempered by illness to John Richardson, U.VI Sc., and C. J. Andrews, L.VI Sc., to whom we express wishes for a speedy recovery. We congratulate our Senior Housemaster, Mr. Richard Evans, on his promotion in the field of Civil Defence.

JOHN DAVIES, J. B. HARDING, L.VI Arts

HOUSE MARKS.

TOTAL POINTS FOR XMAS TERM, 1957.

<i>House Position</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Points</i>
1st	Roberts	482
2nd	Llewelyn	387½
3rd	Grove	339½
4th	Dillwyn	324½



