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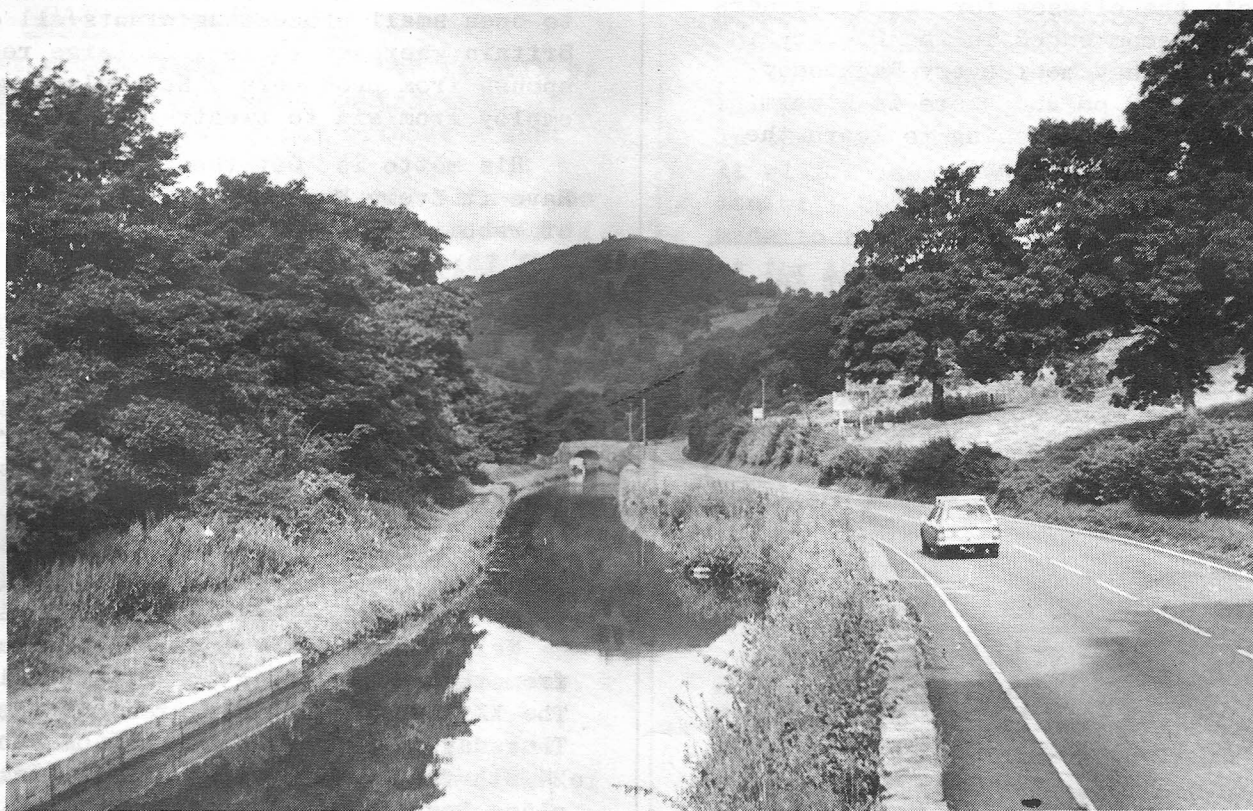
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### GOOD MORNING LLANGOLLEN

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News has not been very thick on the ground for this first issue, so PLEASE write in to us at Gwynedd Graphics. There will be no charge for advertisements in this first edition, but subsequent ones will be charged as per the price guide later in this issue. Please SEND your run-of-paper adverts (small ads) to Gwynedd Graphics with the correct remittance as these will not be accepted over the telephone.

The free introductory issue brought a host of good wishes and several people said they had not obtained one. We still have some at Wrexham so if you would like one, please give us a ring or drop us a line and we will leave a copy for you at your regular newsagent in Llangollen.

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## EGLWYSI ANGHYFFRYRFIOL YN LLANGOLLEN

Erbyn hyn mae'r eglwys anghyffryfiol yn Llangollen yn cyd-addoli yn Seion.

Fe ddarllledwyd gwasanaeth bore Sul o'r capel ar y 16fed o Ionawr pryd y pregethwyd gan y Parch Cledwyn Parry. Yn ystod y bregeth estynnodd y Parch Cledwyn Parry wahoddiad i bawb i ddod i'r gwasanaethau yn Seion.

Arweinydd y gan oedd Mr. Hywel Edwards a Miss Elinor Evans oedd yr organyddes a'r unawdydd. Darllenwyd o'r Ysgrythur gan Mrs. Doreen Jenkins a Mr. Gwilym George.

### WELSH LEARNERS' CLASSES

If you cannot understand the above, you could join the classes for Welsh learners which have recommenced in the Library in Llangollen. They meet every Wednesday evening at 7.30 pm and there is a warm welcome for anyone wishing to learn the language. Go tomorrow!

*A Black Maria was last night in collision with a cement-mixing lorry. During the confusion two men escaped from custody. Readers are asked to keep a keen look out for a pair of hardened criminals.*



### LLANGOLLEN CIVIC SOCIETY

The first event of the Llangollen Civic Society for 1983 was a visit to the Wrexham Community Arts Centre on Tuesday 18th January. Mrs. Adair gave a talk on the adaptation of the Old Police Station and Courtrooms to a college and a brief outline of the various courses held there. Members then adjourned to the coffee lounge and thence to an exhibition of work done by members of staff of the College.

The next event to be organised by the Society will be a visit to The Pavillion at Corwen on Saturday 29th January, to see a performance of 'Dear Ivor' by the Welsh National Opera Company. A coach will leave Market Street at 6.30 pm and tickets are available from Llangollen Books, Oak Street, or The Crafts and Hobbies Shop, Bridge Street, Llangollen.

## THE YEAR OF THE RABBIT!!

Mr. Paul Clifford of Glyn Ceiriog informs us that 1983 is the Year of the Rabbit and that rabbit is tipped as the alternative meat of the 80's. It is high in protein, very low in carbohydrate and low in cholesterol.

Mr. Clifford has a new style rabbit processing plant in Wrexham and supplies specially coated rabbit portions to supermarkets etc., creates burgers (Bunnyburgers!) and sausage style foods and says that the versatility of rabbit is virtually endless.

He picks up thousands of rabbits regularly from breeder farms all over the country and says that his company, The Guardsman Rabbit Company Limited has plans to open small processing plants all over Britain wherever there is a large response from producers. Each plant would employ from six to twenty-four people.

His motto is 'Get the Rabbit habit - Have it Every Week!' What do you think of rabbit as a regular family meal?

### LLANGOLLEN & DISTRICT PEACE GROUP

The next meeting of the Llangollen and District Peace Group will be at Llangollen Library on Monday January 31st, starting at 8.00 pm. All are welcome to these monthly meetings.

### THE TWENTY CLUB'S NEXT PRODUCTION

Next month sees yet another production from that most prodigious of societies, The XX Club Amateur Players. On the Thursday, Friday and Saturday of February 24/6th they will perform J.B. Priestley's play, Dangerous Corner, at the Town Hall, Llangollen. Tickets will be £1, with children and OAP's paying 50p only. A full advertisement of this event will appear in a later issue.

*The head keeper at a certain zoo wanted to order a pair of little animals and wrote to his supplier: "Dear Sir, please send me two mongeese." He thought this wrong and started again: "Dear Sir, please send me two mongoose." This did not please him either and he wrote: "Dear Sir, please send me two mongooses." He came out of his rage with a sudden inspiration and wrote delightedly: "Dear Sir, please send me a mongoose. p.s. Send another one with it."*  
CLEVER CLOGS - DO YOU KNOW WHICH IS CORRECT? *Actually, it's 'mongooses.'*



### 1st LLANGOLLEN BROWNIES

1st Llangollen Brownies raised £50 at their Christmas Concert and Bring and Buy. Seen in the picture are The Brownies presenting a cheque to Mr. H. Orr of The Friends of Llangollen Hospital Committee.

### SEAT BELT DEADLINE

At midnight on January 30th it will be illegal for most people to travel in the front two seats of a car without a seat belt.

Basically, the new law only allows you to travel in front without a seat belt if your car is pre-1965 registered (67 for vans & 70 for 3-wheelers). You may carry out a manoeuvre or reverse without a belt on, as may you if you carry a valid medical exemption certificate, if your seat belt becomes defective on that particular journey, if your inertia belt has momentarily locked or if you are a qualified driver supervising a learner. Also exempted are people such as taxi drivers, car mechanics doing road tests and local delivery drivers such as milkmen. Policemen and firemen are not automatically exempt, except under certain circumstances.

My wife and I were involved in a serious accident some years ago and are probably still in one piece at the time of writing due to the wearing of seat belts. We both still wear them and heartily recommend you to do the same, even before you have to.

At Gwynedd Graphics we have produced small self-adhesive labels to be affixed to the facia, dashboard or windscreen with the legend "REMEMBER to fasten your SEAT BELT." In the interest of safety (and you not getting nicked!) we will gladly forward FREE OF CHARGE to any company or individual in the Llangollen area, from two to ten copies of this label, providing you send us a small stamped, addressed envelope. *(Please state number required, individuals will be sent four or fewer, businesses ten or fewer. Offer closes February 1st or when stock are exhausted).*

### THE ANNUAL TOWN COUNCIL CONCERT

The annual concert organised by the Llangollen Town Council will take place in the Town Hall on Friday 4th February. It will commence at 7.15 pm and admission will be free, but donations may be made to the Mayor's Charity Fund (which is for Abbeyfields, Llangollen and the Llangollen Cottage Hospital).

Taking part will be the Town Band, the Junior School Choir, The Operatic Society, Parti Ger-y-Ddol, Mrs. Annette Horspool, Dinas Bran Choir, Band & Dance Group, Mr. John Henson, Mr. Eugene Jones plus the Mixed and Male Voice Choirs. All are welcome.

### LLANGOLLEN ROTARY CLUB

During their weekly meeting at the Hand Hotel last Wednesday, the Rotary Club heard Mr. Elfed Lewis of the National Trust give an interesting talk on the formation of the National Trust and its present functions. Mr. Lewis, who was introduced by Major Tom Hughes-Parry Club President, was thanked by Mr. Geoff Else.

### CONFERENCES

Llangollen is disappointed to say the least that the Peripheral Maritime Region Conference prefer Mold as a venue. It would seem that Mold is being preferred for everything these days.

However, on a happier note, Llangollen has been preferred to everywhere else for this year's Conference by the National Federation of Football Supporters. This should more than make up for the loss of 200 delegates to the former.

## FOOTBALL

Llangollen Football Club 1st team lost at home to Bala Town by three goals to one last Saturday.

### OSWESTRY TOWN F.C.

One of the oldest football teams in Great Britain, Oswestry, who play in the Northern Premier League, are in dire financial trouble. Their plight is so acute that they have had to release all their non-contract players including star winger Jimmy Williams, who played so well in their recent match against Wrexham at the Racecourse. Chairman Tony Jones has launched an immediate 'Save-the-Club' Fund for £6,000 which is needed to keep the Club going until the end of the season. Manager Freddie Morris left the Club last week and ex-Wrexham Skipper John Roberts has taken over the helm. John has played for the Blues for the last two seasons. Other ex-Wrexham players who have played for Oswestry in the last couple of years include Dave Smallman, Graham Whittle, Alan Dwyer and Frankie Jones.

The latest loss of Jimmy Williams and midfielder Mike Coffey has resulted in two 6-1 drubbings, which doesn't help matters.

Over the years many famous footballers have played for Oswestry Town - one who immediately comes to mind is our own Jackie Hughes. Quite recently their player-manager was Freddie Hill of Manchester City fame. Manager prior to Fred Morris was the legendary Arthur Rowley, while Fred Morris, who played for Liverpool, needs little introduction in this area.

Let us hope that the club's troubles will soon be over and if anyone would like to give a little help in concrete form - a donation, sell or buy tickets, even pay them a visit - they will be at home this Saturday (K.O. 3. 0) - I'm sure Tony Jones, Big John Roberts and the lads will be very grateful. The Club's address is Victoria Road, Oswestry.

*During a recent television quiz, undergraduates from a certain island university were asked: Give the Christian names of the following statesmen - Kennedy, Churchill, Gandhi. They failed to answer the first two but gave the third as Goosey, Goosey!*

## KIDS' CORNER

This part of the Broadsheet is reserved especially for people aged fourteen and under (even squirmy fly-tyers and yukki tap dancers). No-one else is allowed - BY ORDER!

To start with, I must explain that I haven't been under fourteen for at least six years and I would like to hear from you, telling me exactly what you would like in your corner. I promise that if I hear from you I will reserve you a space every week and do the things you want to do - providing it doesn't mean hurting us grown-ups.

I suppose we can't go wrong by starting off with a painting competition. As it is nearly Valentine's Day (sorry, Saint Valentine's Day) I think a good subject for the girls would be a Valentine Card. The boys won't want to do anything ~~as soppy as~~ like that, so how about the lads doing a dragon (it will be good practice for St. David's Day). Do them any size you like within reason and on anything except woolly vests and Wellington boots. Send them to us at Gwynedd Graphics to arrive by Saturday and we'll judge them. My children will help to judge (yes, they are delighted to accept bribes!) and your age will be taken into consideration, so please put it on your entry (and your name and address, of course!). The winning boy and girl will each receive £2.00 in real money (none of these stamps, tokens and vouchers that clever grown-ups give these days) so that you can spend it in any way you like - chewing gum, E.T. stickers, Lego, Cindy clothes, chip butties, brown ale, etc.

We will, of course, print photographs of the winning entries (if any!!! HELP!!) so please listen to the following advice. Yellow, pale blue and pale green does not show up very well in black & white photos, but red, dark brown and purple look the same as black so don't use much red with black outlines. Do most of the outlines in red, black or brown and most of the shading in oranges and greens. Anyway, whatever you do, if you win you will see what I mean so make sure that you win.

How about a quiz next week - or an awful story competition - write and tell me what you want.

*Why did the hedgehog cross the road?  
Because he wanted to see his flat mate!*

My 'orrible daughter told me that one - do you think you can beat it? It's no good you grown-ups tut-tutting - you shouldn't be reading this in the first place!

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## QUIZZES

Just about three years ago, having been pestered by many of his friends, the now editor of the Wrexham Leader, Reg Herbert, was instrumental in starting the Leader Quiz League, of which I was pleased to be a founder member. It is now 'big business' in the Wrexham area with three divisions.

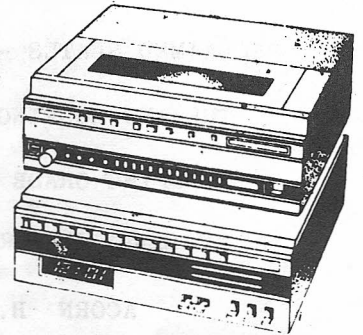
If we succeed in the re-launching of the Broadsheet - how about a Broadsheet Quiz League, just for the Llangollen area? If any pub, club or organisation is interested will you please contact Gwynedd Graphics. Right away, if any organisation with suitable premises is interested in holding a 'one-off' quiz competition, I'm sure we can organise it in the next two or three weeks.

Quizzes usually take the form of a contest between two teams and have forty questions which are asked alternately, teams 'changing round' at half time. As we have the space in this first issue, I am taking the liberty of publishing a small quiz of just 20 questions, similar to the ones to be used if we get off the ground. The answers are to be found later in the paper.

- 1/ Who are The Society of Friends?
- 2/ Name the two fore-names traditionally used by the Yorke family of Erddig for their eldest sons.
- 3/ Where would you expect to find the legendary kingdom of Lyonesse?
- 4/ Who used to live at No. 1 London?
- 5/ Who was the manager of Liverpool F.C. prior to Bill Shankley?
- 6/ The DUKW played a prominent part in World War II. By what name was it more commonly known?
- 7/ Austin/Morris built a one-ton army vehicle roughly equivalent to the American Jeep. Can you name it?
- 8/ What is the name of the island where the mutineers from The Bounty settled?
- 9/ Who wrote the play "An Inspector Calls?"
- 10/ Which famous conflict was caused mainly by comments in the Times newspaper?
- 11/ What is the famous trademark of Cammell Laird Shipbuilders of Birkenhead?
- 12/ Where in Scotland is 'The Granite City'?
- 13/ In polo, what is a period of time called?
- 14/ In mediaeval times, a British gold coin was worth 6/8 (one-third of a pound in old money). What was it?
- 15/ What was the nickname given to Wellington bombers in World War II?

- 16/ Anglo-Saxon originally meant a race made up of Saxons and whom?
- 17/ Where would you find 'The Land of Green Ginger'?
- 18/ On the map of Wales there are many Pandys' to be found. What does the word 'Pandy' mean?
- 19/ What is the official currency of Hong Kong?
- 20/ There is one piece of music other than a national anthem, for which British audiences traditionally stand. Can you name it?

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THE ANSWERS TO THE QUIZ

- 1/ The Quakers. 2/ Philip and Simon.
- 3/ Off the coast of Cornwall. 4/ The Duke of Wellington.
- 5/ Phil Taylor. 6/ The Duck. 7/ The Champ.
- 8/ The Pitcairn Islands. 9/ J.B. Priestley.
- 10/ The Crimea War. 11/ A camel.
- 12/ Aberdeen. 13/ A chukka. 14/ Noble.
- 15/ Wimpey. 16/ Angles. 17/ In Hull.
- 18/ A fulling mill. 19/ The Hong Kong
- 20/ Dollar. 20/ The Alleluiah Chorus.

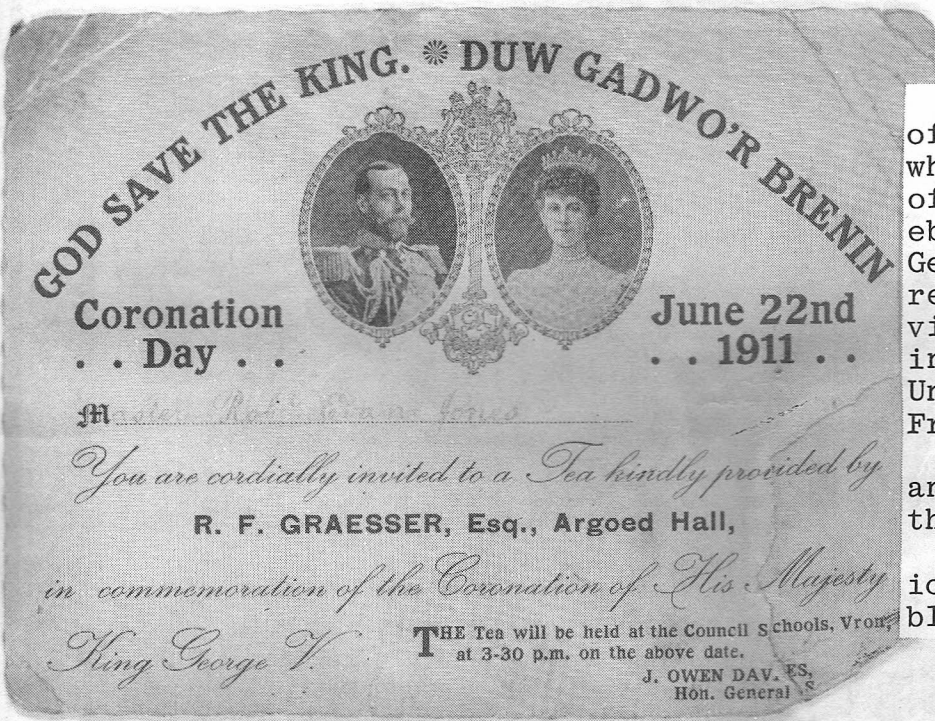
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On the left is a photograph of an invitation to a tea party which was held by the Graessers of Argoed Hall in 1911 to celebrate the coronation of King George V. All the schoolchildren of Froncysyllte were invited and this particular invitation was given to my late Uncle, Bob Jones, who lived at Froncysyllte at the time. He later moved to Llangollen and lived at 4 Hill Street at the time of his death. The invitation was luxuriously printed in gold and black on a blue deckled card.

**REMEMBER**  
 TO FASTEN YOUR  
**SEAT BELT**

This is an actual size reproduction of the seat belt stickers which the Broadsheet is offering FREE to Llangollen readers. DON'T FORGET TO SEND FOR YOURS.

THE BROADSHEET DIARY

- WEDNESDAY JANUARY 26th  
 Welsh Learners Class at the Library  
 7.30 pm. All welcome.
- SATURDAY JANUARY 29th  
 Civic Society visit to see 'Dear Ivor'  
 at the Corwen Pavillion - depart 6.30
- SUNDAY JANUARY 30th  
 Tonight at midnight you must fasten  
 your seatbelts ( and not just for  
 Richard Rees, either).

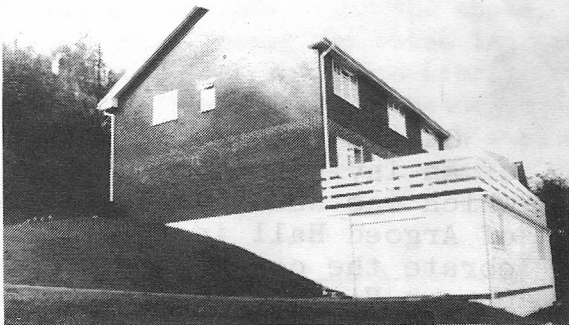
- MONDAY JANUARY 31st  
 The Peace Group meet at The Library  
 8.00. Again, all welcome.
- FRIDAY 4th FEBRUARY  
 The Council's Annual Concert at The  
 Town Hall at 7.15. ADMISSION FREE.
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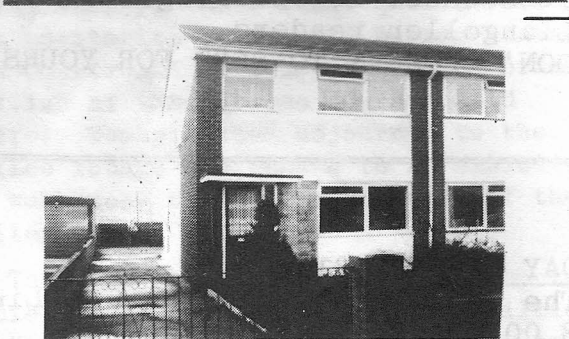
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### GOOD MORNING LLANGOLLEN

Thank you very much for supporting the first issue of The Broadsheet. It sold really well despite having a rather thin news content. I will do my best to fill it each week and would like your help with reports.

The above photo is obviously an aerial one of the Town - but when was it taken? There are many clues; spend a few minutes trying to sort them out. The answer and a key to some of the clues will be found inside.

## WORKING TOWARDS THE 1983 INTERNATIONAL EISTEDDFOD

Mrs. Irfon Morris Jones and Mrs. Nia Rhosier are planning a money-making effort to help towards the cost of this year's International Eisteddfod. They would very much appreciate it if children who have dolls to spare, in good and clean condition, would bring or send them to the Eisteddfod Office in Llangollen. They will then be reclothed in specially knitted Welsh costume and sold.

Dolls 7" and 14" tall will be particularly welcome as the knitting pattern is made for these sizes, but all sizes and shapes of doll will be welcomed with open arms!

If anyone would be prepared to "adopt a doll" and knit a set of Welsh clothes for it from our pattern, Mrs. Morris Jones would be glad to hear from them, c/o The Eisteddfod Office or telephone Llangollen 860236.

## AROUND FOOTBALL IN LLANGOLLEN

### LLANGOLLEN F.C. v BRYMBO STEELWORKS

The Town took on a strong Steelworks side in this Cup match at Tower Field last Saturday. Twenty minutes into the first half, Llangollen went ahead with Kevin Richards scoring the first goal of the match. Up to then, Llangollen were playing the better football but unfortunately Keith Francis was taken off with a groin injury. This disrupted the home side and Brymbo equalised just before half time.

The second half was very much Brymbo's and Llangollen were fortunate to finish the match without further scoring.  
FINAL SCORE 1 - 1.

They have no match next Saturday up to now, as their opponents are involved in a cup tie. The replay of the Brymbo game will probably take place a week on Saturday.

### DOBSON & CROWTHER v GREAT WESTERN

This match took place on Sunday morning in very blustery conditions. The works side showed a marked improvement on recent form and were unlucky to lose by the odd goal in three. Steve Edwards scored for the home side. They have a return match with Great Western next week. This will be a League Cup match at the Nant, when Dobson's hope to have a much stronger side. They hope to have Llangollen F.C.'s scorer Kevin Richards playing in this tie.

FINAL SCORE 1 - 2.

The Llangollen Team was: Cliff Evans (goal), Peter Boaz, Gareth Austin, Chris Edwards, Chris Brookes, Steve Edwards, Adrian Pritchard, Darryl Roberts, Steve Gerrard and Paul Wood

## LLANGOLLEN YOUTH CLUB UNDER TWELVES

The boys played Chirk Bank in the Quarter Finals of the Tony Collins Memorial Trophy of the Wrexham Youth League and unfortunately lost by 6 goals to nil. Despite the scoreline, the youngsters played quite well and John Evans was quite brilliant in goal.

The team was: John Evans, Andrew Pugh, Nick Jones, Elwyn Hand, Kevin Evans, Nick Boaz, Kevin Jones, Dylan Williams, Mark Phillips, Paul Hughes and Malcolm Smith. Paul Grindley was the substitute.

They come to Wrexham next Saturday, where they will play Borrass Park Albion. The team have three more matches to play this season.

*At the time when brevity of dress was very much the height of female fashion, two nuns went to London in a small car. In London they became separated and an astonished policeman was surprised to be asked by a rather distraught nun, "Officer, have you seen a nun in a red mini?" The policeman replied, "Sister, I have seen many strange things, but not that!"*

## OUR COVER PHOTOGRAPH

As stated, it is obviously an aerial photo of Llangollen and equally obviously it was taken during Eisteddfod Week (1st week in July). The fact that although there are a few buses in the competitors' car park there are only three in the A5 park and very few cars parked, tends to point towards it being early morning on a Thursday or Friday. It must be approaching 9 am as there are three cars in the directors' car park of Dobson and Crowther. On the Wednesday or Saturday one would expect more vehicles, especially competitors' buses.

Look at Pengwern Estate. The footings of Maes Pengwern are just started. The Hermitage Estate is no-where in sight, but neither is The Hermitage. The gas-holders (near the present day fire station) are still up, but the Youth Club and sports field are still allotments. The International Christian Witnesses are camping near Tanqueray's Field and some-where in that maze of trees, Pen-y-Bryn has not been criminally pulled down! Looking at Dinas Bran School, the famous 'Pavilion' has gone but the 'new' wooden hut still stands near the old headmaster's study. By the large amount of rolling stock in sight the railway was still in existence, Caefelin Fields still housed a laundry and Seion was still intact, together with Wesley house, my birthplace. No-doubt you can find many other pieces of evidence to point towards the year of the photograph.

It was, in fact, taken in 1964.

## SEAT BELTS

Seat belts are now compulsory. Although we wear them without thinking, I can appreciate the reluctance of many to wear them. The person I am thinking of is the person who is given a 'lift.' You jump in a car, grateful because it is raining and you are saved a substantial walk. On the offside of the car, the driver is thinking, "Great - I've saved him a walk in the wet, but I won't ask him to put on a seat belt because my wife will complain that it is out of adjustment when she comes to put it on, as she always does."

At the time of writing, seat belts are now compulsory in the front seats, except in special circumstances. Passengers - whether wives or itinerant passengers - are liable to prosecution if they are not wearing seat belts - which should be installed and serviceable in all cars post 1965.

To help passengers to protect their rights and perhaps their lives, our sticker offer is open for another week. Anyone from Broadsheet Country who sends in a S.A.E. will receive a supply of Seat Belt Stickers and furthermore, anyone who sends in a contribution to the Broadsheet during the next seven days will be automatically posted a supply of these stickers.

*'Twas in a teashop they met,*

*'Twas in a teashop they met,  
Romeo and Juliet.*

*'Twas there he fell into debt,  
For Rom-e-owed what Juli-et!*

## WORTH READING

Which inhabitant of Dinas Bran designed his shield device by dipping his hand into English blood? When were English Crown troops billeted at Dinas Bran? Did you know that an abbot of Valle Crucis was found guilty of highway robbery and that the abbey was one of the most corrupt in the land?

If you did not, a must for your reading list is 'A History of Castell Dinas Bran (with notes on Valle Crucis Abbey).' You should find it in many shops in Llangollen, including Llangollen Books. It is short, precise, illustrated and it is written and published by R.S. Hewitt.

*The all-night lorry driver was stopped by a policeman. "Where is your rear light?" he demanded. The driver got out to inspect and then retorted, "Where's my rear light? - you mean, where's my trailer?"*

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

You rotten lot - not a single entry in the painting competition. I had an awful job stopping my children claiming the £4 prize money.

What we really need in the Broadsheet is a reporter or two. So we'll hold over the two £2 prizes and offer them for the best report of any function or project in Llangollen this week.

You need to be 14 or under and the best efforts from you will receive £2 each. (one for girls and one for boys).

The report doesn't need to be very long, just interesting and to the point. Get it to Gwynedd Graphics by Monday morning or to Elbourn's or Cleators by first thing Saturday morning.

*When baby alarms became vogue, a young couple purchased one and the mother-in-law was asked to babysit one evening. The system was explained carefully - "If Tommy cries, you will hear him through the speaker if you leave it switched on. He will also hear you, so you can tell him to settle down without running up & down stairs.*

*Later that night, Tommy became rather noisy and his gran called through the inter-com "Tommy." There was silence. She called again, without reply. After the third "Tommy" a very small and sheepish voice came through the speaker "What do you want, Wall?"*



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## BRIDGING THAT GAP ON THE CANAL

Work on the Shropshire Union Canal between Trevor and Llangollen is really hotting up as the start of the holiday season draws nearer.

A mile outside of Trevor, tons of fresh clay have formed a new canal bed and have been covered with base stone. The work is ahead of time and will be ready for the first of the boats due over the coming Easter holidays.

Redrow, the Denbigh-based construction and engineering company have worked against the clock to rebuild the 100 yards section of the canal which collapsed last year. Helped along by the recent mild weather, the firm has managed to make amazing progress and the new canal, except for a small section, is nearing completion.

Further along the canal towards Llangollen workmen of the British Waterways Board are thinning out a lot of the old and dead timber along the canal bank, as well as driving a thousand metal piles into the canal sides to give added support to the banks.

REPORT AND PHOTOGRAPHS BY VIC CLEVELLEY  
Telephone Wrexham 264968.

*In a Merseyside school, a question was asked: "Who is the most famous Scottish poet?" When no-one answered, the clue was given "Think of a policeman on fire" (referring of course to Bobby Burns). The class wag immediately answered "Robert Browning!"*

# REMEMBER



# TO FASTEN YOUR SEAT BELT

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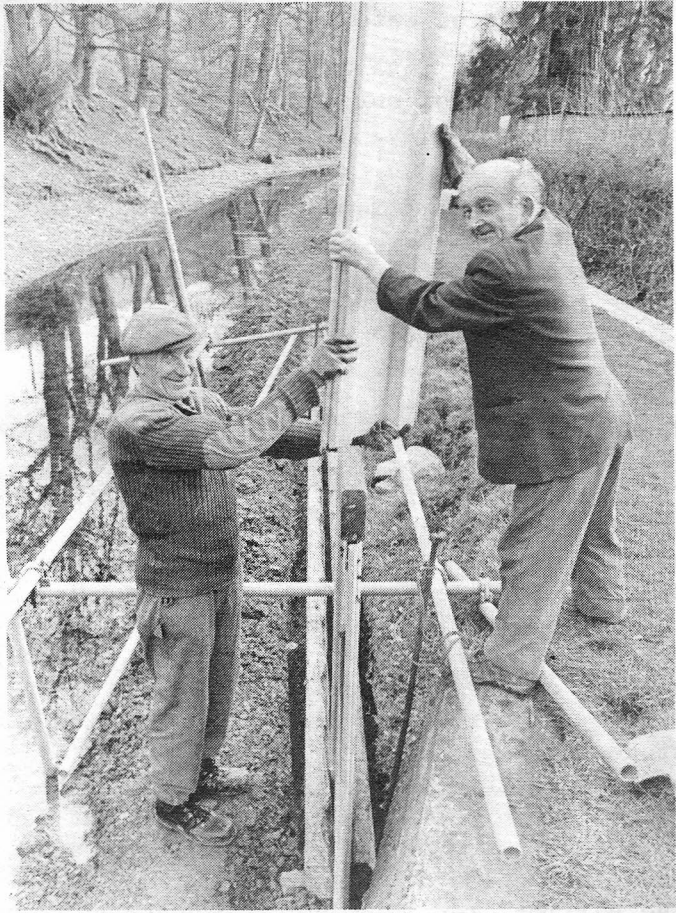
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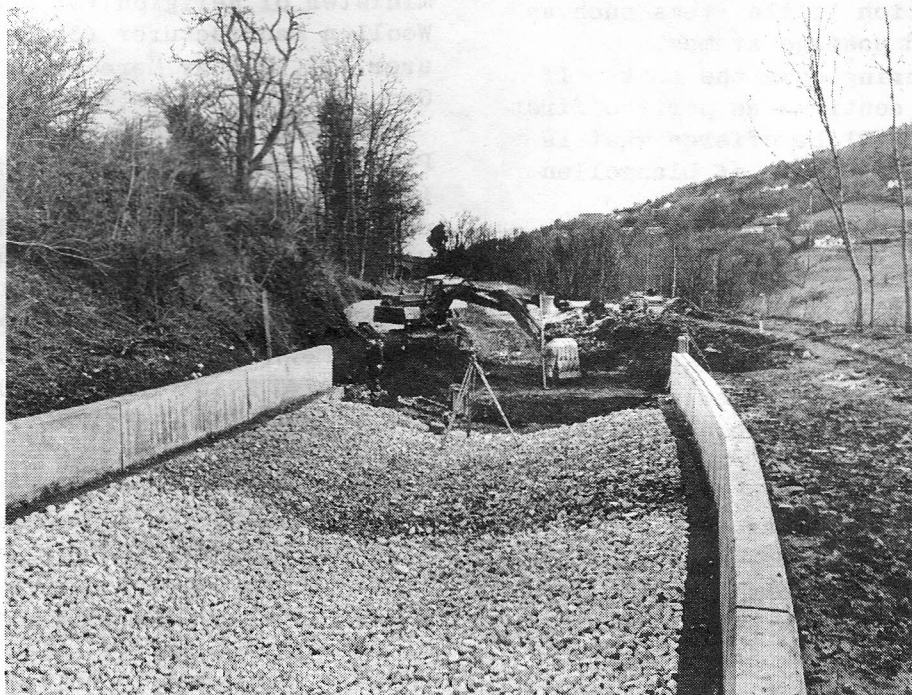
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Mr. Alf Edwards and Mr. John Siekanowicz, who work for the Waterways, start the job of placing a thousand metal piles along the banks of the canal.



Mr. Herbert Sides of Chirk and Mr. Michael Jones of Llangollen at work thinning the dead timber lining the banks of the Llangollen approach of the Canal.



A new canal takes shape where the banks collapsed last year, as workmen go all out to have the Canal ready for the first of the Easter holiday traffic.

## EARLY DAYS

Sales of The Broadsheet's first issue were far higher than I expected. Unfortunately, the news content was not very high and I must apologise for this. The second issue also has very little news and, whilst apologising once again for this, I promise to try and rectify this to the best of my ability, starting with attending this evening's Council meeting.

On the 'blewyn' side, we have received many letters of congratulation and encouragement which auger well for the future.

At this point, I really must thank the newsagents of the town for their help and encouragement. They have all supported me in the resurrection of The Broadsheet and without their kind words I would not have had the heart to try in the first place.

If you do not want to go to the bother of posting news items to Gwynedd Graphics, Cleators and Elbournes have very kindly offered to take in news items for me to pick up on Saturday mornings. However, if we get established with as many 'society reports' as the old Broadsheet, it is in your interest to post them to Gwynedd Graphics as soon as possible as it will become a case of 'first come, first served.'

We have had many comments on the first Broadsheet. Several people said it was too dear at 15p. They may be right. All I can say is - try to envisage the number of man-hours needed to solicit, collate, type, paste-up, screen photos, make plates, print, collate, address & deliver the small amount of papers needed for Llangollen. Add to this the cost of printing plates, paper and petrol, not to mention little items such as telephone calls and postage stamps.

Advertising could bring down the cost. If sales of the paper continue as per the first issue, advertisers will be offered what is termed as 'blanket coverage' of Llangollen and District at a very low rate indeed. Apart from the low rates quoted, sizeable discounts are also offered - as much as 25% OFF for only four weeks insertion. Anyone wishing to place an advertisement in the Broadsheet should ring Pam Rolfe, our Office Manageress, between 10 am and 1 pm & 2 pm and 4 pm. Anyone wanting a DISPLAY advert can ring me (Mike Daniels) at Wxm 352017 (evenings) in addition to this.

Many people have said that they would like to see recorded, births, marriages and deaths. These will be gladly accepted from contributors and there will certainly be no charge for publishing them. However, put your phone number or address on your report as I would like to check on the authenticity of the account.

I was rather worried about the reaction to interspersing the journal with light-hearted 'quips' but this has met with unilateral approval. I shall therefore continue

the practice until I hear otherwise ( or until I run out of material - HINT, HINT!).

An in-depth, invaluable and much-appreciated critique of our first issue was received from the Rev. A.R.Davies.

## PEN-Y-BRYN GRAVEYARD

In 1982, the Glyndwr Council cleared, under the Job Opportunity Scheme, a small piece of land adjoining Hill Street. This revealed the site of the old Pen-y-Bryn Graveyard, adjoining the Pen-y-Bryn Baptist Chapel. Many of the gravestones had been lost, displaced, or were indecipherable. In an attempt to put on record the inscriptions still legible, the Rev. Alex Davies made a study of the existing monumental stones. He is anxious to hear from anyone who knows the history of the Pen-y-Bryn Chapel, its actual site (whether in the graveyard itself, or part of the existing Pen-y-Bryn). Briefly, the survey revealed an inscribed stone bearing the words "BEDYDDW YR 1815" - presumably the date of opening. From the stones found there were 93 burials, but many more took place if the missing stones and the indecipherables were brought into account. The earliest recorded burial found was in 1819 and the last one in 1916. Therefore the graveyard served for about 100 years. The greatest number of burials was in the period 1840-1850 and a larger portion than usual was those of infant burials. One wonders if this was the result of the "Hungry Forties." The average age of all persons interred was 54 years. Of the occupations recorded were - Minister of Religion (2), Deacon (1), Woollen Manufacturer (3), Flannel Manufacturer (1), Timber Merchant (1), Tailor (2), Grocer (1), Weaver (1) & Servant (1).

A detailed record of the Rev. John Pritchard D.D. is given. Apparently, he was the second minister of the chapel. His monument records: FOR UPWARDS OF 50 YEARS BAPTIST MINISTER OF THIS TOWN, AND FIRST PRESIDENT OF THE NORTH WEST BAPTIST COLLEGE. EMINENTLY DISTINGUISHED FOR HIS SOUND LEARNING, STRONG FAITH, AND HE WAS FORMOST IN SUPPORTING EVERY MOVEMENT THAT TENDED TO HONOUR GOD AND BENEFIT MAN. BORN MARCH 1796 DIED SEPT 1875.

Up to date no records for Pen-y-Bryn Chapel can be traced. It is a pity if all memory of this thriving religious community should be lost. Their history covers an exciting phase in the development of Llangollen from the days of the stage coach and the 'Ladies of Llangollen' through the arrival of the railway and into the beginnings of the 20th century.

Rev. A.R. Davies,  
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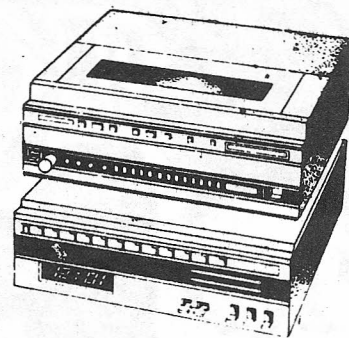
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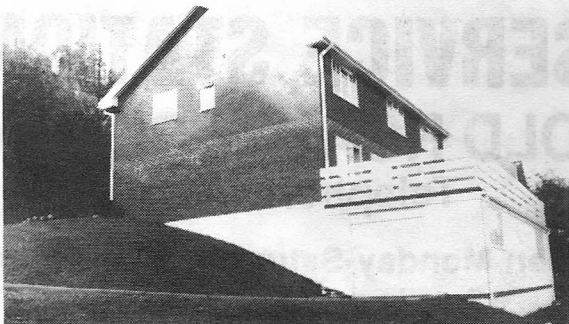
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# Kent Jones



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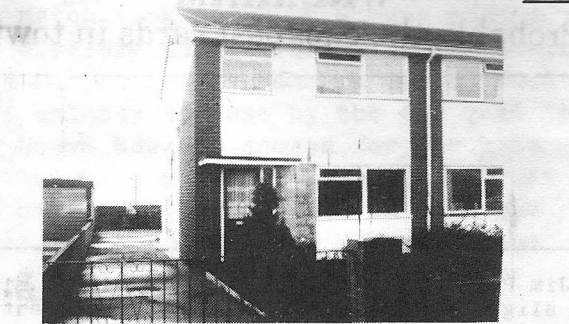
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### GOOD MORNING LLANGOLLEN

You will obviously recognise Plas Newydd. Especially if you are under thirty. However, if you are much older, you will probably remember Plas Newydd looking very much different to the above photograph by Roy Rider.

It is now nigh on twenty years since the East and West Wings (The General Yorke's West Wing and the Robertson East Wing) were demolished, bringing the house back to the size it had been when the Ladies lived there.

There was much interest and controversy at the time, especially about the staircase in the West Wing. On page eight you will find some items which appeared in the Tuesday Review in 1963, around the time of the demolition.

I hope you find them interesting. Thank you for your continued support.

## LLANGOLLEN FLOWER ARRANGEMENT SOCIETY

On January 17th, a committee meeting was held at the home of the Chairwoman, Mrs. Phyllis Roberts. Mrs. G. Underwood was re-appointed Secretary and Mrs. B. Simpson re-appointed Treasurer, with Mrs. J. Walker as Assistant Treasurer. Mrs. M. Miller-Jones is Vice-Chairwoman and other officers are Mrs. H. McNeil, Mrs. G. Lloyd and Mrs. H.M. Evans.

Mrs. Roberts thanked everyone for their support during the past year and hoped that the next twelve months would be just as successful. The Treasurer reported that the Christmas Demonstration had been, once again, a financial success.

At the Hand Hotel on January 25th, the Chairwoman welcomed members and guests to the first demonstration in the new year. She said that it was hoped to arrange an outing to Trentham Gardens in September - to the Area Meeting of the National Association of Flower Arrangement Societies.

Mrs. Roberts introduced the Demonstrator for the evening, Mrs. B. Hine of Rossett. The theme was 'Winter Cheer' and, using some very colourful flowers and decorative containers, Mrs. Hine certainly helped to make everyone's evening more cheerful. Mrs. G. Manuel proposed the vote of thanks.

*A Leeds man had the misfortune to lose his wife and in due course ordered a headstone from his local mason. He instructed the mason to inscribe across the top of the stone the words "SHE WERE THINE." In due course the headstone was erected and upon visiting the graveyard, the man noticed that the legend read "SHE WERE THIN." Naturally disturbed, he rang the mason and said, "Hey, you've said on't stone SHE WERE THIN - you've missed out 'E'!" The mason made abject verbal grovels and promised to rectify the matter. On his next visit, the unfortunate widower saw to his utter consternation that the mason had indeed altered the legend - to now read "EE! SHE WERE THIN" ...*

### NICKED

A lawnmower was stolen from Abbey Dingle between 14/16th January. It was a Flymo. After their hard-fought game with Chirk last week, the Llangollen Youth Club Under-12 Soccer Team suffered a further setback when 5 of their shirts were stolen off the line of Mrs. Julia Jones in Maes Pengwern. They were tangerine with white collars and cuffs and had no numbers. What a mean do!

## THE ANNUAL CONCERT

This took place last Friday evening before a packed audience. In fact, many people unfortunately had to be turned away.

Mr. Donald Bond was the excellent compere of this show of many talents and it would be most unfair to single any particular 'act.'

The Town Band were out in force under the experienced baton of Mr. Albert Hammond and the Operatic Society were a wonderful advert for "Fidler on the Roof," to be performed in March. What can one say about Annette Horspool which hasn't already been said and the Parti of four girls and a guitar were also excellent. Dinas Bran showed its paces with Shani's Choir, their outstanding band and the dance group, which transfixed the male members of the audience with their 'Swinging Safari.' Eugene Jones held the audience spellbound and John Henson brought the house down with the only non-musical item of the concert - his monologue "Sam's Medal." The evening was complete with renderings from Parti'r Eliseg and the Male Choir. The audience showed their appreciation with donations to the Mayor's Fund totalling £174.00.

## LLANGOLLEN RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Met last Tuesday at Froncysyllte. They meet on the first Tuesday of every month, usually alternately at Fron or Trevor and Garth Community Centre.

The Chairman, Mr. J.R. Jones expressed his dismay at the death of Mr. R.H.B. Lewis, the Vice-Chairman, who had been a Council member for very many years. Mr. Lewis died soon after the January meeting and, despite his illness, had spoken to the Clerk on the telephone shortly before his death, expressing his regret at missing the meeting. Mr. Jack Cowsill was appointed Vice-Chairman in his place.

Six street lights in Froncysyllte have been converted from tungsten to sodium, giving far more illumination. They are at Walnut Cottage, Ael-y-Bryn, Cross Street Terrace, Argoed Farm, Telyn Cottage and Carmel Baptist Chapel. Three new lights are to be provided at Garth.

At the request of the public, the Council is shortly hoping to provide new road nameplates for Garth and Trevor and the Council is currently investigating requests for a Pelican Crossing in Trevor on the A539.

A new Notice Board has been erected at Garth.

A request for a Youth Club in Froncysyllte has been handed to the Director of Education, who is the only person capable of authorising one for the community and concern has been expressed about the worsening condition of Yr Ochr.

## TONIGHT'S THE NIGHT

Tonight, Tuesday 8th February, The Town Council have a special meeting in the Council Chamber of the CASTLE RACE ORGANISING COMMITTEE. This will be at 7.30 pm and the Committee is still short of people to help organise the race. If you can help in any way you will be more than welcome at this meeting.

Also this evening, PENTREDWR W.I. have their monthly meeting. They are especially fortunate to have as their guest speaker, Mr. REGINALD PARRETT of Wrexham who will speak on INTERIOR DESIGN AND DECOR. Mr. Parrett, a former Group Display Manager of the ASTON Group, has an Interior Design Business at the Coach House, Rhosddu Road in Wrexham. The Coach House was beautifully renovated by Mr. Parrett, a former resident of Llangollen who lived at Cherry Tree. The competition will be 'A Picture in any Medium' and in Social Time, Mrs. Norah Fairclough will show sides of Greece. The meeting starts at 7 pm and the bus leaves Market St. at 6.45 pm.

ST. COLLEN'S MOTHERS' UNION meet at ST. JOHN'S WELSH CHURCH at 10.30 am for a CORPORATE COMMUNION.

## TOMORROW - WEDNESDAY 9th FEBRUARY

The WELSH LEARNERS' CLASS meet at The Llangollen Library. The class starts at 7.30 pm and all are welcome.

## NEXT MONDAY - ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

The LLANGOLLEN MAY DAY COMMITTEE meet at The Hand Hotel at 7.30 pm. All are invited.

THE LLANGOLLEN & LLANTYSILIO CHURCH LADIES FELLOWSHIP meet 7.30 pm at Welfare House, where Mr. J. Hughes will give an illustrated talk on ISRAEL.

## 24/25/26th FEBRUARY

The XX Club's production of DANGEROUS CORNER starting 7.30 pm. Admission £1.00, Children and O.A.P.'s half price.

## LLANTYSILIO W.I.

Held their January meeting at Llantysilio School. Mrs. V. Roberts presided and Mr. Day gave a talk on JEWELRY. He showed several items to all members of the audience and was thanked by Mrs. Marion Williams.

A letter of thanks has been received from the Rheumatism and Arthritis Society for the donation of £55.00 and it was decided to hold a Whist Drive at Pentredwr Community Centre on Friday February 18th, commencing at 7 pm. Mrs. Doreen Smith expressed her thanks for the bursary towards her Denman College visit and the tea hostesses were Mrs. E. Morris and Miss M. Baines. Miss P. Hogg won the monthly raffle.

## THE RIVER DEE

Deep limpid pools of chartreuse green,  
Quiet depths where only dark fish roam,  
Cool leaves upon the water glide,  
Now it is height of Summertime.

Rushing torrents, brown and earthy,  
Tempestuously toss on the crest of the  
rocks,  
Quarrelsome, garrulous, proud and triumphant  
Herald to Autumn, loud and exultant.

Pale cold sunlight on a frosty morning,  
Echoing rime on the sleeping branches,  
Black in the river, deep, yet still  
Where it lies in the grip of Winter's  
chill.

The kingfisher swoops with her breast on the  
water,  
The larches sigh softly their hymns to  
the sky  
Laughing the river, the cuckoo is calling,  
How joyous the air of an early Spring  
morning.

JOAN DAVIES

Kindly sent in by Joan Davies of  
4 Gwynfryn Terrace, Llangollen.

## WREXHAM-MAELOR ANTIQUE COLLECTORS COLLECTORS' CLUB

The A.G.M. took place in St. James' Church Hall, Rhosddu Road, Wrexham on 26th January. The new Chairman is Mr. David Smallwood, with Vice-Chairman Mrs. N.W. Fairclough. Mrs. Mari Evans of Passers Buy, a Founder Member, is also a member of the Committee. An interesting programme has been prepared for the coming year - a member of the Club, Mrs. Olive Wallace kicking off with a very well researched talk on "Fairings" with excellent slides. The next meeting on 23rd February will be a talk on "The Fitzhugh Pottery." The subscription is now £3.50, to provide for the experts it is hoped to attract to some of the lectures. Members regularly attend the Club from the Llangollen area. Why not come along as a visitor? Watch this paper for announcements of future meetings.

*A boy in St. Collen's Church Choir  
Had a voice which rose higher and higher  
Until, one Sunday night,  
It rose out of sight  
And they found it, next morn, on the  
spire.*

Well .. tower dun't rhyme, so there!!

## ON THE MAP

Laura Ashley Ltd., the print and clothing group which has rocketed to fame during the last few years, has a print of Tan-y-Fron Farm, Eglwyseg, on the inside cover of their latest catalogue.

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

If you have read this column over the last couple of weeks and I say that last week's opening comment applies once again, you will know what I mean, won't you?

Anyway, A glutton for punishment, I'm going to try again. Pictured below is a favourite member of Wrexham F.C.'s promotion side. The first letter opened next Monday giving his correct name, will win £2, providing you are 14 or under. How about entering this week - I'm getting a complex.



*Why couldn't the skeleton go to the party?  
Because he hadn't got any body to go with!*

## PLANNING SUPPORT

The Llangollen Planning Committee are supporting Mr. & Mrs. Cyril Ashton's application to the Glynder District Council for permission to build a bungalow on land adjacent to The Britannia Inn. The bungalow is for their own use, as the fire escape runs through their present living accommodation. The initial application was turned down by the Welsh Office and the appeal is going to the Welsh Office.

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## LLANGOLLEN TOWN COUNCIL

The General Purposes Committee met at the Town Hall last Tuesday and a major development scheme for the Llangollen Riverside was discussed. It was decided to hold a special meeting and invitations would be sent out to the Town's Angling Association, who own the fishing rights to the stretches of river covered mostly by the discussions, and to representatives of Clwyd County Council and Glyndwr District Council.

The MSC, who effectively disbands and reorganises into a different body in April of this year, is prepared to supply the labour for this scheme but materials and specialist tools will have to be supplied by the Council.

Ideas, which included illuminating the riverside (as in the early days of the Eisteddfod) were suggested, but Councillor Orr felt that the Council should keep to a realistic project such as improving the riverside, rather than a 'pie in the sky' chair lift to the summit of Dinas Bran, which had been suggested at an earlier meeting. The Mayor said that car parking facilities should be born in mind when discussing the various schemes but she was very keen to go ahead with the project as soon as possible, whilst the MSC offer still held.

No doubt the Angling Society will keep a close interest on further developments of the idea at this critical time of their calendar. With the start of the 'season' and with the imminent stocking of the river from the new tanks (this season to include Rainbow trout), any undue disturbance of the water will probably be less than welcome.

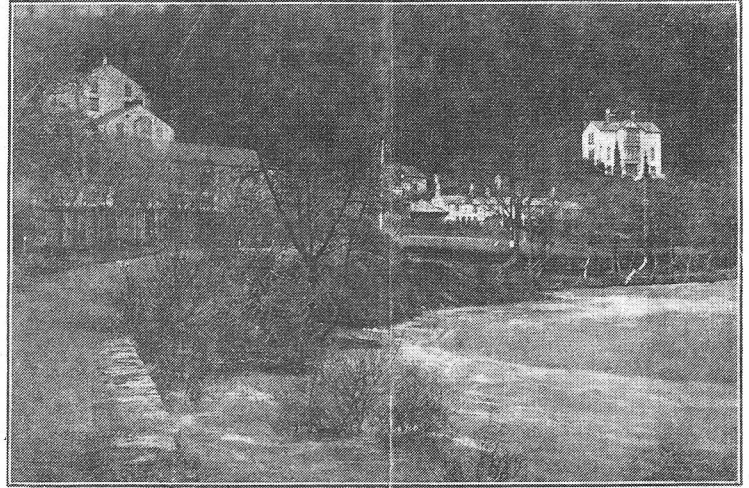
Both Councillor Herbert Orr and Councillor Donald Bond felt that the development and tidying up of the Riverside would be beneficial to the inhabitants and to the tourist trade.

The County Council have agreed to provide a ramp for wheelchairs at the Llangollen Library.

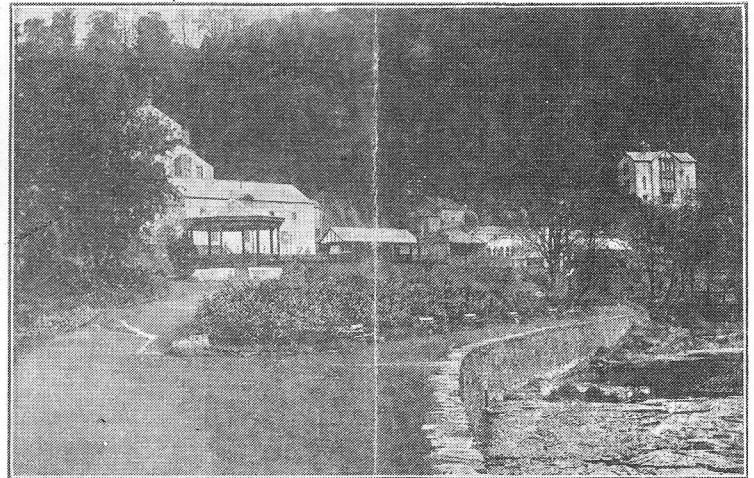
Councillor Bond has requested that the yellow lines be removed from one side of Regent Street as they were placed there for the safety of schoolchildren in the then Junior School. People are passing the businesses in the street without stopping because of these lines.

*Below we show three elderly prints of the Llangollen Riverside - The Promenade.*

*The first two are taken from the pre-war band programme printed to celebrate the official opening of the Riverside Gardens. John Henry Humphreys was the Conductor.*



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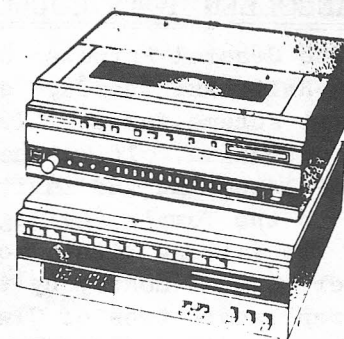
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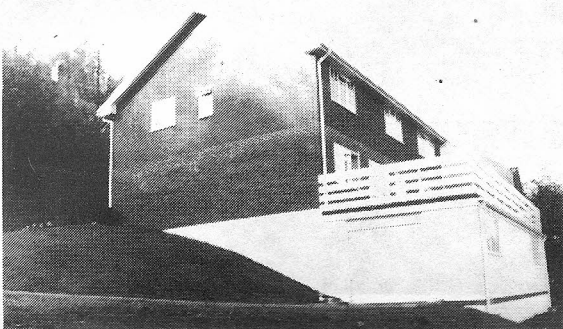
In 1952, the late Jim Pike finished 3 games of 301 in 2½ minutes. Our team take very slightly longer, but are still confident that they could take on and beat any team in Llangollen in a friendly match on a home and away basis. Interested? Give us a ring! When in Wrexham, call in for a friendly pint, a snack, or enjoy a scrumptious lunch-time bar meal for only £1. Hope to see you!

# Kent Jones



**RUABON - £10,500 - 3, JOHN STREET, RUABON.**

A well modernised inter-terraced dwelling situated in a quiet position within close walking distance of the village centre and all amenities and approximately 5 miles from Wrexham. Accommodation includes Entrance Hall, Sitting Room, Living Room, Kitchenette, 2 Double Bedrooms, Bathroom. Outoffices. Well Maintained - An ideal first home.



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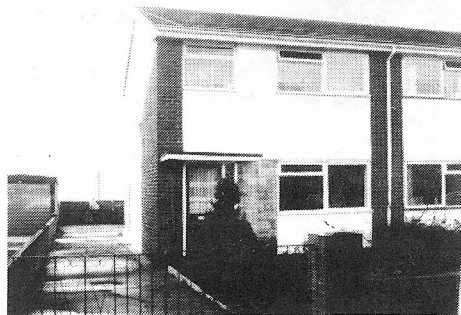
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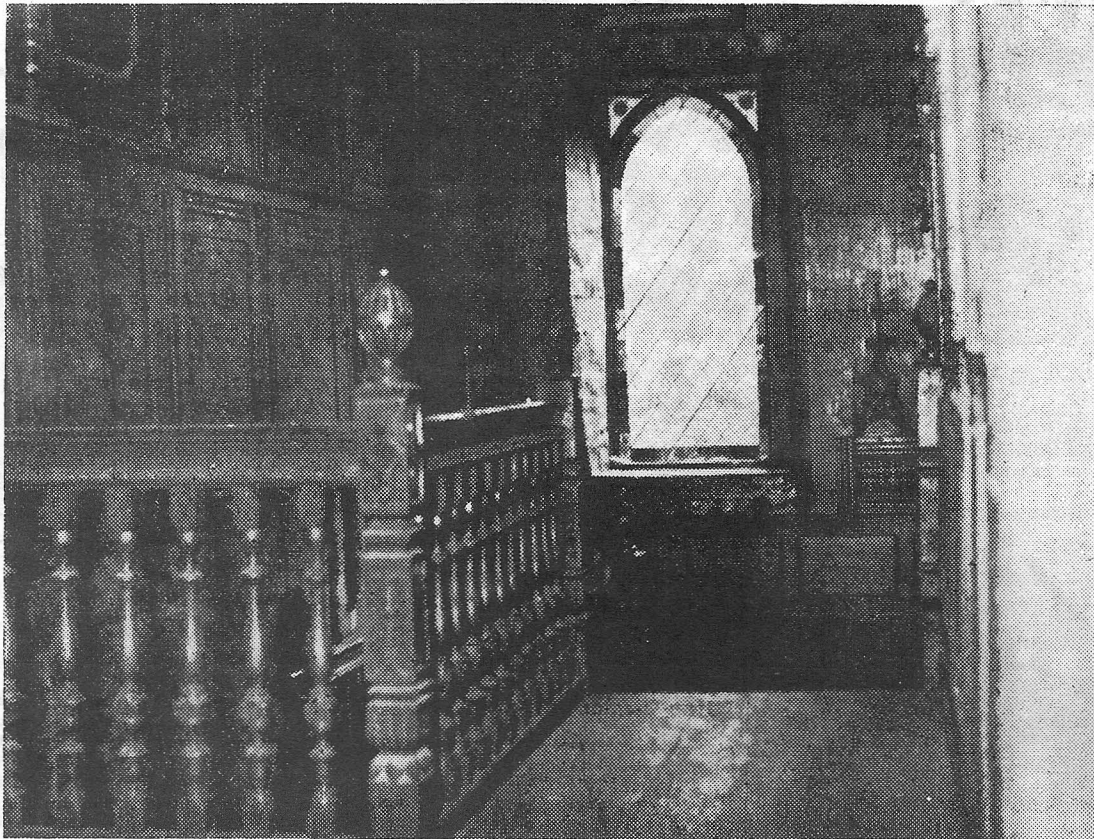


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# Plas Newydd West Wing



HEAD OF STAIRCASE

## YOUR LAST CHANCE

Our picture shows the head of the staircase and some of the carvings in the interior of Plas Newydd West Wing, which is shortly to be demolished. Next Saturday will give Llangollen people a last chance to see the interior of this wing. For

## Whist Drive helps Plas Newydd Dairy Restoration

Mrs Caradoc Davies, Denbigh, after the Pre-Demolition Party held at Plas Newydd in May was fired with the idea of doing something herself to help the Developments Association with this project. Knowing the keen interest her mother, the late Mrs Bubb, took in Plas Newydd, this is not surprising, and she set to with energy to organise the very successful Whist Drive held in the Old Building on Butler Hill on Thursday night last, with the Co-operation of Mr Caradoc Davies, and a number of Llangollen ladies. Mr and Mrs Hughes of Denbigh also brought a party. Tea and refreshments were served in the interval between the main drive and the following miniature.

The prizes were distributed by Miss Pugh Jones, who also thanked the organisers and supporters on behalf of the Developments Association who would be delighted with this addition to their Fund.

most it will also be the first opportunity, as this wing has always been in private occupation.

For others, it will be a re-union at the scene of happy activity, for many members of the Welsh National Theatre whose headquarters it was in the 1930's are looking forward to attending the Party to be held there on Saturday morning, May 18th.

Amongst others present will be Mrs Joan Lewis (nee Mossop) whose family has long associations with Plas Newydd.

It was such an enjoyable evening in the room so full of interesting antiques and so comforted by an open fire, that patrons were asking for another.

The prize-winners were:—  
Ladies: 1 Miss Jennie Evans; 2 Mrs Williams, George St.; 3 Mrs F. Jones.

Gents: 1 Mrs Williams, Elwy House; 2 Miss H. Rogers; 3 Mrs J. C. Davies.

Consolation Prizes: Mrs Heber Evans, Mr E. P. Hughes, Denbigh. Luvky Chair: Mrs Williams, George St., Mrs Pfluger.

Raffles: Mrs H. Glynne Jones, Mrs Glyn Parry Jones, Mrs Mann.

Mrs Caradoc Davies handed in the proceeds £10.10.0, which has been paid in to the account of the Developments Association.

Coffee will be served; there will be music and other attractions.

Don't miss this unique occasion. The 2/6 admission charge will go towards the Developments Association fund to repair the old round Dairy, built by Eleanor Butler and Sarah Ponsonby.

The Development Association are grateful to the Urban District Council and their officials for their assistance in making it possible to hold this Pre-Demolition Party.

## SALE AT PLAS NEWYDD

There were comparatively few people at the sale of East and West Wing fittings and carvings conducted by Messrs. Jackson-Stopes of Chester on Wednesday June 19th; but there were determined buyers.

Large scale buyers were Mr. Richards of Old Galsworth Hall near Mecelsfield, Mrs. Johnston of Bala, Mr. Maynard of Llandegla and Chelsea and Mr. Mottistone.

The more modest local bidders had to be cute to secure relics they desired, but some succeeded.

Mr. Simon Yorke of Erddig got the Yorke Coat of Arms on the East Wing—but at a price—£17. Another who had family connections with the now demolished wings was Mr. Ian Sandie who had set his heart on a fireplace.

Carvings fetched very high prices, £280 for instance, for the outer carvings on the West Wing, omitting the figures reserved for the U.D.C.



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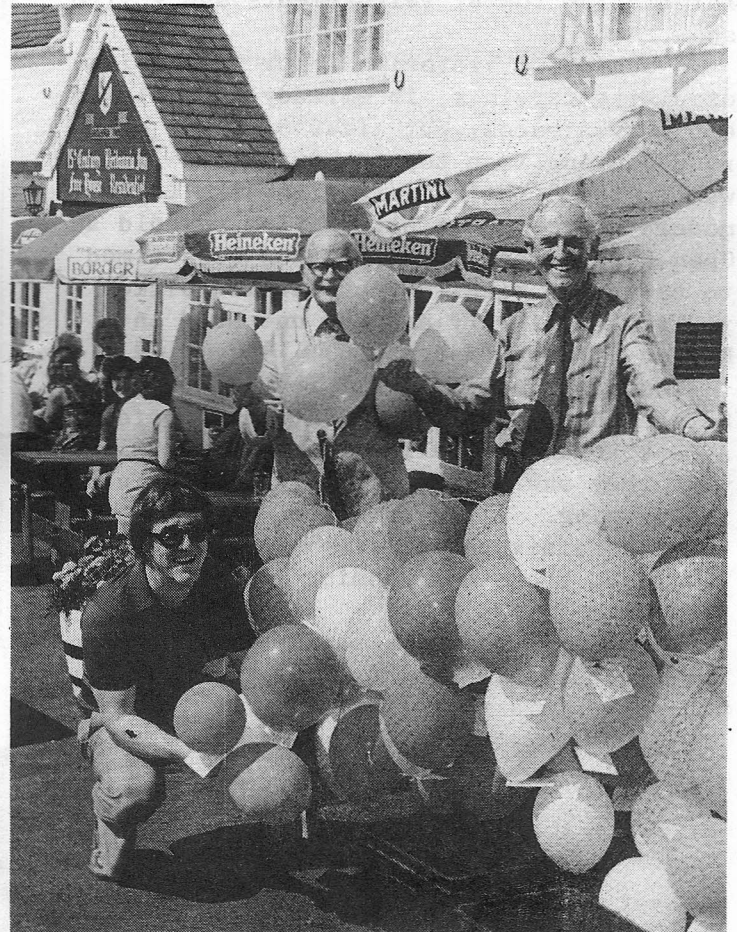
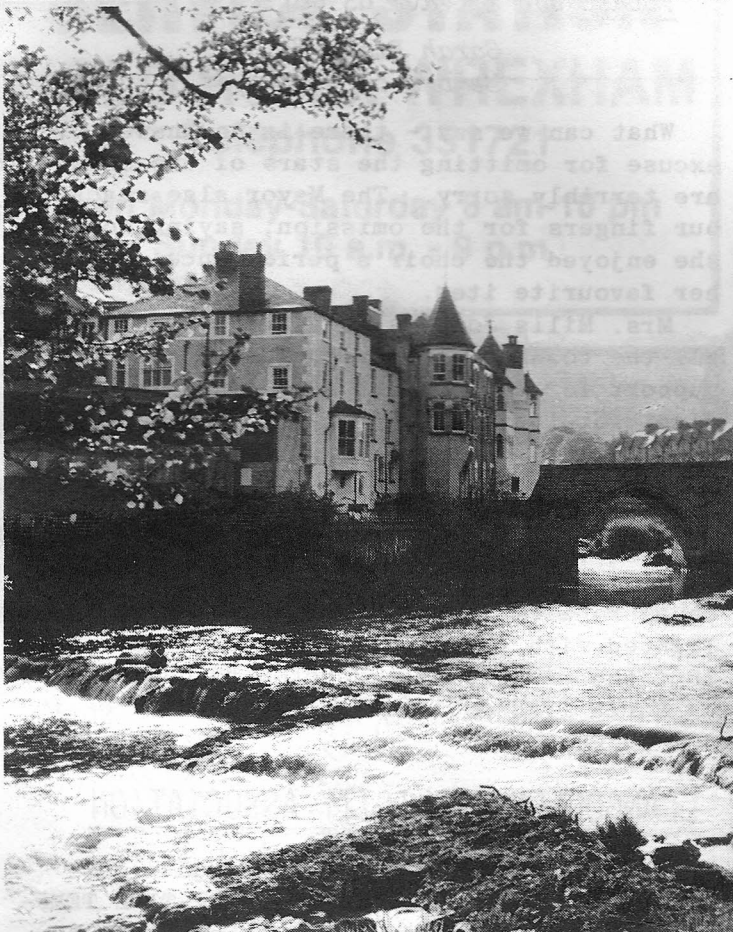
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### GOOD MORNING LLANGOLLEN

First of all, congratulations to Maureen and Cyril Ashton of The Britannia Inn on winning the Wrexham Leader 'Pub of the Year' award. I am doubly pleased, for not only has the award been won by a Llangollen couple, but they have always been firm supporters of the Broadsheet.

Our picture (right) shows merry pranks outside Mr. & Mrs. Ashton's 15th Century hostelry, whilst on the left is a fine study of the Dee below the Bridge from where the Weir used to provide a formidable yet enjoyable leap for the Dee salmon.

The advertising power of the Broadsheet is starting to manifest itself. We have just obtained our first order for a double page advert - to be inserted in three or four weeks time. Advertisers are also expressing satisfaction on obtaining orders in Llangollen. One expressed his delight and ended his letter saying he was "proud to advertise with you." A Wrexham advertiser has very kindly offered to sponsor this week's prizes in the Childrens Competition. Thank you very much.

## FIRE DAMAGE

A chalet near the Britannia Inn was badly damaged by fire last week. Initially Mr. Cyril Ashton and some of his customers fought the blaze with some hotel extinguishers and finally appliances from Llangollen and Chirk Brigades brought the blaze under control. It was caused by a faulty heater. The chalet is a holiday home belonging to a Liverpool man.

## TY'N DWR HALL'S OPEN DAY

Ty'n Dwr Hall has belonged to the Youth Hostels' Association for many years and is the largest hostel in Wales. It has developed a reputation for innovation in recent years and last Sunday opened its doors to the public for an Open Day which included informative tours, refreshments and a film show.

A beautiful Victorian Manor House with exquisite carvings, it already had all modern conveniences, but after 3 months of redecorating from top to bottom, the Hall was in the pristine condition of a top modern hotel. What better time to hold an Open Day, especially as it was also timed to co-incide with the current exhibition in Wrexham Library and the one held in Ruabon Library last month.

The hard work was well rewarded when between 350 and 400 people turned up for a look around and all were delighted with what they saw. Radio Wales attended in the morning. It is estimated that about half the visitors were from Llangollen and district, the others coming from far and wide.

Ty'n Dwr staff were really delighted with the response and another Open Day is now planned - this time for the summer, when they hope to attract many holidaymakers.

## LLANGOLLEN MAY DAY

Last night the Committee held a meeting at the Hand Hotel and we hope to report the proceedings shortly. The MAY DAY will this year be held on Monday May 2nd and to date the following attractions have been planned Morris Dancing, Greasy Pole, Dinas Bran School Band, Platting the Maypole, Folk Dancing, Best Dressed Bike/Pram/Childrens Fancy Dress & Carnival Float competitions. The proceeds will go to the Parish Church Roof Repair Fund & the Wrexham Deaf Centre.

At a recent Pet Show, one of the categories was 'THE MOST UNUSUAL PET.' This was won by a tin of pilchards.

## OUR HANDS ARE SMACKED

*Ysgol Bryn Collen (Juniors)  
Llangollen, Clwyd.*

Home I came at lunch time  
Happy as can be  
My joy soon turned to anger  
At what I could not see.  
Llangollen Annual Concert,  
In letters big and wide  
Reported in the Broadsheet  
On page two inside.

I looked for us here,  
I looked for us there  
I looked for Ysgol Bryn Collen Choir  
everywhere.

My pride was hurt  
I had to shout,  
Next time, Gwynedd Graphics  
PLEASE don't leave US OUT.

*Sarah Richards,  
Member of the Choir*

What can we say - there is no answer or excuse for omitting the stars of the show. We are terribly sorry. The Mayor also smacked our fingers for the omission, saying how much she enjoyed the choir's performance - it was her favourite item.

Mrs. Mills Jones also asked us to thank all the townspeople for their magnificent support for the concert and tells us that the final total was £181.95.

## THE LLANGOLLEN CANAL

Whilst on the subject, the Mayor and members of the Council visited the site of the Canal repairs last week. They were delighted with the progress and that the news that the repairs are expected to be completed by March 17th and that the Canal will be in use by Easter.

## LLANGOLLEN PUBLICITY ASSOCIATION

This Thursday is the closing date for applying for the position of PART-TIME TEMPORARY PUBLICITY OFFICER. The hours are negotiable and position will involve responsibility for promoting Llangollen. Although no formal qualifications are required, experience in publicity and dealing with people are desirable. Apply in writing to The Secretary, Mrs. Margaret Pierce-Jenkins, Llangollen Publicity Association, Town Hall, Llangollen. Closing Date: Thursday 17th February 1983.

We all know that the stork brings little babies.

Did you know that the crane brings little baby elephants???

## LLANTYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

LLANTYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL REDUCES THE COMMUNITY RATE - The Chairman, Councillor D. Ball referred to the sad loss of a valued member in the passing of Councillor J.P. Lewis J.P. During his term of office as Chairman, he invited the Llantysilio Over-60 Club to a coach trip and tea at Church Stretton.

A member of the Council reported that he had inspected the gate on the Public Footpath at Pen-y-Bryn and that the barbed wire fastening had been removed.

Correspondence from the Highway Authority stated that the Council's complaint re the road near Brynteg and Rhewl to Glyndyfrdwy were receiving attention. It was resolved that a dangerous tree near Llantysilio Church, dead elm trees near the highway should be reported to the Clwyd County Council. Also further enquiries should be made as to when repairs to the Horseshoe Falls footpath would commence. The Clerk, Mrs. M.W. Parry, reported on the Audit and submitted a budget for the next Financial Year. It was resolved that the Community Rate of 1p be levied - a reduction of  $\frac{1}{2}$ p on last year.

Councillors V.L. Parry and D. Hughes gave a comprehensive report from Ceiriog and Tanat Area Committees.

The local Police are to be invited to the next meeting to discuss parking problems near Glyndyfrdwy Bridge and near Bryntysilio, during peak canoeing competition times.

## LLANTYSILIO OVER SIXTY CLUB

The Club was founded by Councillor V.L. Parry and had been operational for ten years, but owing to a decrease in membership, regrettably has had to cease, the last meeting being held at Pentredwr Community Centre on Saturday February 5th.

Mrs. Bond, Secretary of the Pentredwr Community Centre and ladies of Pentredwr, namely Miss Bond, Mrs.M.Pickett, Mrs. G. Jones, Mrs. J. Ellis, Mrs. P. Hammond and Miss J. Jones kindly provided an excellent tea which was enjoyed by one and all.

Mr. W. Ball, the Chairman, thanked the ladies for their kind hospitality.

## MAY DAY QUEEN

The DISCO at which the 1983 May Queen will be picked will be held on March 12th at the Town Hall. The winner will be aged between 14 and 18 and must live in the catchment area of Dinas Bran School.

## PENTREDWR W.I.

Mrs. D. Hughes presided over the February meeting of Pentredwr W.I.

The spring and summer outings provisional arrangements have been made - to visit a cheese making factory in May and Chatsworth House in August. The W.I. Market A.G.M. will be held in Llangollen on the 22nd February. All members and non-members who are interested are urged to attend.

The Guest Speaker was Mr. Parrett, who gave a talk on Interior Design and Decor. Mrs. Fairclough proposed a vote of thanks for him. The Competition, 'A Picture in Any Medium' was won by Mrs. R. Williams. Mrs. J. Edwards was 2nd and Mrs. J. Ellis 3rd.

In Social Time, Mrs. N. Fairclough showed members slides of her holiday in Greece. Teas were provided by Mrs. R. Williams, Mrs. S. Wilson and Mrs. S. Smith. Mrs. G. Jones won the raffle.

## THE CASTLE RACE

Councillor Donald Bond has been appointed Publicity Officer of the event at the recent Committee Meeting.

The entry fees will stay at 50p for Seniors and 25p for Juniors. There is now free entry for all previous winners. Every child competitor to complete the 3 mile Junior Course will receive a suitably inscribed badge.

The childrens prize list has been greatly extended for this year. In fact, the complete prize list goes up from £200 to £400.

## FRONCYSYLLTE DARBY AND JOAN CLUB

Has reopened after the recess with a Rummage Sale in aid of the Club Funds. A Social Evening with varied entertainment was held at Fron Community Centre recently in aid of the Darby and Joan Club. Mrs. Edith Parry and Mr. George Hughes arranged the entertainment while the refreshments were in the capable hands of Mrs. Mary Hughes, Mrs. Mary Thomas, Mrs. Annie Lloyd, Mrs. Marlene Roberts and Mrs. Owen Forster. Arther Forster and Ian Edwards were stewards.

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## LLANGOLLEN FOOTBALL

The 1st Round League Cup Replay between Brymbo Steelworks and Llangollen was played on the Steelworks Ground last Saturday.

Although fielding three or four reserves, Llangollen gave an extremely good account of themselves and matched Brymbo in every respect. At half time there was no score.

Unfortunately, however, midway through the second half, Brymbo scored the only goal of the match, rather luckily, through a deflection. So Brymbo march on; but Jim Birrell was extremely pleased with the way his rather scratch side had played. FINAL SCORE 1-0.

With the Reserves, however, the story was very different. After a rather lean time lately, the 2nd Team trounced Gresford Ath. Reserves 4-1 at the Tower Field, with long-serving men Peter Boaz and Adrian Pritchard showing their paces. Man of the match was that other stalwart, centre half Dave Thomas, who was making another comeback (I remember him telling me many years ago that he had played his last game and he was in our office recently and never said a word!!). The scorers were Carl Mattocks, Steve Gerrard, Andrew Evans and all-rounder Arwel Morris. Next week it is the turn of the Reserves to play in the League Cup.

DOBSON & CROWTHER'S lot is improving. They beat The Wheatsheaf, Gwersyllt at The Recreation Ground last Sunday morning by 2 goals to 1. The ground was very firm but N.P.L. Referee Peter Williams, who comes from Corwen, proclaimed the ground playable. Peter Boaz held the back line together and Kevin Richards also played very well. The Printers' goals were scored by Paul Wood and Steve Edwards.

Next Sunday morning at 10.30 am, Dobson & Crowther play The Duke of Wellington on The Recreation Ground and will be delighted to see any supporters, as they really do lift one's game.

*The same well-tried names seem to appear year after year in Llangollen's soccer, making time stand still. With this in mind (and partly tongue in cheek!) I herewith reprint a report from a 'Tuesday Review' of November 1965. For newcomers to the scene Geoff Lloyd went on to play for Wrexham FC and Oswestry Town.*

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## **FOOTBALL**

### **LOCAL RIVALS BEATEN**

Llangollen 3; Druids 1

The home side won this match even more convincingly than the score suggests.

Due to Geoff Lloyd playing for Wales, Glenton Arnold was brought in. From the kick-off Druids moved faster onto the ball; but after nine minutes' play the home side opened the scoring. Phil Jones gathered a pass and put it out of the keeper's reach.

minutes later they scored their only goal. Peter Jones lobbed a high ball which dipped into the net.

After this equaliser, the home side pulled out the stops but could not score, mainly through bad finishing and good goal-keeping.

After half time Llangollen piled on the pressure and after five minutes went ahead through Adrian Pritchard. Druids did set up attacks but the home defence dealt with them. In this half Llangollen hit the bar several times and many opportunities to increase their score were wasted.

The last goal came five minutes before time—a corner kick from Peter Boaz was headed into the net by Roy Dougall.

Next Saturday the town are at home to Llay Welfare in the 4th Round of the Welsh Amateur Cup. Kick off 2.15 p.m.

Geoff Lloyd will be returning to the team after International duty.

## CHILDRENS CORNER

### HOORAY!!!

At last, you are beginning to sit up and take notice. We actually had entries for our competition last week. Not a lot, but most encouraging for me. One grown up tried to sneak in an entry but he was disqualified and the winner turned out to be GARY BURKE, aged 10 of 21 Min-y-Coed, Llangollen, who told us that the photo was indeed that of super defender ALAN DWYER, whose career was disrupted by injury.

£2.00 is now on its way to Gary, even though he addressed me as 'Dear Mr. ?'

He is quite right of course to point it out, I should have told you that my name is Mike Daniels, long ago.

This week our prizes have been very kindly donated by Mr. Jack Stevens of Wrexham Joke Shop, Town Hill (near Burtons) Wrexham. He is giving two £2.00 vouchers (one for the girls & one for the boys) to be spent in the Joke Shop. He has also set the competition this week - it is for the best joke, cartoon, poem or limerick about 'E.T.'

If you are 14 or under, send in your entries, to arrive at Gwynedd Graphics first thing Monday morning 21st February or take them to Cleators or Elbourn's by first thing the previous Saturday morning.

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### TUESDAY 15th FEBRUARY (TONIGHT)

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Bus leaves Llan at 6.40 pm.

### WEDNESDAY 16th FEBRUARY

Llangollen Angling Association  
Film Show - Bridge End Hotel 7.30pm

### THURSDAY 17th FEBRUARY

Llangollen Parish Church - St. Collen's  
Mother's Union 2.15 pm at St. John's.  
AVERY'S SALE - 1.30 at Berwyn Street.

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*"Wow" said the American, "Back home, I have gotten a spread that if I was to get into this here automobile, I could barely cover from end to end if I drove flat out from sun-up to sun-set."*

*"I once had a car like that" sympathised the smallholder.*

## MEMORIES ARE MADE OF THIS

*Mrs. Menna Tudor Edwards of Llwyn Aeron, a most valuable contributor to the old Broadsheet, has kindly written to us again .. viz.*

One of the saddest things that happened to Llangollen was the closing of the Railway Line. It was impossible to travel a more beautiful and varied route than from Llangollen up to Barmouth and even on to Pwllheli. There was a special thrill to be had when travelling in the front observation coach. Just THINK! This journey could be done every day for a whole week with a ten shilling 'Run-about' ticket. Today we salute the members of the Railway Preservation Society and thank them for bringing life to Llangollen Station.

I have in my possession, the Diary of a country-woman. She lived at Llandrillo. Her son, after travelling a great deal about the world, married and came to live in Llangollen towards the later part of his middle years.

She noted in her diary the ordinary, everyday things and prices of necessities during the years 1895 and 1913.

She and her husband and son used the Railway regularly between Llandrillo, Corwen, Bala, Wrexham and further afield. However I'll leave the Railway and come back to it another day.

What reaction do you get when you read some of the prices paid then? Those were the days before the Big wages were demanded and given.

For instance .. in January 1909 the housewife paid ten shillings and sixpence for nine pounds of butter. However she believed in 'shopping around' and although most farms sold it for one shilling and twopence a pound she managed to get butter from one shilling and a penny h'penny down to tenpence a pound. What would she think of today's butter price? I am sure it would be impossible for her to comprehend the much talked of 'butter mountain.'

Bread has been considered life's staple food. In 1908 she notes that she bought a loaf for threepence and a currant loaf for fourpence. But it seems she baked most of her own bread, for every week there is a note that she paid a h'penny for barm and one penny for baking at the village bakehouse.

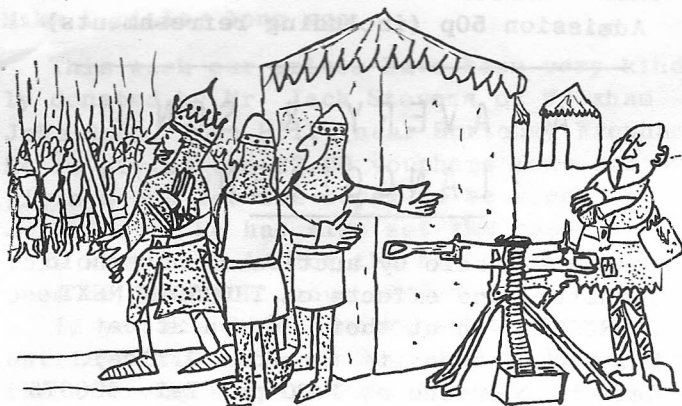
This brings to mind the sight and smell of the village bakehouse in Tregarth where I lived as a child. Twice a week, as we went back to afternoon school, we would carry a large lump of dough in a clean pillow-case to the village bakehouse. The baker would cut it up, slap the pieces into his greased tins and mark our loaves with our distinctive tally.

Every family had their own, probably pieces of a broken coloured plate. While the loaves rose and the oven temperature fell to the right one for bread, he would bake plate tarts. The children (usually girls as they were more careful!) carried these from their homes. A favourite in our village was a currant and spices one, rather like today's Eccles cakes but filling a dinner plate. I understand from my husband that the Llangollen mothers used the same procedure. They used to take their bread dough to the bakehouse at the back of 'John Rowlands.' Perhaps Mr. R. Rowlands Hughes will tell us about that very interesting building and business.

Probably several readers of my generation will remember that the most wonderfully tasty bread ever tasted were those pieces that had risen and been baked over the edge of the tins and we could break them off and eat them on our way home from school when collecting the bread on our return from school.

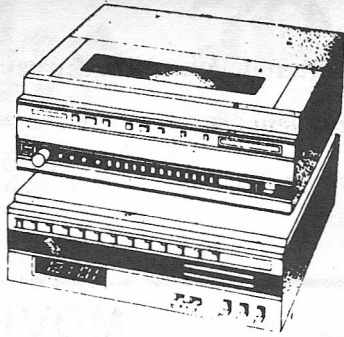
*Thank you very much Mrs. Edwards. My particular memory of John Rowlands was sticking my nose in that huge red coffee grinder. The last I saw of it, many years later was in Miss Morris's shop in Ruabon. Robert Pughe took it with him when he retired from Llangollen.*

*We await with avid interest, the sequels to the above.*



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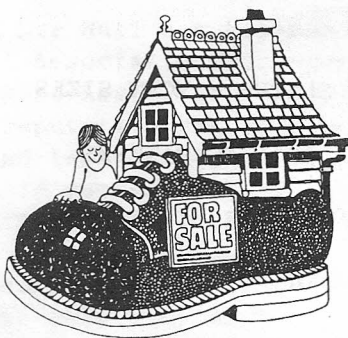
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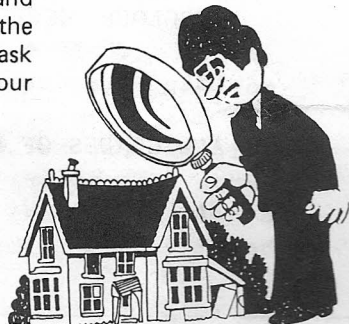
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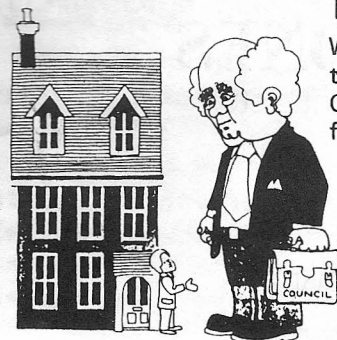


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## GOOD MORNING LLANGOLLEN

This morning we greet you with a winning entry in last week's E.T. Competition. The other winning entry will be found inside in the Children's Corner.

On a sad note, our condolences go to Mrs. Benjamin, Anne, Mair and Gareth, on the recent death of Dr. G.F. Benjamin, at the age of 76. He will also be greatly missed by his many friends in the Llangollen area.

## LLANGOLLEN W.I.

Llangollen W.I. held a meeting at Welfare House on February 3rd and during business time, all agreed that the Annual Dinner held at Bishop Trevor had been a tremendous success. Full marks were given to Mrs. Bugler for a splendid meal, with a very fine eye to detail. It is intended to call upon her again for the 50 Years Celebrations to be held later in the year. As the branch is now linked with Carrog, Llangollen accepted the invitation to attend their meeting on the 9th of this month.

Mr. Alan Whittaker, who was accompanied by his wife, spoke on the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. Mr. Whittaker is Head of Middle School at Dinas Bran and he told his audience that the scheme was started for boys in 1956 and for girls two years later. The exercises and instructions are carried out by approved people. A record book is kept for each individual, with points awarded for effort. He showed some very enlightening slides of adventure projects - how well everything was thought out, sensible safety precautions, good team work, well informed in map reading and also taught how to use a compass. There is a tremendous choice of activities within the scheme and anyone taking part will find friendship, fun and real achievement. He showed slides of Prince Philip's visit to the display on Chester Racecourse. He had a great appreciation of Prince Philip's staying powers - after 3½ hours he was still as keen and enthusiastic. Mr. Whittaker was warmly thanked at the end of his talk.

## LLANTYSILIO W.I.

Courses in drawing, painting, book-binding embroidery, machine-knitting, as well as dancing and theatre workshop are some of the activities at the Community Arts Centre in Wrexham, which Mrs. Anna Adair spoke about at the February meeting. Students range from schoolchildren to senior citizens - some in their 70's have been encouraged to work for and obtain their 'O' and 'A' levels. Mrs. Adair's enthusiasm and lively presentation was warmly received, in particular the variety of prints she displayed, ranging from simple brass rubbings to intricate etchings. Mrs. Ibbotson expressed the thanks of members

W.I. Books Ltd. intend to produce a survey of flora and fauna in churchyards, so Llantysilio is likely to be the focus of careful study by voluntary W.I. members in the spring and it should provide a rich harvest.

Arrangements were made for the forthcoming Whist Drive and Group Meeting Competition and members voted for the County Federation Executive. There were tentative suggestions for a summer outing and also for delegates to the Spring Council Meeting and the Nation A.G.M. Tea was served by Mrs. Valentine, Mrs. Ball

and Mrs. Gibbs. Mrs. Pauline Jones won the raffle which was given by Mrs. Humphreys.

Mrs. Adair judged the charming Valentines entered for competition, pronouncing Mrs. Humphreys the winner, with Mrs. Doreen Smith a close second with her two entries.

## LLANGOLLEN AND DISTRICT WOMEN'S INSTITUTES MARKET

The Llangollen & District W.I. Market first opened in June 1977. It was formed by the co-operation of the three local W.I.'s in Llantysilio, Llangollen and Pentredwr.

The organisation is a co-operative designed to provide an outlet for home-produced goods. It deducts 10% commission from the selling price to cover running costs, the remainder being paid to the producer by means of a monthly cheque. It can be a source of pocket money for people who enjoy home baking and making preserves, for gardeners who have plants, flowers and produce to spare and for people skilled at crafts.

During the summer many visitors call from home and abroad and many craft items have been taken home by overseas visitors.

One does not have to be a member of a Woman's Institute to join the Market, it is open to anyone for the price of a 5p share. Rules and Regulations have to be followed for weights, labelling and packaging and these are administered by the Market Controller who can refuse to accept items which are not up to standard.

The Market will re-open on Friday March 4th 1983 in the Town Hall from 10 am until 12 noon. It will be open on most Fridays during the remainder of the year, when the organisers will be pleased to meet customers new and old as well as prospective producers. Please call in for further information.

*This young man was elected shop steward and shortly afterwards went for his first meeting with the management. On reporting back to his committee, he said "I've got some good news and some bad news. The bad news is that we have all got to take a £5 per week pay cut. The good news is that I have managed to get it back-dated to last August."*

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## THE DEE VALLEY PROBUS CLUB OF LLANGOLLEN AND DISTRICT

At their meeting on February 15th, a very interesting talk was given by the Headmaster of Lindisfarne College, Mr. Roy Jones. Twenty two members were present at the Hand Hotel for this event.

Mr. Jones gave historical details of how the name Lindisfarne was chosen by the College Founder, Mr. Robert Grace - from the Island of Lindisfarne, Holy Island off the Northumberland coast and the founding of the school at Westcliff-on-Sea, Essex - its wartime home at Newburgh Priory, Coxswold, Yorkshire and finally in 1950 to its present location, in 150 acres, at Wynnstay Hall, Ruabon.

The present staff of twentyfive full time and five part time teachers instruct 265 boarders and day students aged between 8 and 19, including 33 girls (first enrolled two years ago). Some 15% of the students are from overseas.

The College is entirely dependent upon the fees it receives for tuition and is justly proud of its successes. Mr. Jones' talk was much enjoyed and was followed by many questions.

*A rustic gentleman, upon reaching his 100'th birthday was interviewed by gentleman of the press, who asked him what was the most impressive invention of the last hundred years. Upon hearing the man's reply of "A thermos flask" the reporter said "What about the aeroplane, the computer? Why the thermos flask??"*

*"Well Zur," said the rustic, "It keeps hot things hot, an it keeps cold things cold. But how do it know???"*

## LLANGOLLEN FOOTBALL

The First Team unfortunately lost by three goals to nil at Rhostyllen, but the Reserves managed to draw 1-1 with Corwen in the League Cup. Laurie Jones was the scorer.

Dobson and Crowther drew 3-3 on a very hard pitch last Sunday with The Duke of Wellington, Acrefair. They were a goal down in the first minute but pulled back with goals by Gary Hughes (2) and Chris Tobin, to have a 3-1 lead at the interval. Despite a fine performance in defence by Chris Edwards, The Duke drew level to end the game 3-3.

Next week, Dobson and Crowther travel to Cefn to play the Jolly Masons.

The Under-12 and Under-16 Youth Club games were both called off because of the hard pitches.

*Two white men were standing on the banks of an African river, watching a canoeful of natives go by, when it suddenly capsized and the natives were immediately attacked by crocodiles. A tall white man nearby stripped off his shirt and swam strongly out to the men. As soon as the crocodiles saw him they turned tail and swam off as fast as they were able.*

*"Did you see that?" said one of the men on the bank. "Yes" replied the other. "Actually, he has a large tatoo on his chest saying MANCHESTER UNITED FOR THE CUP; and not even the crocodiles will swallow that!!"*

## THE BROADSHEET TO DATE

Having reached our fifth edition, the needs for a successful paper are gradually manifesting themselves.

Although we still need a lot more of it, news is starting to trickle through, especially news of societies. There are many encouraging signs regarding advertising and if this grows sufficiently in the next few weeks we hope to have a representative in Llangollen to obtain news and reports - probably on a Friday morning.

News of family and personal events is nearly non-existent to date. We want to hear about happy and sad events in the life of the Town - marriages, engagements, births, Christenings, funerals, etc. Remember, all these will be published FREE of charge and to this end we hope shortly to produce forms for you to use to make the reporting of these events a simple matter. These forms will be available from your local newsagent.

Remember, you do not even have to pay for a stamp to send in your contributions. From the 'first come, first served' point of view, it is safer to send in to Gwynedd Graphics as soon as possible, but all items may be left with Mr. Elbourn in Chapel Street or Cleators in Castle Street for collection on Saturday mornings, if so desired.

Thank you for your support so far, I think we've got a winner.

*Did you know that ice cream was around in Biblical time. One can find several references to Walls of Jericho...*

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### THIS WEEK'S DIARY

#### TUESDAY 22.2.83 (TONIGHT)

W.I. Market AGM - Welfare House at 2 pm.  
Flower Arrangement Society at Hand 7.30 pm.

#### THURSDAY 24.2.83

XX Club at Town Hall 7.30 pm.  
Folk Dance Group Welsh Night - Hand 7.30 pm.

#### FRIDAY 25.2.83

Pentredwr Comm. Ass. Whist Drive at Cen. 7.  
XX Club at Town Hall 7.30 pm.

#### SATURDAY 26.2.83

XX Club at Town Hall 7.30 pm.

*A young man walked onto the high diving board with a large fish under his arm. "Hoy, what are you going to do?" shouted the lifeguard. "A double forward roll, with pike" came the reply.*

## CHILDRENS CORNER

If anything is giving me pleasure with the Broadsheet, it is the involvement starting to take place in the Children's corner. Thank you for taking the trouble to read your column and taking part. Let me know what you would like to see in the Corner - A Quiz, Better Competitions, A Weekly Serial ... let me know and we'll try to fix it for you.

As I am writing this, I feel a little sick, not just from 'flu, but from the news that my football team has been knocked out of the F.A. Cup. However, if anyone had to knock out Liverpool, I am glad it is Brighton as they are managed by a former Liverpool player and a man I used to go to Anfield to see, Jimmy Melia.

Another chap who will be upset at the news is Paul David Hughes of 18 Min-y-Coed. So to try to cheer him up I'm going to print his poem, below:

### L I V E R P O O L

*I never thought I would be singing the blues,  
When Liverpool win and Everton lose,  
If someone wants us, we're to be found  
Watching the football at Liverpool's ground*

*As we see them playing away,  
Running their hearts out, all of the day,  
Will they win? Will they draw?  
When they lose, it's such a bore.*

*Listen to the crowd, Oh, what a din  
They must know that they will win,  
Oh, what's this, will they score?  
Yes, they have, that makes it four.*

*As they play at seven-thirty tonight,  
Against Second Division Burnley,  
who put up a fight,  
There will be thousands of supporters in  
the crowd,  
Singing Liverpool's Song out very loud.*

As you will have seen from the front page, the Boys Section of our E.T. Competition has been won (dare I say it) by Gary Burke of 21 Min-y-Coed. It is a pity we cannot print colour in the Broadsheet for you to see the beautiful colouring of this offering (how did you manage to draw such a big circle, Gary?) which had to be greatly reduced in size to fit into the Broadsheet. The £2 Voucher kindly donated by Mr. Jack Stevens of The Wrexham Joke Shop will be on its way, shortly.

The Girls prize of another £2 Voucher goes to Miss Beth Williams of Geufron, Llangollen for her delightful poem about E.T.

*From the Outer Worlds he came,  
That creature who brought so much fame,  
The being whose name was E.T.  
And he was as friendly as could be.  
The very large head of this creature  
Was one of many distorted features.*

*His body that nearly touched the ground,  
And his voice, such a funny sound.  
He loved everybody that he knew,  
With exceptions, just a few.  
He loved to play with his little friend  
To make up the loss of his own to amend.  
So everyone help E.T. to get back  
And missing his friends, not to lack.*

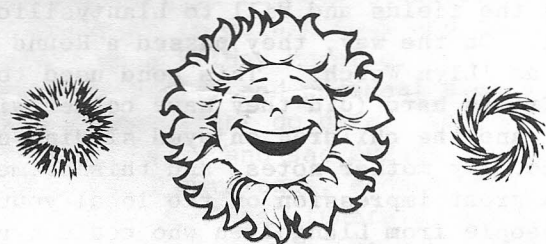
This week's prize will be £2.00 cash and the competition is to design a cover for a Llangollen school Sports Day programme (in colour or in black and white. Entries to Elbourn's, Cleators or Gwynedd Graphics by Saturday morning, please.

*My dog had to be put down, last week. Was it mad? Well, it wasn't very pleased....*

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### LLANGOLLEN RIVERSIDE

The Glyndwr District Council are to improve the steps leading from the Promenade to the playing area. They are also to improve the surface of the area and to attend to the tennis court fencing. It is hoped that a new bowling green hut is imminent.

### LLANGOLLEN ROTARY

The Club's team of K.Griffiths, R.Hicks, D.Cook and C.Sands won their way into the 4th Round of the District 118 Quiz Competition last week, beating Chester Rotary by 68 points to 56 at the Hand.

## MORE MEMORIES

I was glad to read in the Broadsheet (February 14th) that the Mayor and Councilors, when they visited the site, were delighted with the progress in the repairs to the Canal. Like the very many holiday-makers who look forward to a holiday of peace amid our superb scenery, they were glad that the repairs are expected to be completed by March 17th and that the Canal will be in use by Easter. But last Saturday, as my husband and I motored up towards the Pass, we noticed that the Canal beyond Tower Bridge was frozen. I remarked that, when 'The Editor' and our boys were at the 'County School' the Canal had been frozen and they had enjoyed themselves there. But Hywel reckoned that the hardest frost had been 1923/24. People went to skate on the Canal Basin, up the Canal towards Berwyn. The two skating stars then, were Mr. Humphrey Jones the Chemist and Mr. Prew the Upholsterer.

My mother was born at Abbey Farm and lived there for her first eight years. She mentions in her memoirs how the Fish Pond where the Monks used to farm fish for their Friday eating was often frozen, but the Pond and land around the Abbey was supposed to be sacred. She and later her little brother and the children from Abbey Terrace, walked across the fields and Hill to Llantysilio School. On the way, they passed a Round Pond known as 'Llyn Watch.' This pond used to become frozen hard (did they have colder winters then?) and the children enjoyed sliding on its surface. My mother notes, and this seemed to make a great impression on the local young, that people from Llangollen who could skate came there and they built bonfires to light up the scene and bake potatoes. The ladies skated carrying a hot potato in their muffs.

In Norway, and I saw this in the small town where my son lives, the Councils flood all the playing fields and continually keep them topped up and so a safe very hard frozen skating rink is available right through the long winter. Lights are hung all round. It is quite fascinating to watch the skaters enjoying themselves after their day's work. Actually, the paths through the forests where walks can be taken in the Spring and Summer and are snow covered for many months have lights suspended from tree to tree, so that folk can go ski-ing right up to midnight.

Mrs. Menna Tudor Edwards

## SAVE THE SALMON

*Major Tom Hughes-Parry is a name synonymous with salmon fishing and from his vast knowledge of the sport, plus invaluable records kept by his father and Mr. Duncan Robertson of Llantysilio Hall, one is able to see a vivid picture of the development of the sport over the last 100 years.*

*Major Hughes-Parry has kindly let us in to the secret of this development and the following is a resume of a very popular lecture which he has given on several occasions.*

Pollution was rife and the position of the salmon was desperate one hundred years ago. This was probably due to the vast amounts of untreated sewerage discharged directly into the Dee, together with waste from the flannel mills. Estuary fishermen took out 44 draft, 8 trammel and 15 coracle nets as opposed to the 55 rod licences granted in 1881. By 1885 the number of draft nets had risen to 85 and rod fishing began to decline rapidly, due to the heavy over-fishing of the estuary.

Conservation started in 1894, when the Oerog Hatchery was built at a cost of £150. The following year 80,000 ova were laid down, half coming from the Tweed. 1896 was a year for large fish, many over 30lbs being recorded and even one of 42lbs. Experts assume that this was a run of Wye fish which came up the Dee due to a large flood.

Due to the introduction of larger ova from the Rhine and the Spey in 1897, rod fishing gradually improved and by the turn of the century there were two distinct types of salmon in the Dee. The newly introduced shorter and deeper fish from the imported ova and the original old type of Dee fish - a long headed, lean and ugly salmon with large fins - a great jumper and a very hard fighter. This was difficult to kill, hence the then practise of tying the fish with string through its gills to the root of a tree or in the pen of a coracle.

The most numerous runs at this time, seem to have been in May and June, with a heavy September run; but over the ensuing years, this slowly changed to a heavy early spring run of big fish and a smaller Autumn run. However, it is a fact that salmon enter the Dee in every month of the year. Some may only be in fresh water for a month to spawn, whilst others may be in the river some eight or nine months before they spawn. The longer they are in fresh water the less silver they become and those that have been in the longest have nearly turned red and the flesh, instead of being pink

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and beautiful to eat, goes nearly white and tastes (in the opinion of Major Hughes-Parry) rather like cotton wool.

In 1920, the coracle nets, which had been taking a heavy toll of the fish, were bought out. The hatchery at Oerog was moved to Llandderfel; and then to Maerdy, on the Ceirw. At Pont Barcha on the Alwen the latest had a glass sided tank for observation, which unfortunately broke when the bridge collapsed. These improvements resulted in rod fishing steadily improving during the '20's and '30's with an excellent run of heavy fish in the early spring, part of this run being well above Llan-gollen before the season opened.

During Major Hughes-Parry's lifetime, the opening times of the season have been 1st March, 15th March & 1st April, with various bait restrictions at the start of the season, such as 'fly only' for the first month. 1981 saw the season start on 26th January and we will have to wait and see what happens during the next few years. In the 1920's every 'beat' had a coracle and he well remembers Sir Henry Robinson coming in his model T Ford FFI, parking on the A5 and going down to fish at the 'Lingo' pool with his coracle strapped to his back. (*Lingo - a very deep pool favoured by fishermen near the Ty'n-y-Wern Hotel. Supposedly named after a young girl named Margaret Lingo was drowned there over 150 years ago - see Wild Wales*). It is doubted that there are more than three coracles left on the whole of the river.

In 1953, a discharge of toxic waste was allowed to pollute the estuary, just at the time of the smolt migration. The waste floated back and forth with the tide and destroyed all fish life in the estuary. There was therefore very little spawning stock for 1955 and in this year, the level of Bala Lake was lowered by six feet, the theory being that the flooding at Bangor-on-Dee and Overton could be contained. This has not really worked properly and has upset the normal run of the river - whereas before, a flood would take a week to run down, they can not just shut the gates and contain the water.

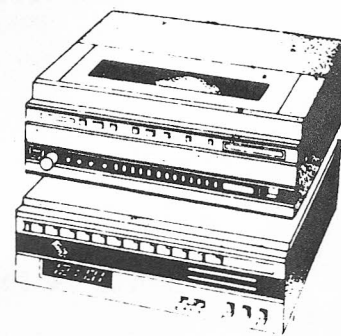
1966 saw Llangollen Weir demolished, causing fish to run straight through the middle reaches of the Dee, instead of resting there. In this year NYD was first noticed. The flesh of the fish, instead of being firm, rots and becomes a soft pulp - very nasty. The first sign of this disease is a white spot on the top of the head of a salmon. It is contagious and can spread to trout, coarse fish and eels.

At this time, 'offshore' netting was started and it is rumoured that up to a million salmon a year are being netted. No fish population can stand this sort of decimation.

Statistically, the heaviest salmon caught on a rod and line in the Dee was by Major Hughes-Parry's father in April 1935. It weighed 42½lb and was a hen fish which had spawned three times. Sold to Cross & Roberts of Wrexham for 1/9d per lb. (3d over the odds) it was laid on their slab for a couple of days for publicity purposes, before being cut up and sold.

The story Major Hughes-Parry is telling is stark and simple. It is that good river management and inter-breeding turned an average salmon river into an excellent one. Now, Man, by greed and pollution (helped by natural disease) is rapidly destroying it. Hence the title of this article - it is up to US to try and "SAVE THE SALMON."

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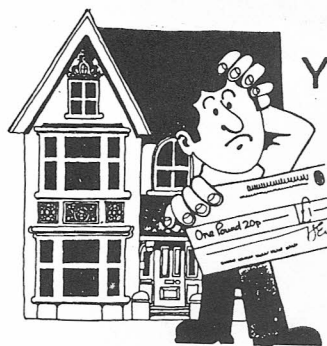
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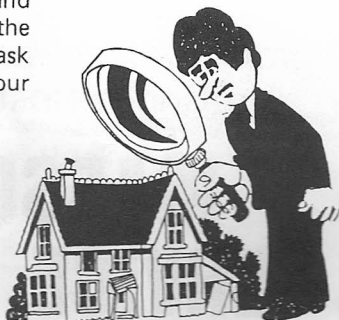
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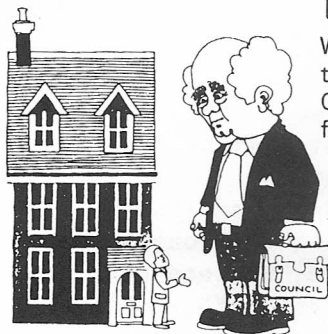
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## GOOD MORNING TO YOU

Our cover photo this week is one of the earliest ever taken of the Llangollen Town Band. It is believed to have been commissioned from Messrs. Lettsomes to celebrate new uniforms and silver instruments. If this were so, they could not have all been new, judging by the dents in the Bb bass.

Chairman (later President) was Mr. John Hiram Davies who can be seen sitting in the centre next to the bandmaster, whose name (I think) was Mr. Henry. Standing behind them are Mr. Shaw of the Hand and band secretary Mr. E.T. Davies, father of the late Miss Gwyneth Davies, Maesfryn. Standing at the back are Messrs. T.C. Davies and Ivor Rowlands. The 'civilian' standing on the right is Mr. W. Pencerdd Williams, father of the late W.S. Gwynn Williams.

Standing third from left is Mr. R. Ellis Evans with Mr. J. Henry Humphreys on his inside, both of whom were to become bandmasters. The cornettist fourth from the right is Mr. Sid Thomas. Can anyone fill in the blanks?

## PENTREDWR AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

The Association held a Whist Drive at the Community Centre last Friday February 25th. The Prizewinners were: 1st Ladies - Mrs. Eluned Evans; 1st Gent - Mr. Alan Williams; 2nd Ladies - Mrs. O. Williams; 2nd Gent - Mrs. G. Jones. Mrs. Sutherland and Master Trevor Davies won the Booby Prizes and the Raffle went to Mrs. O. Williams.

The M.C., Mr. J. Pickett, thanked Miss Joan Gollan for making the tea and biscuits and invited everyone back to the Centre on Friday March 11th at 7.00 pm.

## THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF THE WELSH FREE CHURCHES IN LLANGOLLEN

In the February meeting, members were addressed by Miss Dixon of Pontfadog. Miss Dixon related her experiences when setting up a Christian Youth Club as an extension of the usual religious services in a place of worship in the inner part of the City of Birmingham. The club was multi-racial and had been formed after it was realised that the conventional manner of presentation of the Christian faith did not appear to be reaching out to those who were in real need of its ministry.

At the commencement of the meeting the devotional part was taken by Mrs. J. Ffoulkes-Jones; the accompanist was Mrs. W. Davies and refreshments were provided by Mrs. B. Jones and Mrs. W. Davies. Miss Dixon was thanked by Mrs. Green for a very interesting and stimulating talk.

## CUB SCOUT NEWS

On Saturday February 13th, the District held a First Aid Competition in Plas Madoc. The Llangollen team of Gary Burke (*it's that man again!*), Jonathan Burman, Gareth Partington, David Field and Reserve Mark Thomas finished second behind Ruabon. Llangollen had 168 points and Ruabon 181. This is always an extremely hard competition and the Cubs did exceptionally well. Cefn were 3rd with 154 points. The Team celebrated the result with a swim in the pool.

On March 14th, the Cubs are holding an Open Night at the Scout and Guide Headquarters and anyone with an interest in Cub Scouting is welcome (including future Cubs and their parents).

*A lady went into a certain butcher's shop and inquired about a leg of lamb in the window.*

*"It's £8.50" said the butcher.*

*"That's terribly expensive" said the lady. "Ah, but it's Welsh" replied the butcher. "I want to eat it, not hold a conversation with it" she retorted.*

## THE LATE MR. ROBERT VERNON MORRIS

The funeral took place at Pentrebychan Crematorium on February 11th, of Mr. Robert Vernon Morris of 'Cotalow,' Willow Hill, Llangollen, who died suddenly at the War Memorial Hospital on February 7th, aged 75.

He leaves his wife, Enid and sisters Violet and Ruby.

Mr. Morris was a native of Trevor, where he was Scoutmaster of 1st Trevor Scouts. He later left for Surrey and Hampshire before retiring to Llangollen ten years ago. As well as being interested in the Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod, he was Treasurer of Abbeyfield Llangollen Society Ltd. for the last eight years, to which subscriptions (in lieu of flowers) amounting to £78 have been donated.

*Mrs. Morris and family desire to thank all friends and neighbours for their kind expressions of sympathy and donations.*

## TO THE EDITOR OF THE BROADSHEET

Dear Sir,

May I, through the columns of the Broadsheet, draw the attention of organisation in the Town to the existence of a Diary to publicise forthcoming events and to plan, as far as possible, that events do not clash.

The Diary is in the Library and is kindly provided every year by the Town Council. Could I also suggest that the Council themselves use this facility otherwise it makes the exercise rather pointless.

I have been asked by several people why the A.G.M. of the Civic Society is on the same night (March 8th) as the Town Council's Annual Public Meeting. I would like to point out that the A.G.M. was entered in the Diary at the beginning of January and, there being no other event entered for that date, the arrangements were then finalised.

GWYN JONES

(Secretary to the Llangollen Civic Society)  
p.s. May I say how good it is to have a local paper again and to wish the revived Broadsheet every success in the future.

*Thank you Mr. Jones; I seem to remember your point being similarly raised in the old Broadsheet.*



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## LLANGOLLEN CIVIC SOCIETY A.G.M.

The A.G.M. will be held in the Hand Hotel on Tuesday March 8th at 7.30 pm.

The order of business will be:

- 1/ Chairman's Report.
- 2/ Secretary's Report.
- 3/ Treasurer's Report & Accounts.
- 4/ Election of Officers.
- 5/ Election of Two Committee Members.
- 6/ Determine subscriptions for 1983.
- 7/ Any other business.

The business meeting will be followed by an address by Lord Taylor M.D., F.R.C.S. of Harlow on 'The Story of New Towns.'

The Treasurer would like to remind members that there are a few outstanding subscriptions for 1982/83. It would greatly assist the organisation of the Society if outstanding subscriptions could be paid not later than the A.G.M. since the committee are anxious to keep the rates as low as possible.

## LEAGUE OF FRIENDS TO THE ORTHOPAEDIC HOSPITAL

The A.G.M. of the Llangollen Branch was held at the Bishop Trevor Cafe on 21st February.

The Chairman, Mrs. Phyllis Goddard, was re-elected together with all other officers and committee members. It is possible to co-opt further members and as there are many people in Llangollen who owe their freedom from pain to the Orthopaedic, the committee would be grateful if they would like to offer their services. In Llangollen there are also many people who pay an annual subscription to the League of Friends, they do not wish to be committee members but are always ready to support money-making efforts. Should anyone else like to become a subscribing member, Mrs. Barbara Parry Jones would welcome them at the Midland Bank!

Mr. Leo Denny of Oswestry - the Chairman of the whole League and the Organising Secretary, Mrs. Dorothy Lloyd, attended the meeting and were able to give those present an insight into the way the money collected, is spent. The Area Health Authority are no longer able to find all the funds needed to run the Hospitals these days and Leagues of Friends are being called on in many ways. The League in recent years has furnished overnight accommodation for relations to stay at the Hospital, the new Hairdressing Salon for the use of patients and nurses has recently been featured on H.T.V., who described it as "a tremendous morale booster." Extra equipment has been bought for the Physiotherapy Dept., the Physios having raised much of the money themselves. The whole Hospital has been equipped with Kings Fund beds for the greater comfort of the patients and to ease the work of the nurses. This has been an on-going project as money became available. The League contributes annually to research projects within the Hospital and is always ready to listen to appeals from different departments as to ways in which it can help.

## WREXHAM MAELOR ANTIQUE COLLECTORS CLUB

Mrs. Fitzhugh of Plas Power addressed the Club on the most absorbing topic of "Fitzhugh Porcelain" on February 23rd. Knowing nothing of what the title meant, all were surprised to find that a certain pattern of Chinese export porcelain had been brought to England in the 18th century by an ancestor of the Fitzhughs and although the family only possess two large pieces now, it has given its name to a pattern still made by Copeland-Spode and certain American factories. The connection being that a Mary Fitzhugh married the adopted son of George Washington. Mrs. Fitzhugh spoke of her holiday in America where she had seen many pieces and met some very interesting people. She was also presented with a plate similar to a set off which the Queen dined, when a visitor to the White House. Naturally it was in the Fitzhugh pattern, superimposed with a large American eagle!

The next meeting of the Club will be on March 30th and the talk will be on "Victoriana." Visitors welcome at 50p. The Club meets in St. John's Church Hall, Rhosddu Road, Wrexham on the last Wednesday in the month.

## MEMORIES

Now that the Junior School (the Church School) has been closed and while Llangollen Church is temporarily closed for restoration, let us delve into the past.

A long time ago, before the Church as we know it had been built, a narrow road went up from the back of the Hand Hotel along the boundary of the Churchyard. It was known as Park Street. Near the gate to the Churchyard stood a building. It was here that the Bier (Yr Elor) was kept. In the room above, the Church School was held. A path ran across the Churchyard from Park Street to Church Street, coming out by 'The Vaults.' There were so many pubs in Church Street and their names often changed. I wonder where 'The Vaults' stood?

An amusing story is told of an event that took place at this time. Very late one night the Sexton was busy preparing a grave. He had dug pretty deep and was resting from his hard labours - sitting on his heels at the bottom by the light of his candle. He heard footsteps going along the path near the top of the grave. He called up to ask what the time was. The man on the path had such a fright - he thought it was a ghost! Terrified he shouted "It's much too early for you to get up anyway" and he took to his heels as fast as he could go.

Mrs. Menna Tudor Edwards

# CHILDREN'S CORNER

What can I say about this week's response we have been deluged by entries and you have no idea what encouragement this gives us.

We've had a very nice letter from Gary Burke explaining that he drew the circle in his last week's winning entry by pinning a length of wool to the middle of the paper with a pencil tied to the other end. He also tells me that he has told all his friends about the Broadsheet competitions. Judging by the entries this week, he has been very busy.

I have a confession to make. I have been laid low with 'flu and have not been able to collect the Joke Shop Vouchers for our last winners but by the time you read this column, they will have been picked up and posted.

We've had terrible trouble picking the winner of this week's £2.00. After much discussion we decided to award the prize to Peter Wilson of Ceirios, Fron Bache. But we also felt that 8 year old Mark Roberts of Colinwood Tyn-y-Celyn Drive deserved something for his really colourful effort, so we are supplementing his pocket money by 50p. A special mention goes to Antony Cook of Bryntysilio. His effort was probably the best, technically, but we thought that it was a bit spartan and needed some colour and more information.

But many thanks to the other girls and boys (some of whom already seem to be 'regulars') who entered. You'll get your rewards sooner or later - the main thing about these competitions is **TAKING THE TROUBLE TO ENTER.**

Which brings us to this week's competition. It is going to give you a load of trouble, but you can get anyone you want to help you with the questions and answers. It is all a matter of **TAKING THE TROUBLE.** The competition is in four parts and the first all-correct entry opened next Sunday will win £2.00 in cash. The second all-correct entry opened will win £1.00 cash.

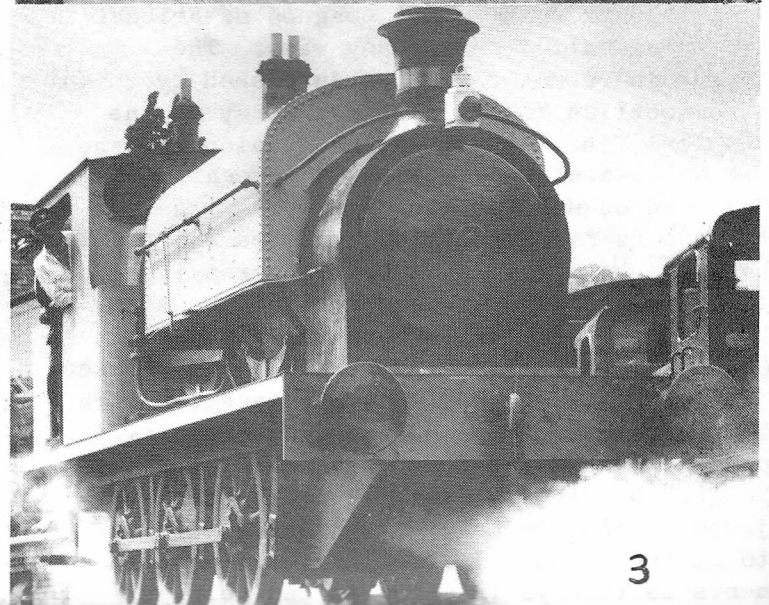
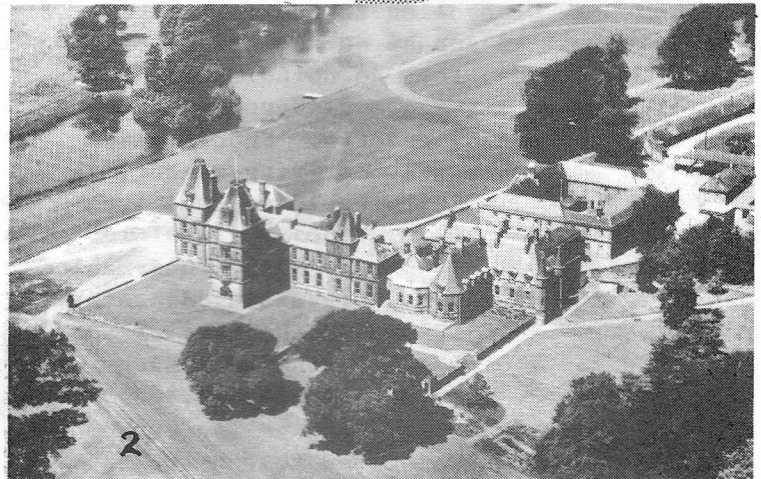
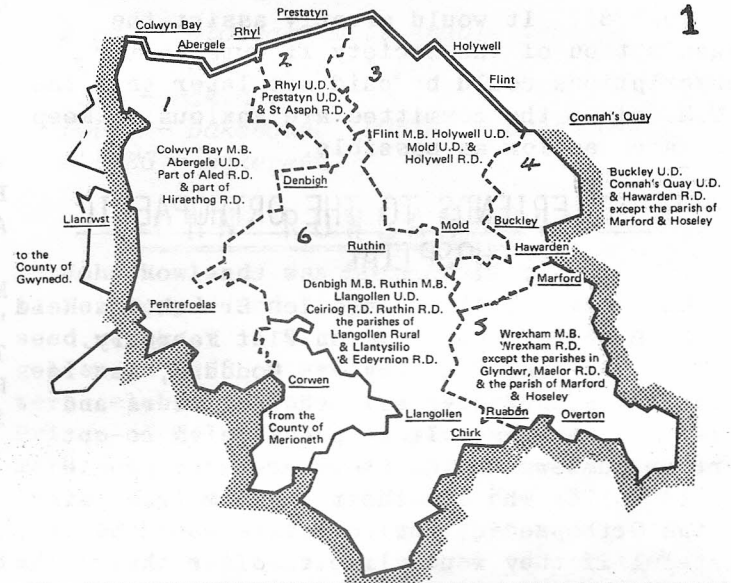
Here is your competition - The County of Clwyd has six District Council Areas. Although Llangollen has a Council and even a Mayor, if you want to find the 'phone number of Llangollen Council in the 'phone book, you have to look under the District Council Heading, which can be very confusing and which also gave me the idea of including some important phone numbers in the Broadsheet every week. Anyway, our drawing No. 1 shows Clwyd and the six District Council areas with the names of the Councils deleted. We want you to fill in all six correctly.

The second part of the competition (illustration No. 2) shows a large 'country house' not very far from Llangollen. I want you to give me its present title and also its original name.

Picture No. 3 shows a locomotive belonging to the Llangollen Railway in steam for the first time after its restoration. I want you to give me the name of the engine.

Lastly, we show in picture 4 a photo from the last century, of a building still very much in existence today, close to Llangollen. We want you to name it, of course. We will give you a clue - regular readers of the new Broadsheet will have seen it in an earlier issue.

Bit of a teaser, isn't it? However, mums and dads, teachers, etc. may help (hint - you won't all storm the Tourist Information Office will you?). Just get your answers to: Elbourn's, Cleators or Gwynedd Graphics by this Saturday 5th March 1983. Best of luck!!





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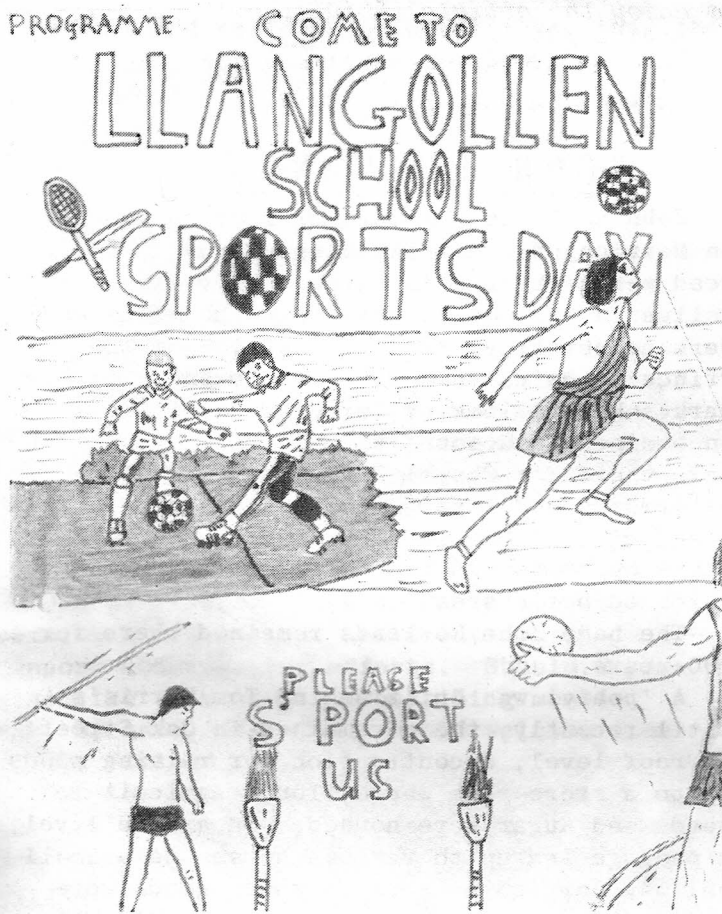
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*With regard to Mrs. Menma Tudor Edwards'  
recollections of the village bakehouse, Mr.  
Rowlands Hughes, having recovered from a  
severe bout of 'flu has dutifully supplied  
an extremely interesting article on his  
forbear, John Rowlands.*

*A small glossary will enable the 'Sais'  
to enjoy the article in full.*

*POBI - Baking.*

*POBTY - Bakehouse (POBTAI - Bakehouses.)*

*POBREG - Bakeress.*

## JOHN ROWLANDS

John Rowlands was born of farming stock  
in Meirionydd and trained as a provision and  
seed merchant in Flintshire. He visited Llan-  
gollen in 1863 on the day that the townspeople  
were celebrating the Royal Wedding of the  
Prince of Wales and Princess Alexandra of Den-  
mark. He was looking for premises to set up  
in business and found them in Hall Street. He  
left there for Chapel Street not very long  
afterwards and later on bought the premises on  
the corner of Castle Street and Oak Street  
where Burnetts and Tom Harriss's have now est-  
ablished businesses.

The name John Rowlands remained there for  
100 years.

A 'pobty' was built behind Tom Harris's  
Until recently, there remained in Oak Street  
at roof level, a contraption for raising goods  
up to a store-room where flour, agricultural  
seeds and sugar were housed. On ground level,  
a passage led up to the bakehouse and a small  
railway carried a truck on which goods were  
transported to the bakehouse in one direction  
and also cheeses, barrels of tub butter,  
barrels of syrup, sides of bacon, hams, etc.  
were delivered to a side door of the shop  
by way of the other half of the railway which  
was at right-angles to the bakehouse half.

Whether public baking was done on the prem-  
ises in my grandfather's time I do not know,  
but it may have been carried out later, after  
his demise in 1908. But in the Town, there  
were many baking houses. Some dealing with  
almost nothing else but bread. In the 1890's  
Ann Jones 'pobwreg' or pobreg' opened a bake-  
house in Dee Lane, announcing that she did  
public baking daily. There was also a large  
bakehouse run by a man in Chapel Street and  
another 'pobreg' did public baking in Queen  
Street. Sometime about the beginning of this  
century, the late Mr. Andrew Jones, who had  
come to the town as a baker for my grandfather  
opened a successful bakery in Church Street.

These mentioned are only some of the many bakehouses in the Town in the late 19th and early 20th century.

I recall various townspeople, now dead, who told me how as children one of their many weekly duties was the carrying of their family dough to this or that favoured bakehouse. One used a two wheeled truck to take his consignment of dough to Ann Jones' Pobty. Another had an old perambulator to do the same job. Another recalled how he hated the task of carrying, with the help of his smaller brother, a heavy load in a very large basket. Families were often large in the 19th century and one such was a family of seven children plus ma and pa who all lived in one of those very small cottages in Abbey Square, near the Railway Station. A long line of children in twos was to be seen twice a week crossing the Llan Bridge loaded firstly with dough and later with piles of jolly looking 3lb. loaves carried in flour sacks.

One of the oldest traditions of cooking in Wales was the baking of bread and also meat in an iron pan, really a form of cauldron with a flat lid. With the dough in it, this was sunk into the burning peat so that the whole article was immersed in the red hot fuel. Another variation was an upturned cauldron on a flat area of rocks out of doors and a fire built around it.

In 1945 I was looking at an interesting small farmhouse high up on the hills above Llanrwst. In conversation with the elderly farmer I spoke of cooking and what could he remember of the methods used by his mother. He remembered as a child seeing his mother baking bread in an iron cauldron with a lid, all buried in an open fire outside on the edge of the farmyard.

In the past it was necessary to have a bread baker in every parish or village. It was also the LAW that a baker had to be trained and qualified to carry on that craft. Today, a bakehouse has long been a machine, regulated by a thermometer! In the last half of the 18th & all the 19th centuries, baking was done as a trade with a very large stone or brick oven and home baking done in comparatively small stone or brick ovens.

Women were very often bakers in the past and many are recorded. There is a record of one Elen Roberts who carried on this craft in Penrhyn, North Wales in 1790.

Also in the 19th century women were to be found who made wet yeast with hops and unrefined sugar and sold it to householders who baked their own bread. In the 19th century most farmers had their own stone or mostly brick ovens with a round overhead brick dome and closed with an iron door. These were built either outside, up against the house, or often in the back kitchen. The oven was fired with small wood, birchwood or dry gorse from the hills. Once the oven was fully heated, the remains of the fire was raked out

and the loaves put in. Sometimes, when the bread was out, a ham might be put in place of the baked bread. It would be left for many hours, possibly until the next day, baking slowly in the cooling oven - the ideal cooking conditions - and eventually producing the most mouth-watering meals to look forward to for several days.

In the 1920's I very well recall, and with great pleasure, a 'pobreg' carrying on her trade in Llandrillo near Corwen, where she supplied the villagers with the most delectable bread. It was a cottage at the top of the street and from this street you entered a room and were confronted with the most heavenly perfume of fresh hot bread of a most specific quality. This old lady, the pobreg, just before the bread was ready to take out of her large brick oven, would cover the loaves with sheets of brown paper. This resulted in a very special flavour given to the beautiful crust.

R. ROWLANDS HUGHES

*Three Scouse inebriates were spotted by a member of the Fuzz in the centre of the city. When he drew nigh, they chorused "Evening, Plod" which really did not help their plight.*

*He addressed the apparent ringleader "You're drunk, what's your name?" This gentleman turned to his compatriots and said in a stage whisper "Never give your correct name to the fuzz." He gazed about him for several seconds and then said "John Collier, officer." The second gentlemen caught on and when asked, said "F.W. Woolworth, sargeant." The constable wearily asked the third member and was pleasantly surprised when he received the hurried nervous reply "It's Ken, Sir, It's Ken, Sir." "Thanks very much, son" he said, gratefully, "Ken what?"*

*"Tuckj Fried Chicken, Inspector" chortled the miscreant, delightedly!*

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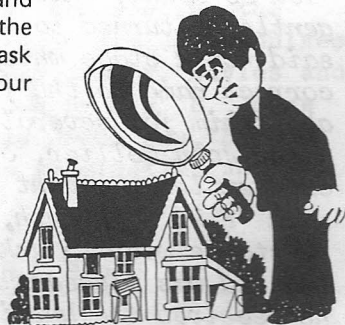
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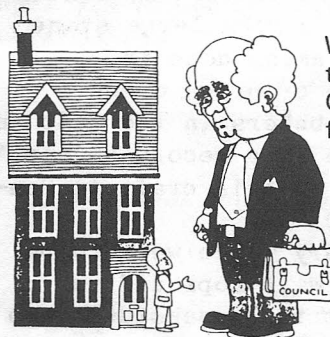


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### GOOD MORNING TO YOU

Following the great interest shown in last week's photo of the Town Band, we herewith print another of the same band, much later and much more informal. It was taken some fifteen years ago at Argoed Hall and shows the late Joe Daniels watching the proceedings on his eightieth birthday. Also seen on the photo are the late Sam Heyward, the late Llew Jones, Bill Thomas, John Thomas and Paddy Kenyon of Chester.

## NEW USE FOR CHURCH SCHOOL PLAYGROUND?

At the Glyndwr District Council Environment and Leisure Committee on 1st March, a proposition by Councillor V. Lloyd Parry that the Llangollen Church Authority be approached as to the possibility of the unused school playground off the A5 road be used as a temporary car park, was carried. This could be beneficial to the Town plus a source of revenue towards the Church Roof Restoration Fund.

## A LETTER TO THE BROADSHEET

Dear Sir,

I am writing to you about the appeal for funds for the restoration of St. Collen's Church in Llangollen in an effort to preserve the marvellous oak ceiling of the nave. The Llangollen Branch of the Royal British Legion, at their Monthly Meeting on Tuesday 1st March, decided to make a donation of £100 towards this Fund and hope that the people of Llangollen will give as generously as possible, as well. We all believe that this is something worth preserving as the Church has for centuries been the centre of people's faith and I like to think that the craftsmen who carved this wonderful work many years ago, did so as a tribute to their faith. We should preserve preserve it also as a memorial to those craftsmen who, without today's modern tools, created such wonderful work. We should also think of future generations to come, for unless we do this, the beautiful work will be lost for ever and also to show that Christianity is still strong and will continue.

I would also wish all the people of Llangollen to know that it's their church which gave the Town its name "Llan Collen" the church of Collen. So I appeal to all to help as much as possible to raise the money to preserve our church. And when entering the church, look up to the roof of the nave and gaze at the wonderful carvings in oak and wood, remembering that it was on a cross of wood that Christ was crucified for our Salvation.

Yours sincerely,

L. Davies

10 Aberadda, Hill Street

## LLANGOLLEN SOCIALIST ADOPTION

At a recent meeting of the Llangollen Branch of the Labour Party, Mr. A.J. Tobin was adopted as a prospective candidate for the Llangollen Ward in the forthcoming elections for the Glyndwr District Council. The next Branch Meeting will be held at the Cambrian Hotel on Thursday 17th March at 7.30 pm. All are invited to attend.

## LLANGOLLEN LAWN TENNIS CLUB

The AGM will be held next Monday 14th March at the Cambrian Hotel, starting at 8 pm prompt. They hop to have an enthusiastic start to the new season and anyone interested is cordially invited to the meeting. New members will be welcomed.

## LLANGOLLEN RAMBLERS

Last Sunday, seven members enjoyed a walk along the sandstone trail in the Bickerton Hills, ending with a visit to Beeston Castle. Everyone considered the outing really worthwhile.

Next Sunday, 13th March, members meet at 1.30 pm outside the main entrance to the Smithfield in Market Street, to go for a walk in the Nantvr area.

PLEASE NOTE STARTING TIME OF 1.30 pm - NOT 10.30 am as stated in the Diary.

## LLANGOLLEN & DISTRICT CHAMBER OF TRADE

A General Meeting of the Llangollen and District Chamber of Trade and Commerce will be held in the Denbigh Room of the Hand Hotel, Bridge Street on Tuesday March 15th at 8.15 pm.

An interesting Agenda has been prepared and all those with business concerns in this region are cordially invited to attend.

*Ask not what you can do for your Chamber; but, rather, what can your Chamber do for you. (with apologies to J.F.Kennedy).*

## EARLY ARRIVALS

Un-expected but very welcome lambs arrived in the Pentredwr valley this last week. Eryl Hughes' flock at Pentredwr Farm produced the first, closely followed by a lamb appearing at feeding time on Sam Ellis' farm at Tan-y-Bwlch.

I wonder how long they must wait for companions?  
*J. Pickett*

## ART EXHIBITION

Mr. Stan Coulter of Berwyn is holding an exhibition of oil paintings, charcoal drawings, indian ink drawing, bottle art, plate art, photographs etc. at the Sun Inn, Rhewl throughout Easter Week. These will include board exhibits of Early Village Life and the Beautiful Vale of Rhewl. There will be a photoboard competition and a business men's raffle.

Collections will be in aid of outings and social occasions for the Llantysilio Over-Sixties Club. More details and examples of Mr. Coulter's art will be published in a later edition nearer the date.

## A LETTER FROM AMERICA

Mrs. Johnson of 11 Pengwern has kindly sent us the following cutting with a photo of her daughter Pat, who has lived in Boston for some years. Unfortunately, it is only a photocopy.



PAT JOHNSON tries a steady hand with the Mari Lwyd.  
Beverly Rodda photo

## Revival of traditions highlights Boston 'Revels'

By Beverly Rodda

**BOSTON, Mass.** — The Greater Boston Cymrodorion Society is again looking forward to its annual Welsh Christmas Revels and Banquet, always one of the highlights of the year.

The event will again be held in the atmospheric Workshop-Women's Club, where warming pans hang by the fireplace and a jac-y-do has been sighted in the rafters.

As in the past, a home-cooked meal, including the traditional wassail, will be prepared by society members.

The varied entertainment — folk songs, traditional dances, readings and carols — will be provided by Brethyn Cartref, in full Welsh costume.

The distinguishing feature of this group is the frequent use of songs in Welsh, and the incorporation of colorful old folk customs.

One of these customs entails a visit by the well-dressed, but always unruly, Mari Lwyd — the "Grey Mare" who frequently accompanied wassailers in South Wales.

The Mari Lwyd used to be fashioned from a bleached horse skull, but due to the dearth of horse skulls in the Boston area, prop artist Carolyn Probert has made Brethyn Cartref's model out of wood and paper mache. Its jaw can snap, so a sergeant is always appointed to hold the reins.

But if a good looking woman is at hand, chances are the sergeant won't be able to restrain Mari from showing off a few dance steps.

In this way, the Mari Lwyd tries to distract everyone from the main activity — the challenge between the wassailing party and the household being visited as to who can sing the best. Somehow, the wassailers always manage to gain entrance to the house and some wassail, plus an apple or two, for their efforts.

Several other Welsh customs, such as the wren hunt, are explained before the evening closes with a Christmas carol sing.

To make reservations for this very special Christmas entertainment, please check Y Drych's Calendar section.

*Ed: Reading the above reminds me that there used to be a newspaper printed in Bala called "Y Drych." I remember being asked to print it one week. Does any remember??*

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Ysgol Bryn Collen (Juniors)	861125
Ysgol Bryn Collen (Infants)	861126
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Llangollen Library	860720
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Maelor General Hospital	353153
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Council Offices	860234
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## THE DEE VALLEY PROBUS CLUB OF LLANGOLLEN AND DISTRICT

Last Tuesday's meeting of Probus at the Hand Hotel celebrated St. David's Day with a talk "As Others See Us". This was a light-hearted dissertation on the Welsh character, illustrated by some extracts from Dylan Thomas on his return to Swansea after an absence of 14 years and also from his 'Under Milkwood.' The talk also referred to Shakespear's Henry V and other plays and stimulated an interesting discussion by the members present, which ran into extra time!

## LLANGOLLEN FLOWER ARRANGEMENT SOCIETY

"Congratulations & Celebrations" was the title chosen by the guest demonstrator at the Hand Hotel on February 22nd. Mr. Kevin Davies from the Horticultural College at Northop was welcomed back to the Club by the chairman, Mrs. Phyllis Roberts.

With his Cardigan accent and quick wit, he kept members and guests entertained for two hours. The first arrangement was "Magic" with a top hat and playing cards mingling with white lilac, carnations and chrysanthemums. A Welsh Dragon for St. David's Day with, of course, daffodils and leeks and, for the Club's 19th birthday, a champagne cocktail arrangement. By using orchids, anemonies and gypsophilia together with a champagne bottle, Mr. Davies made an effervescent effect with a final touch of lighted sparklers amongst the flowers and one from the Dragon's mouth!

Mrs. P. Roberts thanked Mr. Davies for such a wonderful evening and for all the first class flowers he had used and the useful tips he had passed on.

## SOCCER IN SHORT

Last Saturday, Llangollen scored three goals at Tower Field but still did not take the points as Buckley also managed to score three.

The Reserves narrowly lost by three goals to two at New Broughton.

Dobson and Crowther's opponents could not manage to bring more than a handful of players to Llangollen last Sunday morning so the game against Oddfellows did not get under way.

*A punk rock concert was cancelled last week when the star of the show was unable to appear at the last minute. It appears that he was putting some toilet water on his face when the seat fell & gave him a nasty crack on the head.*

## LLANGOLLEN BROWNIES

The 1st Llangollen Brownie Pack celebrated Thinking Day (which commemorates the birthdays of the late Lord and Lady Baden-Powell) by holding an International Evening. On a table decorated in the Guide colours of blue and gold with Norwegian candle-holders and pictures of Brownies of many lands, each Brownie lit a candle representing a different country. Overseas games were played and projects on foreign countries were admired.

On Sunday February 27th Brownies and Guides from the 1st Llangollen units attended an afternoon service at St. John's Church, Llangollen, which was conducted by Rev. M. Williams. Lessons were read by Brownies Sarah Richards and Nina Field and Guides Emma Burman, Susan Whitfield and Claire Prakel. Brownie colours were carried by Helen Pritchard with Nicola Edwards and Margaret Lloyd as escorts. Guide colours were carried by Sharon Hobbs with Helen Baker and Emma Burman as escorts. Guiders Mrs. Sandra Field and Mrs. Glenys Burman led the Guides and Brownies in renewing their promise.

## STEAM POWER

A fairly regular occurrence in Wrexham is the sight of a train pulled by a steam locomotive. Usually when one is due, the children and I rush to Rhosrobin Bridge down the road and wait for the great puffs to appear on Gresford Bank and watch the engine thunder down the long straight and under the bridge, enveloping us all with that wonderful sulphurous aroma. Large companies have steam train outings - one of the last we saw was an outing of employees of Bulmers Cyder going back to Hereford.

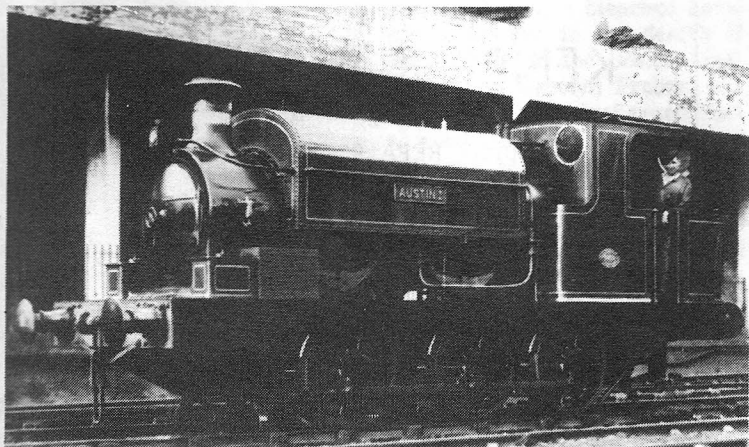
On the way home from Llangollen last Saturday I was fortunate enough to see the Welsh Marches Pullman pulled by the ex-Southern Railways locomotive Sir Lamiel. It stopped for a time at Ruabon Station and we were able to examine it in steam at close quarters.

However, something struck me at that time which I had never thought of before. Just throwing off the effects of 'flu, I was left with a bad chest. The vast clouds of smoke and steam played havoc with my cough after a few minutes and my thoughts went to the effects of an old canopied station such as Paddington or Chester, full of steamers, on a person with bronchitis. There is something to be said for diesels after all!

*Morning service was interrupted last Sunday when a man threw a bottle of Domestos at the preacher. Police were called and a man was later charged with a bleach of the priest .....*

## CHILDRENS CORNER

There were no all-correct entries for last week's competition, but at least we did get entries and I have decided to award £1 each to the two nearest to an all-correct entry. They are (would you believe it!) Gary Burke of 21 Min-y-Coed who told us correctly that the Hall was Lindisfarne College, formerly Wynnstay Hall, home of the Watkins-Wynn family. He was correct in saying that the locomotive was 'Austin I' (seen below in its working days). The building was the Britannia Inn (he was also correct about this) seen long before the road was altered to take away the terrible bend (which claimed the life of a cousin of mine). In fact, Gary's only mistake was to miss out the 6th district in the County of Clwyd question - he got the first five correct. These were Colwyn, Rhuddlan, Delyn, Alyn & Deeside, Wrexham Maelor and Glyndwr (fancy missing out Glyndwr, Gary) and these were named correctly by someone who lives at Geufron, Llangollen but who said that the building was the old Waterloo Inn (it does look like it, doesn't it?). Anyway, Gary gets £1 for his effort and the person who lives at Geufron will also get one if he/she writes it giving me a name (or ring if you like). One entry was addressed to 'Carlyle Graphics.' It is actually Gwynedd Graphics, but it shows that front page advertising in the Broadsheet is being noticed!! (that's really for the grown-ups).



My wife and family say that I am not being fair to the younger readers with the competitions and my son Robert has told me that this week's competition for children of eight or under is to draw an Easter Bunny. The best one (or if there are more than six, the best two) will receive a £1 note. Entries by Saturday, please. For the nine to fourteen year olds, my daughter Clare has devised the competition. It is to untangle the following jumbled letters to make the names of famous composers. The first correct entry opened (or again, if more than six, the first two opened) will receive £1.

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| 3/ RWNAGE    | 6/ KYVTASKOHIC |

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## THE BROADSHEET DIARY

### TUESDAY 8th MARCH (TONIGHT)

St. Colleen's Mother's Union/Llangollen Parish Church Corporate Communion in St. John's Welsh Church - 10.30 am.  
Pentredwr W.I. - Pentredwr Community Centre at 7 pm.  
Llangollen Town Council - Annual Town Meeting, Town Hall, 7.30 pm.  
Llangollen Civic Society A.G.M. at the Hand Hotel at 7.30 pm.

### WHAT A WASTE OF THE LIBRARY DIARY

#### THURSDAY 10th MARCH

Llangollen Youth Club A.G.M. at the Youth Club 7.30 pm.

#### FRIDAY 11th MARCH

Llangollen & Dist. W.I. Market at the Town Hall 10 am - 12 noon.  
Pentredwr & Dist. Community Association Whist Drive - Community Centre 7 pm.

#### SUNDAY 13th MARCH

Llangollen Ramblers - Nantyr Walk, meet at Smithfield Entrance 1.30pm

#### MONDAY 14th MARCH

Llangollen & Llantysilio Church Ladies Fellowship. Welfare House at 7.30 pm.  
Llangollen Cancer Research Campaign A.G.M. at Council Chamber 8 pm.  
Llangollen Tennis Club A.G.M. at the Cambrian Hotel, 8 pm.

*This is perfectly true - last Saturday we called at a chip shop in Wrexham on the way home and several youngsters were playing a 'space invader' type machine. A young girl pointed to a boy operating the machine and then shouted to a young man serving at the counter and said "Hey, didn't you used to be his brother."*

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## LOOKING BACK WITH A FAIR VIEW

Since reading about John Rowland's Bakehouse, it has been on my mind a lot and I was telling my family how I used to go to the Bakehouse every Tuesday and Friday for my mother. I had a small truck which my father made, with four pram wheels and Mr. Williams the Baker used to give me one of the currant buns straight from the oven when I called. The charge for each loaf to be baked was  $\frac{1}{2}d$  (for younger readers -  $2.4d = 1p$ ). My mother was able to bake in her own oven, but not enough for us all. She even had medals for both bread and bara brith which she won at a Show held in Pengwern - I can't remember the exact field in which it was held.

Our home was very humble, but there was never a dull moment. My father used to bring home farmers from the Market on a Tuesday, to wait for the four o'clock train to Bala and Dolgellau. One of these was Bob Roberts, Tair Felyn, who was on the radio occasionally and these farmers were only a few of the people who used to call on us, so you can see why my mother had to keep baking!

I remember a chap called Bob Lloyd, Bala. He used to come down on a motor bike, to sing at the Eisteddfod at Rehoboth Chapel. He would park his bike at Fair View and then run across to the Jenny Jones for a pint. Afterwards he would ask my mum for some vasaline to stick a little bit of hair up on top of his head for good luck. He did win once, but he was fined on the way home as he had no licence!

The picture in the Broadsheet today looks like the Britannia, but Miss Roberts' shop on top of the Castle was similar. We used to buy sweets and pop there, which she carried up with the donkey.

How pleased my family and I are to see the broadsheet back.

Yours faithfully,  
Mrs. M. Spilsted,  
10 Pengwern.

Thank you for writing Mrs. Spilsted. Fair View was indeed a happy place. The family all had a great love of animals, particularly horses, a fact which is reflected in Mrs. Spilsted's Brother, Bryn Williams. He is an official of the R.S.P.C.A. in South Wales. I remember as a boy being greatly in awe of the stables at the bottom of Fair View which were covered from floor to ceiling in rosettes and prizewinners' certificates. The house itself was bedecked with horse brasses and was a continual source of amazement. I seem to remember that they also had the finest lilac trees in Llangollen.

I also remember Bob Lloyd, Bala. I was talking with a friend of mine who comes from Bala, recently and we were discussing 'Bob Lloyd, Bala.' It seems there were two Bob

Lloyds from Bala, both singers, but I know the one Mrs. Spilsted mentions. He was getting on when I first came across him, but he could still hold an audience spellbound with 'hwyl.' One day, I will have to tell you about the riotous (literally!) concerts the Llangollen Band used to perform in 'up country' with the likes of Bob Lloyd, Bala.

*These two sailors were ship-wrecked and ended up on an iceberg in the north Atlantic. Suddenly, one woke up the other and shouted "We're saved, there's a ship coming for us. And what a stroke of luck, it's not any old steamer, it's no less than the S.S. Titanic."*



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# LLANGOLLEN AT WAR - ITEMS REPRODUCED FROM THE LLANGOLLEN ADVERTISER OF NOVEMBER 19TH 1915

## THE GREAT CANVASS.

### THE POSITION AT LLANGOLLEN.

Only ten days remain of the period appointed for the test as to whether the Voluntary principle of enlistment is to prove effective in raising the number of men required to supply the needs of the army, that have been roughly estimated to be 30,000 weekly, in order to make good the wastage of War, and to maintain our forces at the front in full strength. The result is still in doubt but, during the week, recruiting has been in full swing throughout the country and, at Llangollen, the general tone of the replies of those engaged in the work is hopeful, if not optimistic. The following local men, after the necessary preliminaries, have been attested and signed on in their various classes, to come up when called upon:—

Evan Edward Hughes, 26, Hall-street,  
Charles H. Roberts, 1, Dee-mill-pace,  
Fred Charles Jones, 20, Market-street,  
Frank Edwards, Church-street,  
Sidney M. Thomas, 3, Tanrall-terrace,  
Edward Roberts, 2 Arnon-terrace,  
F. Walter Phelps, Bryn Gwilym, Birch-hill,  
David Richard Evans, Fron Basue,  
William Lloyd, Central Supply Stores.

A number of others have passed the medical examination, but have not yet been attested. Their names will appear next week. During the next ten days strenuous exertions will be made by the recruiters to increase, by every possible persuasive means, the list of local men willing to do their duty to King and Country.

## WAR BREVITIES.

Lieut. George B. Darlington arrived at Plas Teg, Llangollen, on Wednesday evening from the front, on short leave home.

Mr. Frank Stuart Lloyd, of the 13th Batt R.W.F., and son of Mr. Frank Lloyd, Eyton House, Wrexham, has been gazetted captain and adjutant.

The canvassers appointed by the Corwen District Council began their campaign last week, and already signs are not wanting that it will yield good fruit, several men having joined in the district before being canvassed.

Mr. R. C. Riddell, who recently completed his articles with Messrs Coward & Co., timber merchants, Llangollen, has been granted a commission as Second Lieutenant in the R.W.F. (Montgomery Territorials).

The Welsh and English Presbyterian Churches of Wales have united in a petition to the Government urging them to declare the whole of the Principality a munitions area under the Defence of the Realm Act.

Pte. T. Jones, of the Army Service Corps (Mechanical Transport) who was invalided home suffering from gastritis, some time back, having seen hard service in France, has been discharged from hospital, and is now all but recovered, and staying at Llangollen.

Letters have been received from Corporal John Charlton, Ormond Villas, Llangollen of the Army Service Corps (Motor Transport) who has been, for three months in France and who draws a vivid picture of the conditions under which he has been undergoing most interesting experiences. He is in the best of health.

During the week-end a large number of men attached to the Denbighshire Yeomanry who are under orders to proceed to the front have been home on leave. It is probable that the Yeomanry, without their horses may leave the South of England, where they have been in training since the war broke out, and in a few days time Warrant Officer E. Williams and Corp Archie Ellis are attached to the Yeomanry.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

[We do not hold ourselves responsible for the opinion of our Correspondent.—Ed].

### WANTED FOR THE WELSH HORSE.

To the Editor of the "Llangollen Advertiser."

Sir,—Our 1st Welsh Horse, in Gallipoli are in want of warm undervests and pants, socks and wristlets, as the nights there are very cold. All articles sent to:—

Mrs. HUGHES PARRY,  
2 Doanogoch,  
Brecon.

will be most acceptable and will immediately find their way to a place where they will be appreciated.

Sincerely yours,  
THOS. R. J. HUGHES-PARRY.  
Welsh Horse, Slwyd Camp, Brecon.

### LLANGOLLEN FARMER'S ASSOCIATION RECENT RED CROSS SALE.

To the Editor of the "Llangollen Advertiser."

Sir,—Will you kindly publish the following in this week's Advertiser. At a meeting of the above Association last Tuesday evening, the result of the Red Cross Sale held on Sept. 14th were presented, howing receipts as follows:—

	£	s	d
Proceeds of sale at Smithfield, Sept. 14th	316	1	9
Collecting Boxes	13	11	6
Draw, ton of coal per Mr. C. Williams. Coal Merchant, Llangollen	16	5	0
Guessing Competition (gross proceeds of Sale)	8	5	0
Guessing Competition per Mr. Chubb	0	12	0
Subscriptions	59	14	0
Draw, ton of coal per Mr. R. J. Wright Ruabon	6	6	6
Sale of Cakes etc. per Agriculture and Dairy Classes Social	1	17	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>422</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>4</b>
EXPENDITURE.			
Oswestry Advertiser, Advertising	4	5	0
£6 ls. 6d. less rebate £1 16s. 6d.	0	16	0
Printing Draw Tickets (2 sets)	0	16	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

The best in the guessing Competitions (Prize 10/6), are:—

- 1, Mr. T. R. Davies, Plasgynaston, Ruabon..... 423 10 0
- 2, Mr. Jonathan Davies, Tynygraig, Llyn..... 423 15 0
- 3, Mr. Platt, M.R.C.V.S..... 421 0 0

The Committee also beg to thank you for doing the printing and advertising in connection with the sale free of charge.

We would thank you for inserting this.—Yours faithfully,  
T. J. EDWARDS,

Penrallt, Trevor, Llangollen.

## LLANGOLLEN'S ROLL OF HONOUR.

### ADDITIONAL NAMES.

#### ROYAL WELSH FUSILIERS.

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#### WELSH GUARDS.

ROBERT P. WILLIAMS, Berwyn Stores, Llangollen.  
ALFRED E. OVERSON, Oxford House, Llangollen.

## THE WAR.

### WAR GUILD.

Mrs. W. Best received contributions to the above on November 11th, when 184 articles were brought in, namely:—

60 pairs of socks, .... 3 pyjamas,  
45 pairs of mittens, .... 9 casualty bags,  
38 scarves, .... 7 linen bags,  
4 jerseys, .... 3 shirts,  
9 trench caps, .... 8 various.

Distributions have been made as follows:—To Queen Mary's Needlework Guild: 36 scarves and 26 pairs of mittens. To Cpl. Steen Davies: 1 pair of socks. To H. Young, Deubighshire Hussars: 1 shirt, jersey, socks and mittens. To H. Hughes, 16th Batt. R.W.F. and J. Hughes, 3rd Batt. R.W.F. each 1 jersey, scarf, socks, mittens and handkerchief. These three men are all under orders for foreign service. To St. John's Ambulance Depot in London: 5 pyjamas, 4 bedjackets, 10 pairs of bedsocks, 3 pairs of slippers and 7 linen bags. To the 10th Batt. R.W.F. in France, 30 pairs of socks and 7 trench caps.

The Government Scheme of Voluntary Organization of Comforts is coming into force in Denbighshire, and Mrs. Best will attend an inaugural Meeting in Chester on Thursday, November 25th. The appeal of the moment is mittens, made exactly to the Government directions viz "8ins. long, short thumbs." In letters of thanks from the Front, the men ask for: socks, shirts, caps, helmets and cap-scarves, and are very grateful for the jerseys sent. Mrs. Best hopes therefore to continue to post parcels direct to the Front, and help to supply the Government appeals also. With three Expeditionary Forces this Winter, the needs are really enormous.

With the prospect of a Red Cross work room in the town, Mrs. Best will confine her work to comforts for the men in the field, and will give up hospital requisites.

The following convalescent men from the various Batts. R.W.F. have arrived recently in the neighbourhood and are receiving hospitality as stated:—Serg. E. Hughes, Wern; Pte. Brooks, Vivod; Pte. T. Lloyd, Vivod; Pte. Morris Mrs. Ewart's, Dinbreu; and Pte. Hester, Mrs. Ewart's, Dinbreu.

Pte. Brooks was recalled to the barracks to receive the Distinguished Conduct Medal last Saturday. There have been up to date 64 men in the district since February 11th. Many are out in France again.

The next collection will be on December 9th, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. Please note the earlier hour now the days are short.

Speaking at the monster recruiting meeting at Bangor after his tour through North Wales, Sir Henry Jones said his tour began at Barmouth and had touched all sections of Welsh life—quarrymen, farmers, ironworkers, and miners.—Sir Henry said he had come to the conclusion that Wales was doing exceedingly well, and its response to the call of the Empire was admirable.

## LEAGUE OF HONOUR.

### EGG COLLECTION.

Mrs. Aikin, the hon. secretary's weekly report is as follows:—

We have sent off 66 eggs to the wounded today, and £3 in cash, 8s. 0½ being collected during the past week.

I enclose copy of a letter received by one of our regular contributors from a soldier, which I hope you will be able to publish; also one from Miss Tyler, on receipt of our last consignment of sandbags.

Per Miss L. Northwood, Vivod, Berwyn and Pentre dwr, 20 eggs, 1/6 in cash; Miss D. Littlejohns, Llan tynilio and Abbey, 14 eggs, 2/- in cash; Misses Cross Geraint, 17 eggs and 6d. in cash; Miss L. Hughes Geufon, 6 eggs and 1/7 in cash; Miss O. Lloyd Jones, Abbey-road and Holyhead-road 7 eggs 2/5½ in cash; and Central Stores, 2 eggs.



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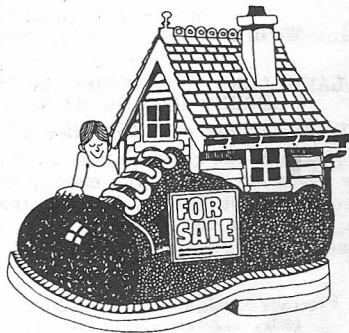
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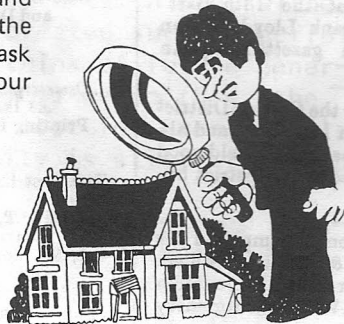
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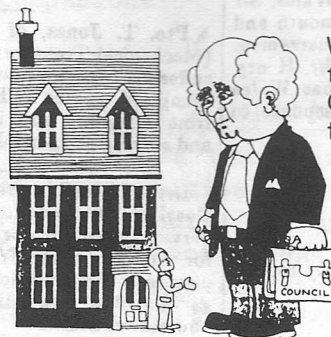


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### HELLO, AGAIN

This week it's not 'Forty Years On' but 'Twenty Five Years Back' and we take you to the halcyon days of Llangollen Grammar School. Our photo shows members of the staff of the school in the late 1950's - a far cry from today. The picture was taken outside what we used to call 'Bottom Building' which of course is still there.

Also still there is Mr. T.V.Jones (back row, extreme left). The rest are (back row, left to right) Mr. 'Froggie' Williams, Mr. Knighton (I think), the next young man I do not know but next to him is Mr. Ray Hemington, then Mr. Albert Eric Jones, Mr. Arthur Wynn Williams, Mr. Islwyn Jones, then a gentleman who came back out of retirement for a short spell, but whose name I have forgotten. The next lady I also cannot name. (Front row) Left to right: Mr. Harold Potter, Mr. Gittins (who retired to Tasmania) then Mr. Jack Rhys Roberts, Assistant Headmaster Mr. Hugh (Slash) Hughes Roberts, Mr. Meurig Jones (headmaster), Miss Hilda Cockram (Senior Mistress), Mrs. Olwen Rhys Roberts (former Senior Mistress), Miss Monica Jones, Miss Lillian Jones (I think that was her surname) and the last lady I cannot name. This small staff also supervised breaks, lunch-breaks, canteen meals, detentions & extra-curriculum activities as normal duties!!

## ABERADDA - WHAT A MESS

A couple of weeks ago, my mother telephoned me to tell me of a terrible mess outside my Auntie Mag's (her next-door neighbour) home in Aberadda, due to the workmen who had been felting the roof leaving their debris. She was most upset as my aunt was due home that weekend after medical treatment in Manchester. When I went down there a couple of days later, it had been mostly cleaned up, although there was still loads of bitumen on the steps and pathway, flowers and shrubs had been flattened and I was told that lampshades had been damaged by the vibrations. As it was by then not too bad, I said nothing about it.

Last Sunday, however, was an entirely different matter. I called in just before lunch and was confronted by just about the most terrible mess that I had ever seen in my life. The 'garden' in front of my mother's home was COMPLETELY covered to a height of several feet with bits of old roofing, bitumen cans, wrappers, roofing material, bitumen and even wrappers from workmen's lunches and empty milk bottles. The shrubs were completely obliterated and probably destroyed and at least one young tree, carefully wired and supported by the Council, was also flattened. The steps from outside her home right down to the road were thickly covered in bitumen (as they have been several times in the past) and the whole area was reminiscent of the Blitz.

My mother told me that it had been like that since the previous Wednesday. How on earth can someone make such a mess of someone else's home. As my mother said "It would not have been tolerated by a private householder" AND IT SHOULD NOT BE TOLERATED BY A PUBLIC LANDLORD, EITHER!

## WHILST ON THE SUBJECT . . .

*I have next a letter by a regular contributor to the Broadsheet, but who does not want to be named on this occasion...*

I wonder if it is possible to make a feature of the opposite corner to the Smithfield Inn on the A5. The Garage, although it has improved the appearance of part of the site, has left derelict buildings on this corner which are an eyesore. Wouldn't it be lovely if the buildings could be pulled down and a garden made there?

Could a local seed firm be persuaded to develop it as an advertisement for their seeds and make an oasis of beauty for visitors to the Town, as well as for the Townspeople?

Wishful thinking perhaps and I expect there are all kinds of snags, but won't somebody "have a go??"

## LLANGOLLEN CIVIC SOCIETY

The A.G.M. of the Llangollen Civic Society was held on Tuesday March 8th at the Hand Hotel.

Mr. Alan Williams was re-elected Chairman & Mrs. Elisabeth Rowlands-Hughes re-elected Vice-Chairman. The Treasurer, Mrs. Jackie Finn recommended that the subscription should remain unchanged for the coming year and this proposal was accepted. At the end of 1982 the Secretary, Mr. David Moss left the district to take up another post and the Chairman expressed the thanks of the Society for his services over many years. Mr. Jeffrey Jones of 2 Dolafon, Abbey Road, was elected Secretary for the coming year and he will be assisted by Mr. Gwyndaf Jones. The two retiring Committee Members were Mr. G. Benjamin and the Rev. Dr. Percy Thomas. Mr. Hugh Baines and Mr. Gareth Roberts were elected to serve on the Committee for the next two years.

Following the business meeting was a talk by Lord Taylor of Harlow, entitled 'The Growth of New Towns.' Lord Taylor has had a wealth of experience in the planning and development of new towns and he spoke about the problems of creating new self-contained societies with all their attendant services. He is obviously an authority in the field of town planning but also has the rare gift of being able to communicate his enthusiasm and feeling for his subject to his audience.

The talk was followed by a lively question and answer session and, at the end of the meeting, a vote of thanks to Lord Taylor, given by the Rev. Dr. Percy Thomas.

The Society would like to thank Mr. David Morris and the staff of the Hand Hotel for their hospitality and kind assistance.

## LLANGOLLEN TOWN COUNCIL

### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

TUESDAY MARCH 8TH 1983

Present at the Meeting were The Town Mayor, Councillor Mrs. K.M. Mills-Jones; Councillors Mrs. G.M. Underwood, E.P. Evans, O. Jones, K.A. Mann, W.D. Bond and Clerk to the Council Mrs. Margaret Pierce-Jenkins. Also present, representing the County Council was Councillor P.A. Walker, J.P. and representing the District Council its Vice Chairman Councillor Mrs. M. Davies and Councillors V. Lloyd Parry and T. Clutton.

About fifty members of the public were also present.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors H.C.Orr and M.J.Heath. The Mayor then gave her report, welcoming all present and introducing everyone. For the benefit of Townspeople unable to attend we herewith publish the report in full.

We are of course very disappointed that the local office of the REGISTRAR OF BIRTHS MARRIAGES AND DEATHS has closed. This is a fight which was lost.

At the last public meeting concern was expressed over the proposal to use the Eisteddfod Ground Coach Park for the parking of coaches during the summer months. This matter has recently been discussed again & Glyndwr District Council is hoping to open the Eisteddfod Coach Park as an OVERFLOW parking facility. Coaches will continue to use the Smithfield Car Park, however the Eisteddfod Coach Park will be offered in the event of the Smithfield Car Park being full. It is hoped to implement this facility for a TRIAL period after the International Eisteddfod in July. We should like to thank the Eisteddfod for offering this facility, which we hope will help with the parking problems in Llangollen.

Concern was expressed at the last Public Meeting over the LITTER PROBLEM in the Town. Additional bins have now been provided by the Town Council, we hope this will help with this problem.

We are very pleased that the LLANGOLLEN CANAL is to re-open next month, this should have a marked effect upon trade in Llangollen. The closure last year was a disaster for many businesses. We hope the re-opening will bring more business to the Town and help to create more employment.

The Town Council has this year erected six new STREET LIGHTS and it is the intention to erect more this coming year to ensure a marked improvement to the street lighting in the Town. We have also purchased additional PLAY EQUIPMENT for the Pengwern play area and are providing a SEAT AND BENCHES for the Riverside Park.

We have this year established an ANNUAL CONCERT, I should like to thank all those who took part in what was a very successful evening. The talent we have in Llangollen is considerable, I doubt if there are many towns of just over three thousand that could put on so varied an evening of entertainment as can Llangollen.

The Town Council continues to organise the CASTLE RACE which each year becomes more popular. We rely very much on the support of the residents and business people in Llangollen in the organising of the Race and in the sponsorship of the prizes.

The INTERNATIONAL CANOE CHAMPIONSHIPS are, we hope, to become an established event in Llangollen.

These events bring people into Llangollen outside the main summer season, these visitors mean more facilities for the resident. The average business in Llangollen cannot survive without the tourist - the choice for the resident therefore relies upon continued tourist expansion, an aspect which the Town Council continues to foster.

We are very pleased that we now have a CHAMBER OF TRADE in Llangollen - it is important in these days of slim resources to have a combined effort for the good of all.

1982 also saw the formation of the LLANGOLLEN MALE VOICE CHOIR. We should like to offer the Choir our very best wishes for a successful future - the Choir will, I am sure, bring honour to Llangollen when they start competing.

We are very pleased that the District Council will be re-building the PUBLIC CONVENIENCES by the Smithfield Car Park this coming year. They are also looking into improved TENNIS AND BOWLING FACILITIES in the Riverside Park.

Congratulations should go to the County Council on the FOLK CENTRE, which will be opening full time from Easter, with a comprehensive programme of exhibitions and courses. Although there are differing opinions on the advantages of having an European Centre for Folk Studies in Llangollen. I am sure that it will eventually become a centre of great importance within Europe as well as being an additional attraction for tourists to Llangollen.

I would like to say a few words on the forthcoming LOCAL ELECTIONS. The elections for the Town Council and for the District Council will be held on Thursday 5th May.

There are nine members of the Town Council to voice the views of the people of Llangollen at the grass roots. These views are not given lightly, they are given after full consideration and debate. Time is spent, both in Council meetings and in committee meetings.

In organising events for the benefit of Llangollen, local Councillors are expected to give time to help in this capacity also. If you speak to any of my colleagues you will find that they are directly involved in the organisation of either the Castle Race, Annual Concert, Gardens Competition or some other event organised by the Council. The duties of a Town Councillor are numerous and I would like to take this opportunity of voicing my appreciation to my fellow Councillors for the many hours they spend representing the residents of Llangollen.

The Town Council cannot hope to please everyone all the time, we do however do our very best to represent your views.

Some of my fellow Councillors do not intend to stand for re-election, to those I would like to say thank you for your service to the Community. Those who are standing for election hope that others who feel they can contribute towards the sometimes unenviable task of representing the residents, will consider putting themselves forward for election to the Town Council.

I should like to take this opportunity to thank our representatives on the other Authorities for the support they have given to the Town Council over the years.

To Councillor Peter Walker our representative on the County Council a very sincere thank you for all the matters he has taken up on our behalf. He is one of 66 members on Clwyd County Council and he will confirm that without the support of his colleagues he is a lone voice in a very large Council. Councillor Walker has however during his four years as representative for Llangollen, gained the respect and support of his fellow Councillors to ensure that Llangollen is not a forgotten area within Clwyd.

Our warm thanks also to Councillor Mrs. Davies, who is this year Vice Chairman of Glyndwr District Council. Also Councillors Vincent Lloyd Parry and Tom Clutton, for their continued support and help. They fight hard for Llangollen, inevitably the battle is sometimes lost. It is the losses unfortunately that receive the publicity. There are, however many instances of success. Many instances where, if it wasn't for the excellent calibre of our representatives, we would be disadvantaged.

I feel we are very lucky with our representatives on both the District and County Councils, they all take their duties seriously. The excellent representation on behalf of Llangollen is much appreciated.

The purpose of the ANNUAL TOWN MEETING is to ascertain the views and opinions of the people of Llangollen. It is important that your representatives not only on the Town Council, but on the District and County Councils also, are aware of the needs of the residents of the Town. We are here to listen to you.

The Council went on to discuss the suggestion of a multi-storey car park for the Town. General opinion suggested further investigation.

The Council has given a donation of £1000 to the Parish Church Restoration Fund for the ailing roof. A vote of thanks was proposed.

The Mayor then asked for contributions to the debate from the general public and Mrs. Bland Roberts asked if there were any plans to improve the road to the Primary School. Councillor Walker agreed that the present road was unsafe but could not give a County Council commitment at present.

The Council agreed to keep a close watch on the rights of public footpaths and Miss Pugh Jones asked the Council to look into the designation of the route from Hill Street to Regent Street, now private, but suitable for a public right of way.

Mrs. Maxwell mentioned two dangerous trees near her house. Councillor Clutton is investigating.

It was suggested that the Hall Street/Berwyn Street strip of land be used for a car park. It is being considered by the District Council but the Planning Officer favours residential development.

£7000 has been allocated for improvements to the Riverside Park, including resurfacing the play area, making safer bases for the equipment and new handrails for the steps.

£50,000 has been allocated for the new toilets. Work will start in September.

The N.W.T.C. are not interested in an office within the new toilet complex, they would prefer a site in Castle Street.

There is a change in policy regarding industrial development in Llangollen. Glyndwr D.C. are now looking at several sites for consideration by the Welsh Development Corporation.

The Council is looking into a request for a stamp machine in Castle Street.

Land by the Riverside play area could be developed, it is thought.

Parking of school buses in Abbey Road is another problem discussed.

The Cottage Hospital will be opening shortly. The opening is planned for April 8th, with an Open Day on April 9th.

The Area Health Authority are negotiating purchase of the Church School for use as a Health Centre.

The Slovak National Choir will be here on 16th March. Tickets are £2 each.

The Operatic Society present 'Fidler on the Roof' 22nd/26th March at the Town Hall.

A vote of thanks to the Mayor was proposed by C. Donald Bond and the meeting closed at 9 pm.

## URDD EISTEDDFOD SUCCESS

At the Urdd Eisteddfod in Glyn Ceiriog on March 5th, Meirion Jones, eldest son of Mr. & Mrs. A. Jones, Graig Ddu, Rhewl, gained 1st Prize in the Solo Under 12 Years, 1st Prize in the Folk Solo and 3rd Prize in the Welsh Recitation. He now goes forward to the County Eisteddfod at Corwen on March 26th.

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### SPORT IN SHORTS

Llangollen F.C. First Team drew 0-0 at Ruthin. The Reserves also drew, but their scoreline was 1-1, Arwel Morris getting the goal. An interesting fact of this match was that one of the players for Lex Colts, last Saturday's opponents was Beverley Ffoulkes, the son of former police sergeant Ffoulkes of Llangollen.

Dobson & Crowther did not have a game on Sunday but next week will be coming down to my neck of the woods to take on my 'local' A.F.C. Mitre. If I can drag myself out of bed I will be at the Queensway to see the match and I would like to remind D & C players that they will receive a warm welcome (win or lose) at the Mitre after the match. Don't quote me, but Jayne usually lays on hot soup for friend and foe alike (even referees) after the match in cold weather and I am sure you will all be made very welcome (p.s. bring your darts!).

The Youth Club Under 12's played Acton at Rhosnesni (probably the most miss-spelt name in Wrexham) and lost 9-1, but Paul Hughes won the trophy for man of the match which can't be bad.

### TALKING OF SPORT...

I hear that Motor-Cross has taken off like wildfire at Skid's place in Llandegla and I would be delighted to hear more about it from any enthusiast or official (Lulu.... Barry....!).

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

Well, we never heard from you little 'uns with your Easter Bunnies. Perhaps we were a little early. So this week Robert want eight year old and under to draw a garden gnome for a prize of one pound (two £1's if more than six enter). Entries to Gwynedd Graphics, Elbourn's or Cleators by Saturday please.

When I picked up this week's post, I found one all-correct entry for last week's competition. What a pity it came too late. Get it in early next time, Paul or better still, get it to Gwynedd Graphics.

However, the competition for older readers brought in a host of entries, most of them correct. We put all the correct ones in a box and Clare drew out the first one - which was from JOSEFF AND ALYS THOMAS of Isfryn, Llandynan, Rhewl, Llangollen.

Robert drew out the second, which was from another 'regular' BETH WILLIAMS of Geufron, Llangollen. We had three entries from Geufron. Incidentally,

last week's winner was MEG WILLIAMS of Geufron.

Next week, I am going to tell you an exciting story about the WAIKAHA TRUST. This is about a group of people who are going out to the Egyptian Desert to retrieve a vehicle sighted, almost perfectly preserved, in the middle of the desert. This truck fought with the Long Range Desert Group in the Second World War and will be brought to Clwyd to sit proudly with lots of other militaria, including an amazing anti-aircraft gun captured from the Argentinian troops in the Falklands, about which I will soon be able to tell you - I have been promised details which have not even been released to the general press, yet.

This week's competition for the over eights is to tell me, from the clues above, the name and location of the place where 'Waikaha' will finally rest.

## LLANTYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Vice-Chairman Councillor J.D.Evans presided when indiscriminate parkings on the Llantysilio to Rhewl road during special canoeing events was discussed at their recent meeting.

Police Constable Francis was present by invitation. Whilst the Council do not wish to hamper these events, they feel that road safety must be maintained.

It was resolved to suggest to the Highway Authority that the present restriction on

the highway from the junction near Bryntysilio to the Llantysilio Church be extended to all times and that cones be placed at other points at the discretion of the Police.

The Clerk, Mrs. M.W.Parry, asks that Glynwdr D.C. looks in the possibility of a scheme to improve the environment in regard to the disused state of waste tips on the side of the Horseshoe Pass. The Council Public Meeting will be held on 11th April 1983. Councillor P.A.Walker of C.C.C. and District Councillor J.R.Jones will be invited to attend.

## ORCHIDS FOR THE HORTI GIRL ...

*I bet there aren't many left in Llangollen who can remember the production of that booklet. If YOU remember it, drop me a line.... anyway, our next report is ...*

## LLANGOLLEN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Do you know what goes on before the seed gets in the packet, and how long it takes to get there?

If you cannot answer "Yes" and "Ten to Fifteen years" you should have been to the meeting addressed by Mr. S.H.Jefferies, held on Monday March 7th. During his most interesting and informative talk, he surprised everyone by the intricacies involved in the production of seeds; taking us from the wild flower in Africa, through cross breeding, until a suitable seed with a guaranteed propagation ensues. Mr. Jefferies ended by answering questions from the floor with his usual knowledge and good humour.

The members attending were pleased to have two Vice-Presidents present - Mrs. C. Bloomfield, a long-standing member and backbone of the Society and Dr. H.R.Harris, who has agreed to be a Vice-President for the first time this year. We look forward to a long and happy association with them both.

Mrs. M. Davies kindly brought plants for sale to benefit the Society and it is hoped that other members will follow her example as, from the next meeting, a plant stall will become a regular feature.

The monthly raffle prize, donated by Mr. J.G. Wilson, was won by Mrs. H. Postlethwaite.

The next meeting of the Society will be held on Tuesday April 5th at 7.30 pm in the Hand Hotel, when the Guest Speaker will be Mr. H. Baines, who will speak on "Gardening in Public Parks."

All are welcome to our Society meetings, there is a most varied and interesting programme for the year.

## PENGWERN - AND OUR NEW SCHOOLS

Forty to forty-five years ago, on a lovely summer's day, my sister and I, two friends, two prams and three little ones decided to go for a picnic with our workmen hay-making in the fields between Allt-y-Badi and the Gwernant. In those days, one had to open a big gate across the road leading up to Pengwern Hall. There were fields on either side of the road. We went through the gate near to-day's playground and then crossed through the gate into the next field and up to the road nearly opposite Cherry-Tree. The gate was locked and we looked round, debating if we ought to return and go round. We saw the mess we had made through the grass. I dreaded what my husband and particularly what my father-in-law would say. Three of us went back down the fields and on our way back we tried to straighten the grass and make it stand up to be cut by the machine. Back at the top gate, we passed the push-chair over and then the children, and together we lifted up and over, the big coach pram. Success, but so weary. When I told my husband that night about our lifting the pram, he told me that the gate wasn't locked. It was a sham padlock - all we'd needed to do was to lift the hook! Standing by that top gate and looking down the Valley, I used to think it the best view in Llan. Many families now enjoy that view.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON 4th MARCH was a very special day for the younger children of Llangollen - it was the Official Opening of Ysgol Bryn Collen (Infants and Juniors) by Councillor P.G.A. Walker, J.P., Chairman of the School Governors. He unveiled a plaque in the presence of the Mayor, Mrs. M. Mills-Jones, the Chairman of the County Council, Glyn Hughes, the County Architect and representatives of various committees. There was a short dedication service led by Rev. Chancellor Cledwyn Owen and Rev. Father Gwilym Jones. Then the Head Teachers, Mrs. S.J. Williams and Mr. J.G. Jones introduced items by pupils of both Departments, to the great enjoyment of the invited audience.

A vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. John Howard Davies B.A., F.R.S.A. - Director of Education for Clwyd.

PENGWERN VALLEY has always been an interesting place. Lessons used to be given in the County School about the changes in the geography of the valley and the historical links between Pengwern Hall and Valle Crucis Abbey, but somehow I don't think that the following story would have been told in those lessons.

In olden times, Pengwern Hall was a place of importance. In 924 it was the seat of Tudor Trefor, Earl of Hereford,

but it gradually degenerated with the passage of years to become an ordinary farmhouse.

I read an account written about 1871 and I gathered that long after the hall "was the abode of real swells" (quotation) it was still tenanted by little squires - but that by degrees the place became less important, until quite unexpectedly, it was taken over by a very grand gentleman indeed. He lived there in considerable style. How he raised funds to keep up the house in such luxury was a mystery.

About this time there was a lot of talk and dismay among the farmers. If a farmer had had a good sale at Llangollen Fair and as a result of good business transactions had well lined pockets, if he did not leave the Town quite sober he was sure to be robbed on his way home. The farmers decided to look in to the matter. They whispered to each other that every farmer who had been robbed had a chalk mark on his coat. They became suspicious that there was an organised gang at work. *When I was young, tramps used to put chalk marks on house gates to pass on information about the generosity or otherwise of householders.*

So, the farmers decided to organise themselves to protect each other. After one Fair-day, when a farmer who lived on the Eglwyseg was about to return home with a good sum of money in his pocket - some of his friends noticed chalk marks on his coat. They escorted him home without attack. But the farmer did not feel happy. In the night there was a noise in his big chimney. The farmer, who had decided to keep watch, sat in the dark kitchen with his gun at the ready, loaded with small nails and as he saw a man being let down the chimney with a rope tied around his waist, he let fly. There were screams and the man was pulled back up the chimney by his accomplices. The next morning it was found that blood could be traced all the way from the house to a cottage called 'Penddol' (*I don't know where this was*) in the direction of Pengwern. The cottage was watched and before long a corpse was taken from the cottage for burial. On the same day, the Master of Pengwern Hall left on a swift horse and was never heard of again. So, putting this and that together the 'Locals' decided that the rich Master tenant of Pengwern Hall must have been the chief of a gang of Robbers!

*Menna Tudor Edwards*



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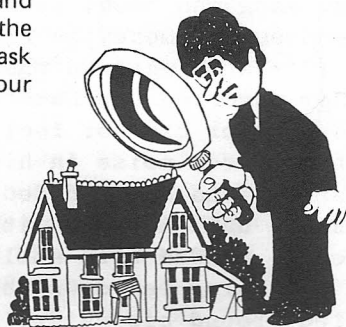
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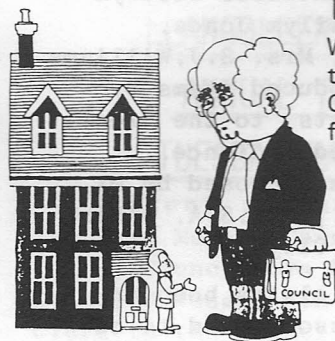


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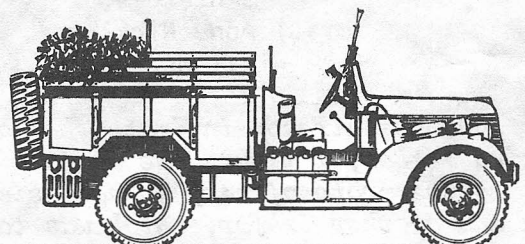
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## WAIKAHA

## OUR COVER PHOTO OF THE ABBEY

Is one taken by Mr. Stan Coulter and a colour enlargement of this forms part of his Easter Exhibition at the Sun Inn, Rhewl. Unfortunately, it is not possible to reproduce a colour photo as faithfully as a black and white one - you really will have to see this one (and the other 50) to appreciate their beauty. In fact, there will be so many exhibits that the whole of the Sun Inn is being 'cleared for action' to enable them all to be hung. The photographic section will be in the Snug, Oil Paintings will be in the Lounge and Plates and Drawings will be found in the Bar. There will be several bargains for amateur photographers and the exhibitions sounds well worth visiting during Easter Week (2nd/9th April).

As stated above, the Art Exhibition will be on view at the Sun Inn, Rhewl and collections will be taken in aid of outings and social occasions for the retired citizens of the Parish of Llantysilio.

## OUR COVER PHOTO OF THE WILLIAMS' ('BOOTS') FAMILY CHILDREN

leads me to another welcome letter.

Ty Rhosyn,  
73 Romany Road, Rubery,  
Birmingham B45 0LG

Dear Mike,

Congratulations on your new Broadsheet. How very homesick & nostalgic it made me feel when I saw the cover of Issue 2. This photo, I think, used to be on the front of the Eisteddfod programme. I even managed to guess the year correctly.

After living away from Llangollen for 18 years (I don't mind admitting that is half my life!) I still love to know all the latest "Hanes." It's lovely to come home and see that nothing much changes.

My mother sends me a few Broadsheets in one go & after I have read them, I pass them on to my mother-in-law. She co-incidentally left Froncysyllte 35 years ago to come to live here. Many of her family still live there. Small world!!

I still remember the Brass Band run by your father. I wonder, does Mary still play the trombone?

Best wishes & good luck with your publication.

Sincerely,  
(Mrs.) Anne Nickless  
(nee Williams, Boots)

*As Anne has already intimated her age in her kind letter, I'm sure she won't mind me printing the photo of her, younger sister Nesta and brother Trefor, which was taken in the Smithfield on a summer's day in 1960 (according to the Eisteddfod poster).*

## ORCHIDS FOR THE HORTI GIRL

Last week, I asked if anyone remembered the above publication and we have received the following reply:

Dear Michael,

3 Pengwern.

Re your enquiries about 'Orchids for the Horti Girl' the girl in question is my daughter Maureen Jones, as she was then.

My mother, who is 89, has a large photo that used to be over the counters in every 'Woolies.'

Your Broadsheet goes to Jersey C.I. every week to my son, Frank.

Good luck, Michael

VERY JONES (nee Hughes)

For very many years, Woolworths have sold Cuthberts' seeds and the booklet told of 'Department 32' the Horticultural Counter, which was considered the counter needing the most intelligent sales staff. Maureen was the 'Horti Girl' the attractive symbolic salesgirl portrayed on the booklet and the 'point of sales' material used by Woolworths at that time.

Thank you for writing, Mrs. Jones.

Incidentally, the Hughes family is one of the most well-known families in the Town. There cannot be a single resident who is not proud to live in the same town as its most famous sporting personality - Jack Hughes.

And, if I may be so bold as to say so, his daughter Sheila, is probably the most prolific sportsperson ever to hail from Llangollen. (*Now there's a story for the Broadsheet!!*)

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### A letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

May I through your newspaper try to get in touch with a lost friend, I'm afraid I don't have very much in the way of details.

Her maiden name was Sheila Hugo (*or Huga*) and we met each other in New Zealand and shared a house with two other girls. Sheila came from Liverpool and we travelled back home together on the ship "Maasdam" in the 1960's.

The last time I saw her she was getting married in Llangollen to a widower with 3 or 4 children and unfortunately I have since lost her address.

I would dearly love to hear from her, and if she would write to me at this address:

Angela M. Mackay nee Parry,  
42 Montgomery Drive,  
Pietermaritzburg, Natal, R.S.A.

*When young men get too old for the Cubs in Brussels, do they join the Boy Sprouts???*

## ABERADDA

Whilst I was reporting on the mess at Aberadda last week, Councillor Tom Clutton had been informed of the situation and had visited the site. He was so horrified that he returned, armed with a camera.

About 5 am last Tuesday morning I called to see the situation and the gardens of nos. 8 & 9 were still in the same terrible mess. Very shortly afterwards, the Housing Manager was confronted with Mr. Clutton's photo's and the Broadsheet report and I believe that by lunchtime, the mess was cleared up.

This is probably a perfect example of a councillor fulfilling the function for which he was elected. Thanks, Councillor Clutton.

## LLANGOLLEN SOCCER

DOBSON & CROWTHER were robbed last Sunday by AFC Mitre. Playing with only nine men at Queen's Park, D & C established a 2-0 lead at the interval through goals by Ian Jones and Steven Edwards, with Cliff Evans in goal pulling off many fine saves.

After the interval, the superior manpower of the very sporting Mitre side began to tell and although Steve Edwards very nearly made it 3-0, Malcolm Bostock and Joe Humphreys enabled the Mitre to draw level. In the umpteenth minute of injury time, Ernie Stokes scored the winner for AFC Mitre in a not very exciting but very sporting game.

LLANGOLLEN F.C. drew 3-3 at Cefn Albion. Alun Hughes of Pentredwr scored the first and then Nick Rogers scored two.

THE RESERVES lost 6-3 to Ruabon St. Mary's Reserves in a game they could very easily have won. I believe certain legs began to give way in the second half! It was 2-2 at half time. Laurie Jones, who also plays for Blaunau Ffestiniog got the first, Chris Tobin got the second and also laid on the third for Laurie Jones to get his second.

THE YOUTH CLUB UNDER 12 TEAM finally lost 7-2 at Rhosnesni after drawing 2-2 at half time. Nick Boaz and Paul Hughes got the goals and Player of the Match was Nicholas Jones.

*We are very much indebted to Chris Tobin for our weekly soccer round-up.*

## YOUNG FARMERS

Congratulations to the Young Farmers' Quiz Team, who came first in a Quiz held by Glynceiriog Young Farmers. The Llangollen team was Sharon Davies, Philip Davies, Rhian Jones and Robert Hughes. Llanrhaeadr Y.F. were 2nd and Glynceiriog Y.F. were 3rd.

During the last few meetings, the Club has been choosing members for the Clwyd Young Farmers' Rally. The Club will also be taking part in the Dairy Maid competition on March 23rd in St. Asaph, where Jane Green will be representing the Club.

## THE LATE MRS. HILDA GLASCOTT ARCHER

Mrs. Hilda Archer died 5th March at the Mount Edgecumbe Hospice in Cornwall at the age of 73, having been unwell for several months.

Cremation took place at Truro, Cornwall and the ashes were interred in Llangollen. A Memorial Service took place at St. John's Church on March 17th with the Rev. Mervyn Williams officiating, assisted by the Rev. Alex Davies. At his own request, Mr. Raymond Arthur played the organ for the service.

Mrs. Archer had requested no flowers and her dearest wish was to raise money for a hospice in this area. To this end, almost £100 was donated at the service.

She was the widow of Mr. Ernest Glascott Archer who was employed by Monsanto Chemicals but whose real vocation was playing the organ at Llangollen Parish Church. Mrs. Archer was employed for many years by Phostrogen Ltd. at Llangollen and Corwen until her retirement. Mr. & Mrs. Archer were co-founders and members of the Cefn Mawr Operatic Society until they moved to Llangollen about 25 years ago. Mrs. Archer then joined the Llangollen Society and was a one-time producer of the show.

She was deeply impressed by the Hospice near her daughter's home and as stated above she requested donations for one locally, in lieu of flowers. An account has been opened at the Natwest Bank for the ARCHER HOSPICE FUND and all donations, or offers of a few hours a week in help, will be gratefully accepted. Donations should be sent to the Natwest at Llangollen and further information can be obtained by ringing Glenys Jones, telephone 860875.

Mrs. Archer donated both her cornea to the Eye Bank and to her family's great joy, they were used within 24 hours of her death to restore sight to a 33 year old woman at Truro Hospital. It is not generally realised that the older the donor, the better the donation of cornea, as there is less chance of rejection.

Mrs. Archer is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Joan Glascott Hassell, of St. Austell.

## I'D LIKE TO KNOW ....

Every Tuesday morning, before daylight, I arrive in Llangollen to deliver the Broad-sheets. My first port of call is always Cleators. As I struggle wearily out of the car, my eyes light on a large wooden box on the end of the bridge with the legend "Lifebelt" - I keep meaning to ask - why is this box always empty?

*When E.T. was on Earth he became very fond of darts and insisted on standing near the board. One day a player scored sixty with his first dart, double top with his second but the third bounced out and stuck in the little fella. The scorer promptly called out "ONE HUNDRED AND E.T."*

## CHILDRENS' CORNER

The 'little 'uns' responded to the Gnome competition this week and and Robert insists that this week's result (in the 'Broadsheet Comic' as he insists on calling it) is a tie between 7 year old Mark Williams and 8 year old Amy Williams, both of Geufron.

We had two correct answers to the Waikaha competition - from Paul David Hughes of 18 Min-y-Coed and the perennial Gary Burke of 21 Min-y-Coed. The answer is the Grange Military Museum, at the Grange Cavern, near Holywell, which is well worth a visit.

All four will be receiving their prizes shortly. Very soon we will have to make a 'league table' of prize winners with perhaps, Min-y-Coed fighting a desparate battle with Geufron!!

For this week's competition we turn to the International Eisteddfod and it is all about famous childrens' choirs of the past. I want you to find out the names of the choirs from the clues given. Get any help you can and providing you are 14 or younger, the first all-correct entry picked out of a hat will receive £2 in cash.

1. A very famous childrens choir from Cardiff, conducted by Ivor Novello's daughter, Eira Novello Williams.
2. These Girls were regular prizewinners when brought the short distance to Llangollen by Harry Moore-Bridger.
3. Angels in Pigtails, who travelled a lot.
4. We want the English name for the Wiener Sangerknaben.

Entries to Gwynedd Graphics, Elbourns or Cleators by Saturday morning, please.  
p.s. Stick 'em in envelopes (new or used)  
in case they get lost or left behind.

## EXPEDITION WAIKAHA

In 1980 the British Overseas Geological Survey in Egypt came across a Chevrolet truck in the Western Desert.

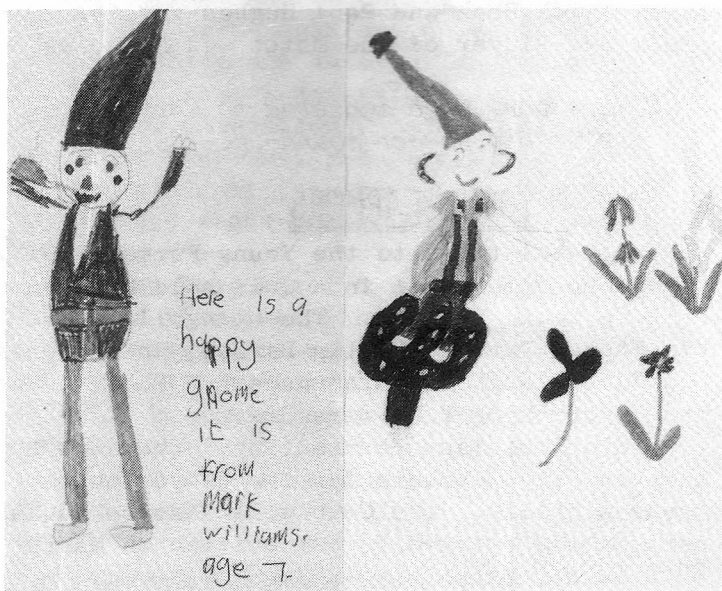
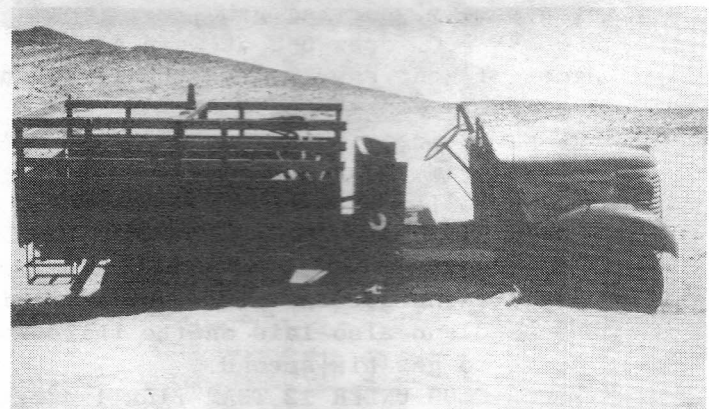
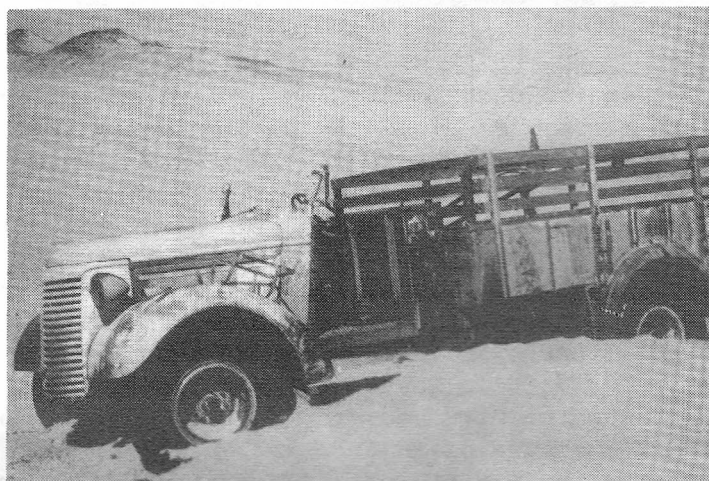
From the markings and two 'instant' photos taken at the time, the complete history of the truck was pieced together. The vehicle was one of nineteen "borrowed" from the Egyptians when the Long Range Desert Patrol was formed in 1940. The Maori word "Waikaha" painted on the bonnet and a "W" over "3" tells that it was truck 3 of W Patrol commanded by E.C. Mitford & carrying the commander R.A. Bagnold & Intelligence Officer W.B. Kennedy Shaw which transversed the Great Sand Sea twice, damaged several Italian landing grounds and captured two lorries before being abandoned. It is now the only survivor of its type and has been preserved by the hyperaridity of the Western Desert.

Mr. Tony Pearce of the Grange Museum is taking a team of six or seven to Egypt next October to recover the vehicle & bring it

back to Clwyd, using a 4-ton Bedford 4 x 4 and two support vehicles. The Bedford will only finally go in when the smaller vehicles have relocated the Waikaha. There is a great deal of 'red tape' to cut before the expedition can set out and Mr. Pearce is expecting to fly to Cairo shortly to expedite visas, etc.

He is also hoping for more local firms to offer to help sponsor the trust and the latest exciting news is that BBC Television are to go along and make a documentary of the event.

Won't it be exciting to see it on the television with the feeling that you have been 'in at the start!'



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### PENTREDWR W.I.

The March Meeting had its usual Welsh flavour provided by Mrs. Margaret Phillips J.P. of Denbigh who spoke about the development of Welsh Folk Music, illustrating her talk with spontaneous bursts of song. Many of the old tunes were never written down but she paid tribute to the late W.S.Gwynn Williams for the part he played in publishing collections of Folk Songs. She also mentioned the Eisteddfod and the Folk Studies Centre as showing the important position Llangollen holds in this field. She concluded her programme by playing a medley of Welsh Tunes, twenty-three in all, which some of the members were able to guess.

Mrs. Phillips judged the Spring arrangements which brightened up the room. First were Mrs. Dorothy Hughes and Mrs. Joan Edwards, joint second Mrs. Eluned Evans and Mrs. Nora Fairclough.

An excellent supper of Leek Soup, Sausage rolls and scones, provided by Mrs. Beryl Edwards, Mrs. Janel Phillips and Mrs. Madge Jones ended a very happy evening.

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### LLANTYSILIO W.I.

The March meeting was held on the 15th at the School with the President in the Chair. Mrs. V. Roberts welcomed Mrs. Sarsfield, a new member, and Mrs. Postlethwaite, a visitor. She made reference to two of the members in hospital, namely Mrs. Worthington and Mrs. Emlyn Williams. The Secretary, giving the record of the last meeting reported that the Whist Drive last month had been successful, realising over £30. It was hoped that the Rummage Sale to be held in the Town Hall on April 9th will also be a success.

It was announced that Mrs. Doreen Smith was to act as Delegate to the AGM at the Albert Hall and Coins for Friendship were collected during the meeting.

The speaker was Mr. John Rees of Llangollen who showed a delightful selection of slides showing the beauty spots of Wales, very appropriate for the March meeting which has always had a Welsh flavour.

Miss Morfydd Baines expressed the thanks in Welsh and refreshments were provided by Mrs. F. Baines and Mrs. M. Williams. The monthly raffle was won by Mrs. Ball.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### TUESDAY 22nd MARCH - TONIGHT

The Operatic Society - Fidler on the Roof in the Town Hall - till Saturday.  
Popmobility - Dinas Bran Gym 7-8 pm.

### WEDNESDAY 23rd MARCH

Dinas Bran - Fashion Show at Ceiriog School, Chirk, 7-30 pm.

### THURSDAY 24th MARCH

Dinas Bran Spring Sale in the School Hall 7-9 pm

### FRIDAY 25th MARCH

Pentredwr Community Association Whist Drive at Pentredwr Community Centre 7 pm Adm 40p inc. tea & biscuits.

### SUNDAY 27th MARCH

Llangollen Ramblers - Dolgellau - mett at Car Park 10am bring lunch.

### MONDAY 28th MARCH

Library Festival Week - lecture at Folk Study Cen. - Erddig 7 pm Adm. FREE.

## DINAS BRAN SCHOOL NEWS

*How good it is to see this 'column' once again in the Broadsheet. Our thanks go to Mr. T.V.Jones, Deputy Headmaster for his trouble and Mr. John Wilce, Headmaster for his permission.*

LAST SEPTEMBER, Dinas Bran School welcomed its new Headmaster, Mr. J.C.Wilce, who was Vice Principal at Yale VIth Form College.

IN OCTOBER, 17 of last year's Sixth Form were leaving home to embark on an University career. The School felt very proud when news was received that one of its pupils, Non Lloyd Jones, had been named as having obtained the Royal Society of Chemistry Prize for the best Chemistry papers in Wales at 'A' Level. Non is now at Cambridge reading Medicine.

LAST WEDNESDAY, 7 former pupils were at St. James' Palace to receive their Duke of Edinburgh Gold Awards. Another two pupils will be receiving theirs in the near future. Dinas Bran is very proud of its record in this field and at the moment there are over 50 pupils following the Bronze Award, 20 doing the Silver Award and 14 pupils on the Gold Award. In some future publications we will get some of the participants to write articles on their experience in this field and to say what they have to do to qualify for the awards.

THE SCHOOL BAND is going from strength to strength and this year are having an exchange visit with a German school from Ludenscheid. The German visitors will come to Llangollen on May 25th and stay until June 1st. The Dinas Bran Band goes to Germany from August 23rd to September 1st. A combined concert will be given at the Town Hall in May. On Monday May 16th there will be a combined concert with the Vron Male Voice Choir in the School Hall - the School thinks that this is the very first time that the Vron Choir have given a concert in Llangollen and everyone is excited about the event.

LAST THURSDAY, a group of staff and pupils were at the Llangollen Hospital to hand over the four Resuscitation Kits that the School have bought for the Medical Staff in Llangollen. A sum of £1,000 was raised by the pupils during their Charity Sponsored Walk last summer. These kits are carried by the Doctors in their cars and can be used to give patients oxygen and other vital medical treatment in emergencies. In our picture we have Dr. Strigner, Dr. Jones, Gary Lewis, Simon Broadhurst and Rachel Massey.



## OLD CHURCH STREET

With the traffic going one way along Bridge Street and up Church Street, most of us travel along this way many times. It is an attractive and interesting street, a comparatively short street, but it was the Main Street of Llangollen before there was a train or Town Hall and before today's Castle Street had come into being. At that time there were eight public houses in Church Street.

In the Hand Hotel Gardens, between the road and the river where each year there is a fine display of roses, there used to stand an important building. This was the COURT HOUSE. At one time, a Mr. Robert Griffiths was Recorder and Caretaker of the place. Mr. Griffiths kept a shop next door to Maesmor. High praise was given to his wife Elizabeth Griffiths for her diligence as prime mover in the establishing of the old Chapel PEN-Y-BRYN.

But I have passed over Bryndwr. This house stands opposite the high lower Church wall. It is between the road and the river. When this very interesting old house belonged to my Father-in-law and later to his son Ieuan, I remember visiting the cellar under the house. It opens out to the garden beside the river. The dirt floor was covered by a depth of dust of ages, but among the handful of dust one could pick up lots of square iron nails - large and smaller ones. I have seen such square nails used in the Forge down Dee Lane, when I took my young children to watch the horses being shod. However, my husband tells me that shoeing nails have to be made to the correct specifications and are so made to this day. I have been surprised when reading records of Marriages, Deaths and Wills - how many Nailers there were in Llangollen and how much money could be made. Transport then was by horse and cart, and later canal. I wonder how far afield these nails were sent to builders' merchants.

Going up Church Street, on the left, there was a place called SYT. I have not been able to find out What or Where this was.

By "Crawfords" as it was called in past days, by the turning into Price's Square stood the biggest shop in Llangollen. It was kept by a man named Gilliar. This shop claimed to be - "A Shop with Everything to suit Everybody."

Quite near there was another interesting shop called SIOP Y TROED NOETH (the Shop for the Bare Feet). It was a cobbler's, of course with a picture of a bare foot on the hanging board and a local bard wrote -

HA y troednoeth tyrd yn nes - a hwde  
Esgidiau rhad cynnes;  
Rhag oer hin, eira a gwres,  
Nychlyd, cei dirion achles.

(Roughly translated - HI! Ye bare-footed, come near and take cheap, warm shoes to protect and comfort you from sickness, cold, heat and snow.)

Not far was another shop known as DY Y DYMPLER (The House of Dumplings). The delicious smells that came out to the street drew the satisfied customers and I can imagine hungry school children clustering round to enjoy the delicious aroma.

On the left towards the top of the street, a wollen factory had been started by John Jones of Maesmor, but it is now the old Tannery. This John Jones built the 'Clincars' The name was later changed to Vale View.

I omitted mention of Cross Lane as I came up Church Street. It was just a footpath, across the field to the Meadow. This was the house of Humphrey Jones the Chemist. I mentioned him as a Star Skater some weeks ago. The work done in Coward's was the treating of pelts and at the bottom of the lane stood Francis Roberts' Smithy.

All this before the following streets came to be - Castle Street, Regent Street, Berwyn Street, Oak Street, etc. But I read that the Canal was in existence.

*Menna Tudor Edwards*

## CANCER RESEARCH

At the Annual Meeting of the Llangollen Committee the Chairman Mr. J.R.Hayes reported that £1,569.14 had been sent to Headquarters last year, bringing the total since the Committee was formed to £24,367.

Mrs. D.J.Smout of St. Asaph, the newly appointed Appeals Secretary for North Wales & Cheshire, who addressed the meeting said that the Campaign had raised over £17½ million pounds for cancer research in 1982 and over £3 million pounds had been expended at the Christie and Clatterbridge hospitals and in the North Wales area. Of the total monies raised, only 8% had been spent on administration. Mr. Hayes thanked the members of the Committee for their tireless efforts during the year and the public for their continued support.

Amounts raised by the Committee during the year were: Flag Day £348.04; Hot Pot Supper £212; In Memoria £216.85; National Federation of Retail Newsagents Donation £325; Christmas Dinner £36.50; Covenants £22.25; Donations £30.50; Profit on sale of Christmas Cards & Gifts £378.

Officers re-elected were: Chairman Mr. J.R.Hayes, Treasurer Mr.H.C.Pierce, National Westminster Bank, Secretary Mrs. M.C.Hayes.

Anyone wishing to become a member of the Committee should contact the Secretary at Bache Isa, Llangollen.





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### WELCOME TO THE TENTH EDITION OF THE NEW BROADSHEET

Our cover photograph this week is somewhat famous in older Llangollen circles. It shows the Llangollen Football Club side of the 1928/29 Season, about to play their first game in the Wrexham and District League. The side moved from Llangollen Fechan to the picturesque setting of the Abbey Road Ground (now, of course, the Eisteddfod Field) before their present day home on The Tower. One of the main attractions of the pictured ground was that it had a perfect FREE 'stand' in the canal bank (hence the spectators behind the goal). Having sold their tickets to bona fide spectators, intrepid officials would venture over the fence with a wooden handled box to try to salvage some reluctant offerings from these unwelcome visitors.

DOESN'T THE GOAL LOOK WIDE IN THOSE DAYS - NO WONDER DIXIE DEAN SCORED 60 GOALS!! The players and officials in the picture are, from left to right: Tom Blake, Alex. Phillips, Davy John Evans, Fred Ellis, Harry Edwards, Tom Evans, Jenkins Lloyd, Glynne Thomas, Eric Wise, Trefor Griffiths (doesn't he look like young Trefor?), Jim Jarvis, Edward Evans (who kindly loaned the photo via Arthur Hardy - last time we saw you in the Broadsheet, Mr. Evans, was in your retirement photo), Jack Killick, Ken Bruce (wherever you read of sport, you read of Mr. Bruce), Harold Price, The Manager of the Royal Hotel, his Son, Mr. Hopkins, the Bank, Mr. Cleator (a Town supporter well into his eighties) and crouching, Mr. Georgie Wilson, Senior.

## SOCCKER IN LLANGOLLEN

On Saturday the Llangollen F.C. 1st Team produced yet another draw, this time away to Gresford Athletic. There was no score. The Town were weakened last weekend by the hospitalisation of Kevin Richards. He is, however, expected out in a couple of days - get well soon, Kevin.

The Reserves lost 4-1 to the Grapes Res. at Llangollen, their lone scorer being Arwel Morris again. Llangollen had two penalties awarded against them. Keith Roberts brilliantly saved one of them but the referee made Alan Sumner, Grapes ex-Wrexham F.C. centre forward take it again. He got both penalties converted. Playing in defence for the visitors was former Llangollen F.C. stalwart Ted Jasper's son Alan.

Yesterday, the much improved Dobson and Crowther side really went to town, beating the Wheatsheaf, Gwersyllt by ten goals to two. The scorers were Gary Hughes (5), Steve Edwards (2), Darryl Roberts (2) and Chris Tobin. The side was Youthclub Leader Dave Jones in goal, Alan Windsor, Gareth Austin, Ian Jones, Chris Edwards, Paul Wood, Chris Tobin, Steve Edwards, Gary Hughes, Carl Mattocks and Darryl Roberts.

Llangollen Youth Club team 'blew it' at their Llangollen venue game with Borrass Park. They were winning 3-0 with 15 minutes to go through goals by Leigh Richards, Ian Hammonds and John Rossi, but allowed the Wrexham side to slip off the hook, the final score being 3-3.

The Under Twelves, playing Brickfield Rangers of Wrexham lost by eight goals to nil. Andrew Pugh was the Man of the Match.

## THE ENGLISH METHODIST CHURCH AND 3RD LLANGOLLEN BROWNIES

The Rev. Brian Cook conducted Mothers' Day services at the English Methodist Church. At the morning service, Sunday School scholars and Brownies took part and presented posies to the many mothers present. Rebecca Pugh carried the Brownie Flag. Amy Davies, Alison Hughes, Karen McHugh and Teresa Gibson read the lessons.

Led by Brownie Guider Mrs. J. Rickard the Brownies renewed their promise and remembered all members of the Guide Movement throughout the world.

During the service Jane Green presented a cheque for £125 to Rev. Cook, being the Pack's donation towards the renovation of the Memorial Hall, which they use for their weekly meetings.

*A class of youngsters was asked to make a sentence including the word 'fascinate.' One young girl put up her hand and said "Please Miss, I have a coat with nine buttons on it but I can only fasten eight!"*

## DINAS BRAN SCHOOL NEWS

Last Saturday week the School narrowly missed winning the County Trophy in the West Clwyd Urdd County Eisteddfod. The School came a very close second with 77 marks, just being beaten by Ysgol Glan Clwyd, who were the eventual winners with 80 marks.

The following groups and individuals gained first place and will now go on to compete in the Urdd National Eisteddfod, to be held in Aberfan on 3rd & 4th June.

1st PRIZE WINNERS (a) Dinas Bran School Orchestra. (b) Dinas Bran School Disco Dancing Team comprising of Debbie Jones, Claire Evans, Lisa Roberts and Janet Mytton. (c) Individual Disco Dancing - Debbie Jones. (d) Choral Recitation Party 15-19yrs.

THE FOLLOWING GAINED 2nd PLACE:

(a) Folk Song Solo 15-19yrs. - Ann Taylor. (b) Dialogue 14-25 - Sian Owen and Eleri Ffoulkes Jones. (c) Creative Dance 15-19yrs.

AND THE FOLLOWING GAINED 3rd PLACE:

(a) Recitation Party Under 15. (b) Recitation Party 15-19yrs.

On Tuesday morning Councillor P. Walker presented Bronze and Silver Duke of Edinburgh Awards to the following pupils:  
SILVER AWARDS: Linda Davies, Rachel Davies, Joanna Jones Catherine Jones, Catherine Hicks, Ann Taylor, Geraint Ffoulkes Jones and Steven Massey.

BRONZE AWARDS: Diane Hughes, Diane Parker, Debra Burke, Elizabeth Jones, Alix Langton, Sonya Sparkes, Kathryn Porter, Graeme Lewis, Richard Wilson, James Graham and Andrew Davies.

On Thursday 17th March, the School Band, Orchestra, Girls Choir, Boys Choir and Ann Taylor gave a concert at the Dolywern Hall in the Ceiriog Valley. The event was well attended and greatly appreciated by the residents of the Valley.

Last Thursday the School P.T.A. held a very successful Sale of Work. The Stalls were looked after by the Staff, pupils and parents. At the first count, the evening had produced £700 for the P.T.A. Fund and will be used to buy urgently required materials and equipment for the School.

*"Hail, Caesar!"  
"Yes, and rain too!"*

*Caesar adsum iam forte  
Brutus ad erat  
Caesar sic in omnibus  
Brutus sic inat*

## LLANGOLLEN ANGLING ASSOCIATION

At the recent AGM it was promised that a Newsletter would come out at interval and sure enough the first one was sent out recently.

We have pleasure in publishing items of general interest from this very comprehensive newsletter, starting with a full list of the officers of the Association.

Chairman: Major T.Hughes-Parry, Vice-Chairman: Silian Evans, Secretary: Neil Elbourn, Treasurer: C.Pierce. The Executive Committee consists of Bill Pollock, Alan Thomas, Terry Maybury, Graham Jervis, David Maybury, Ken Smith, Huw Evans, Derek Bithel, Geoff Else and T.V.Jones. Members of the Social Committee are - Chairman: T.V.Jones, Secretary: Neil Elbourn, Treasurer: Derek Bithel and Members Hilda Hughes-Parry, Hazel Elbourn, Anne Jones, Graham Jervis, Terry Maybury, Alan Thomas and Chris Hatton.

An innovation in the Club this year is a Stock and Rearing Pond, situated in Silian Evans' garden. The pond was constructed and commissioned by Alan Thomas and Terry Maybury. It was constructed from waste materials and all the digging and hard labour was completed by Alan and Terry. In January, 1,000 4 to 5 inch Rainbow Trout were introduced into the pool. To date there has been no sign of mortality or indeed any problems and the fish are not 6 to 7 inch long. They should be ready for the river by late May or early June. A further small Stock Pond has now been constructed and the Club hope shortly to introduce 1,500 fingerlings of Brown Trout and 1,500 Brook Trout (Fontmalis). It is hoped to have these fish ready for the 1984 season and if all goes well they will have a good ongoing stocking policy for the river.

Two Association Bailiffs now hold Welsh Water Authority Warrants and have been further strengthened with C.B. radios. It is the Executive's intention to prosecute all illegal forms of angling on the river and the bailiffs have been briefed to this effect. Field trials with the radios have proved to be very effective, enabling the bailiffs to be in constant touch with the Secretary day or night and spot checks can now be carried out on licences, with immediate response as to whether a person is a paid up member of the Club.

Eight salmon have been caught to date, the heaviest being J.Crane's 19½ pounder. Bob Davies has caught two in the Holly Bush Pool but once again celts are proving a problem on the river.

The Social Committee are once again very pleased with the response to the winter programme of film and social evenings and in order to help members plan their winter calendar, have decided to hold the films on the first Wednesdays of each month from September to February at the Bridge End Hotel.

The Annual Christmas Social will be held on Saturday December 17th. This will also be held at the Bridge End and the Committee are very grateful and indebted to licencees Anne and Len for their very kind gesture in allowing use of the room free of charge.

The Association has said "Bon Voyage" to Mr. & Mrs. Ken Smith. Ken Smith is a leading world authority on angling and fly-tying and has gone to Mauritius, an island off the east coast of Africa, where he will be teaching the inhabitant to tie flies. They thanked him for his interest in the Association over the past few years. They congratulated Huw Evans on his success in his Law exams and hope that his father Silian will get a fresh run silver salmon on his and Mavis's Silver Wedding Anniversary which will occur later in the year.

The Association have a host of events planned for the year, too numerous I'm afraid for complete inclusion in the Broadsheet but to date they have no fewer than twelve special days planned including two days entertaining disabled anglers for which they urgently appeal for the loan of rods, reels, etc. and also for help on the day or a donation towards the buffet planned at the R.A.F.A. Club after the events. One will take place on Saturday 14th May, sponsored by Llangollen Fire Service and the other on Saturday 13th August, sponsored by Mr. Pryce Griffiths of Wrexham F.C. Both events will be on Club Water above the Horseshoe Falls on the A5 side of the river. Only disabled anglers will be allowed to fish this section on these two dates.

The team Captain for the Spring event above will be Graham Jervis and a trophy for this has been donated by Mr. John Pugh Jones in memory of his father Frank, who was one of the best known salmon fishermen on the Dee. In August the captain will be Chris Hatton and the trophy has been donated by Alan Thomas in memory of his father, Arthur, who for many years was the Head Bailiff of the Association.

### JUNIOR SECTION - DINAS BRAN FLY FISHING CLUB

Pupils of Dinas Bran School who are interested in fishing are very fortunate. They have the opportunity to join a splendid fly fishing club. During the winter when the trout fishing season is closed, the pupils are taught fly tying, which enables them to build up a good stock of flies for the coming season.

Between March and September is the more interesting time in the fishing club - this is when the actual fishing is done. Pupils gather down by the river and are taught how to cast a fly and different techniques of fishing, all under the expert tuition of Mr. T.V.Jones.

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Each year a competition is held, inviting members to fish on the river, which is specially stocked with trout for the occasion. The winner receives a trophy and runner-up prizes are also given. There is also a fishing trip to Fisheries such as Trawsfynydd, where pupils can compete with other schools.

None of these activities would take place without the Llangollen Angling Association, who own the water and supply the fly tying materials.

*This article was a compilation of contributions from Messrs. T.V.Jones, Neil Elbourn and David Pollock.*

## THE DEE VALLEY PROBUS CLUB OF LLANGOLLEN AND DISTRICT

The members very much enjoyed the expertise of two of its members at Tuesday morning meeting held at the Hand Hotel, where they were shown beautiful slides of the Chelsea Flower Show. Excellent photography, displaying all the fantastic colours which only this Show can produce. They were all photographed in their true colours without flash, but on fast film with a first class technique by the Club's Past Chairman, Mr. Reg Hayes. An excellent side of screen commentary was given by Mr. Sidney Jefferies.

## THE VERY LATEST ON THE CANAL

The London Press Office of the Waterways Board said yesterday lunchtime that they were confident that the Canal would be refilled on 29th April.

A new clay lining is being put in where the breach occurred and lower down the Canal, in fact, between bridges 42 and 43. This will solve the problem which often occurs when a canal is emptied for a lengthy period of time - that of the clay liner drying out and cracking.

So the Town can be reasonably confident of plenty of boats visiting the area from Whit onwards, if not sooner.

## ART EXHIBITION BY STAN COULTER

OIL PAINTINGS, CHARCOAL DRAWINGS, INDIAN INK DRAWINGS, BOTTLE ART, PLATE ART, PHOTOGRAPHIC SECTION, PHOTOBOARD COMPETITION, EARLY VILLAGE LIFE (Board), BEAUTIFUL VALE OF PHEWL (Board), LLANGOLLEN BEAUTY SPOTS (Board), BARGAIN ENVELOPES FOR PHOTOGRAPHERS, £1 & 50p OFF VOUCHERS FOR DEVELOPING FILMS, BUSINESS MEN'S RAFFLE, ETC.

## AT THE SUN INN, RHEWL, LLANGOLLEN ALL THROUGH EASTER WEEK 2/9TH APRIL

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In an attempt to attract badly-needed advertising, I'm sure Miss B. Maxwell won't mind me printing her letter. The 50p offer is still on this week and if it attracts enough 'small ads' we will keep it as a regular feature.

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Llangollen,  
Clwyd.

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## THE WEEK AHEAD

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League of Friends to the Orthopaedic Hospital COFFEE MORNING at the Memorial Hall 10 am - noon.

RSPCA BUFFET & DANCE at the Hand Hotel 7 for 7.30 pm. Tickets £2 from Hand or tel: 860775.

LLANGOLLEN FLOWER ARRANGEMENT SOCIETY 19th Birthday Meeting - Hand Hotel 7.30pm.

THURSDAY 31st MARCH

LLANGOLLEN & DISTRICT FOLK DANCE GROUP Group Night at Hand Hotel 7.30 pm.

SATURDAY 2nd APRIL

OPENING OF STAN COULTER'S EXHIBITION at Sun Inn, Rhewl - open until next Saturday, 9th April.

## SOME USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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Ysgol Bryn Collen (Infants)	861126
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Llangollen Library	860720
Llangollen Hospital	860226
Maelor General Hospital	353153
War Memorial Hospital	351041
Council Offices	860234
Police	860222

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## ADS FROM THE PAST

The following interesting ads were taken from the Llangollen Advertiser of November 1914. It's a pity they don't tell us the rentals in Abbey Road.

**TO LET, BRYN DERWEN, Abbey Road, Llangollen, containing 3 Reception Rooms, 6 Bedrooms, Dressing Room, Linen Room, Bathroom, h & c. Water, 2 W.C.'s Kitchen, Scullery and Butler's Pantry, good Cellars, large Garden and Conservatory—commanding charming views of river, woodland and mountain scenery. Electric light throughout house. Apply—STEPHEN ROWLANDS, Bridge Street Llangollen. (M465)**

**TO LET, immediate possession, GLANYNYS Abbey Road—Double Fronted, containing 2 Entertaining, 5 Bedrooms, Bathroom (h. & c. through-out)—beautiful scenery of river and valley, garden (back and front), and modern conveniences. Apply—ROBERTS, Glasffwd, Llangollen. (M537)**

**TO BE LET or SOLD, immediate possession, HAZELDENE, Abbey road, containing 2 Sitting Rooms, 4 Bedrooms, Kitchen, Scullery, Bath, Hot and Cold Water, Electric Light, &c. Apply—MINSHALL & Co., Solicitors, Llangollen. (M898)**

**TO BE LET, May 1st, 1916, ASHGROVE, Llangollen. This superior and commodious detached house contains 3 Entertaining Rooms, 5 Bedrooms, 1 Box Room, 2 Kitchens, Scullery, 2 Pantries, Wash-house, excellent Cellars, etc., Bath Room and Lavatory (h. & c. 2 W.C.'s, &c. Apply to M. H. ROBERTS, Cartref, Grange Road, Rhyl, or to J. S. WATKIN, 24, Regent Street, Llangollen. (M54)**

**TO LET from May 1st, 1916, or earlier by arrangement, House in Westbourne Terrace. For particulars, apply—Mr. E. J. JONES, No. 1, Westbourne Terrace, Llangollen. (M953)**

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**WANTED, a Reliable WAGGONER. Apply—H. LODWICK, Llyd, Llangollen. (M956)**

## A LETTER TO THE EDITOR

*Ed: I am not very keen on publishing readers letter without their names and addresses. In this case the letter is from a regular and respected contributor whose name and address was supplied and is available at the Broadsheet Office. Letter and comments with no name or address will not be considered under any circumstances.*

March 17th 1983

Dear Editor,

I would like to add my support to the writer of the letter concerning the derelict site opposite the Smithfield Inn. There are far too many black spots of this type in Llangollen, which brings me to my main purpose in writing.

Recently, members of a local organisation to which I belong heard a report of the Council Chamber Meeting concerning Dinas Bran School and the local community. It is good to hear of pupils' interest and participation in local affairs, but I could not help wishing they would turn their attention to litter! Two or three weeks ago I was walking alongside the School, up the path leading to Geufron and the scene just by the School premises would have to be seen to be believed. Masses of litter was rolling down the slope, through the railings, on to the path, over the hedge and into the field and stream beyond! It was almost beyond description. The path leading from Bryn Melyn Garage to the Wharf is also very bad and although this may not be solely the fault of pupils, nevertheless they do travel this path in their hordes and indeed most of the litter in the town (of which there is a vast quantity) consists of Coke tins, pop bottles, crisp and sweet papers, so that one cannot avoid coming to the conclusion that the younger members of the Community are, in the main to blame, since they are the ones who consume these items.

Is it really impossible to persuade, instruct and, yes, even demand that habits of tidiness be cultivated OR suitable penalties be imposed? I would sincerely like to suggest that no service Dinas Bran could render to the Town would be more widely appreciated than a "Clean up the Litter" campaign.

I wonder if anyone agrees with me?

*Ed: I think this letter slightly unfair and I hope you will forgive an 'outsider' if I comment on it.*

*The comments re Geufron path and near the Canal seem fair enough but it is unfair to blame the Town's litter on one section of the Community, let alone one school.*

*A bane of my life is 'bingo.' I work most evenings and parking in Brewery Place is made very difficult due to hordes of 'bingoites' descending on us and parking outside (or sometimes very nearly inside) our office. I was watching a flock of*

*middle-aged and elderly women trotting off to the bingo hall from their parked cars the other day. You should have seen the trail of sweet papers, chocolate wrappers and cigarette packets that they strew in Brook Street in a few short seconds.*

*It seems rather unfair to expect pupils to perform a service for which rates are paid although I seem to remember that pupils of Dinas Bran have in the past volunteered to clean up parts of Llangollen, notably the Canal side.*

*As for penalties, I think suitable ones do exist but it must be difficult for the small number of policemen in the Town to actually catch many people in the act of committing litter offences. Perhaps the traffic wardens should have the additional authority to issue 'spot fines' for litter offences!!!*

*What do you think of it all?*

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

No entries for last week's competition. Perhaps it was a bit silly for youngsters, but I was sure that if you had asked your mums, they would have enthused about those children of the past.

The answers were: No. 1 - The Cardiff Snowflakes Choir of EIRA (*what is her name in English?*) Novello Williams.

No. 2 - Oswestry Girls High School Choir. One of the most prolific prizewinners in the history of the Eisteddfod.

No. 3 - The Obenkirchen Children's Choir. Llangollen made them world-famous and their 'own choice' test piece THE HAPPY WANDERER became a No. 1 best seller and is still a standard 'singalong' song. I would love to obtain a tape of this - my 78 was broken many years ago!

No. 4 - Another world-famous choir which performed at a Sunday Night Concert some years ago - The Vienna Boys' Choir.

I hope to have some exciting news for the 'older youngsters' soon - watch this space, as they say.

This week's competition is a topical one - in a short letter, essay, call it what you will - please tell me DO YOUNGSTERS MAKE MORE LITTER THAN GROWNUPS IN LLANGOLLEN AND IF SO (OR IF NOT), WHY? Keep it short and if you are only eight, don't worry - your age will be taken into consideration. The best two entries will be published (unless I think they are going to get me put in gaol!!) and will receive £1.00 each. Have a good holiday.

*Did you hear about the girl punk rock singer who had a large "W" tattooed on each cheek?*

*She looked rather odd to start with, but when she opened her mouth to sing - WOW!!!*

## Y GOETS FAWR (THE STAGE COACH)

Stage Coach services developed from the Stage Wagons used for long distance transport since the 1500's. They were called Stage Coaches because the horses were changed at stages about ten miles apart. Eighteenth century coaches had an iron strengthened pole linking front and back axles. From about 1800 whip springs were fixed at each end and the body mounted on these. These springs were called Mail Springs because they were specified for ROYAL MAIL COACHES. These were often painted Canary Yellow and had names like 'Wonder,' Greyhound,' The Hawk' and others. Probably many readers who have travelled the A5 down towards Capel Curig will remember seeing the small yellow and black coach across the road from the Bryntrych Hotel. The Stage Coaches seated four or six inside and up to 10 on top, though on later Mail Coaches the number of outside passengers was limited by law to three. In 1784 the Post Office began using its own coaches. These were lighter, lower, generally faster and more comfortable than the existing Stage Coaches.

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But now back to Llangollen.

The Stage Coach came from the direction of Chirk. At Cwm Alis it turned left and up and over past Bryn Dethol and on to the top of Birch Hill. Perhaps someone more knowledgeable than I am has a map of the route because, from my reading, I gather it then went down Grapes Hill and across from Rehoboth Chapel, down Chapel Street to the Old Post Office (There is a slate with the information on the wall near the left lower end of the street).

My husband tells me that the Coach entered the Hand Hotel yard through an archway in the middle of the long wall on the right,

the colour of the building shows the place. The horses would be changed at the Grapes Hotel Stables. These stood across the road, presumably where the Blue Bay and house next door stand. Then the Coach would go along Glanrafon and behind Cilmedw along the old road above Berwyn.

The arrival of the Coach was quite an event and drew many people to see who and what news it brought. This was particularly evident at the time of an Election (they didn't have the result in a few hours as we did of the Darlington Election last week), or when a subject of special interest was discussed in Parliament. As there were no telephones, telegrams or daily newspapers, the work of the RUNNERS and the Stage Coach was very important. At the opening of Parliament the Runners would jump on their horses and gallup from London to Holyhead to deliver copies of the Queen's Speech and any other important or startling news so that it could be spread throughout the country. These Runners came to Llan from Oswestry. Here, they would be met by other Runners to gallup off, spreading the news across far and wide. Naturally the Stage Coach carried many parcels and letters but it took longer than by Runners on their swift horses and relay system of spreading the news. The cost of this service was from sixpence to a pound, depending on the weight, size and distance. How does this Service compare with today's Postal and Parcel Delivery services!

*Menna Tudor Edwards.*

### **CORWEN CARNIVAL BAND CONTEST.**

#### **Llangollen Town Band's Success.**

*(Reprinted from the "Llangollen Chronicle," 25th October, 1929).*

The Llangollen Town Silver Band participated in the Carnival Contest at Corwen last Saturday, winning first prize in the Quickstep Contest with maximum marks, and were awarded second prize in the Selection, with 76 marks, Coedpoeth being placed first with 79 marks, whilst Ruabon were third with 60 marks, Malpas and Caer-gwrlle bringing up the rear with 54 and 50 marks respectively.

The Town Band gave a delightful rendering of the test piece—Mr. J. A. Greenwood's "The Spirit of Youth"—and also played the same composer's March "El Dorado" in the Quickstep test.

The Adjudicator's notes are appended:—

No. 1 Band (Llangollen).—Opening very nice—cornet slurring in wrong place—solo good—Troms a little heavy—so far good. Cadenza good. Allegro good—very nice Release at the end of this movement

Andante—Troms. again too loud. Andantino—Good euphonium, could be a little more broad at the F.—very good. Maestoso—Still good, a little fast if anything. Finale—very nice. Intonation good, accompaniments also nice. I should advise this Band to try Belle Vue.

A very good performance (76 marks).



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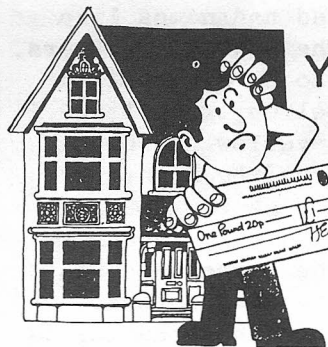
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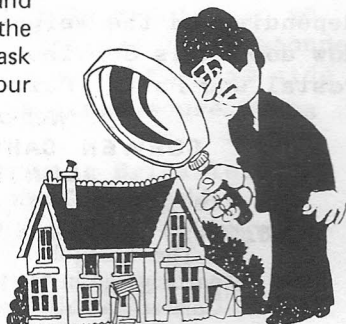
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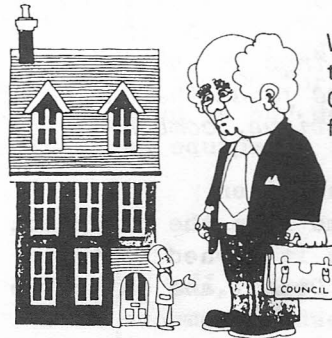


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### HELLO AGAIN

This week, I thought that we could have a quiz for the grown-ups as a change. The three photos above are all newspaper obituary photographs of former personalities and household names of the Town. I think all three were taken some years before they died, but if you knew them you should have no difficulty in recognising them. No prizes, I'm afraid, but if don't know them you will find the answers on page seven.

I could do with some more contributors of current events in Llangollen, offerings from amateur photographers in the Llangollen area would be especially welcome - preferably black and white prints. Remember, you don't even have to use a postage stamp, just leave your contributions at either Elbourn's in Chapel Street or Cleators in Castle Street before Saturday lunchtime or post them to Gwynedd Graphics to arrive Saturday morning latest. You can of course, as some people do, call in at Gwynedd Graphics (except on a Monday, when we are printing the Broadsheet).

Now that the Broadsheet is becoming part of Llangollen life again advertising in it must be a really economical and effective way of getting your services known. Taxi, plumber, electrician, builder - you could have an advert in the Broadsheet for as little as 25p per week - ridiculous, isn't it?

## BROWNIE NEWS

1st Llangollen Brownies held a slideshow and concert on 24th March at Llangollen Youth Club and raised over £35 for their Pack Funds. The Brownies entertained their parents and friends with music played on flutes and recorders and sang a selection of Brownie songs.

This was followed by a slideshow, presented by Mr. R. Hayes, depicting Brownie events during the last 12 months. These included the May Day carnival, Circus Revels, Halloween and Pirate parties, Christmas concert, Thinking Day, Sausage Sizzle and the Pantomime.

Raffle prizes were won by Emma Woodhall, Mr. L. Maxwell and Heather Morris. Guider Mrs. Glenys Burman thanked local Association members, parents and guides for their continuing support and generosity. Guider Miss Debbie Fell thanked Mr. R. Hayes for showing his excellent slides and Mrs. M.C. Hayes for her invaluable assistance in making the evening so successful.

## LLANGOLLEN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

The Hospital has been completely transformed after major alterations and a large amount of money was donated to the project by the Association of Friends of Llangollen Hospital.

Between 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. this Saturday April 9th there will be an open day at the Hospital and everyone is invited to tour the extensions and modernisations.

## THE EUROPEAN CENTRE FOR FOLK STUDIES

In East Street is now well under way and the next short residential course takes place on April 22nd/24th and is entitled MASTER AND SERVANT. The course will examine the individual roles and functions of the master and servant in the society of the traditional country house.

The country house, in all its European forms, provided accommodation both for those at the apex of European society and for those much lower down the social scale who were resident employees of the family.

The architecture of country houses will be studied and the relationship that did exist between the "Upstairs and Downstairs" societies will be explored through specific examples drawn from various households. A conducted visit to Erddig Hall, a fine example in the locality, is included as part of the course.

This residential course, inclusive of meals and accommodation at one of Llangollen's several three-star hotels, costs £55.00.

## FOOTBALL

Last Saturday Llangollen were hammered to the tune of six goals to nil by the powerful Brymbo Steelworks side. It's an ill wind, as they say, but although it might have dented the Town's pride, it will probably do a power of good to Brymbo's chances as the Wrexham area representatives in the Welsh Intermediate Cup Final next Saturday.

This will be played at Oswestry Town's Victoria Road Ground, kick off 3 pm, where Brymbo will meet Welshpool in a game that is expected to attract in excess of one thousand spectators - well worth a visit.

## LEAGUE OF FRIENDS TO THE ORTHOPAEDIC HOSPITAL

The Llangollen Branch held a Coffee Morning on 22nd March which raised £111.00. Many thanks are due to all those who supported the cause.

As a matter of interest - in response to a remark in the Dinas Bran School News recently about twelve years ago the League of Friends Committee in Llangollen organised a concert in the Town Hall at which the Froncysyllte Male Voice Choir were the attraction and Lady Trevor was in the Chair. The concert was very well attended and the Llangollen Committee hope that their second visit will be as successful.

## EASTER EGGS AND EASTER CUSTOMS

Before the children have had time to break all their Christmas presents, the shops are advertising their Easter Eggs. Do children taste Easter Eggs before Easter? What do you think? Of course! Except, perhaps a couple of fourteen year old girls who were members of their Church Choir. They decided to stop eating sweets during Lent. Strangely, that year they had more eggs than any previous year - they put them on top of the wardrobe till after Easter and smacked their lips at the thought of the feast of chocolate eggs that they would enjoy. When the time came, they found that they had lost their taste for a lot of chocolate and also they felt guilty at the thought of eating so many eggs. Instead, they decided to take them with them when they went visiting some housebound senior citizens whom they visited periodically.

I have read that tradition tells us that the world was hatched or created at Easter-tide. There is a fable that tells us that the world was hatched by a monster goose or a very gigantic bird, from a golden egg. Tradition also tells us how the egg broke in two and one half became the firmament and the other half became the earth. Other nations have fairly similar traditions. One

is that the universe came into existence in the same way, but that the egg grew from muddy water or mist.

Folk customs at the time of the Spring Equinox go back to pagan times. The practice of giving eggs to friends is a very old one. I think that the Persians were the first to do so, but it was also a custom among the Egyptians, Jews and Hindus. However, towards the end of the sixteenth century, under the Reformation, it was forbidden to eat eggs in Lent. Three thousand years ago people used to place eggs on tombs, or they painted them on coffins because they expected that in some way or another, a new life would come out of the life laid down.

Then the Christians adopted the custom of giving eggs to symbolise the Resurrection. The first eggs were coloured red to remind them of the Blood of Christ. There were many popular customs. During the latter part of the 19th century in Lancashire villages, men and boys would go round their districts as 'Pace-Eggers' and the collected eggs were consecrated for ceremonial use in the churches. Some villages had dance teams that every year did the ritual dance 'Death and Resurrection' and a dance 'For Joy at Sunrise on Easter Morning. In many parts of England there are records of egg rolling contests, the eggs being hard-boiled and dyed in a variety of colours.

There is an interesting chapter in 'Encyclopaedia Britannica' on Easter customs. I will give you one small piece of information I got from it. It is said that the Bishop and Dean of Chester took part in an egg throwing match with the Choirboys at Chester Cathedral when the antiphon 'Quem Quaeritis' was sung on Easter day!

One memory of an Easter before I was married. A friend and I, staying in Northern Italy, had just had our continental breakfast brought into the room when the woman returned and urged us to follow her. She kept repeating "Blood, blood!" (she spoke hardly any English). We followed her to the bed in the room across the landing. There was a dark patch on the young lady's neck and chest. My friend opened the blind and with the light we saw that she must have gone to sleep clutching a large chocolate egg. This had melted and in the darkened room had looked like blood!

Good Friday was a very important day in the village of Tregarth where I was brought up and in the villages for many miles around. It was the day of the Gymanfa Ganu (hymn singing festival) at Jeriwsalem Chapel, Bethesda. People, whole families, all in their best and probably new clothes walked many miles for the two special meetings. Talk about singing it was Magnificent and all in harmony.

My eldest son and his family live in Little Gaddesden Village, seventeen miles from St. Albans. Members of the very many

Churches in that Diocese join in an annual pilgrimage to St. Alban's Cathedral on Easter Monday. Last Easter Monday, my grand-children Rhiannon and Tomos went to their Church by 8 a.m. to join their choir, some other church members and the Vicar, to have a short service before they set off to walk the 17 miles by 2 p.m., to the united singsong when they arrived in St. Albans Cathedral. Their mother and I went by car for the service of thanksgiving. We found the huge place full. We had to sit on the floor, as did many others. Some even had their dogs with them. The congregation was the most mixed I have ever seen. Boys with hair dyed purple, yellow, orange and with safety pins through their ears. Every style of hair, make-up and clothes mixed with people in more formal dress. There was a military band on a platform at one end, another band, several guitar groups and a pipe organ. The singing went with gusto. They were mostly the good old favourites 'I have seen the Glory of the Coming of the Lord,' 'Guide me, Oh! Thou Great Jehovah' and the newer one 'Lord of the Dance.' The verses were repeated over and over as they used to in our old Welsh meetings. It was an UPLIFTING occasion.

On our way home, Tomos sat with me on the back seat. He was very full of all the experience of that day. He wanted me to agree how, having guitar groups helped on church singing. He assured me that 'He was Definitely coming to the Easter Pilgrimage in 1983.' You know how tragedy struck three days later. Rhiannon is going alone with the Choir this year.

I will take this opportunity of thanking the People of Llangollen for their prayers and caring sympathy. Their letters and helpful words were a source of strength. Thank you from us All.

MENNA TUDOR EDWARDS

*The article on the Folk Studies Course visiting Erddig brought back some pleasant memories for me...*

## YORKIE

My first knowledge of Erddig was told to me by my father on one of our train trips from Llangollen to Wrexham. You can see the hall for a brief moment just on leaving Rhostyllen and my father told me of the Yorke family, the damage caused by coal mining and how the hall had 365 windows (one for each day of the year).

Years later I became a member of Wrexham Sports Club Cross Country and Athletics team and once again came across the Yorke family through our 'chauffeur.' We travelled in Simon Yorke's minibus. He was a quiet, pleasant man, affectionately known by all and sundry as 'Yorkie.' (continued on page 4)

Again years later, long after 'Yorkie's' demise, I had the great pleasure and privilege to meet and be acquainted with Philip 'Squire' Yorke. I think the only word to describe him is 'gracious' - in its original sense and certainly not in the hideous way in which the Americans use the word. He was extrovert in a very un-annoying way and kept me enthralled with his tales of how Simon (who by virtue of being the elder brother was 'Squire' at the time) and himself used to keep guard of Erddig throughout the night with a loaded blunderbuss as hardly any of the locked were efficient. It is a blessing for both them and the nation that no criminals realised what priceless pickings there were at Erddig a few years ago.

One of his idiosyncrasies, quaint and amusing to his friends but possibly annoying to his tenants, was that he never stood on ceremony and never knocked doors, but simply marched in. In fact, a few days before he died, he marched in to our house and gave Clare and Robert 50p each in return for a small favour I had done for him a few days earlier. It is a great pity that they were both so young at the time and cannot remember him more clearly. As they say on the 'tele' in the silent movie programmes "We shall not see his like again."

Erddig Hall is marvellously authentic. One gets a really true picture of country house life, certainly of Victorian times, but having met and known a little of the Yorkes and knowing that you will never again see Philip Yorke in his little white Fiat or on his beloved bicycle (which ironically was probably the cause of his demise), the present Erddig will always seem a little stuffy to me.

### BOB-A-JOB

Don't forget it is National Bob-a-Job Week for the Cubs and Scouts this week - probably their biggest fundraising effort of the year - and your opportunity to get those chores seen to painlessly!

### ART EXHIBITION BY STAN COULTER

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### LLANGOLLEN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

You are cordially invited to visit Llangollen Community Hospital on Saturday 9th April 1983 between 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. to tour the Hospital, which has recently been extended and modernised.

### WELSH INTERMEDIATE CUP FINAL TIE

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## CHILDRENS CORNER

As expected, the children came down on the adults like a ton of bricks, accusing them of making the mess. The two winning letters are printed below and each winner will receive £1.00.

### 'IT'S THE ELDERS'

Geufron,  
Llangollen.

If you can call people such as teenagers adults, I think adults make more litter in Llangollen than youngsters. Back streets are littered with old cans, scraps of paper and things like that.

Most young children nowadays are brought up not to drop litter. There are many advertisements on television telling people not to drop litter, these days.

The blame is labelled on all adults even though it is only from the cause of old children (young adults) who don't care how our town looks!!!

Sent by Beth Williams  
age 11.

21 Min-y-Coed,  
Llangollen.

I think grownups make more mess than children. When they buy cigarettes they throw all the wrappers on the floor and their chip papers all over the place. They also throw sweet papers on the floor. I know children do it as well, but parents should teach their children to put litter in the bin, but they just blame children for it all, they never blame other grownups.

From Gary Burke  
age 10.

From my point of view, it is ideal to have a competition where the winners' efforts can be published in the Broadsheet. This is partly because seeing them in print encourages others to try their luck, partly because it encourages others to get their parents to buy the Broadsheet and partly as it gives me something to publish.

If no-one sends me anything, very little gets printed in the Broadsheet so I want you to tell me all your news. Have you passed a piano exam? Won a competition? Been made a Sixer? Anything which you think is interesting, please let me know about it. You can also ask your parents or brothers and sisters to let the Broadsheet know about any marriages or engagements in the family - any new baby brothers or sisters or even anyone ill or in hospital who would like a mention to cheer them up.  
LET ME KNOW.

(continued on page 6)

## SOME USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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Ysgol Dinas Bran	860669
Ysgol Bryn Collen (Juniors)	861125
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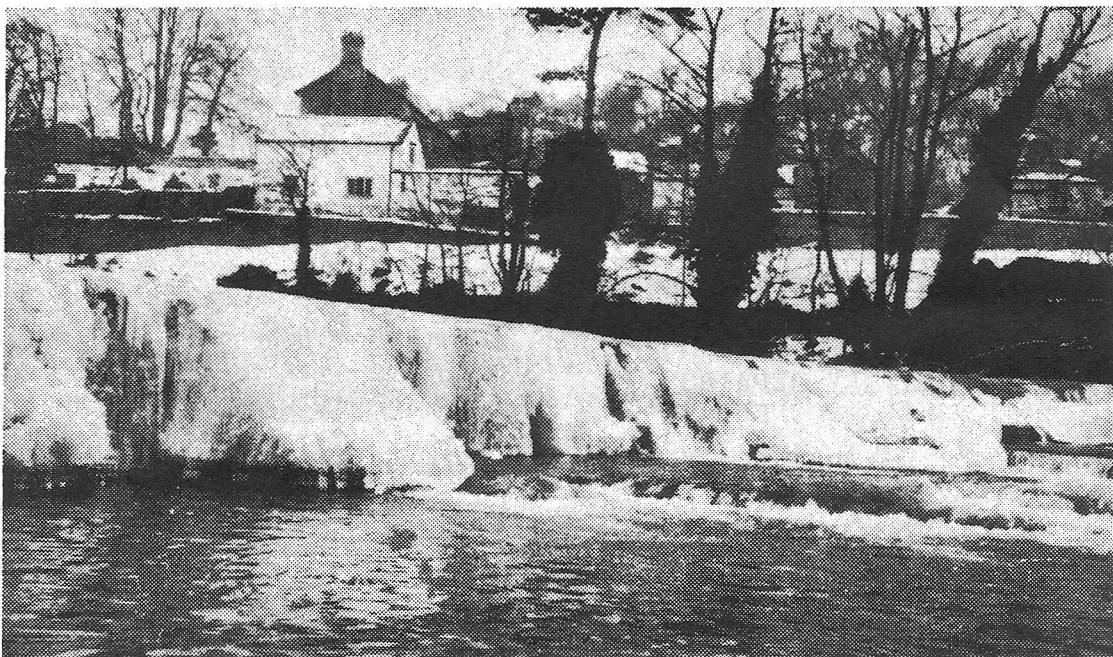
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This week's competition is to design a heading for Children's Corner. It wants to be bold and eye-catching and would probably be better done in black and white. Don't make it too big, remember it is to be basically a heading saying "Children's Corner" and must stand out without taking up too much room. The best one will receive £2.00 and if it is suitable, we will use it each week as our heading.

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The cold snap of the last few days has prompted me to go back twenty years to February 1963. Below is a photo taken from the Tuesday Review of February 5th 1963.

## The Big Freeze



The above photograph was taken on January 26th by Mr Lewis Davies. For a fortnight now solid ice has stretched (as in many other parts of the Dee) above the Weir and up to the Bridge, and on its snow covered surface the gulls congregate hopefully waiting for scraps from passers-by and from the Royal Hotel.

For this week's reprints from old newspapers we come forward in time considerably to just before the Second World War, in fact to the Llangollen Chronicle of Friday March 25th 1938. Incidentally, the paper was still one penny. Dr. Fred (see cover) had just died and several pages were devoted to his memory. One day we will have to reprint this. Ladies frocks were from 29/11 to 18/11 in Messrs. Jonathan Davies' (Glynne Jones) and costumes ranged from 4 guineas to 29/11. Iced Ginger Cake (hopefully not the Ronnie Barker variety!) from the Glyndyfrdwy Bakery cost 6d and assorted biscuits at the Co-op (Oak Mews) cost 6d per lb. At the Dorothy Cinema you could see Charles Boyer in History is made at Night plus Vivien Leigh, Rex Harrison and Cecil Parkes in Storm in a Tea Cup. It cost 1/3 in the balcony, 1/- in the back stalls and 6d in the front, G.W.R. ran cheap evening trips from Bala and Corwen on Wednesday and Saturday evenings for cinemagoers.

**FIRE.**—The Llangollen Fire Brigade were called out on Thursday to extinguish a fire which had started amongst the shrubs on the old Garden situated between the Llangollen—Trevor Road and the Shropshire Union Canal. As a strong wind was blowing at the time it was feared that the flames would reach the cottages close by. The brigade set to work on the shrubs and soon got the upper hand. Later flames and smoke were to be seen coming through the door of the gable end of the factory and the men immediately got to work on this spot and were successful in extinguishing the flames before any serious damage was done. The Brigade returned after being scarcely one hour away.

**RUMMAGE SALE.**—A very successful Rummage Sale took place at the Memorial Hall on Saturday.

**THE LLANGOLLEN BRANCH** of the British Legion sent a contingent to the funeral at Wrexham, of Major Watkin, Area Chairman.

**ACCIDENT.**—Whilst returning from his work on a pedal cycle, Mr. J. R. Davies, Genfron Cottages, was accidentally thrown. He received severe injuries to his face and head. He is now in the Llangollen Cottage Hospital doing well.

**PRESENTATION.**—On leaving Harlech for Llangollen Mr E. E. Hughes who succeeds Mr Wilson Williams as Manager of the local branch, was presented with a handsome grandfather clock. The presentation was made by Mr R. Williams and amongst the many who spoke of the fine qualities of Mr Hughes was Sir Charles Phipps J P. We welcome Mr. Hughes to lovely Llangollen.

**JACK HUGHES**, the Chesterfield player, who has been resting from the side for eight weeks, turned out on Saturday and showed tip-top form.

**LLANGOLLEN CHORAL SOCIETY** has entered the principal choral competition at Llanrhaidr next month. Appreciable progress is being made under the guidance of their talented leader Mr J. E. Morris. Test piece is "Worthy is the Lamb" (Handel). Rehearsals are being well attended. A number of young vocalists of promise have recently joined. Let us hope it will be our joy and pleasure to be able to record big news concerning this worth-while society soon. They have won hundreds of pounds at Eisteddfodau. May they continue their good fortune.

**DRAMATIC SOCIETIES.**—Llangollen possesses plenty of dramatic talent—both English and Welsh, but it has not been put to much use of late. When will they begin to produce more dramas. In years gone by all classes united in producing dramas and plays which were second to none.

**A SPLENDID HELP.**—Mr A. F. Phillips who has been tenant of Tynycelyn Farm, Vivod, for more than 43 years, is to leave this year. The oldest tenant on the estate, he has been closely associated with the Vale of Llangollen Sheep-Dog Society for many years. One of its stalwarts, the society will lose a splendid help.

**BAPTISM.**—A large congregation assembled at the Dr. Pritchard Memorial Chapel, Abbey Rd. to witness the deeply impressive ceremony of Baptism. The several candidates were admitted to full church membership. Rev. T. Morgan Jones, Cefn Mawr, officiated.

**THE C.M. ASSEMBLY.**—It is now 20 years since Llangollen had the honour of entertaining the C.M. Assembly. The first time was in 1797, and afterwards in the years 1829, 1865, 1873, 1881, and the last time in 1908. This year's festival will be held on April 5, 6 and 7. Over 200 ministers and delegates will attend. Among the ministers who will officiate are some of the best known preachers of today.

**EDITOR'S THANKS.**—To Mr. Wm. J. Lamb. A later edition.

**THE OPERATIC SOCIETY.**—The Operatic Society is one of the best amateur Societies in Wales, their operatic performances of recent years have been very successful, and both the Society and Committee are to be heartily congratulated.

**The Waterloo Inn**, Holyhead Road, is to be sold by auction, by order of the Mortgagees.

### LLANGOLLEN CRICKET CLUB.

Llangollen C. C. annual meeting was held on Monday evening. The Club has again entered the East Denbighshire County Cricket League and hope to do even better than last season. The membership of two or three new players of talent have joined.

The following were appointed Officials for the coming Season:—President:—Mr. E. Lloyd Edwards; Captain, Mr. C. A. Ironmonger; Vice-Chairman, Mr. G. Cwrys Williams; Hon Treasurer: Mr. S. C. Richards; Hon. Secretary: Mr. R. F. Evans.

If there are any persons wishing to become members of the Club will they please forward their names and addresses to the Secretary at Fair View, Abbey Road, Llangollen. All playing members have to be registered before May 1, 1938.

### LLANGOLLEN,

**THE TOWN BAND.**—Llangollen Town Band is busily engaged on Sundays and Tuesday practising for the Summer Season. The town has reason to be proud of its Band under the leadership of Mr. R. Ellis Evans, the popular conductor. The band's repertoire is an excellent one. They play only the best brass band music. The town should give them every support. Their smart uniform makes the Park attractive. May they have a good season.

### LLANGOLLEN MAY DAY COMMITTEE.

**May Queen Chosen.**

On Monday next a whist drive will be held in the Town Hall. The premier prize is a Trip to the British Empire Exhibition at Glasgow. Other prizes for ladies and gentlemen will be awarded. The profits from this whist drive will be utilised in connection with the prize money for the various competitions on May Day. Miss Doreen Ambrose, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose, of Coed Afon, Llangollen, has been elected by the pupils of the Llangollen Central School as this year's May Queen. The Maids of Honour are Betty Slater, Ceridwen Roberts, Penelope Hinchcliffe, Phyllis Williams; Heralds; Desmond Thomas, Leonard Davies; Crown Bearer, Colin Smith; Sceptre Bearer, Derek Jones; Court Jester, Horace Alexander.

In days gone by Llangollen May Day Processions and Fetes at Plas Newydd were the talk of Great Britain. There are plenty of go-ahead people here. It is not too late to have a mammoth attraction in Llangollen again this year.

**TOWN ADVERTISING.**—Llangollen with all its beautiful surroundings should be well advertised. The Town Advertising Committee in the olden days led the way in a most businesslike manner. The best folk in Britain and America visited our picturesque town. All boarding houses and hotels were filled with "good spenders" who supported the shops, hotels, pleasure boats, and even the donkeys carrying passengers to Crow Castle, etc. Oh, for a repetition of those days when trains were packed daily from all the big cities, and caterers made fortunes—busy day and night. Llangollen can yet be amongst the leading inland resorts.

### THE 'ARMOURY' TEA ROOM,

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**On Saturday, March 26th, 1938.**

The photographs on page one are (from left to right) Mr. Dilwyn 'Ap Ynyr' Ffoulkes-Jones, Dr. F.A.W. 'Fred' Drinkwater and Mr. Emlyn Hugh Garner Evans, M.P.



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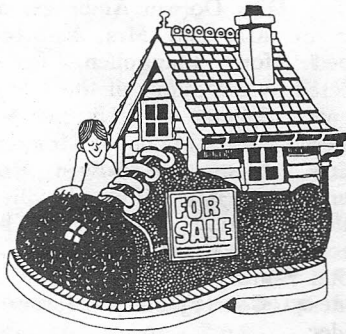
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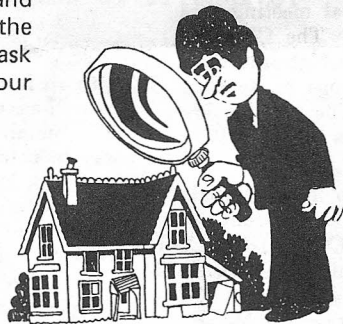
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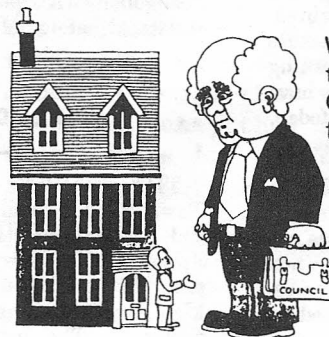


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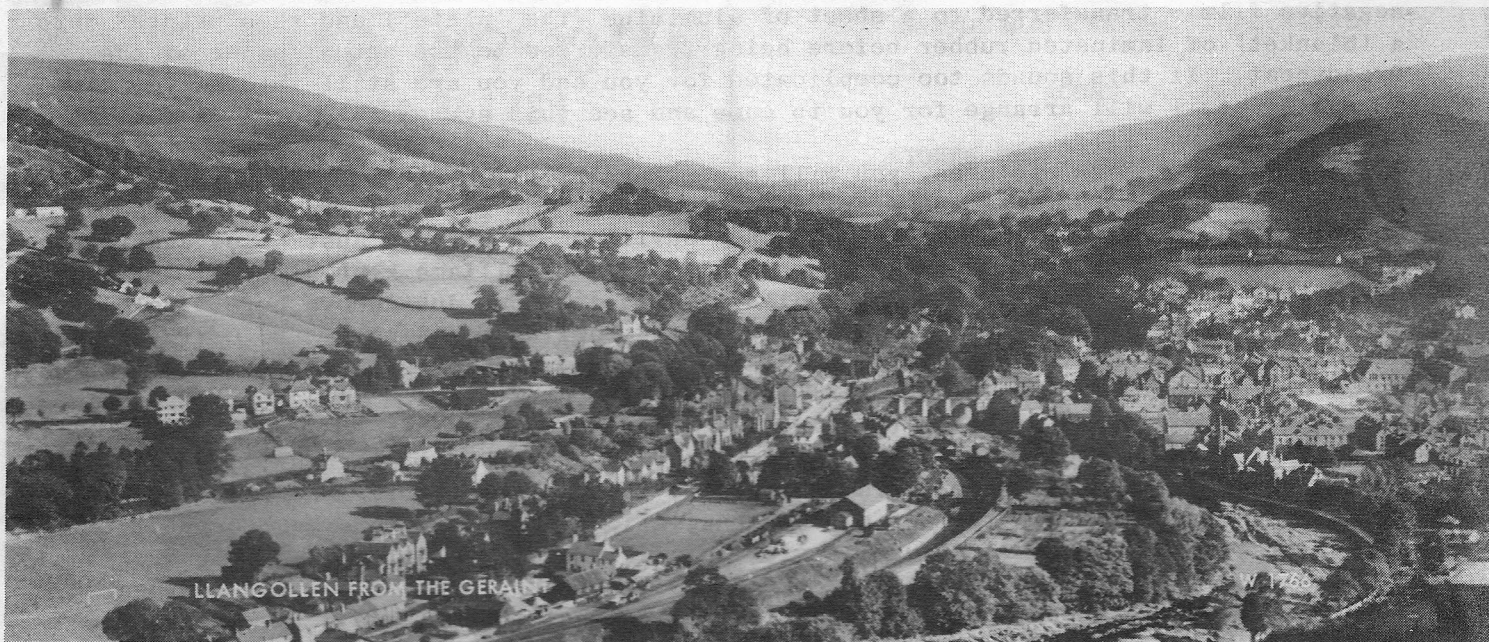
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FOR THE STORY BEHIND THE PICTURES - SEE PAGE TWO

## GOOD MORNING ONCE AGAIN

Today, at the risk of being repetitive, we have two more general views of Llangollen, this time from a period just before the Second World War. Llangollen continued to look like this until well into the Fifties, the main 'giveaway' as to the date of these photos is the appearance of the "Buffet" at the end of the bridge on both of them. This was a turret-shaped cafe which was demolished just before the War in the interest of vehicular and pedestrian safety. The site was in evidence until recently, when the modernisation of the bridge removed it for ever. I have the advantage of looking at the original photos whilst writing these notes and I will try not to lose too much of the detail when 'screening' them for reproduction.

It is not possible to reproduce a photograph as it is in your 'print' in any of the popular printing processes as the shading of the black and white is infinitely variable and no normal printing plate surface is fine enough to accept this quality - if we tried it we would just get a highly contrasted blurr. Instead we photograph the subject through a criss-cross of lines, printed on a plate of glass or a sheet of plastic. The subject is not seen photographically where the lines are, but between them, a photographic negative is produced by a strong light source on our large cameras giving us a picture in the form of a series of dots (these basically being the gaps between the criss-cross lines. These dots, although they can be as fine as two hundred to the inch, are now definite points of 'black' on a 'white background and as such can be reproduced onto printing plates. In the case of the Broadsheet the dots are one hundred to the inch and the above photos will be photographed onto a sheet of negative film - transferred to a sheet of aluminium (the 'plate') and then printed onto a 'blanket' of laminated rubber before being transferred to the actual paper of the Broadsheet. If this sounds too complicated for you and you are still interested, give me a ring and I will arrange for you to come and see this system in operation (not on a Monday, though!!!).

To get back to our pictures, you will see where the football pitch of our recent cover print was, by the goalpost (top) - alongside was the cricket pitch. The Grammar School stood in its original glory with the 'pavilion' in place. Just below and to our left was the corrugated iron building where Mr. Norman Williams kept his coal lorries. Before his untimely demise he was to build his elegant home just above here. Below and to the right stands the Canal Tea Gardens and bowling green where Mr. Gorin (the 'Vic') gave so much pleasure. This was later to become the original R.A.F.A. Club. Below again you will see 'Fair View Field' again the subject of a recent Broadsheet article. It was from here that the 'May Day' floats left on their journey to Plas Newydd. 'Bluebell Wood' near Epworth was unspoiled by any developments on Wern Road, Cuthbert's new factory was no-where in sight. "The City" was still thriving and Horseshoe Pass View was a figment of the imagination. The 'Gasometers' (correctly - gasholders, so I'm told) were just in view, alongside the precarious Gas Company offices. Seion chapel was still intact and the 'henpens', auction box and corrugated iron roofed cattle sheds in the Smithfield still stand. (When I was a youngster, we used to sunbathe on these roofs, until chased by Mr. Archie Ellis (Corporal Ellis of the recent reprint of a 1915 newspaper). Before Mr. Ellis became custodian of the Smithfield, he was in charge of the Riverside Park. Just about in our picture is the area just right of the putting green where stood (or sat) a large sandpit which gave hours of pleasure to countless children. This was affectionately known as "Archie Sands." Harking back to "Horseshoe Pass View" recent additions to Llangollen's populace should look back to this area and notice the densely-built area of Pen-y-Coed and the surrounding area. Part of this area was nicknamed "The City" and up to about twenty years ago, was one of the most densely populated areas of Llangollen.

### A VERY SPECIAL MESSAGE

With the exception of Mrs. Menna Tudor Edwards, the Broadsheet's most prolific contributor is young Gary Burke of Min-y-Coed.

Gary was eleven years old last Wednesday and we wish him a belated very many happy returns of the day.

Sadly, he has not been very well recently and we hope that he is now completely well again. Very best wishes and many thanks, Gary.

### MASTER AND SERVANT

Last week I printed a small article on the Folk Study Centre's forthcoming short course 'Master and Servant' on the weekend of 22/24th April. This residential course costs £55, but this fee only applies to visitors using residential facilities. If you want to attend the course, the lectures are available at a very modest cost, as is the trip to Erddig Hall.

For the next two months the Centre have an artist in residence executing stained glass windows and all are cordially invited to come and watch the progress.

## THE FLAG OF HONOUR

Llangollen is extremely proud to have been awarded the Flag of Honour of the Council of Europe. This is sparingly awarded to municipalities who excel in the promotion of the European Idea. To date we are not sure whether the Flag will be of the indoor or outdoor variety but you can rest assured that it will fly proudly and prominently. An important dignitary of a fellow member country will come to Llangollen to present the award, the only one to be given to Wales and one of only four in Great Britain.

## THE NORTH WALES HALF MARATHON

Flying the flag in a slightly different nature were twelve Llangollen sportsmen of widely varying ages who competed in the Half Marathon at Prestatyn on April 3rd. All twelve completed the course, with Jonathon Roberts, son of graphic artist Ted Roberts, completing the course in an astonishing 1 hour 15 minutes. Other times were: Dave Thomas 1 hr. 39 min., Steven Jerrard 1 hr. 45 min, Ray Bithel 1 hr. 45 min, Mike Flory 1 hr. 22 min., M. Easby 1 hr. 37 min, Keith Limbert 1 hr. 37 min, Keith Langard Hughes 1 hr. 42 min, Watkin Richards 1 hr. 55 min, Roy Richards 1 hr. 45 min, Paul Owens 1 hr. 53 min. and father Tony Owens 2 hr. 08 min.

Congratulations to all of you,

## MAY DAY PULL

On May Day - Monday May 2nd - a special feature this year will be an extremely large and desirable trophy, to be awarded to the winners of the Tug-'O-War competition. This will be an open competition for teams of eight and entrants can either ring Watkin Richards on 860923 or register on the field before 2.30 pm on the day.

Get your team together and come and topple those odds-on favourites from Mid-Wales. How about it, R.A.F.A.

## THE ELECTIONS

There will be no elections on May 5th for Llangollen Community Councillors. In fact when nominations closed last Saturday there weren't even nine prospective candidates so the Town Council is going to be two or three members short.

There will be, however, an election for members of the Glyndwr District Council.

## LLANGOLLEN F.C.

Were back to their winning ways last Saturday with a 4-2 win over Llay at the Tower Field.

## LLANGOLLEN COMMUNITY HOSPITAL

After last Saturday's successful Open Day following the major improvements, we thought you might like to know a little of the Hospital's history.

Mr. William Wagstaff of Vivod met the full cost of building the Hospital, in memory of his wife, who died in 1873.

Mr. Wagstaff's daughter married Mr. J.C. Best and the best family have maintained close connections with the Hospital, Mr. Wagstaff being Chairman of the Committee from 1874-1877, Mr. J.C. Best from 1877 - 1907 and Mr. Wm. Best from 1907 - 1948.

The site was purchased in 1875 and the first patient admitted in April 1876. Matron's sitting room, the male ward and the kitchen were on the ground floor and two female wards and Matron's bedroom were on the first floor. Two additional wards were added in 1884, one on each floor and the operating theatre added in 1925. In 1958 the Outpatients and Physiotherapy Departments were erected.

The cost per patient per day has risen from 2/8½ (approx 13½p) in 1878, 17/- (85p) in 1947 to £51.02p in 1982!

The Assoc. of Friends and the Health Authority joined together to launch a public appeal for funds for the new development and the Assoc. have advised the Health Authority that they will provide approx. £100,000 towards the cost of the scheme and also an annual sum of £10,000/£15,000 for use within the Hospital. The total cost of the work is £302,000, which includes £53,000 for the purchase of buildings and £54,000 for the lift, including building works.

There is a stained glass window on the main staircase in memory of the late Mrs. Pat Bird-Jones, commissioned from her daughter, Miss Christine Bird-Jones. Mrs Bird-Jones was Senior Physiotherapist from 1968 until her untimely death in 1981.

The Hospital now has 18 beds, 10 on the ground floor and 8 on the first. It is run medically by the local general practitioners. Although there will be, of necessity, an element of long stay care involved, the Community Hospital concept is to meet the needs of the local population as far as possible in areas such as post-operative care, post coronary care, investigative procedures and admissions on an agreed time basis to give relatives a break from caring for patients at home.

## THE DEE VALLEY PROBUS CLUB OF LLANGOLLEN AND DISTRICT

The Probus visit to Dinorwig on the Thursday before Easter resulted in a fine day midst the snow-capped mountains of Snowdonia, in spite of a horrendous weather forecast!

The Dinorwig Power Station, constructed within the Elidir Mountain (3,030 ft.) is the largest pumped-storage power station in Europe, which on completion, with creative landscaping, will not be noticed by the casual passer-by! An ideal project, recycling water and electricity, resulting in substantial saving of cost to the Board, whilst at the same time replacing the spoils of many years of slate quarrying. The construction has been made by local labour drawn from within a twenty-four square mile area, with the proviso of at least five years residential qualification. With the exception of some switchgear, all materials used are British, the generators being built on site (too large to be produced elsewhere) the main cavern is twice as long as the Racecourse Football pitch and can house a six storey building. All materials removed from the mountain have been used to infill the disused quarries. The size of the whole project can only be judged visually.

Members returned to the snows of Llangollen after a full day's enjoyment and experience.

## LLANGOLLEN HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

At the recent well-attended meeting, the guest speaker, Mr. Hugh Baines, spoke on "Gardening in Public Parks."

Having had many years experience in the London area, he outlined the problems and difficulties in preparing and maintaining these large expanses with colourful displays throughout the year, climatic conditions and vandals permitting. The satisfaction of seeing the response and interest from the general public however, compensated for these setbacks. Mr. Baines concluded by answering members' questions.

The Plant Stall did brisk business and soon sold out, thanks are due to the contributors and the special efforts of Mrs. M. Davies and Mr. J.G. Wilson.

The monthly raffle prize donated by Mrs. H. Postlethwaite, was won by Mr. J. Davies.

On April 26th members are joining with the Civic Society in a visit to the Alpine Garden of Mr. & Mrs. Ruane at Bryn Hyfryd, Cefn Canol.

The next meeting of the Society will be held on Tuesday May 3rd at 7.30 pm in the Hand Hotel. The guest speaker will be Mr. D. Toyne, Advisory Manager of Phostrogen Ltd., who will give an illustrated talk on "Fertilizers." All are welcome to attend.

## CHILDRENS

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Hello there again.

We had a very good response to last week's competition.

I'm sorry I only stipulated one prize, but we've got to keep to the rules, so there's only one winner.

I had to think about these entries. The winner wasn't immediately apparent, but the more I looked, the more it was obvious who was the winner. It was very neat, very clever and didn't take up much room. Letraset is difficult to use well. I use it every day and I really can appreciate the care that had to be taken with this entry. Congratulations Meg Williams of Geufron, Llangollen.

Of the other entries, I must mention Alison Burke. Yours was very good, Alison, but you forgot to put the apostrophe 'S' on children. Other points I must mention are - read my comments carefully - I said that entries would be better in black and white (cameras have difficulty in photographing blue) and I also said - don't make it too big! Alison's was the ideal shape. Your brother Gary's was a good shape as well, but - all of you - please don't 'dot' capital 'I's.'

This week's competition is a short essay (story/letter) on - if Llangollen was suddenly awarded a full sized Swimming Pool where would be the best place to put it? £2 for the best one - entries by Saturday.

By the way - if your birthday is coming up shortly - let us know and we'll mention it in the Broadsheet.

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## GEORGE KEAY

On April 3rd 1983, Mr. George Keay passed away peacefully in his sleep at his home of Maes Mawr, Garth, Llangollen, aged 75 years. The beloved husband of Ceinwen, dearest father of Gaynor and loving Papa of Katherine and Charles.

Cremation took place at Pentrebychan last Thursday, 7th April.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

TUESDAY 12th APRIL (TONIGHT)

Pentredwr W.I. - Community Centre 7 pm.

FRIDAY 15th APRIL

W.I. Market at the Town Hall, 10-12 noon.

SATURDAY 16th APRIL

Holy Cross Church Jumble Sale & Cream Tea at the Church Rooms, 2.30 pm.

Theatr Clwyd Outreach - The Promise sponsored by XX Club at Town Hall 7.30.

R.N.L.I. Flag Day.

MONDAY 18th APRIL

W.E.A. General Meeting at Library 7.30.

TUESDAY 19th APRIL

N.C.W. Coffee Morning at Memorial Hall from 10 - 12 noon.

## CYMDEITHAS TREF - LLANGOLLEN CIVIC SOCIETY

The next meeting of the Society will be a visit to the European Centre for Folk Studies in East Street on Tuesday 12th April (TONIGHT) at 7.30 pm. There will be a talk about the purpose and aspirations of the Centre and an opportunity to view the various facilities of the Centre, as well as the current exhibition on Servant Lore and Kitchen Life.

On Tuesday evening 26th April at 6.45 pm we shall be visiting the Alpine Gardens of Mr. & Mrs. Ruane at Bryn Hyfryd, Cefn Canol. Mr. & Mrs. Ruane have a stall on Llangollen Market every Tuesday. After the visit to the Gardens, those who wish could go to the Wynnstay Arms at Llansilin for a bar meal.

Members are asked to use their own transport and make their own way there, or meet in Market Street at 6.15 pm.

Members who require transport or can offer a lift are asked to kindly ring 860689.

### REMEDIES

When we were children, come the Spring and we were dosed with a mixture of Treacle and Sulphur - to purify the blood. Sulphur was also used for oncoming sore throats. Mother would make a short tube of rolled paper, put some sulphur powder in it, insert it into our open mouths and BLOW! The sulphur powder then coated our throats and we believed that it cured us.

Elderberries were used in many ways. During the last War, the children and I would pick pounds of them and bottle them. These were used with apples to make boiled pudding and tart fillings. We were told that there were more vitamin in them than in blackberries. Actually they tasted rather like blackberries with apples in tarts. Elderberries and Elderberry flowers were used to make cordials, teas and wine. My husband remembers that when he had to go out very early on cold mornings to see to the sheep he would have some elderberry wine topped with boiling water. This kept the cold out till he came back for his breakfast. My grandmother had great faith in her elderberry wine and would give us a dose with hot water when going to bed, if she thought we were coming down with a cold. I hated the stuff!

She also used elderberries to make a hand lotion and some ointments. One way was to gather a quantity of elder flowers. These were put in an old saucepan and melted lard put in to cover the flowers and put to simmer gently for three-quarters of an hour, before straining through fine muslin, adding a few drops of oil of cloves or a perfume before potting. It was useful for baby rashes, rough hands, heat lumps and as a face cream. Another ointment she

made we called 'Eli Gwyrd' (green ointment) and this was made as above but with the addition of a handful of elderflowers, groundsel and wormwood, preferably newly picked. These were chopped up small before being put to simmer in the melted lard. This ointment was good for cuts, sores and bruises. Tea made from grey wormwood was not a favourite medicine, but we had to take it for worms, or if we were 'off our food' Later I remember my husband stood over me and made me drink some for 'morning sickness' UGH! worse than the sickness.

There were many extraordinary treatments and cures in Phillipa Warring's book. Here are a few.

Asthma could be cured by eating CAT'S MEAT! If this was found to be too unpleasant, a fortnight's diet of boiled carrots would be just as effective.

Baldness. Liberal amounts of goose dung to be rubbed into the bald patches. Or, to prevent baldness, never have your hair cut when the moon is waning. If you did then your hair would grow thin and fall out. Chilblains. Pricking the chilblain with holly leaves to stimulate circulation. This we did when we were children. We also believed a cure would come about if we walked barefoot in snow. This we did.

In Phillipa Waring's book, for a cough, we are told to boil three snails in barley water but to be more effective it was better not to tell the patient or it wouldn't work. I should think the patient would, as we say in Welsh, 'Taflu i fyny' (be sick).

Toothache shouldn't be a big problem today with all the toothpaste adverts on the T.V. but it used to be and here are some suggestions. Carry a little bag around containing nail-clippings and a few strands of hair. A tooth from a corpse could be put in the bag, or the hind leg from a mole, or its forelegs.

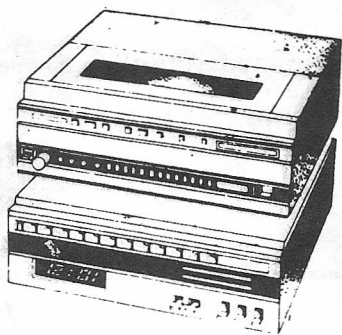
Toothache is also considered among some "Mediaeval Welsh Medical Recipes." Take a candle of sheep's suet (some oringo seed being mixed therewith) and burn it as near the tooth as possible, some cold water being held under the candle. The worms (destroying the tooth) will drop into the water, in order to escape from the heat of the candle. To extract a tooth without pain.

Take some newts and those nasty beetles which are found in ferns during summer time, calcine them in an iron pot and make a powder thereof. Wet the forefinger of the right hand, insert it in the powder and apply it to the tooth frequently, refraining from spitting it off, when the tooth will fall away without pain. IT IS PROVEN.

Maybe! But I think we'd better heed the warnings of the toothpaste adverts.

*Menna Tudor Edwards*

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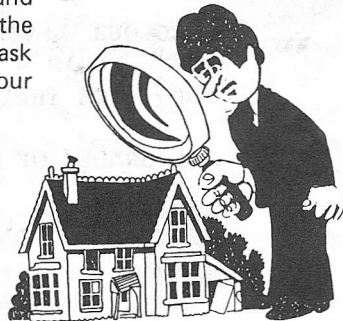
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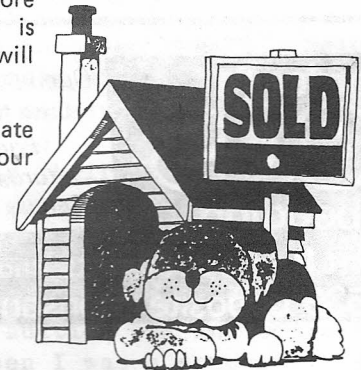
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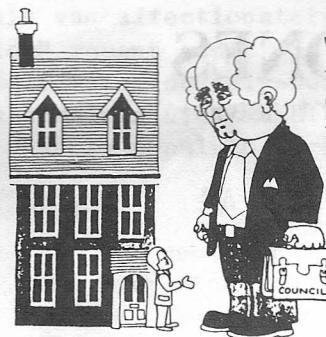


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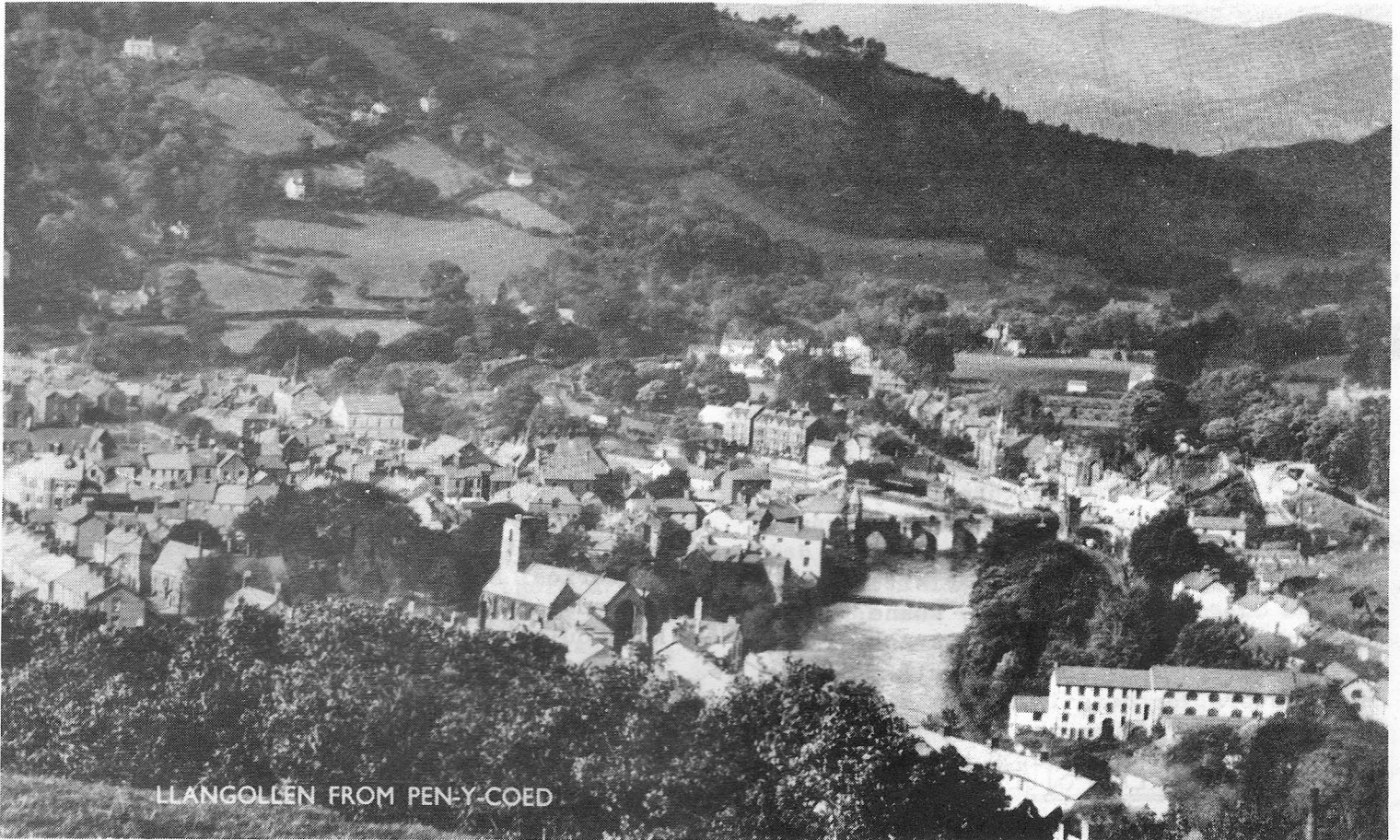
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LLANGOLLEN FROM PEN-Y-COED

### THIS WEEK'S PHOTOGRAPH

Is part of the same set as last week's. Can you see the large pole in the Smithfield? (where we 'hung and burnt Hitler' in 1945). No Dobson & Crowther, note the large empty expanse in front of the Eisteddfod Field (then the Cricket Field) and in the bottom right hand corner, you can just see the Gasworks chimney.

On a reassuring note, the Parish Church looks much the same as today - it is very difficult to believe that it once lay 90° from its present position.

### A 'NEW' SERVICE FOR THE TOWN

Llangollen residents will be delighted to hear that, for the first time since the days of Frank Evans, the Town is to have a Taxi Rank service. And who better to obtain the first plate (which will ply its trade from this Thursday) than locally born and bred businessman, Mr. Phillip Davies of Phil's Taxis, who will operate the service in partnership with his son, Robert.

The Llangollen Police have kindly allocated a temporary rank in Parade Street so that the service can begin operation this Thursday. So, you can now 'hail a cab!'

## CYMDEITHAS TREF LLANGOLLEN CIVIC SOCIETY

Last Tuesday, 12th April, the Civic Society were invited to visit the European Centre for Folk Studies to see what had been done to the old Infants' School. At the time, many residents of Llangollen felt that a medical/community centre would have better served the needs of the Town on this site.

However, the present phase of the Folk Centre is now complete and the transformation from school to its present use has been tastefully and imaginatively done.

During our visit we were first of all introduced to Mr. David Pearl who has been commissioned to make three stained glass windows to depict the aims and ideals of the Centre. This was followed by a talk by Mr. Steve Nott, the Executive Officer for Clwyd County Council, responsible for launching the project. We were also shown a video film giving the reasons for the need for such a centre and why Llangollen was chosen as its home. We were given a brief outline of what had happened last year and what would be going on at the Centre this year, with ideas of what may be future developments. We were then shown around the Centre by Miss Cathryn Gwynn, the newly appointed organiser.

This was a most informative and interesting evening and we would like to thank our hosts for their hospitality, together with Mrs. Sue Davies and helper for making coffee. We wish the venture every success and extend a warm welcome to Miss Gwynn to Llangollen.

The next event will be a visit to the Alpine Gardens of Mr. & Mrs. Ruane, near Llansilin. Cars will leave Market Street at 6.15 pm on Tuesday 26th April. Please see posters for details or phone 860689.

### ANOTHER EUROPEAN STUDY CENTRE?

It is probably a little-known fact, but I think there is another European Study Centre in our vicinity. I have very good reason to believe that the European Centre for Studying Large Holes in the Road is situated in Ruabon. The actual whereabouts of the Centre is not yet known but widespread evidence of their students' studies has been continually noticed for the past couple of years...

### ON THE AIR

Mrs. Dilys Lloyd of Gyfelia Farm, Llantysilio was on the air in Radio Wales last Tuesday, talking about her life as a farmer's wife and tourism, on the programme called *Manâd yn Bennaf* with Ieuan Evans

from Cardiff.

Two weeks ago, Mrs. Lloyd had another interview which has gone on to New Zealand, Australia and America.

### MR. GEORGE KEAY

As mentioned in last week's Broadsheet the funeral took place on April 7th of Mr. George Keay of Maes Mawr, Garth, who died peacefully in his sleep on Easter Sunday morning.

He leaves his beloved wife Ceinwen, his dearest daughter Gaynor and son-in-law David and loving grandchildren Charles and Katherine.

Mr. Keay had been an enthusiastic amateur historian and an active member of several local historical societies. He had also undertaken much rewarding research into his own family tree. Mr. Keay was an avid reader and spent many happy hours in the Llangollen Library.

Cremation took place at Pentrebychan where the Rev. Dyfan Thomas officiated.

Family mourners were Mrs. Ceinwen Keay (wife), Mr. & Mrs. R.D. Phillips (daughter & son-in-law), also rep. Charles & Katherine (grandchildren), Mr. & Mrs. T. Keay (brother & sister-in-law), Mr. & Mrs. T. Keay (nephew & niece), Miss C. Keay (niece), Mr. & Mrs. J. Raymond (nephew & Niece), Mr. & Mrs. E. Jones (brother-in-law & sister-in-law), Mr. R. Jones (nephew), Miss A. Jones (niece), Mrs. M.A. Jones, Mr. E.G. Jones, also rep. Mrs. M. Jones, Mr. & Mrs. I.G. Jones, Mr. A.F. Phillips and Mrs. J.E. Olivaris.

Friends of the family were Mr. D.L. Davies also rep. Friends of the Denbs. Historical Soc., Mr. H. Cudworth also rep. Wrexham Maelor Historical Soc., Mr. I. Edwards also rep. Friends of the Denbs. Historical Soc., Mr. R.R. Coulthard rep. MANWEB, Mr. J. Davies, Mr. R.H. Hughes, Mr. C.P. Williams, Mr. T.C. Oliver, Mr. B. Richards also rep. A.N. Richards, Mrs. M. Tomlinson, Mrs. M. Roberts, Mrs. M. Morgan, Mrs. M. Jones also rep. Mrs. M. Bailey, Mr. & Mrs. L. Davies also rep. Mr. R. Bailey, Mr. B. Williams also rep. Mr. E. Williams, Mr. T. Jones also rep. The Gsragr Froncysyllte, Mrs. R. Wyles, Mr. T.G. Morris also rep. F.C. Williams, Mrs. L. Williams, Miss A. Lloyd Williams, Mr. R. Williams.

Llangollen Community Hospital were kind enough to accept family flowers for their Open Day and donations in lieu of flowers were sent to the Emergency Radio Fund of the Llangollen Doctors.

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Beth Williams of Geufron is one of our most regular and favourite contributors. She will be 12 years of age on April 20th and we wish her many happy returns of the day and sincerely hope that she will continue to write to us.

## SOME USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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## THE FUTURE OF THE BROADSHEET

Sales of latter issues have been rather disappointing - under 400 copies sold per week and advertising has been virtually non-existent from Llangollen. In fact, the revenue has barely covered the cost of materials for an eight page Broadsheet, without taking into consideration items such as petrol, phone calls and the many hours work needed to produce even such a modest paper as the Broadsheet.

It has also proved very difficult to fill an eight page paper and when you haven't got enough news it's far worse than having too much.

So, in order to keep the Broadsheet going as a service for Llangollen and District, I have decided to revert to a four page paper, with no large adverts - thereby containing virtually as much news as present - and to reduce the price to 12p, which is still good value for money. If there is more news or adverts than can be contained in four pages - there will be an extra 2 page supplement at no extra cost. And who knows, if the circulation improves, we could be back to eight pages before long.

Anyway, with this four or six page format I can say that we can keep the Broadsheet going on a regular basis - at least, as long as I am able to produce it.

Thank you for your support.

MIKE DANIELS

## CLUB OF LLANGOLLEN AND DISTRICT

Probus members meeting at the Hand Hotel on the Tuesday after Easter listened with great interest to Mr. Ken Mann's informative talk on the activity of the Eisteddfod's Philatelic Society's (a separate body) sale of First Day Covers at the Eisteddfod each year. Mr. Mann's talk included a brief history of stamp collecting from May 1840, when Rolland Hill first introduced the adhesive stamp (in sheets from which the stamp was cut with scissors by the counter clerk!). The first stamp collector, incidentally, was a Welshman. The post card originated in Austria and there is a Post Card Club in Llangollen today.

The first series of covers (twenty) started with the portrayal of the Bishop Trevor Bridge in Llangollen and closed with the logo of the Eisteddfod. The new series is connected with the theme of the national anthems of the participating nations. The artwork for the first of the series to be sold this year, resulted from a competition at the North Wales Institute, where twelve art students took part. This produced high quality results and it was won by a young lady from Deeside.

Whilst the sale of first day covers does not result in a vast income for the Eisteddfod, it does result in world-wide publicity a tribute to all the hard work of the small band of workers, headed by Mr. Mann.

## GET WELL, SOON

Our invaluable contributor, Mrs. Menna Tudor Edwards, has not been too well lately and has now gone for a short rest to the coast. This has not stopped the writing of Mrs. Edwards' weekly column and she has promised to write to us until she returns home.

Have a good rest Mrs. Edwards, get well soon and many thanks for all the pleasure you give to readers.

## SOME AFTERTHOUGHTS ABOUT EASTER

One of my grandchildren told me that I had left out many things I could have said about Easter Eggs and customs. So on further reading I've come up with the following:

In the North and East of Britain, on Easter Monday, parties of women would chase the young men, catch one, circle him, lift him over their heads, kiss him and sprinkle him with water from a branch of wetted blossom. On the Tuesday, the same thing would be done in reverse, the men would chase the women.

I read in Country Quest, Spring 1979, that until the end of the last century, on

ing ceremony was observed. Not so different but more elaborate than the one in the North of England.

On Easter Monday groups of young men carrying a chair decorated with greenery, flowers and coloured ribbons went round their village or parish, calling at homes where there were girls or women. These we seated, in turn, on the chair which was then hoisted shoulder high three times. The women were expected to kiss them and give them money. On the Tuesday, the roles were reversed.

In some districts the women pretended to be frightened and ostensibly locked their doors and windows, but carefully leaving one place open so that the men could come in. In Whitchurch, childless married women used to stand in the churchyard and throw eggs (hardboiled) over the church, to be collected by others, mostly men, waiting on the other side. The eggs were - some white, some blackened with soot. The women were supposed to play this game every Easter Monday until a child was born. I mentioned last time "The Dance of Joy that our Lord had risen from the Grave." Since then I have read that it was believed that it was true that the Sun did dance for joy. It was a common belief that to see this happen, one should climb to the top of a mountain to greet the dawn. So it became a ritual with the people of Llangollen (I quote) to climb Dinas Bran. Sometimes a bucket of water was set down where the first rays of the sun would fall on it. It seems likely that the "dancing of the sun" was in fact the movement of the surface of the water.

Some wealthy people had private Easter cards made and sent as far back as the 9th century. But they were not commercialised until about 1860 and then in Austria, France and Switzerland. The vogue did not reach Britain till 1894. Some beautiful cards have been preserved. They are of pretty maidens sitting on large Easter Eggs drawn along by Easter Rabbits and Hares. Also Easter Bunnies wheeling barrowfuls of spring flowers. The story of the Easter Hare came from Austria. Mothers had been in the habit of putting a small handful of sweets in nests made by the children on Good Friday, to be hunted and found on Easter morning. One year during a time of special poverty the mothers could not afford to buy sweets. They decided together to hard boil eggs and paint them different colours and hide them in the forest. Then the children set off to find the treasure of sweets ... but there was none. Then one by one they found coloured eggs in unexpected places. They found eggs of various colours, they were bigger than birds eggs. They were as big as hens eggs, but hens eggs were white. Then

they saw hares running in and out of the forest and said that the hares must have brought them - so the legend began. Hares must be responsible for bringing Easter Eggs. Although Easter is a great Christian Festival, it contains many pagan elements. The name comes from Eastre, the Anglo-Saxon goddess of spring-time and fertility rites. Many centuries ago the Chinese used to offer eggs to their gods as thanksgiving and to ensure irrigation and fertility.

The custom of handpainting eggs, and some very beautiful ones have been preserved, began in Russia. However, North Wales had a special way of dealing with 'wyau pasc' (pace eggs). They cut onion skins into patterns and stuck them on the shells before boiling, resulting in an attractive brown and pale mottled effect. Later eggs were painted - pink for a sweetheart, yellow for a mother-in-law and black eggs. They painted some eggs black with soot. To receive a black egg was considered very unlucky.

MENNA TUDOR EDWARDS

### STAN'S SUCCESS STORY

Mr. Stan Coulter's Art Exhibition at the Sun Inn, Rhewl during Easter and the following week was amazingly successful.

The Sun was packed out every lunch-time and evening during the exhibition and people came from far and wide, plus many locals who had never before visited the Sun Inn, Rhewl.

The businessmen's raffle received an incredible 85 donated prizes and a total of £170.00 was raised during the week.

Stan says:

A special mention must be made of those marvellous people who donated so much in kind, financially and actively, without reward, proving once again that there are still a lot of people who really care.

For the success of the 'Early Village Life' board, thanks must go to my relations and friends who loaned so many of their family photos, out of which came an idea for another show, enlarging on early village life only. Also a gem of an idea for a leaflet or book on 'The History of Rhewl and Llandynan' for which we have already collected many historical notes. The respected 'elders' of the Valley are already digging into their storehouse of knowledge and will continue to do so over the next year or so.

These gatherings at the Sun Inn have proved that the Welsh are still stout of heart, strong in voice and generous to a good cause.

Many, many thanks to all. In appreciation of the wonderful support by the people of Llangollen, a donation will be forwarded to their Over 60's Club in due course

Yours sincerely,  
STAN COULTER

p.s.

The most moving moment for me was a blind lady so impressed by the feel of an oil painting, she gave £5.00.

The photoboard competition was won by Hugh Baines of Berwyn with Morfydd Baines in second place. The prize was a full-plate mounted view of Llandynan Village.

The money was raised to finance outings and social occasions for retired citizens of the Parish of Llantysilio (Over 60's Club).

Stan would also like to thank the following, all of whom donated money or gifts for the raffle:

Mr. Ramon Gabriel, Film Care of London, York Laboratories of Devon, Samuel Dobies of Llangollen, Carter's Seeds of Llan., Mr. & Mrs. J.C. Davies now of Chirk, Mr. & Mrs. R.W. Manners of Phostrogen, Corwen, Mr. Colin Roberts, Mr. Tom Harris, Mrs. Olga Williams, Mr. Gwyn Davies, Mr. Harry Massey, Mr. Philip Watkin, Mr. A. Williams (Wallasey), Eileen and Davey of the Sun Inn, Mrs. Gwladys Griffiths, Mr. Pierson, Miss Stella Baines, the many anonymous donors, including the young man who put £3 in the box because he won a prize.

### CHILDRENS

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### WE HAVE HAD MANY LETTERS

In reply to last week's competition, after careful consideration, we consider the winner to be Alison Burke of 21 Min-y-Coed. But the other letters were just about as good and certainly worth reading, so we will publish them in next week's Broadsheet.

This week's competition is to make a drawing in black and white of Valle Crucis Abbey. Meanwhile, here is Alison's winning letter

I think a good place to build a swimming pool in Llangollen would be the old Junior School. They could use the main area of the school to build the pool and changing rooms. They also could build a cafe. For people to park their cars, they could use the school playground. The school is close to those in Pengwern and near the Town centre.

ALISON BURKE (aged 12)

### LLANGOLLEN PEACE GROUP

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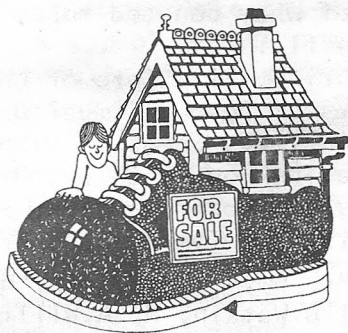
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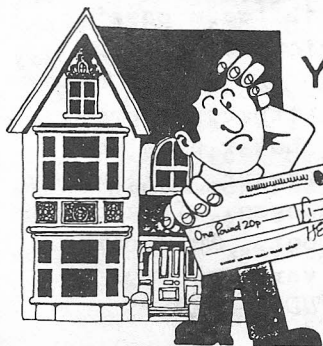
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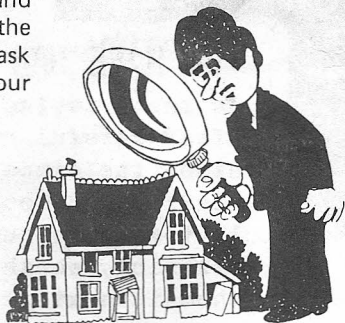
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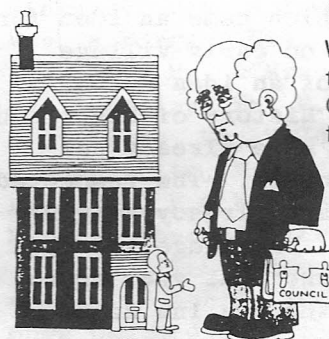
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### A MOST WELCOME LETTER

We have received the following letter from Mr. Eric Wyse who now lives on the Wirral. Mr. Wyse was the goalkeeper for Llangollen F.C. in the photograph recently featured in the Broadsheet, hence of course his remark about having an original print. I was particularly pleased to see this photo as although I instantly recognised the Rev. Alcuin Jones, Mr. Ken Bruce, Mr. Emrys Roberts and Mr. Jack Hughes (he hasn't changed a bit!), it was the very first time I had seen a photo of the legendary Bert Ironmonger, who captained the Club in its heyday. I must confess that I did not recognise Mr. Harry Knox at first although once told, it became obvious.

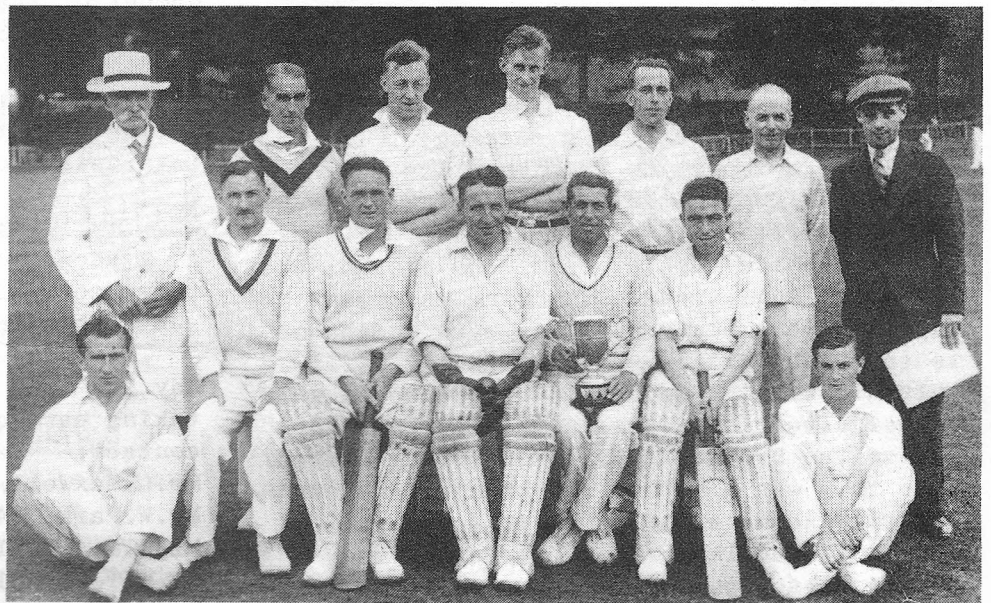
63 Bispham Drive,  
Meols, Hoylake,  
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L47 9SE

Dear Editor,

I have just received a cutting from the Llangollen news-sheet of the Llan. Football team of 1928/29 of which I also have the original photo.

There are one or two comments I would like to make - 1st Mr. Wilding was Manager of the Royal Hotel & later went to Oswestry. The gentleman on his left was Mr. Bob Roberts (Ins) & was a member of the committee. Mr. Ken Bruce also played for Llan. Cricket Club & the Grammar School - as then the County School.

I am enclosing a photograph of the Llan Cricket Team for 1925 as it was the first time we had



won the McAlpine Cup. The winners were presented with commemorative medals for the first time too. The team is:- *front row*: Left to right Ken Bruce, Dr. Spurking, Les Charlton, Emrys Roberts, Tudor Roberts, John Hughes, Jacky Humphreys. *back row*: Left to right T.Meredith, Scott Archer, C.Jones, Eric Wyse, Bert Ironmonger, Rev. Alcuin Jones, H.Knox.

I hope the note will be of interest to you. Please note Wyse with a Y! (see Issue Ten 29.3.)

Yours sincerely,  
E. WYSE.

## LLANGOLLEN RUGBY CLUB

A meeting was held at the Star Inn, Llangollen on Tuesday April 19th for the formation of Llangollen Rugby Club. The response was overwhelming, when approximately fifty three persons attended. More players and particularly committee members are needed to give their support.

Training will commence on Tuesday April 26th (tonight) and there will be a meeting at the Star Inn at 8 pm following the training. This training will commence at 6 pm and will be on Dinas Bran Playing Fields. Thereafter, training will be held every Wednesday at Dinas Bran School at 6 pm until further notice.

If you are at all interested in playing or assisting, please make every effort to attend.

## LLANTYSILIO COMMUNITY COUNCIL ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING

The Chairman, Councillor W. Ball welcomed District Councillor D.R. Jones and four members of the public to the meeting. Cllr. Ball gave a report on the Council's many activities during the past year. Cllr. D.R. Jones reported on matters relating to Glyn-dwr - roadside lights, telephone kiosks, etc

At the April Council meeting, a member reported that heavy vehicles were coming on to the Llantysilio roads and having difficulty in turning round, owing to the lack of proper direction signs on the approach to Llangollen Bridge. Cllr. V.L. Parry stated that this was a matter for Llangollen Town Council and he would bring it to their notice. The Clerk, Mrs. M.W. Parry, reported that repairs had been completed to the footbridge near the Abbey and that the Canoes Union wanted details of the areas where the indiscriminate parking was involved. Repairs to the Horseshoe Falls footpath by Clwyd C.C. were not yet completed and the bus shelter at Rhewl needed attention. It was resolved that the Clerk attend to these matters.

## LLANGOLLEN ANGLING ASSOCIATION

Six members of the Association fished in the latest round of the Benson & Hedges Trophy at Trawsfynydd last week. On a day which was very cold, the 60 competitors only managed to catch 12 fish between them, Keith Allanson being the only member of our Association to catch one. This put Llangollen in 7th place out of the ten teams taking part and means that once again the Association has missed going into the next round, by one place.

Mr. T.V. Jones, who fished by invitation for the Welsh Salmon and Trout Angling Association and Mr. D. Pollock, who fished for the Llandysul team, both got through to the

Llangollen Association were very proud of young David Pollock, a Junior Member, who was the youngest member to fish on the day.

Last Wednesday saw the Association taking delivery of 2,000 5" to 6" Brown Trout, which have been placed in the trout rearing pool under the expert eye of Mr. A. Thomas. These will be placed in the river when they have put some weight on.

## THE DEE VALLEY PROBUS CLUB OF LLANGOLLEN AND DISTRICT

Mrs. Anita Thomas gave the Probus members a talk on 'Tracing your Ancestors' at Tuesday's meeting at the Hand Hotel. Her discourse started with advice on how to obtain the necessary information for the 'Family Tree', starting with the person concerned & working backwards. There are a surprising number of available sources. Mrs. Thomas listed some 30 of them & circulated her audience with photocopies of various certificates of Births, Marriages and Deaths etc. dating back to 1585. Members joined in the interesting discussion.

## 1ST LLANGOLLEN CUBS AND SCOUTS

A sponsored walk is being organised to raise money for funds to purchase equipment and help with training programmes.

The walk will be taking place on Saturday May 7th 1983 and anybody interested in taking part or helping in any way should contact:-

Mr. L. Maxwell, 79 Pengwern, Tel: 860758 or  
Mr. W. Park, 94 Pengwern, Tel: 860765 or  
Miss J.A. Bailey, 3 Dolafon Villas,  
Tel: 861202 or

Mrs. J. Lunt, Arden, Abbey Road, Tel: 860802.

Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

## LLANGOLLEN TENNIS CLUB

Would you like to join the Tennis Club this year? The Club has 2 red shale courts situated in beautiful surroundings - up the lane beside the Bryn Melyn Garage to behind the R.A.F.A. Club and the courts are beside the Canal. There are vacancies for a few Senior members and also for Juniors, aged 10 or over.

The general sessions are held as follows:  
Seniors - Tuesdays & Thursdays from about 6.30 pm, Juniors - 3.45 - 5 pm.

On these occasions members can expect to find others to play with, without making prior arrangements, but of course one can play at any time.

Why not come up to see us at any of the above times and possibly play as a visitor initially? Otherwise, for further information ring the Secretary, Mrs. Eileen Davies tel: 860003 or call in to see Mrs. O. Williams at the Book Shop.



## THE ABERADDA SAGA

The roofers are at it again. 'Repairing' my mother's roof, which I believe was not giving any trouble, resulted in the artex ceiling being ruined. There are holes knocked in it all over the place and during the heavy rain of last week, at a particularly distressing time anyway, buckets had to be placed in the middle of the living room to catch the rainwater. Last weekend the roof was covered with a tarpaulin. I could see one breeze block holding down the tarpaulin placed precariously on the edge of the roof above the garages. If a strong gust of wind managed to move that a couple of inches, it would have crashed down to the ground many feet below. The ceiling of next door has also been damaged and a nearby rear 'garden' is full of rubbish taken from the roof. I was told that it has been there for some three years. Isn't it time that someone cared about the people, mostly elderly, who live in Aberadda?

Whilst on the subject, do you know that some of the homes have only got one door. In my mother's case, for instance, if during an emergency you could not get to the living room and were trapped in the bedrooms or kitchen (there is no window in the bathroom) the only way out would be a long drop to the ground which would certainly result in serious injury.

## THE LATE MRS. H.M. (MAGGIE) JONES

It is with great sadness that I tell you of the death of my aunt, Mrs. Harriet Margaret Jones of Aberadda, which occurred in hospital in Manchester a week last Monday evening. Always known as Maggie, she was 84 years of age and was recuperating with her daughter Phyllis in Manchester after hospital treatment when she had to go into hospital again some weeks ago.

She was the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John Jones Davies of Wesley House and the widow of Mr. John Llewelyn Jones. Coming from a musical family, she was naturally a stalwart member of the Operatic Society for many years and took several leading parts. Mrs. Jones was also a member of the famous Gwynn Williams Welsh Singers. The Darby and Joan Club latterly gave her many hours of pleasure.

She is survived by her daughter Mrs. Phyllis Griffiths of Urmston, her granddaughter Gillian, great-grandsons Darryl and Ben, sisters Mrs. Winnie Daniels and Mrs. Ben Evans and many nephews and nieces.

The funeral took place last Saturday at St. John's Church where many members of the family, friends and neighbours were present at the service conducted by the Rev. M.R. Williams, who also attended the interment at the Ddol Cemetery. There were flowers

from the family and donations were given for the Darby and Joan Club.

## ENGLISH METHODIST CHURCH AND 3RD LLANGOLLEN BROWNIES SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY

Many members, friends and parents attended the special Young People's Service on Sunday April 17th, conducted by Mr. Tim Guy of Wrexham. The Brownie Flag was carried by Jackie Lea, escorted by Sian Evans and Lynda Williams.

Lessons were read by Richard Green, Alex McInnes, Alison Cope and Mrs. Rickard and there was special singing by the Beginners and Junior departments of the Sunday School. On behalf of Church members, Mrs. Rickard presented six modern Bibles to Daniel Pugh for use in the School and Rebecca Pugh thanked him. Miss C. Parry presented each scholar with a book for regular attendance and progress during the year - which was almost 100%.

## LLANTYSILIO W.I.

Members of Llantysilio W.I. held their monthly meeting at Llantysilio School on 19th April. The President, Mrs. Vera Roberts welcomed Miss Stella Baines of The British Needlecrafts Council, who gave an illustrated talk on knitting and sewing products, also an exciting preview to the Knitting & Sewing Fashion presentation - "Needlepoint" to be held at the Town Hall on Friday 29th April at 7.30 pm.

Mrs. Joan Stevenson thanked Miss Baines for her talk, saying that the members would be eager to try out the lovely mohair, wool and cottons that she had shown to be so popular at the moment.

There were two visitors welcomed, Mrs. Greenstreet and Mrs. B. Cresswell. An outing was discussed and a provisional date was given - June 9th. The raffle was given by Mrs. Dola Gibbs and won by Miss Eirian Morris. The tea hostesses were Mrs. M. Humphries and Mrs. Freda Baines.

## SPORTING ADVICE

One of the members of the 'Mitre' Darts Team is a young man named Tony Clarke. He will be shortly competing in the Finals of the 'News of the World' Darts Championship. Having seen his recent form, if I were a gambling man, I would risk a small wager on 'Clarkie.' Say no more, nudge, nudge!!

## FOOTBALL

After their great 2-1 win over Grapes the week before, Llangollen unluckily lost at Ruabon St. Mary's last Saturday by the odd goal in three.

## PENTREDWR AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Held a very successful Spring Fayre last Saturday at Llangollen Town Hall. The various stalls did a roaring trade and the cream teas were enjoyed by many.

Raffle prizewinners were Mrs. Wright, Sue Smith, Audrey Praker, Philip Roberts, Ellen Morris, Emily Jones & Florence Brown. The Doll (Belinda) was correctly named by The Chip Shop, Vron and Mike Heyward correctly guessed the weight of the cake.

The Committee wish to express their thanks to those who gave prizes and items for sale, those who helped and all those who supported the event. They are pleased to report that over £200 was raised.

### CHILDREN'S

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We have had quite a few drawings of Valle Crucis Abbey and it's very nice to see some new names on these. However, it is an 'old hand' who wins this week. In my opinion, this one was the most authentic and easily recognisable drawing of the Abbey and it was by Miss Meg Williams of Geufron.

Last week, I forgot to wish Beth Williams many happy returns of the day, as she was 12 years old on April 20th. A belated congratulations to you Beth and thanks for continually writing to us.

I must apologise that I cannot print those letters I promised you this week, but I will do as soon as I am able.

This week's competition is as follows: I want you to name me ten streets, buildings or places in Llangollen which are named after well-known Llangollen residents. For instance - BUTLER HILL was named after Lady Eleanor Butler (you can't use this one, now!) and would qualify but the Wynnstay Arms pub or Dobson & Crowther would not be accepted because they were not Llangollen people. If you can't find ten, the person with the most will be the winner and if more than one get ten, we will draw lots.

### THE BROADSHEET MAKES ONE PERSON VERY HAPPY

Do you remember the lady from South Africa who wrote to us a few weeks ago trying to trace her long lost friend. We have had the following letter from her.

42 Montgomery Drive,  
P.M.B., Natal,  
S.A.

Dear Editor,

May I thank you and your newspaper readers. After fifteen years I am now in touch with my old friend Sheila Hugo, who is now in Liverpool and wrote to me after one of your readers told her of my search.

## SOME USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

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LLANGOLLEN LIBRARY	860720
LLANGOLLEN HOSPITAL	860226
MAELOR GENERAL HOSPITAL	353153
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I had a lovely letter from her and you have made possible our continued friendship. Thank you all.

Yours sincerely,

A.M. Mackay.