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LADY MEGAN LLOYD GEORGE
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The Chairman's tribute to our late President.

IT is with profound regret that the Council records the death of Lady Megan Lloyd George, C.H., M.P., our President. Lady Megan accepted this position barely twelve months ago upon the death of the Hon. John Bruce.

We were delighted at her acceptance and stimulated by the lively address she gave at the Annual General Meeting a few weeks before she was claimed by the illness from which she did not recover.

The Nation has expressed its deep sorrow at the loss of one of its most talented and beloved daughters. She was truly the daughter of the greatest Welshman of this century.

Her love of Wales, her radicalism, her sense of fun which destroyed pomposity, and her deep humanity and courage gave to us the inspiration that service requires.

Only a week before her death she wrote to me in her own hand sending her greetings and good wishes to our Annual Conference.

We shall remember her, in the words of the Apocrypha :—

"Their bodies are buried in peace, but their name liveth for evermore".

"Eu cyrph a gladdwyd mewn heddwch; ac y mae eu henw yn bytu byth".

W. R. CRAWSHAY.

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DIRECTOR'S FOREWORD

Principles

One of the lessons to be learned in our modern Society is the necessity to work together for the common good. The strong must help the weak and the weak must feel that this help is born of genuine care and concern. The problems of community life can only be solved by action on the part of Central and Local Government working in concert with Voluntary Organisations. In Wales the task of uniting these Voluntary Organisations is the first responsibility of this Council. In all its Departmental activities the Council endeavours to bring those responsible for statutory services around a table with individual groups working in communities in the spheres of Health, Welfare and Education. Enactments of Central Government are interpreted at such meetings and, conversely, the opinions and experiences of local groups are collated and presented to Central Government.

Social Service

Such is the essence of Social Service. Perhaps it is timely to comment that the words 'Social Service' need re-interpretation, for their historic meaning is now to receive a new significance. With the advent of a new Ministry of Social Security the financial needs of families and individuals will be more closely examined so that no deserving case encounters unnecessary hardship. Yet, despite the financial arrangements in which citizens participate as a right to which they have contributed, there are vast areas of their lives, impinging upon their well being and peace of mind, that legislation cannot touch. These are the realms of the spirit and the mind, in which caring for one's neighbour, by promoting the highest social amenities, are fundamental structures.

Voluntary Spirit

It is in these areas of social concern that the Council has busied itself during these past twelve months. Almost, as if by accident, Departmental reports have emphasised, month by month, overwhelming evidence that there is a tremendous wealth of voluntary support still active in Wales. Indeed, the problem is not to find recruits for helping the elderly, the Handicapped, the Arts or the young, but rather in finding manpower and resources to train volunteers to be of specific help. It has sometimes been difficult to harness enthusiasm and temper it sufficiently to be geared to programme planning and construction. It has been a thrilling experience to find such ready response to service in town and country. As a Council we have discovered that vague appeals to public spirited citizens to offer themselves to unspecified tasks of social service have been unfruitful. When, however, a definite job of work has been placed squarely before a town or rural community, then there has been a steady and, occasionally, staggering response.

Adverting to a more domestic note, the year has seen the entrenchment of policies recommended by the Social Research Committee and various Advisory Bodies set up to guide the Departments. Five new full Departments have been set up in the last five years. Three of these were initiated by generous grants received from Trusts on the understanding that they would become self-supporting after stated intervals. These probationary periods have now ceased and it is a tribute to the effectiveness of the work done that Central and Local Government have agreed to furnish the major

portion of finances for their permanent establishment. These three Departments are :—

Care for the Elderly in Wales ;
Visiting Scheme for the Elderly in Cardiff.
Amateur Drama in Wales.

Financial Help

The perpetuation of these Departments also owes a great deal to the increased contribution of the Carnegie United Kingdom Trust who, for the next five years, have agreed to double their grant to the Council, thus affording practical evidence of their confidence in us. The work for the Elderly throughout the country, and in the capital City has only been made possible by the munificence of the National Corporation of the Care of Old People whose grants for a period of five and three years respectively laid the foundation for this essential expansion. Both these splendid Trusts have earned the undying gratitude of Wales and this Council. Increased Government help in the field of the Care for the Elderly has also been forthcoming through the Welsh Board of Health, whilst the Welsh Committee of the Arts Council has generously added to the annual subventions for the cost of amateur drama, for which we are also profoundly grateful.

To those who may find it curious that these expressions of gratitude regarding money are emphasised at this stage of the Report, it should be pointed out that the Council can only work through trained employees who constantly travel the whole of the country in the course of their work. Their modest salaries and expenses must be found if the basis of a nationally organised voluntary service structure is to be laid. It can truthfully be said that the prospects of permanent co-ordination of voluntary work organised by the Council seems now to be placed on a more permanent, financial footing than ever before. This promotes long term planning which is so essential if there are to be effective provisions for community care.

Social Changes

The next five years must bring consolidation in the work of the new Departments, whilst, at the same time, the Council must pursue its researches. Even in such a short span social needs change, communities move, new townships are born and isolated rural villages slowly linger towards certain extinction.

Welsh Office

Another factor which has affected the administrative work of the Council has been the changing pattern of Government in Wales consequent upon the setting up of the Office of the Secretary of State and its increasing responsibility for Welsh affairs. The Council expresses its gratitude to the Rt. Hon. James Griffiths, M.P., the first Secretary of State, for his interest in our work and welcomes his successor, the Rt. Hon. Cledwyn Hughes, M.P., who has long associations with our work in Anglesey. The Council is gratified that the Chief Officers of the Ministry have turned, on many occasions, to it for advice and help in various matters of policy and comment on practical schemes.

Re-organised Communities

The announcement that there is to be publication of the proposals by the Government on the re-organisation of boundaries and statutory responsibility has meant the Council and its colleagues in the Rural Community Councils have had to think in preparation for changes that could take place in the social life of the country. Whatever these proposals are to be they will, inevitably, mean re-alignment of voluntary co-operation and re-deployment of existing agencies. The proposed re-organisation of communities in Mid-Wales, especially, is going to call for the most bold and imaginative schemes to ensure that old and newer elements of these proposed conurbations will blend effectively and harmoniously.

Details of the activities of the Departments of the Council, together with their policies and prospects follow this Foreword. There are, however, trends and achievements during the year that can be briefly noted:—

Old People's Welfare

The number of County Committees affiliated to the Committee for the Welfare of the Elderly in Wales has increased from eleven to twelve. The significant addition is that of the County of Glamorgan where, during the year, a long cherished ambition has been realised by the formation of a County Committee which is to work in the closest possible co-operation with the Welfare Services Department of that Authority. When it is realised that 750,000 live in the administrative area of the County the extent of the new responsibility can be gauged. The Council has seconded its Old People's Officer to act as Secretary to the new Committee, which in addition to having an Executive Committee, will have three Regional Sub-Committees.

It is of tremendous encouragement to know that the twenty-five minor Local Authorities in the County have expressed their preparedness to participate in this work. Thus the pattern of co-ordination of the work for Old People inaugurated in 1948 is now virtually complete, with the exception of one County which, despite the absence of a Committee, co-operates fully with our National Committee.

The New Secretary of the Department has rapidly established himself in the other eleven Counties and traditional features, such as Old People's Week, have been strengthened by the inclusion of novel ideas in which to foster interest in the service of the Old People.

During the year the Cardiff Visitation Scheme to the elderly housebound and lonely has continued. Four Wards have now been completed and the amount of voluntary support continues to be encouraging. The necessity for joint support by various Groups endeavouring to serve the elderly in the capital City will probably result, in the fairly near future, in the formation of a Cardiff Organisation for Old People embodying both voluntary and statutory elements. Thus another long cherished goal will be realised.

Citizen's Advice Bureaux

A perusal of the detailed report of the Advisory Officer which follows in the Departmental Section, indicates the steady, continued expansion in the work of establishing Bureaux. The detailed analysis in that Report showing the breakdown of the 45,333 enquiries gives fair indication of the tremendous practical value this Service is rendering. New Bureaux have been opened in both North and South Wales, and Management Committees have been established in four other Centres in preparation for the recruitment of voluntary workers which is a pre-requisite to the founding of a Bureau. Seven other Local Authorities have signified their intention of acting similarly. The two Standing Conferences in North and South Wales have been particularly active and there have been intense programmes of training and regional consultation.

Undoubtedly, the establishment of a full-time Citizen's Advice Department three years ago has met with great success and has proved one of the most satisfying ventures of recent years in the realm of direct social action.

Women's Department

A perusal of this Departmental Report shows that the expansion of work with the formation of new Clubs is proceeding steadily. Approximately 5,000 women in South Wales meet weekly, not only to pursue cultural and recreational interests but to arrange and direct Social Service for the Aged, and the Handicapped in their localities. A great deal of time of the staff is taken up by arranging exhibitions of work which not only demonstrate

the high standard reached, but serve also to stimulate interest in Arts and Crafts amongst non-members who visit these Exhibitions.

For the first time a "Social Service Top Cook" Contest was held in co-operation with the Wales Gas Board. An unprecedented number of dignitaries of Local Authorities were present to grace the proceedings at the Sophia Gardens Pavilion where the final round of the Competition was held.

This year again a record number of resolutions were debated at Conferences. These covered a tremendous range of subjects affecting national and local affairs and are an indication of the deep interest evinced by members in contemporary health and welfare schemes.

Tribute must be paid once more to the magnificent effort of the women who raised the sum of £2,167 towards the work of their Department; thus alleviating considerably, the strain upon the voluntary funds of the Council which provide the remainder of the money needed after substantial grant-aid from the Glamorgan and Carmarthenshire County Councils.

The custom of arranging tours abroad and in this country for Club members continues to grow, and these projects are resounding social and educational successes.

Community Work

The Department has been concerned with the complex problem of endeavouring to assist voluntary community centres throughout the country as they endeavour to cope with the problems of increased leisure. Following the survey made of community provision it became clear that there was a wide variety of endeavours amongst the older type of Community Hall and Miners' Welfare Hall running side by side with new Centres situated in new townships and growing suburbs of our larger conurbations. In consultation with Local Authorities surveys are now being continued to see what gaps exist in social amenities for communities. This task is being considerably helped by the Coal Industry Social Welfare Organisation. Thus, for the first time since the War the major participants in community provision are collaborating to ensure that statutory and voluntary enterprise is co-ordinated. This is a major achievement which, although yet in its infancy, should result in a clear policy which can form a basis of action for Local Authorities and voluntary groups. Undoubtedly, this is one of the most difficult tasks that this Council faces but a solid start has been made to this programme during the year.

Another notable activity has been the establishing of Study Groups in preparation for the British National Conference of Social Welfare (1967). These Groups have been situated at Holywell (Flintshire), Swansea and Cardiff and we have received considerable assistance in arranging these Courses from the Social Administrative and Extra-Mural Departments of the University Colleges of Wales. A record number of students have attended these courses which have as their theme "The Welfare State and Welfare Society".

The foregoing community projects are only a part of the normal activities of this Department as its major responsibility is to advise local Community Associations, Centres and Hall Committees on day to day problems involving buildings, grants and programme planning.

Youth Work

After many years of discussion a Youth Handbook has been published under the auspices of the Standing Conference. This is composed of the compilation of material from dozens of Organisations in the Principality which will prove an invaluable aid to those who are involved in youth work.

It is obvious that the Regional Conferences of S.C.N.V.Y.O. will need re-organisation on a different geographical basis and a review is currently being undertaken.

Probably one of the most significant developments in the field of youth service in Wales in the past twelve months has been the emergence of a voluntary community service organised by young people for the communities. This Council has played a part in the expansion of this work and the Report of the work done in the capital City is most encouraging.

Drama

During the second year of its existence there has been consolidation of membership and affiliation of the Drama Association. By the end of 1966 it is hoped that twelve Counties will have affiliated. The number of Societies and individual members is increasing slowly, but surely. In the course of the year Festivals have occupied a permanent place in the work of the Department and considerable preparations are in hand for the British Final of the British Drama League which will be held at The New Theatre, Cardiff, on July 9th. The Welsh National Youth Drama Festival has been a great success, and this aspect of the work is most encouraging. To those who complain that this is an age of people who are content to be spectators and not participants in cultural activities, it is pleasant to know that for the play writing competition fifty original one-act plays were submitted (thirty-eight in English and twelve in Welsh)—this is a record number and it augurs well for the future.

A memorandum on Drama in Wales has been submitted to a special Panel set up by the Welsh Joint Education Committee which is investigating the place of Drama in Education in Wales.

Social Studies

Whilst the Social Studies Committee has not undertaken any particularly new task during the year, the Reports prepared for the Committee have formed the basis of re-organisation of Departments. During the year Dr. George Thomason was its representative at the important "Countryside in 1970" Conference held in London. The Committee has noted with pleasure the Report of the Heyworth Committee, and it believes that future social researches can be helped by the recommendations of this Committee, to which the Council presented evidence.

The arranging of Study Groups in Wales in preparation for the British Conference on Social Work (1967) was primarily the responsibility of this Committee and it is pleasing to note the success of this venture in collaboration with the Extra-Mural Departments of the constituent Colleges of the University.

During the year the Council agreed to provide the secretariat for the Welsh Guild of Social Workers and the Assistant Director was permitted to act as its Honorary Secretary.

During the year students from University Colleges, including students studying for Health Visitors Diploma at the Welsh National School of Medicine, have visited the offices of the Council and programmes have been arranged for several groups of overseas students to inspect various aspects of the Council's work in the field.

The Executive Committee

It is with regret that we report the death of Alderman Arthur Jones of the Flintshire County Council who was a regular attendee at Meetings. His quiet, but valuable contribution will be missed. Owing to other heavy commitments Mrs. M. Garbett-Edwards of Montgomeryshire had to resign

membership, and the Committee has invited Dr. G. Tegai Hughes of Gregynog to fill the vacancy. Another North Wales representative has been appointed in the person of Miss M. E. Williamson of Rhyl who, as a professional teacher of social work, will bring considerable knowledge to the deliberations of the Committee.

Staff During the year we lost the services of Miss Mair Grey and Mrs. R. Hale. We thank both ladies for their services. Mrs. B. E. Hughes has been appointed Secretary to the Director and two new appointments have been made to the clerical staff, viz.— Mrs. S. D. Berry and Miss Elaine Brown. With the continued expansion of the Departments of the Council extra work is thrown upon the staff and the Chairman and the Executive Committee express their deep appreciation of the work and loyalty of all members of the staff.

Appreciation The Council wishes to record its gratitude to Ministries, the Development Commission, Local Authorities and Trusts, who continue to make finances available for our work. A special word of appreciation is due to the Women's Social Service Clubs, under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Jennie Jenkins, J.P., and the Chief Women's Officer, Miss Ceri Williams and her staff for the splendid contribution of £2,167 to the finances of the Council.

The administrative and clerical members of the staff also wish to thank the Chairman, Colonel W. R. Crawshay, and the Honorary Treasurer, Mr. Leslie Sketch, Members of the Executive Committee and the Departmental Committees, for their unfailing support during the year. The work of the Council would become impossible but for the goodwill of a large number of voluntary helpers and advisors.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

RURAL DEPARTMENT

The responsibility of co-ordinating the work of Rural Community Councils in Wales and Monmouthshire, placed upon our Council by the Development Commission, has been of greater significance during the past twelve months than usual. This is partly because of the importance of the Review undertaken by the Commissioners of the work and finance of Rural Community Councils.

During the year the Director submitted a memorandum to the Rural Committee of the National Council of Social Service and to the Development Commission upon the prospects and needs of the County Organisations. In the course of this memorandum it was stated that extra staff and finance was needed if the tasks of general community and rural industries work was to proceed in an efficient manner. These sentiments were shared by the National Council of Social Service and the Commissioners have accepted the points made, and as more finance has been made available to them they have, in turn, produced proposals for the expansion of work with increased financial support. Negotiations are currently taking place for new scale salaries for Secretaries of the Rural Community Councils and it is hoped that a scale analogous to either Central or Local Government will be recognised for these officers.

The Commissioners, on behalf of the Government, have taken practical steps to ensure that the amount of money available for Rural Industries work is to be increased. Substantially greater loans will become available

for the establishment of Rural Industries, especially in the more rural parts of the Principality. These loans, naturally, would be subject to the closest scrutiny, and would be geared to the overall policy adopted by other Government agencies in development areas. The whole structure of the Rural Industries field force is being re-considered with a view to implementing the general, broad principles enunciated by the Commissioners, and this Council's views are being sought in these matters.

In the realm of general community work, the Commissioners have made available new sums of money which can be allocated to Rural Community Councils for certain well defined schemes of expansion involving, at times, additional staff or new responsibilities for existing members of staff. This gives opportunity to these Councils to initiate schemes which will have greater relevance to the changing pattern of Rural Community Life.

The Commissioners have clearly stated that they believe that the economic and social factors involved in the development of the countryside are inseparable, and this has been an underlying principle which governs future planning of the Rural Community Councils. It has become obvious that we are entering into a new phase of social, economic development which will have to take account of the rapidly expanding urbanization. It will be the task of this Council and the Rural Community Councils to assist economic development and, at the same time, ensure adequate community provisions for already established members of our rural population and for those which new industry will bring in its trail.

It is clear that Welsh interests will be clearly and consistently represented in policy making because the Chairman of the Council, Colonel W. R. Crawshay, is Vice-Chairman of the Rural Industries Loan Fund, Mrs. Janet Morgan is a member of the Rural Industry Advisory Council and Mr. R. A. E. Herbert and the Director are members of the Rural Industries Bureau Policy Committee. The Council is well aware that the Development Commission and its staff are fully sympathetic to the peculiar problems of Wales and have demonstrated this sympathy in a most practical manner. Proof of this sympathy has been the Grant-Aiding of National Exhibitions of Rural Industries in Wales during the past three years. The responsibility for organising these Exhibitions has been shared between this Council and Rural Community Councils and it is the consensus of opinion that the standard of craftsmanship shown at these National Welsh Exhibitions has reached a high standard. Deliberations are currently taking place as to the future of the National Exhibitions and an endeavour will be made to emphasise the aspects of exports of Rural crafts in the general policy adopted.

The following is the Report of the Rural Officer of the Council :—

Two major changes in the ranks of the secretariat of the Rural Community Councils have taken place in the past twelve months. After a protracted illness Mrs. C. H. Griffiths of Caernarvonshire Rural Community Council passed away in December, 1965. All her colleagues recognised the long and valuable service rendered by Mrs. Griffiths in that County and expressions of condolence have been forwarded to the family. Her successor is Mr. Albert Jones, a native of the County, who was previously an Administrative Assistant in the Education Department of the Caernarvonshire County Council. His experience of Local Government will prove invaluable in linking statutory and voluntary service in that County.

In the course of the year, Mr. J. O. Jones, who had been for twenty-five years Secretary of the Anglesey Rural Community Council, resigned in order to take up a position as Secretary to the North Wales Advisory Panel

of the Welsh Committee of the Arts Council. "J.O." as he is affectionately known, had entrenched himself in the island of Anglesey. As the central co-ordinator of community work his loss will be greatly felt in the movement, but it is good to know that he will still liaise with Rural Community Councils in his new capacity where the main emphasis will be upon the establishment of cultural interests in the North Wales Counties. Mr. Jones has been succeeded by Mr. John D. Williams who was previously a Senior Field Officer in the employ of the Welsh Association of Youth Clubs. Mr. Nicholas Williams has also been appointed Administrative Assistant to the Anglesey Rural Community Council. We wish these gentlemen well in their new posts.

The Director of the Council and the Rural Officer have been present at all the preliminary and final stages of the appointments in these two Counties.

Exhibitions Once again, the Council has been involved in two separate Exhibitions in conjunction with the Rural Community Councils in Wales and Monmouthshire. The first was in July, 1965, at the Royal Welsh Agricultural Show at Llanelwedd, Builth Wells. A cross section of the work of Welsh Rural craftsmen was exhibited and the demonstrators included a Hand-weaver, a Potter, a Gunsmith and a Glass Engraver. This Exhibition was well attended, despite inclement weather at certain times during the week.

The second Exhibition was arranged at Penrhyn Castle, Bangor, in August, 1965. This Exhibition was made possible by the co-operation of the National Trust which placed the Castle at the disposal of our Committee. This somewhat baroque setting contrasted strangely with the previous Exhibitions' conventional stands and it succeeded in attracting a number of visitors from the neighbouring holiday resorts, including foreign tourists. The Opening ceremony was performed by Colonel J. C. Wynne Finch, C.B., M.C.,. The year 1965 may well prove to be the last year of an experimental period in which two National Exhibitions are held in one year. In July, 1966, the available finance will be concentrated on one Exhibition at the Royal Welsh Agricultural Show.

Conferences The Annual Spring Conference of Rural Community Council's Secretaries and Rural Industries Organisers was held at Treaddur Bay, Anglesey. The Guest Speakers were Mr. J. H. Barrett, M.A., Warden of the Dale Fort Field Centre, Pembrokeshire, who spoke on "The countryside in 1970"; Mr. D. B. Turner, Head of Section at the Board of Trade Office for Wales, who addressed the Conference on "Investment Incentives", and Air Vice-Marshal Ramsay Rae, C.B., O.B.E., who discussed with the Secretaries "The Future of the Playing Fields Association in Wales".

A Reception to delegates was given by the Chairman of the Anglesey County Council, Councillor the Reverend D. J. Mighanel Williams, J.P.

Separate Sessions for Secretaries were held under the Chairmanship of the Director of this Council and the Rural Industries Organisers met separately under the Chairmanship of Major General J. Bartye, C.B., M.A., Director of the Rural Industries Bureau.

Members of the Executive Committee of this Council who attended at a Meeting of that Committee prior to this Conference, remained for the Dinner on the first evening of the Conference and were thus able to meet many members of the Staff of Rural Community Councils and learn more of the work that is done at local level in Rural areas.

The Autumn Conference of Secretaries was held at 2 Cathedral Road on November 4th and 5th, 1965, when the more domestic aspects of the work of the Councils were discussed.

Future Conferences have been arranged as follows :—

July 22nd, 23rd and 24th, 1966—Rural Life Conference of England and Wales at Cardiff Teachers' Training College, Cyncoed.

May 3rd - 5th, 1967— Rural Community Council and Rural Industries Organisers' Spring Conference at the Ivy Bush Hotel, Carmarthen.

Charity Reviews

An interesting development in the activities of Rural Community Councils is the invitation extended to several by the County Councils to undertake a review of Charities. Since the introduction of the Charity Act in 1960 the registration of Charities has been obligatory and the second phase of the Charity Commissioners Policy Act has been to endeavour to ascertain the efficient use of Charities according to their original purpose and intention. Some Charities have found it advantageous to amalgamate their resources in order to obtain a better yield from their Capital. This responsible task has been given to five Rural Community Councils who have made temporary appointments for this delicate assignment.

Tourism

The Community and Rural Community Councils continue to play an important part in supplying information to enquirers regarding holidays. Several of them are involved in the formation of regional Committees sponsored by the Welsh Tourist Board.

Village Halls

The Council has continued to collaborate with the Village Halls Committee of the National Council of Social Service and the Department of Education and Science in advising upon Grant-Aid, the erection and maintenance of Village Halls. A survey on the position of Village Halls in Wales has been prepared by our Rural Department and presented to the Village Halls Committee.

FLINTSHIRE

The Council is responsible to the Development Commission for certain aspects of Rural Community work in the County of Flint where, as yet, there is no formal Rural Community Council.

The following is an account of the activities of the Flintshire Parish Councils Association and County Playing Fields Association supplied by our representative, Mr. Eifion Jones, J.P. :—

Association of Parish Councils

The work of the Parish Councils Association has continued to attract the attention of all Local Authorities and the Association has been very active throughout the year.

It has, however, been a very sad year for the Association in losing one of its Vice-Presidents and Chairman of the County Executive Committee, Councillor Llewelyn Edwards of Carmel, Holywell, who had been Chairman of the Association since 1950. Councillor Edwards had been very active in the work of Parish Councils, both in and outside the County. He had attended regularly the National Annual General Meeting each year and the Triennial Conference of Parish Councils. His absence will be a great loss to the Association.

In September, 1965, the Association entered upon a new venture by holding its Annual General Meeting in the form of a combined Educational Conference and Annual Meeting. Speakers were invited at both morning and afternoon Sessions. These included a well-known County Councillor and Past Chairman of a large Parish Council in the County, and practising medical practitioner, Dr. Chowdray, who gave a talk on Chairmanship. Another talk was given by a member of an adjoining Association on the "Powers of the Parish Council", and this was followed by an address from the Clerk of the largest Parish Council in the County, who was retiring after thirty-five years' service with his County, viz :- Mr. L. E. Shallcroft, Clerk of Hawarden Parish Council. In the afternoon Session, in addition to the Business Agenda, a talk was given by a member of the County Constabulary on "Vandalism". This was a new venture in the history of the Association in Flintshire and was very well attended and very well received.

The Best Kept Village Competition was also very well supported in 1965 and for the second year in succession was won by the Village of Overton.

County Playing Fields Association

The major task of the County Playing Fields Association during the year was involved with considering ways and means of increasing membership with the ultimate aim of increasing finances. With greater resources the Association hopes to be able to advance interest free loans for sporting activities within the County. With this in view the Executive Committee has been considering the type of publicity which it should sponsor. This has now been decided and it is hoped that literature will be available for distribution by the Annual General Meeting.

A thousand copies of this pamphlet are being produced and it is to be widely circulated within the County amongst members of Public Authorities and professional people with a view to soliciting financial support for the work of the Association.

The advisory Service continues to function and the Association is currently involved in a total of six schemes in addition to giving advice in connection with a number of proposed schemes within the County.

CITIZEN'S ADVICE BUREAUX

C.A.B. Services

Citizen's Advice Bureaux in Wales are served by two bodies ; The Council of Social Service for Wales and Monmouthshire (Incorporated) and the National Citizens' Advice Bureaux Council. The Council of Social Service for Wales is responsible for : (a) promoting new Bureaux in the Principality, (b) providing an advisory service on administration, and (c) for the maintenance of standards of work in accordance with the publication "Advising the Citizen".

A service of information is provided by the National Citizens' Advice Bureaux Council.

These services are available direct to individual Bureaux but there also exist two Bodies through which the advisory and information services may be channelled, namely, the North Wales Standing Conference of Citizens' Advice Bureaux, under the Chairmanship of Mrs. D. B. Jones, J.P., and the South Wales Standing Conference of Citizens' Advice Bureaux, under the Chairmanship of Mrs. B. Diamond.

Terms of Reference

The terms of reference of the Standing Conferences are :-
to co-ordinate the work of Bureaux, to provide training for Bureaux workers, and to assist in the promotion of new Bureaux.

Co-ordination Opportunities for co-ordinating the work carried out at Bureaux are provided at meetings of the North Wales Standing Conference, held in the Spring and Autumn of each year and of the South Wales Standing Conference, which are held three times a year.

Training During the current year training days were held in North Wales in May and November, and South Wales in May, September and November. The subjects covered included the H.P. Act, 1964, The Art of Interviewing, Debts and Debtors, the Rent Act 1965 and "C.A.B.—a challenge for the next 25 years".

Promotion Progress has been made with the promotion of new Bureaux in Wales over the past year but this of necessity has not been particularly marked.

New Bureaux have been opened at Conway and Pontypridd and preparations for opening a Bureau at Flint are nearing completion.

Management Committees have been formed at Barry, Bedwas, Llanelli and Mold and recruitment of voluntary workers is in progress. Seven other Local Authorities have signified their approval in principle to the establishment of Bureaux in their areas and public meetings will be held some time in the future.

It is to be regretted that despite repeated visits by the Advisory Officer three Local Authorities serving important centres of population have not considered it necessary to support Bureaux in their areas. It is hoped that opportunities to renew negotiations will arise in the future.

Consolidation It is gratifying to note that grants made by Local Authorities for the current year amounted to £3,295 as compared with £2,618 the previous year. It must also be mentioned that many Local Authorities have given help in kind by providing premises, heat and light, free of charge and rating relief. Another interesting figure to compare is the number of voluntary workers engaged in C.A.B. work at the date of this report—208 compared with 155 in the previous year.

The following is an analysis of the problems dealt with during the year by 21 of the 28 Bureaux in existence at 31st December, 1965.

1. Communication and Travel	940	2.0%
2. Education and Training	1,071	2.5%
3. Employment—all enquiries other than those recorded in 3(a)	2,052	
3a. Income Tax on Earnings, P.A.Y.E.	297	
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	2,349	5.5%
4. Civic, Local and National Information ..	10,169	22.5%
5. Family and Personal—all enquiries other than those recorded in 5(a), 5(b), 5(c) ..	5,290	
5a. Financial and Material Needs, National Assistance, Offers of Gifts	1,526	
5b. Matrimonial, including Separation, Maintenance, Divorce	3,378	
5c. Income Tax on Unearned Income, Income Tax Allowances, Post-War Credits, Death and Estate Duties	690	
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	10,884	24.0%

6. Insurance—all enquiries other than those recorded in 6(a) and 6(b)	107		
6a. National Insurance	940		
6b. Private Insurance	609		
		1,656	3.5%
7. Health and Medical		2,008	4.5%
8. Property and Land—all enquiries other than those recorded in 8(a), 8(b), and 8(c) ..	2,352		
8a. Accommodation required and offered ..	4,164		
8b. Landlord and Tenant Problems, Lease, Rent Rates, Repairs	115	11,593	25.5%
9. Service and Ex-Service Questions and War Pensions		169	.5%
10. Trade and Manufacture—all enquiries other than those recorded in 10(a)	1,700		
10.a Consumer Advice and Information, Hire Purchase and Credit Sales, Unsatisfactory Goods, Estimates and Contracts ..	2,794		
		4,494	9.5%
TOTAL ..1965..		45,333	
TOTAL ..1964..		43,458	
Increase in 1965 ..		1,875	

Problems from areas not covered by a Citizens' Advice Bureau have been referred to the Advisory Officer. These have totalled 48 and in many cases the Officer has been successful in obtaining grants from other voluntary organisations in cases of hardship.

Information

A steady flow of information material to Bureaux has been maintained by the National Citizens' Advice Bureau Council. Many of the Bureaux in Wales have expressed appreciation of the speed with which detailed information on the Rent Act 1965 was made available to them. A special circular outlining the Act was received by Bureaux in a matter of days following Royal Assent of the Act.

It is becoming customary to refer in official leaflets to the service available at Citizen's Advice Bureau. These include "Hire Purchase—What you need to know", "Rent Act 1965—Rent Regulation", "Control of Rents and Security of Tenure—leaflet FRI", "Young Visitors to Britain - 1966", M.P.N.I. Pension Books and the Times Crossword on 3rd March, 1966, made use of the familiar abbreviation "CAB"!!

The National C.A.B. Council submitted to the Bodies listed below evidence collected from Bureaux throughout the country :—

Home Office Committee on Legal Aid in Criminal Proceedings.

Working Party of the Youth Employment Council.

National Old People's Welfare Council—Difficulties in obtaining institutional nursing care for old people.

Royal Commission on the Penal System.

Committee on Enforcement of Judgements.

Committee on the Age of Majority.

Enquiry by Law Commission on Distress for Rents.

Board of Trade—Misleading Advertisements.

Post Office—Communication needs of the Elderly and Housebound.

- Appreciation** The co-operation of all who have contributed to the work of Citizens' Advice Bureaux in Wales is gratefully acknowledged.

THE COMMITTEE FOR THE WELFARE OF THE ELDERLY IN WALES

- Appreciation** The Committee knows of the valuable work of Old People's Welfare Committees all over the Principality, and it expresses its appreciation and gratitude to the many organisations, national and local, statutory and voluntary, and to individual volunteers who have continued in their efforts to further the welfare work for the elderly.

However, the need for the work of Old People's Welfare Committees has never been as great as it is to-day. In their role as co-ordinators of efforts and initiators of new services and ideas, they occupy a place in the country's social services which is becoming more vital with every succeeding year.

- Needs** The elderly will, in fact, make heavier demands on the social services in the future than any other group in the population. The services for the elderly must not only be expanded but also be adopted to the constantly changing needs. The marked increase in the number of persons reaching retirement age from year to year and particularly the rapid rise in the number of elderly persons in the higher age group, demands increased emphasis on care for the frail and the housebound. Meals on wheels, friendly visiting, day and short stay care and care in Residential Homes—all these are important provisions, but are still far from meeting the present needs. The network of voluntary organisations providing these services must become stronger and closer.

- Co-operation** The co-operation nationally and locally of the many individual voluntary services is invaluable in the development of more widespread and effective care of the elderly. At the same time the regular co-ordinating work of the Committee and associated Old People's Welfare Committees provides a nation-wide basis for spreading knowledge and attracting new interest in the welfare of the elderly.

The Committee, consisting of representatives from both statutory and voluntary organisations as well as observers from Government Departments, met on two occasions during the year to discuss matters of general interest regarding the work of the Department and thus continuing to provide a most useful link between the bodies concerned on a national level.

- Field Work** The Old People's Officer has continued to pay visits to various parts of the Principality maintaining the necessary contact with Old People's Welfare Committees on both local and county level, giving talks or lectures at courses, conferences and at Old People's Welfare Committees, Old People's Clubs and other meetings. All information relevant to the Welfare work of the Elderly, as received in circulars from Government Departments and the National Old People's Welfare Council, has been channelled through the Department to all old people's Committees, thus ensuring that they are aware of any current legislation and provisions for the elderly. The Department, in addition to being a clearing house for information, has dealt with many letters and personal enquiries from individuals and organisations. Enquiries for advice and help on all aspects of the care of the elderly increase annually.

Training Courses The already mentioned increase in welfare work for the elderly has brought with it the need for more volunteers and recruitment. Inevitably recruitment of the right calibre means the need for Training Courses, whereby volunteers would be adequately equipped to deal with the variety of problems and needs that arise. The Department has accordingly encouraged and associated itself with local training schemes arranged by County Committees. Such Courses were arranged during the year at Cwmbran, Monmouthshire, and Llangeferni, Anglesey.

It is very much hoped that more Courses will be arranged for the coming year. Whereas in previous years grants for Courses were given under the King George VI Social Service Scheme, which has now become exhausted. Old People's Welfare Committees are now advised to seek the aid of their Local Education Authorities which have the power to assist in the arrangement of Training Courses.

Conferences A successful One Day Conference on "Accommodation for the Elderly", arranged jointly by the Welsh Section of the British Geriatric Society and the Department was held at the Newport and Monmouthshire College of Technology in July, 1965. This was the third Conference of its kind and the attendance of over a hundred delegates from statutory and voluntary bodies throughout Wales was very encouraging.

During the latter part of the year, the Department, in consultation with the Welsh Board of Health, arranged three One Day Conferences for Senior Staff of Residential Homes in Wales to be held at Cardiff, Colwyn Bay and Aberystwyth, and it is anticipated that these will be the first of a series of such Conferences.

Pre-retirement While the Department is directly involved in the Welfare of the Elderly, it has been pleased to associate itself with movements thinking in terms of Preparation for Retirement. 1965 saw the formation of the Newport and Monmouthshire Pre-Retirement Council sponsored by the Newport Borough Council and Monmouthshire County Council. The Old People's Officer is a member of this Council.

The Officer was invited to Tutor a course of six evening Lectures on Preparation for Retirement arranged by the City of Cardiff Further Education Department.

County Committees County and County Borough Old People's Welfare Committees in Wales have been particularly active in developing the work on a local basis.

Resulting from these activities, local Old People's Welfare Committees have been established during the year at :—

Felinfach, Cardiganshire.
Llanybyther, Carmarthenshire.
Llandybie, Carmarthenshire.
Whitland, Carmarthenshire.
Clunderwen, Carmarthenshire.
St. Clears, Carmarthenshire.
Llangunon, Carmarthenshire.
Bedwas and Machen, Monmouthshire.
Caldicot, Monmouthshire.

Glamorgan This year is a very significant one in the history of voluntary welfare work in the County of Glamorgan.

After consultation with officers of the Glamorgan County Council, the Department was able to set about establishing an Old People's Welfare Committee in the County. The County has been divided into three areas with a committee in each area, North East Glamorgan and Rhondda, South East and Central Glamorgan, and West Glamorgan Old People's Welfare Committees. Each Committee will be represented on the County Committee. It is very much hoped that this Committee will formerly operate from June, 1966, and thus provide a clear liaison between all voluntary organisations and statutory authorities in the County.

This will bring the number of County and County Borough Old People's Welfare Committees to 15 and the number of local Old People's Welfare Committees to 141.

Clubs Clubs continue to play an important part in the lives of most elderly people who belong to them. Being a club member gives a sense of purpose and provides companionship and enjoyment for many who would otherwise be lonely. New Clubs have been formed at

Underwood and Porthskewett, Monmouthshire.
Llantarnam, Monmouthshire.
Abercarn, Monmouthshire.
Pontymister, Monmouthshire.

A few of the Clubs that were meeting in hired premises have succeeded in finding a place of their own, and this will enable them to meet more often and expand their work.

During the year the following Clubs benefitted from grants made available towards items of equipment from the Unilever Fund, which is administered by the Welfare and Clubs Committee of the National Old People's Welfare Council :-

Barry No. 6 Branch of the Old Age Pensioners' Association.
Tonyrefail Old Age Pensioners' Club.
Nantyllyllon Old Age Pensioners' Club.
Edwardsville Darby and Joan Club.
Senghenydd Old People's Club.

Old People's Week The Thirteenth Old People's Week in Wales was held during the week 3rd—9th October, 1965, when all County and County Boroughs in Wales co-operated in this annual event. The theme "Youth Helps Age" was brought out in the poster and proved to be most acceptable at a time when there was an upsurge in the number of young people from youth clubs, School and College groups who gave of their time to help the elderly.

We are indebted once again to the Welsh Office Information Division and the Welsh Board of Health for their co-operation in producing the National Poster and also to the Press, B.B.C., and T.W.W. for all the publicity they gave to the "Week".

Award Scheme For the Second year in succession an Award was offered to the Old People's Welfare Committee or Club Committee which had carried out the best scheme of work for the elderly during the period October, 1964, to July, 1965. Out of the eight entries submitted, the Denbighshire Elderly People's Welfare Committee received the Award which was presented to representatives of the Committee by Mr. A. Franklyn Williams, Chairman of the Welsh Board of Health, at the Press Conference held to inaugurate "The Week".

The Award was given to the Committee for their well planned Continental Holiday for 150 elderly people in the County.

Appreciation

This Report would not be complete without an expression of thanks for the kind co-operation of the Officers of the National Corporation for the Care of Old People, National Old People's Welfare Council and the Welsh Board of Health.

OLD PEOPLE'S VISITING SCHEME FOR THE CITY OF CARDIFF

This scheme is generally regarded as one of the most comprehensive of its kind in the United Kingdom. Volunteers are recruited to call upon every household in a selected Ward to ask if there are elderly people within and to enquire whether they would appreciate a visit from a volunteer visitor. When the final figures are assessed, visitors are allocated to each elderly person requesting a visit, and these visitors meet regularly to compare notes and to receive instruction as to the best method of improving their service.

Endeavours are made to find a Street Warden for every street, and lists of elderly people living in the Street are retained by the Warden who displays a card in his or her window, thus indicating that any problems dealing with old people in the street can be dealt with by them. Cards are retained by Wardens for immediate despatch to the City Welfare Department, or to this Department of the Council.

Established Visiting Committees

Interest is still being maintained by the voluntary workers in the Splott area who have been visiting lonely retired people for two and a half years and in the Canton area where visiting has been established for more than one and a half years. Reports and records of visits are kept up to date by the local voluntary Secretaries : Miss Davies, Splott, and Mr. Ham, Canton, when visitors meet bi-monthly at their local day centre for the elderly.

Joint Meeting Voluntary Visitors

On 18th May Mr. M. R. F. Simson, Secretary of the National Corporation for the care of Old People, addressed a meeting of 84 voluntary visitors from Splott, Canton and Roath—where visiting had just commenced. Mr. Simson, Mr. Cassam, Alderman Huish, Chairman, Cardiff Welfare Committee, the Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Powell Phillips, Mr. Hole, Deputy Director of Welfare, and Dr. Pathy, Consultant Geriatrician, St. David's Hospital, were invited to participate in the open discussion on matters brought to light by the Visitation Scheme.

3rd Survey

The more important figures received from the house-to-house survey of the Plasnewydd Ward (7,000 houses) carried out by the 110 local volunteers are as follows :—

Number of old age pensioners interviewed	2,218
Number of old age pensioners living alone	284
Number of old age pensioners requesting a visit	248
Number of old age pensioners living alone who requested a visit	56
Number of cases referred to the Welfare Department	26
Number of cases referred to the Public Health Department	55

There is every indication that this will be a particularly active visiting committee. As in previous areas meetings were held monthly until problems

had been resolved but in future bi-monthly meetings will be held at Bangor Street, the local day Centre for the Elderly, with two of the visitors, Mr. C. Perry and Mr. Frank Williams acting as local Chairman and Secretary.

4th Survey The fourth phase of the Visiting Scheme covers the Ward of Grangetown and part of the South Ward of Cardiff. This area of approximately 5,400 houses, is an old part of the City where again it is expected to find a high number of people of retirement age. A meeting was held on 20th October when local Councillors, leaders of Voluntary Organisations, Clergy and Ministers of the area and representatives of old age pensioners' Clubs were asked to assist in finding volunteers for the street by street survey. As a result a register of residents of retirement age will be compiled and voluntary visiting arranged where there is need. Due possibly to the bad weather during the winter and early months of the year, progress has been slow. A Meeting to report on final survey figures will be held on the 26th May, but there is every indication that a higher percentage of requests for visits will be received from this area.

Street Wardens On 12th January at a joint meeting of voluntary visitors the Guest Speaker, Mr. Geddes, of the Inland Telecommunications Department of the G.P.O., London, asked for assistance with a survey to enquire into the communication needs of old people living alone, particularly the housebound. Reports were later submitted on existing arrangements for keeping in touch with neighbours or friends in an emergency.

The most acceptable scheme to the pensioners interviewed seemed to be the street-warden system which is being gradually operated in Wards already covered by the Visitation Scheme. A volunteer street-warden keeps an eye on all retired people in the street and refers any request for help to the Department concerned.

An attractive display card has been designed for street-wardens to show in their window and arrangements are in hand for distribution and complete coverage of all streets in the areas concerned.

Local Authority Grant This Visiting Scheme has been made possible by a grant from the National Corporation for the Care of Old People for three years from 1963 with the hope that if proved successful, the local Authority would assume financial responsibility. A report was submitted to the Cardiff Welfare Committee on the results of surveying 20,200 houses and interviewing 5,589 people of retirement age, and arranging visits for the 731 who requested this service. The Council of Social Service is delighted that a grant has been made available by the Local Authority for the Financial Year 1966-67.

Appreciation This Council is grateful for the co-operation received from the many voluntary organisations actively concerned, W.V.S., Red Cross, Old Age Pensioners' Clubs, Church Organisations and members of Voluntary Community Service for the practical help with decorating, gardening, etc.

This Scheme would not operate successfully without the closest liaison with Officers of the Cardiff City Council Welfare and Public Health Department. The Secretary/Organiser wishes to thank them for their support, together with sincere thanks to all voluntary workers who have participated in this comprehensive Visiting Scheme.

COMMUNITY WORK

There is an ever increasing need to foster the development of community life and work in the Principality, and the main responsibilities of the Community Department of this Council lie in assisting and co-operating with all agencies involved in the promotion of social, recreational and educational work in Wales.

Aims For many years it has been the aim of this Department to focus its attention on the need to assist voluntary community centres and halls throughout the country. We aim to provide an efficient advisory service to local groups of people involved in the formation of community associations, and the planning, running and maintenance of centres and halls.

The underlying purpose of a Community Centre or Hall is, basically, educational. To achieve any measure of success in this field, it must be realised that the social and recreational aspects of the work can contribute by providing men and women, of all age groups in a neighbourhood, with an opportunity of awaking interests at different levels, thus creating a social medium through which the process of education within the individual may be started and developed.

This has long been the work of the halls and centres of the older and established areas in Wales, where, for example, the Miner's Welfare and Social Service Halls have played active roles in their neighbourhoods. The past twenty years have also seen the emergence of Community Associations and Centres on the vast housing estates of our densely populated urban areas. These have made a major contribution to a large number of newer communities, in providing a wide variety of leisure time activities, opportunities for leadership and experience in the techniques of democratic election and self-government.

We are living, however, in a rapidly changing Society, and there is constant need to look at the function and work of these centres and halls in the light of present trends in the educational, social, industrial and economic fields. For this reason the Department has laid emphasis during the course of the year on assisting, arranging and organising of Courses and Conferences which were geared to help and guide the voluntary worker.

Residential Course The Department was pleased to assist the Glamorgan County Further Education Department in successfully holding a week-end Residential Course at Dyffryn House during December, 1965. This course was designed to study the "Welfare and Community Hall Programme in the Sixties", and lectures were given by Dr. George F. Thomason, M.A., University College of South Wales and Monmouthshire, K. M. Reinold, Esq., B.A., Secretary of the National Federation of Community Associations, and Wyndham Heycock, Esq., B.A., Further Education Officer for Glamorgan.

Training Arising out of the discussions at this Course it was further decided to arrange other week-end residential periods of study from time to time, and the first of these Courses was organised by the Department in close co-operation with the Coal Industry Social Welfare Organisation and the Glamorgan Further Education Department. This Training Course for thirty voluntary workers was held at the Dunraven Hotel, Bridgend, during the latter part of the year under review, and had as its theme "Leisure facilities for Adults". Officers of the three organising agencies gave lectures at the Course on the respective roles of the Voluntary Centre and the Local Educational Authority in their provision of leisure time activities. In addition to this we were

pleased to welcome representatives of Local Authorities in the Mid-Glamorgan area during the later sessions, when a most informative and valuable period was spent discussing the needs and provisions for leisure activities in this particular area of the County.

Conference A Spring Conference of the South Wales Federation of Community Groups, held on March 19th, 1966, at the Welsh College of Advanced Technology was most successful. Delegates representing Local Education Authorities Urban and Rural District Councils, Community Centres and Welfare Halls, attended the afternoon and evening sessions.

The theme of the Conference was "Community work in Changing and in New Localities", and the two main Speakers were F. Barric Naylor, Esq., B.A., Warden of Maes-yr-Haf Settlement, Rhondda, and A. J. Leighton, Esq., Community Officer, Cwmbran Development Corporation, Monmouthshire. Both speakers highlighted the various Community problems and needs which appeared in two entirely different localities—Rhondda and Cwmbran New Town. We are grateful to them for ably leading the Conferences in discussion on the contribution which can be made by Community Centres to the social welfare and educational benefit of communities.

Village Halls The Community Officer accepted an invitation to be the Guest Speaker at the 1966 Conference of Officers of Village Halls in Meirionethshire. This was arranged through the Merioneth Rural Community Council, and it is pleasing to note the very active interest which voluntary leaders in so many of our rural areas are taking in the "Future of their Village Halls". This Conference emphasised the need for Committees to be constantly looking for opportunities to serve their communities, and that attractive and varied approaches are needed to meet the demands of the social changes which are affecting rural and urban areas alike.

Advice The demand for the day to day advisory services of the Department continues to increase, and assistance has been sought on questions of Trusteeship, Sale of Land, Grant Aid, Building problems, Constitutional difficulties, formation of Community Associations, programme planning, social services and further education activities. A number of Local Authorities, or their representatives, have also sought assistance with Community Centre development plans in their localities. The Community Officer has been involved in advising and assisting with new Community projects and the development of others in Glamorgan, Monmouthshire, Cardiganshire, Flintshire, and the Cardiff area.

Studies In co-operation with the Social Administration and Extra Mural Department of the University Colleges in Wales, a number of study groups were formed in preparation for the British National Conference on Social Welfare (1967). These groups met at Holywell, Flintshire, Swansea and Cardiff to consider different aspects of the Conference theme—"Welfare State and Welfare Society".

The Community Officer, together with Miss Joan Collins, present Chairman of the Guild of Social Workers in Wales, were responsible for the organising and tutoring arrangements of a Cardiff Study Group. Over forty representatives of Statutory and Voluntary agencies from Glamorgan and Monmouthshire met regularly each week for three months at the University College, Cardiff, and a most successful and enjoyable series of lectures and discussions took place on many important current social problems.

Liaison The Department has provided the secretariat for the Cardiff Community Service Liaison Committee. At present this is being run on an *ad hoc* basis and is intended to give an opportunity for representatives of voluntary organisations in the City to meet from time to time during the course of the year in order to discuss their work, and to co-ordinate some of their activities. This liaison proved successful, for example, during the last Christmas period in the arrangements connected with gift parcel distribution, and there is every possibility that it can be extended to cover a wider range of activities during the coming year.

Thanks The Community Officer is indebted to many agencies and individuals for their assistance during the year, and in particular for the co-operation received from Local Education Authorities, Local Authorities, Department of Education and Science, National Federation of Community Associations, Rural Community Councils and Departments of the University Colleges in Wales.

YOUTH WORK

The Youth Department provides the Secretariat for the Standing Conference for Wales of Voluntary Youth Organisations. Twenty-nine Organisations are at present constituent members of the Standing Conference, and the main emphasis of the work is to bring about a closer partnership between the voluntary organisations and also between the voluntary and statutory authorities in the service of youth.

Handbook During the course of the year much work has been done by the Department in collating material from a wide range of sources for use in a Standing Conference Youth Handbook, which has recently been published. Many voluntary youth organisations publish annually a record of their work, but now, for the first time in Wales, between the covers of one booklet is evidence of the tremendous activity and effort which is being made by a wide variety of organisations to serve the young people of the Principality. It is to be hoped that the publication will be recognised as another landmark in the contribution of the Standing Conference towards assisting all sectors of the Youth Service by presenting clearer lines of communication, and in the strengthening of the public image of the Service—an aspect which has for so long been neglected in youth work.

Annual Conferences The Department arranged and organised the National Conference of the Standing Conference for Wales of Voluntary Youth Organisations, during October, 1965. This was the Eleventh of the three-day annual Residential Conferences held at Barry, Glamorgan. Eighty-six representatives of Voluntary Organisations; the Department of Education and Science; Local Education Authorities; the Welsh Joint Education Committee; Local Standing Conferences, and other interested Bodies were present. The theme of the Conference was "A Wider Horizon", and addresses were given by three Guest Speakers—Mr. B. J. Griffiths, B.A., Further Education Officer, Welsh Joint Education Committee, who gave the inaugural Address on "The Link between Youth Service and School",

Mr. Alan Gibson, B.A., who spoke of the work done at "The Youth Service Information Centre, Leicester", and Miss Joan Tash, London Council of Social Service, gave a talk on her experiences of working with "Unattached Young People". During the course of the Conference the Department arranged visits to the Ogmere Outdoor Pursuit Centre and Llangewydd

Youth-Wing, Bridgend, and the Standing Conference is grateful to the Glamorgan Further Education Department for its co-operation in this matter.

Regional Conferences The Regional and County Conferences have held meetings and Conferences during the course of the year and the Youth Officer addressed two Annual Meetings at Brecon and Barry.

The activities of the local Standing Conferences have been varied. Most of them have succeeded in their chief aim of bringing together representatives of both voluntary and statutory authorities from time to time. They have also ensured that the young people of the voluntary organisations were given opportunities to come into contact with one another through courses and conferences.

There will, however, be a reappraisal during the coming year of the geographical structure of the present regional system as it has proved itself to be more difficult to operate in some areas than others.

Training The training of leaders is of paramount importance to the development of the Youth Service, and it is the policy of this Department to assist agencies involved in this important work.

During the period under review the officer has attended meetings called by Further Education Officers of Local Authorities in planning of Part-Time Youth Leadership Training Courses, and other training programmes in their areas ; a Welsh Joint Education Committee Panel to consider Advanced Courses for Part-Time Youth Leaders ; the Consultative Committee for Training for Youth Work, Swansea University College, and a one week's residential "Training the Trainers" Course for youth officers at the University College, Bangor.

Exchanges The Youth Officer acted as one of the conveners for Wales on behalf of the Educational Interchange Council which is responsible for arranging youth exchanges between Great Britain and Eastern European Countries.

Voluntary Youth Organisations and Local Education Authorities in Wales were notified of the opportunities open to young people in applying for places on group six visits to be made during 1966 to Russia, Bulgaria and Czechoslovakia, and twenty-two young people from the Principality were selected for the study tours.

Group-briefing sessions were also held in Cardiff, and the officer is grateful for the assistance given by members of the Welsh Selection Panel, Further Education Officers of the Glamorgan and Cardiff Local Education Authority, and the Welsh Joint Education Committee.

Community Service During the past two years a great deal of assistance has been given by this Council in developing and fostering the ideal of Community Service by young people in the City of Cardiff. The Youth Officer has endeavoured to help and guide the work of a co-ordinating Committee of Voluntary Community Service (V.C.S.) which has now been re-constituted, and is operating as an independent body working within Cardiff and District.

This new organisation is basically performing the function of a clearing house for projects which can be undertaken by groups of young people who have expressed a wish to undertake various tasks of service to the community.

The whole question of voluntary work by young people throughout the country is currently under review by the Youth Service Development Council and the Department of Education and Science, who commend that voluntary service should be given full scope for development at local level to meet the needs of young people seeking outlets and opportunities to serve in their community.

Fellowships The Youth Department assisted the Winston Churchill Memorial Trust in its distribution of literature on the 1966 Travelling Fellowships. This was of particular interest to youth leaders of voluntary organisations who were given opportunities to apply and be considered for study and working tours in parts of the Commonwealth and the United States of America.

Information A diverse number of other national and international Bodies were given assistance or information concerning youth service activities in Wales and these have included The Youth Service Information Centre, Leicester; World Friends International Service for Youth; The Office of the High Commissioner for Jamaica and the Keswick Convention.

The Youth Officer has participated at a number of important meetings and Conferences held during the year in Wales and these have included The Welsh Committee of the Central Council of Physical Recreation, "Wythnos y Gair 1967 Committee", Conference on the establishment of a Welsh Sports Council, the European Flag Presentation Ceremony by the Council of Europe to Glamorgan County Council, and the Annual Conferences of the National Federation of Young Farmers Clubs in Wales and the Boy Scouts Association in Glamorgan.

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

The Department's activities have consisted, mainly, as in previous years, in providing the Secretariat and Administration for Women's Clubs in the Counties of Glamorgan and Carmarthenshire. This report, therefore, is mainly concerned with the activities of these Clubs.

New Clubs Five new Clubs have been formed and have joined the Association, and four more are in the promotional stage. The new Clubs are :—

Aberdulais, Llanbradach, Cowbridge, St. George's and the Neath Friendly Club.

Those in process of being established are at :—

Caerphilly (the second Club), Litchard, Pencoed New Housing Estate, Efail Isaf.

Investigations are also proceeding to explore the possibilities of forming new Clubs in conjunction with Llantwit Major Church Group and Caerau Young Wives Group.

Social Work In addition to the normal Courses arranged by the Department, there is a great deal of social work being undertaken within the Welsh Association of Women's Clubs. Such activities include the entertainment of the young and aged, assistance to Handicapped Children's Schools, a pantomime for children in foster homes, entertainment of the lonely and housebound, collection of milk bottle tops and silver paper for blind children, with the object of sending some of the latter on holiday to Majorca, parcels for the

Aged, gifts to orphans at Easter, Whitsun and Christmas and day outings for these orphans with families.

These are but a few of the services rendered to local communities by members of the Clubs.

Exhibitions

At the request of Rotary Clubs at Barry and Cowbridge, handwork done by members of Clubs was exhibited at Spring Exhibitions. The purpose of these Exhibitions was to demonstrate to the public hobbies which could be taken up in leisure time. The Exhibition at Cowbridge catered for all age groups, whilst that at Barry concerned itself especially with older folk.

The Women's Clubs also took a major part at the Tregroes "Open Day and Rally" at Pencoed in July. This was organised by the Glamorgan Education Committee and the Association was the only Women's Organisation to take part in the Competition to provide a group of dishes from any nation. The members showed great ability and initiative and won several prizes in this, and other Open Classes of various competitions.

Conferences

A very successful British Standard Institute's Conference was held at Swansea in October. One of the addresses was given by Baroness Phillips, Secretary to the National Association of Women's Clubs. During the questions which followed the Address, the following subjects were discussed :-

1. The British Standard Institute and its work for consumers.
2. Standards of Safety.
3. "Look for the Label".
4. Service to the Shopper.

The Chief Women's Officer would like to record her thanks to Mr. Morgan, General Manager, and Mr. Armstrong, the Dry Goods Manager, and the Staff of Co-operative House for their part in assuring the success of this, the first British Standard Institute's Conference in the west of our area.

Top Cook 1965

A most interesting Competition was held in September and October, 1965, in collaboration with the Wales Gas Board. Preliminary rounds were held in all the areas and, eventually, the winners of local Competitions came to Sophia Gardens Pavilion in Cardiff for the final round. Amidst great excitement the Social Service "Top Cook, 1965" was announced as Mrs. Nancy Davies of the Skewen Club. Her Prize was the latest model in Gas Cookers, donated by the Wales Gas Board, to whom our most grateful thanks are tendered for this and other valuable prizes donated for this Competition. Several local dignitaries from South Wales graced the proceedings with their presence, and this venture, the first of its kind, proved a huge attraction and an undoubted success.

Thirty-two members of the Association went to the National Conference at Sheffield in July as delegates and visitors, and this proved a most happy and successful Conference.

Meetings and Talks

The Executive Committee met seven times during the year. In addition, there have been thirteen Area and eighteen Group meetings. At all these meetings, resolutions pertaining to local and British affairs were discussed, in addition to all domestic matters concerning the Clubs. Appropriate members of the Staff attended two general Purposes Committee Meetings and two Organisers' Meetings of the National Association during the year.

The Chief Women's Officer attended three Meetings of the Women's Advisory Council on Solid Fuel and three Meetings of the Women's Sub-Committee of the Ministry of Labour.

Talks were given to members of the Caerphilly Friendship Group and to members of St. German's Mothers' Union.

Day Schools

Numerous Day Schools were held throughout the area of which nine were concerned with Dressmaking and five with Millinery.

Club Tours

Two holiday tours and one day tour were organised. The former was ably arranged by Mrs. Kane, with assistance from the Instructresses. The venue was the Chelsea Flower Show in May and five hundred and eighty members participated.

Mrs. Kane also led a party of forty-two members on a tour to Scarborough and the Yorkshire Moors in the month of June. Reports indicate a splendid time, with excellent weather. Mrs. Celia Williams organised a party from the Pontypridd area to Llandudno and the surrounding areas of Snowdon. The Chief Women's Officer took forty-two Club members from the west of the Area to Rudesheim, near Heidelberg in Germany, and this tour was also pronounced a great success.

Mrs. Kane and Mrs. Celia Williams have completed plans for tours to Germany and Holland respectively during the coming summer.

Appeals

The target set for the Appeals for the Funds of the Council this year was £2,000. We are happy to report that this target was exceeded. The sums raised are as follows :-

	£	s.	d.
Appeals and Pontypridd Xmas Fayre	1,214	4	4
Raffle	542	18	6
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	1,757	2	10
Top Cook Contest	230	0	0
Profit on Cookery Books	180	0	0
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	£2,167	2	10

This remarkable achievement was only possible by the tremendous energies shown by the Staff of the Women's Department and, of course, of our Chairman, Mrs. Jennie Jenkins, J.P., whose inspiration caused Clubs to open their hearts and purses wider than ever.

The Staff of the Department would also wish to thank the Director of the Council, and the Assistant Director, the Finance Officer, and other members of the Staff who have helped in so many ways, not only by their advice and practical help, but also by donating gifts for Competitions.

The work of the Department would be impossible without the generous grant-aid offered by the Glamorgan and Carmarthenshire Education Committees. We feel sure that members of these Authorities, with whom we work in happy co-operation, are, in turn, deeply appreciative of the work and high standards manifest throughout the two counties.

DRAMA DEPARTMENT

Drama Association of Wales

There has been a gradual increase in membership in the Drama Association of Wales during its twelve months existence. The growth of the Association is based firmly on the support given by the County Drama Associations, the members of well established adult Drama Societies throughout the Principality and individual members. At the end of the financial year, ten counties are affiliated to the Drama Association. Of the remaining three, two counties are awaiting the recommendation of their County Drama Committees and are hopeful of becoming members. Fifty-eight Societies have joined and there are forty-two individual members. A new Constitution is being prepared and will be put before the Executive Committee and then submitted to the members at the Annual General Meeting.

Adult One-Act Play Festival

- Festivals** (a) Miss Gerda Redlich adjudicated at the County Finals which were held at Brecon, Glamorgan, Monmouth and Pembroke. The Wales Final was held at the Howardian High School, Cardiff, on May 29th, where the adjudicator, Mr. John Gibson of the B.B.C., London, selected the Tenby Players to go forward to represent Wales at the British Final at Northampton on July 3rd. The Howard de Walden Cup was awarded to the team from Scotland. At a meeting of the National Committee for Community Drama held at Northampton, it was decided that the 1966 British Final would be held in Wales. The New Theatre, Cardiff, was booked for this event and the date decided was Saturday, 9th July, 1966.

Welsh National Youth Drama Festival.

- (b) Five area Festivals had to be arranged in 1966 owing to an increased response from Local Education Authorities. Mr. Elwyn Thomas, B.B.C., Wales, adjudicated fifteen entries and the Final was held on May 15th at Porthcawl. The winners of the Charlotte Powell Cup were the Croesycellig Community Centre, Monmouth, who gave a performance of "The Reluctant Doctor" by Moliere. The standard of acting and production at this Final was of high quality and gave great encouragement to the work of the Association in the field of Youth Drama.
- (c) It was not possible to hold a **Welsh Language Festival** in 1965 as insufficient money was available. However, at the inaugural meeting of the Drama Association it was decided that this Festival should be held again in 1966.

Play Writing Competition.

- (d) The success of the Play Writing Competition held in 1964 encouraged a record number of entries this year, thirty-eight English plays and twelve Welsh plays being submitted. Two adjudicators were asked to read the plays and this was followed by a weekend school at Llandrindod Wells in November. The first prize in the English section went to Miss Sybil Hollingdrake of Newport for her play, "Double Shuffle" and Mr. W. S. Jones of Crickieth again won the Welsh award for "Y Chwilotwyr". A special prize went to Mr. Jack Rees of Aberayron for "Comrades in Arms". Once more the B.B.C. undertook to broadcast suitable entries on sound radio.

Drama in Education

A special panel set up by the Welsh Joint Education Committee to examine the question of Drama in Education invited the Drama Association of Wales to submit a memorandum. A Sub-Committee met under the Chairmanship of the Director of the Council of Social Service and questionnaires were sent out to all county drama Secretaries. The information was annotated and sent with an exhaustive report on the findings to the Welsh Joint Education Committee.

Drama Library

Grant Aid received from the Welsh Committee of the Arts Council has made it possible, during the year, to purchase many more sets of plays, both Full and One-Act. In addition, new lighting equipment has been purchased, including a portable Junior Dimmer Board, floods and spots. Through our liaison with the British Drama League it is possible to hire from the latter's Library, books which could not, ordinarily, be purchased by the Association out of its limited resources. In this way it has been possible to substantially increase our Library Service to Amateur Societies. Due to increased support from interested Groups and individuals it is now possible to consider reducing hiring charges to members of the Association. During the year 1965/66 receipts from the loan of library books and equipment amounted to £238, whilst affiliation fees to the Association totalled £212. 488 Sets of Plays were borrowed by Societies over the year and 1,358 single copies. The sets of velvet curtains were hired out on forty-one occasions and there were fifty-three applications for the use of lighting equipment.

The amalgamation of two separate Bodies into the Drama Association of Wales promises to be a successful venture. It was expected that the image of the new Association would not be fully understood for the first few years of its existence, but the ever increasing activities of its work augur well for its future.

Appreciation

The thanks of the Association and of this Council are due to a host of statutory and voluntary agencies in the Principality and to willing helpers whose assistance has considerably eased the administrative working of this new Organisation which speaks on a national level for all amateur drama in our country.

THE STANDING CONFERENCE FOR THE AFTER CARE OF PRISONERS

This Conference was formed two years' ago to bring together various agencies working in the field of the After Care of Prisoners. Its initial enterprise was to compile a Handbook of all the services available to prisoners and their families by Government and voluntary agencies. The Conference received approval from the Home Office as the first of its kind in Britain.

Within the last twelve months, however, the responsibility for the after care of prisoners has now been laid upon local Probation Committees, and this has resulted, amongst other things, in the closure of local branches of the Discharged Prisoners Aid Society in South Wales.

It would seem, therefore, that the reason for the existence of the Conference has now been superseded. Yet it has been pointed out by the Home Office that it is hoped that voluntary services will still be given by suitable people to prisoners and their families. The way in which such voluntary help will be recruited and absorbed into the statutory service is a matter which is now being considered by various local Probation Committees. The Cardiff Probation Committee has invited the Director of this Council to become a member—the first non-Magistrate ever to receive such an invitation. It is proposed to seek the views of other Probation Committees in South Wales before coming to a decision as to whether there is any purpose in continuing the existence of the Standing Conference. It is appreciated that Probation Officers are carrying a very heavy case load, and it will be some time before they, or their Committees, can work out details of any plans which affect voluntary agencies and individuals.

The Standing Conference has succeeded in emphasising two important needs in the field of After Care :—

1. The provision of Hostels for ex-prisoners, especially recidivists. The Conference was actively identified with a project in Newport, Monmouthshire, for the establishment of such a home and it is to be regretted that feeling amongst the local population at the last moment prevented the scheme going through when the necessary premises and finances were available. It will now become the responsibility of the Probation Committees to see that such Hostels are established and the knowledge and experience gained by members of the Conference should prove invaluable for such projects. The Council of Social Service is watching carefully the plans for the re-housing of the Salvation Army Hostel in Cardiff, and has made the strongest possible representations to the Local authority that the demolition of the present Hostel could result in great danger to the community unless it is replaced by a similar, or possibly, larger building. Officials of the Salvation Army have assured the Standing Conference that it has plans for the expansion of this vitally important work in the City.
2. Representations made to Local Authorities to consider the position of members of the staff of the Discharged Prisoners Aid Society have proved effective. It is pleasing to note, for example, that in the City of Cardiff four members of the staff of the Society have been absorbed into the Probation and After Care Service and we feel sure they will make a valuable contribution to this specialised work in the City.

B.B.C. CHILDREN'S HOUR APPEAL FUND.

One of the happiest privileges of the Council is the distribution of monies allocated from the B.B.C. Christmas Appeal Fund for Children in need. A sum of £865 was placed at the Council's disposal during the past year for this purpose. Through the combined network of officers of Rural Community Councils, Education and Medical Officers, Citizen's Advice Bureaux, Hospital Almoners and Members of our own Staff, 1,062 children have benefited from the distribution. Letters of appreciation have been received on behalf of cripples and invalid children, whilst it has been possible, through gifts, to alleviate the conditions of children living amongst unhappy domestic circumstances.

NON-DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES.

The foregoing Departmental Reports convey details of the organised, classified, administrative and field work carried out by the Council. There are, however, many services the Council renders to voluntary organisations in Wales. This help is sometimes given not only in personal advice and service, but also in the form of clerical assistance and duplicating of circulars. The following organisations have been assisted during the past twelve months :—

- Cardiff Voluntary Organisations Liaison Committee.
- Cardiff and District Mental Health Association.
- The Glamorgan Missions to the Adult Deaf and Dumb.
- Cardiff and District Council on Alcoholism.
- Freedom from Hunger Campaign in Wales.
- Welsh National Opera Company.
- Altrusa.
- Cardiff and District Voluntary Service.
- The Glamorgan Drama League.

It has also been the privilege of the Council to assist several Government Departments in the course of the year, not only in providing information concerning Voluntary Organisations, but also in advising upon the qualifications of individuals for selected appointments.

The Council provides secretarial and clerical assistance to the Guild of Social Workers in Wales, and thus forms a link between the professional and voluntary social worker.

Finally, we are proud to record the confidence shewn us by the Charity Commissioners who have placed in our offices a complete copy of the index of Registered Charities in England and Wales. This should enable us to render valuable information to any who seek to enquire.

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Egwyddorion

Y mac'r Gymdeithas i fod yn gyfrifol am lles ei phobl ac yn gyn o beth mac'n hollol bwysig fod bob adran o'r Gymdeithas yn cydweithio er lles a daioni pawb. Dyma un o'r pethau sydd eisiau pwysleisio y dyddiau hyn. Rhaid i'r cryf gynorthwyo'r gwan, ac ar yr un pryd y mac'n rhaid i'r gwan weld hyn fel mater o ofal y gymdeithas amdanynt a diddordeb ynddynt. Ni ellir datrys problemau'r gymdeithas heb wasanaeth y Llywodraeth Ganolog a Lleol ynghyd a chydweithrediad y Mudiadau Gwirfoddol. Prif waith Y Cyngor yw cyfuno'r holl Fudiadau Gwirfoddol a thrwy ei Adrannau i ddwyn y rhai sy'n gyfrifol yn y meysydd Llywodraethol a'r mudiadau at eu gilydd i drafod materion yn ymwneud a Iechyd, Lles ac Addysg, a thrwy hynny i gymhwyso'r deddfau cyfaddas at anghenion y dydd ac hefyd rhoi cyfle i'r mudiadau i ddatgan eu barn a dwyn materion i sylw'r Llywodraeth Ganolog.

Gwasanaeth

Dyna yn fyr yw hanfod Gwasanaeth Cymdeithasol. Dichon fod angen ail ddehongli y term "Gwasanaeth Cymdeithasol" yng ngwyneb y cyfnewidiadau a ddisgwyllir i'r cyfeiriad yma. Disgwyllir gyda sefydliad y Weinyddiaeth Diogelwch Cymdeithasol y bydd archwilio manwl i fewn i anghenion ariannol teuluoedd ac unigolion a thrwy hynny sicrhau na fydd neb teilwng yn dioddef caledi. Ar wahan i broblemau ariannol y Gymdeithas mac yna rhai anghenion na all yr un deddf eu lleihau sef ym myd yr ysbryd a'r meddwl ac mae darparu ar gyfer yr anghenion yma yn llawn mor bwysig. Bu'r Cyngor yn ystod y flwyddyn yn gweithio'n brysur i'r cyfeiriad yma. Yn ddiethriad, dengys adroddiadau'r Adrannau o fis i fis fod yna gyfoeth o gymorth gwirfoddol yng Nghymru. Yn wir nid cael rhagor o weithwyr i gynorthwyo'r Henoed, yr Analluog, y Celfyddydau a'r Ifanc yw'r broblem fwyaf ond yn hytrach i sicrhau arbennigwyr i hyfforddi'r gwirfoddolwyr i wneud rhyw waith pendant. Bu'n anodd ar brydiau i ffirwyno brwdfrydedd a'i lywodraethu i fod o werth arhosol ac adeiladol. Yr ydym fel Cyngor wedi darganfod mai nid digon gofyn am rhagor o weithwyr ond bod rhaid roi rhyw waith pendant iddynt i'w gyflawni. Bu ymateb teilwng yn nhrefi a phentrefi Cymru pan osodwyd rhyw orchwyl arbennig iddynt i'w wneuthur.

Cefnogaeth

I ddod yn awr at weithgareddau'r Cyngor a'i Adrannau. Bu'r Adrannau yn gweithredu yn ol y polisiau a argymhellwyd gan y Pwyllgor Ymchwil Cymdeithasol a nifer o Bwyllgorau Ymgynghorol a ffurfiwyd er rhoi arweiniad i'r Adrannau. Sefydlwyd pum Adran llawn yn ystod y pum mlynedd diwethaf. Sefydlwyd tair ohonynt, Pwyllgor Lles yr Henoed yng Nghymru a Chaerdydd, ar wahan, a'r Adran Ddrama, mewn canlyniad i ymorth ariannol a dderbyniwyd o wahanol Ymddiriedolaethau gyda'r dealltwriaeth y deuant i dalu eu ffordd eu hunain ymhen cyfnod. Y mac'r cyfnodau arbrawf wedi terfynnu ac mae'n glod i'r Adrannau fod y Llywodraeth Ganolog a Lleol wedi cytuno i gefnogi'r Adrannau yn ariannol a sicrhau fod y gwaith a wnaed more effeithiol yn mynd yn ei flaen. Sicrhawyd dyfodol yr Adrannau hyn gan gyfraniad ychwanegol oddiwrth Ymddiriedolaeth Carnegie sydd wedi cytuno i ddyblu'r grant i'r Cyngor. Dengys hyn ei ymddiriedaeth yn y Cyngor. Gwnaed y gwaith dros yr Henoed yng Nghymru a Chaerdydd yn bosibl gan haelioni y "National Corporation for the Care of Old People"

a roddodd grantiau am gyfnodau o bump a thair blynedd. Mae'r Cyngor yn ddyledus drosben i'r Ymddiriedolaethau yma. Addawyd cymorth ychwanegol gan y Llywodraeth trwy Fwrdd Iechyd Cymru tuag at waith yr Henoed, ac ar yr un pryd mae Pwyllgor Cymreig Cyngor y Celfyddydau wedi ychwanegu ei cymorth ariannol i gyfarfod a chostiau yr Adran Ddrama, am hyn yr ydym yn wir ddiolchgar. Rhag ofn y gofynnir pam y gwneir cyfeiriad at ddiolchgarwch am gymorth ariannol mor gynnar yn yr Adroddiad, rhaid esbonio fod yn rhaid i'r Cyngor weithio drwy arbennigwyr sydd yn gorffod teithio led led Cymru ynglyn a'u gwaith, ac os yw gwaith y Cyngor fel Cyfundrefn cenedlaethol gwirfoddol i lwyddo mae'n rhaid chwilio am arian i dalu cyflogau a threuliau y gweithwyr hyn. Rhaid ychwanegu fod gwaith y Cyngor wrth hyrwyddo cydweithrediad a chyfundeb ymhlith y mudiadau gwirfoddol ar dir mwy cadarn ac arhosol nag a fu erioed.

Cyfnewidiadau

Bydd y pum mlynedd nesaf yn gyfnod pwysig yn hanes y Cyngor a'r Adrannau, canys mewn cyfnod byr fel yna mae anghenion cymdeithas yn newid, trefi newydd yn codi a phentrefi bychain gwledig yn araf ddiiflannu. Mae y cyfnewid ym mhaterwm Llywodraethol Cymru a ddaeth gyda sefydlu y swydd o Ysgrifennydd Gwladol wedi effeithio ar waith gweinyddiaethol y Cyngor. Y mae'r Cyngor yn ddiolchgar i'r Gwir Anrhydeddus James Griffiths, A.S., yr Ysgrifennydd Gwladol cyntaf, am ei ddi-ddordeb yng ngwaith y Cyngor a chroesewir ei olynydd y Gwir Anrhydeddus Cledwyn Hughes, A.S., a fu'n gysylltiedig a gwaith y Cyngor yn Sir Fon. Cafodd y Cyngor foddhad mawr yn y flath fod Prif Swyddogion y Weinyddiaeth wedi ymgynghori a'r Cyngor ynglyn a materion o bolisi a chynlluniau ymarferol. Bydd yn rhaid i'r Cyngor a'r Gynghorau Gwlad feddlw am rhagaratoi ar gyfer y sefyllfa newydd, gan fod y Llywodraeth yn bwriadu cyhoeddi cynlluniau am adrefnu ffiniau a chyfrifoldeb gwladwriaethol yng Nghymru. Beth bynnag y bont bydd yn rhaid ail gyfeirio a chymhwyso gwaith y mudiadau i gyfarfod a'r gofynion newydd. Bydd yr ail drefnu a fwrddier yng Nghanolbarth Cymru yn galw am gynllunio addas er sicrhau y bydd yr elfennau hen a newydd yn ymdoddi i'w gilydd yn y modd mwyaf effeithiol.

Ceir manylion ynglyn a gweithgareddau'r Adrannau'r Cyngor ynghyd a pholisiau a gobeithion yn dilyn y rhagair hwn. Mae yna rhai agweddau pwysig o'u llafur y dylir eu nodi yma.

Lles yr Henoed

Y mae 12 o Bwyllgorau Sirol yn awr yn gysylltiedig a Phwyllgor Lles yr Henoed yng Nghymru, ychwanegiad o un. Ychwanegiad pwysig ac arwyddocaol iawn. Sylweddolwyd o'r diwedd un o uchelgeision y Cyngor pan sefydlwyd Pwyllgor Lles yr Henoed ym Mergannwg, a fydd yn cydweithio i'r eithaf gyda Adran Gwasanaethau Lles y Cyngor Sir. Pan sylweddolir fod yna 750,000 o fobl yn byw yn y Sir, gellir dychmygu maintiau y gwaith a ddaw i ran y Pwyllgor newydd. Mae'r Cyngor wedi caniatáu i'w Swyddog Lles yr Henoed i gymryd Ysgrifenyddiaeth y Pwyllgor. Mae yna dri is-bwyllgor rhanbarthol newydd yn gysylltiedig a'r Pwyllgor Sir. Y mae'r flath fod 25 o Gynghorau Lleol yn y Sir wedi datgan eu parodrwydd i gefnogi'r gwaith yn galondid mawr. Golyga hyn fod y patrwm i gyfuno gwaith yr Henoed yng Nghymru a ddechreuwyd gan y Gyngor yn 1948 bron a'i gwblhau ar wahan i un Sir ac er nad oes Pwyllgor yno, deil i gydweithio a'r Pwyllgor Cenedlaethol.

Y mae'r Swyddog newydd wedi hen sefydlu erbyn hyn ac wedi cysylltu ei hun a'r gwaith yn yr un Sir ar ddeg arall. Deil y nodweddion traddodiadol megis Wythnos yr Henoed, i fynd o nerth i nerth, a chynhwyswyd syniadau newydd a fydd yn gyfrwng i enny mwy o ddi-ddordeb y cyhoedd yng ngwaith yr Henoed.

Mynd yn ei flaen y mae'r Cynllun Ymweld yng Nghaerdydd a chwblhawyd erbyn hyn y gwaith mewn pedair rhan o'r ddinas ac y mae'r gefnogaeth gwirfoddol a geir yn galondid mawr. Mae gwir angen i ddwyn at eu glydd y mudiadau yn y Ddinas sy'n ymwneud a gwaith yr Henoed, a gobeithir y gwelir cyn bo hir Bwyllgor newydd yn gweithio i'r perwyl hyn, ac hyrwyddo cydweithrediad rhwng yr elfennau gwirfoddol a llywodraethol, a thrwy hynny sylweddoli unwaith eto un o uchelgeision y Cngor.

Cynghori'r Dinesydd

Gwelir yn Adroddiad y Swyddog Ymgynghorol fod cynnydd sicr yn nifer y canolfannau newydd. Bu 45,333 o ymholiadau yn ystod y flwyddyn sydd yn rhoi rhyw syniad o werth ymarferol y Gwasanaeth arbennig hwn. Agorwyd Canolfannau newydd yng Ngogledd a De Cymru a flurfiwyd Pwylgorau Gwaith mewn pedwar ardal arall gan obeithio y sefydlir canolfannau yno. Y mae saith Cngor Lleol arall wedi datgan eu bwriad i ystyried y posibilrwydd o godi canolfannau newydd. Bu'r ddwy Gynhadledd Barhaol yn y Gogledd a'r De yn fywiog iawn yn darparu cynlluniau hyfforddi. Yng ngwyneb y cynnydd amlwg i'r cyfeiriad yma teimlir fod sefydlu'r Adran tair blynedd yn ol wedi ei gyfiawnhau.

Adran y Merched

Dengys Adroddiad yr Adran yma eto fod y gwaith yn llwyddo a nifer sylweddol o glybiau newydd wedi eu sefydlu. Y mae yna dros 5,000 o ferched yn Neheudir Cymru yn cyfarfod yn wythnosol. Yngnyd ag ymddiddori mewn diddordebau celfyddydol ac adloniadol, gwnant waith da wrth wasanaethu'r Henoed a'r Analluog yn eu hardaloedd. Treulia'r Staff llawer o amser i drefnu Arddangosfeydd sydd yn gyfrwng nid yn unig i ddangos safon uchel eu gwaith ond hefyd i ennyn diddordeb eraill yn y celfyddydau a gwaith llaw. Cynhaliwyd llynedd am y tro cyntaf gystadlaeth "Y Cogyddes Orau" ymhlith merched y Clybiau Gwasanaeth Cymdeithasol (Social Service Top Cook). Trefnwyd y gystadlaeth gyda chydweithrediad Bwrdd Nwy Cymru. Cynhaliwyd yr ornest dderfynol yng Ngerddi Soffia pan gafwyd yr anrhydedd o groesawu nifer helaeth o swyddogion blaenllaw yr Awdurdodau Leol.

Bu'r chworiydd mewn amryw o gynhadleddau a thrafodwyd nifer o ddatganiadau pwysig yn ymwneud a materion cenedlaethol a lleol. Dengys hyn eu diddordeb mewn materion a chynlluniau yn ymwneud a Iechyd a Lles.

Gwerthfawrogrir yn fawr iawn ymdrechion rhagorol y merched a sylweddolodd y swm o £2,167 tuag at waith yr Adran a thrwy hynny lleihau baich y Cngor sy'n gyfrifol i sicrhau gweddill yr arian wedi iddynt dderbyn grantiau sylweddol oddiwrth Cynghorau Siroedd Morgannwg a Chaerfyrddin. Deil yr arferiad i drefnu teithiau a gwyliau yn y wlad yma ac ar y cyfandir i gynyddu a phroffant i fod o werth cymdeithasol ac addysgiadol.

Gwaith Cymdeithasol

Bu'r Adran yn brysur yn delio a phroblemau canolfannau cymdeithasol gwirfoddol trwy'r wlad yn eu hymdrechion i ddarparu ar gyfer yr oriau hamdden ychwanegol. Dengys yr ymchwil i ddarpariaethau cymdeithasol fod yna waith amrywiol yn cael ei wneud gan fudiadau megis y Neuaddau Cymdeithasol a Neuaddau Lles y Glowyr mewn hen ardaloedd yn ogystal a chanolfannau newydd a godir yn y trefi newydd. Gwnecir ymchwil pellach mewn ymgynghoriad ag Awdurdodau Lleol i weld a oes darpariaethau newydd y dylir ei gwneud er mwyn llenwi unrhyw fylchau sydd yn bod. Yn hyn o beth ceir help gwerthfawr Mudiad Lles Cymdeithasol y Diwydiant Glo. Felly, am y tro cyntaf ers y rhyfel gwelir y prif fudiadau yn y maes yma yn cydweithio, a gobeithiwn y prawf hyn i fod o werth arbennig wrth drefnu ar gyfer y dyfodol. Dyma un o'r gorchwyllion pwysicaf a wnebe'r Cngor yn y dyfodol.

Nodwedd pwysig arall o waith yr Adran oedd sefydlu Grwpiau Astudio i baratoi ar gyfer y Gynhadledd Brydeinig er Lles Cymdeithasol (1967). Sefydlwyd grwpiau yn Nhreffynnon (Sir Fflint), Abertawe a Chaerdydd a chafwyd cymorth parod Adrannau Colegau Prifysgol Pymru. Bu nifer helaeth o fobl yn dilyn y cyrsiau yma gan drafod y thema "The Welfare State and Welfare Society".

Dim ond rhan o waith yr Adran a nodir uchod. Ei phrif waith yw cynghori Mudiadau Cymdeithasol lleol a Phwyllgorau Canolfannau a Neuaddau ar adeiladau, grantiau a chynllunio rhaglenni.

Gwaith Ieuencid

Wedi cyfnod o gynllunio a thrafod llwyddwyd i gyhoeddi llawlyfr ar gyfer mudiadau ieuencid Cymru gan y Gynhadledd Barhaol. Casglwyd manylion oddiwrth nifer helaeth o fudiadau yng Nghymru, a bydd hyn o werth arbennig i'r rhai sy'n gysylltiedig a gwaith ieuencid.

Teimlwyd fod angen adrefnu Cynhadleddau Rhanbarthol S.C.W.V.Y.O. ac mae'r gwaith hyn wedi ei gyhwyn eisoes.

Un o nodweddion amlycaf gwasanaeth ymlith ieuencid Cymru yn ystod y flwyddyn oedd ffurfio grwpiau mewn ardaloedd i roi gwasanaeth gwirfoddol cymdeithasol. Bu'r Cyngor yn gefnogol i hyn ac y mae'r ardoddiadau a geir o'u gwaith yng Nghaerdydd yn galonogol drosben.

Drama

Gwelwyd cynnydd yn aelodaeth y Gymdeithas Ddrama yn yr ail flwyddyn o'i bodolaeth. Hyderwn erbyn diwedd 1966 bydd deuddeg Sir wedi cysylltu eu hunain a'r Gymdeithas.

Trefnwyd nifer o Wyliau Drama yn ystod y flwyddyn ac mae'r Adran ar hyn o bryd yn brysio baratoi ar gyfer yr Ornest Derfynol Brydeinig dan nawdd Cynghrair Drama Brydeinig a gynhelir yng Nghaerdydd ar y 9fed o Orffennaf. Bu Gwyl Ddrama Cenedlaethol yr Ieuencid yn llwyddiant mawr ac yn galonddid i'r Adran. Os oes rhai yn tybio fod yn well gan bobl heddiw fod yn wylwyr yn hytrach na chymryd rhan mewn gweithrediadau diwylliadol, bydd yn dda iddynt wybod nad gwir hyn, a'r prawf yw'r ffaith fod banner cant o ddramau un act wedi dod i law ar gyfer y gystadlaeth a drefnwyd gan yr Adran (38 yn Saesneg a 12 yn Gymraeg).

Anfonwyd Adroddiad ar y Ddrama yng Nghymru i ystyriaeth Panel a godwyd gan Gyd-Bwyllgor Addysg Cymru sy'n chwilio i fewn i le'r Ddrama yn addysg yng Nghymru.

Astudiaethau Cymdeithasol

Er na fu'r Pwyllgor Astudiaethau Cymdeithasol yn delio ag unrhyw waith newydd yn ystod y flwyddyn bu'r Adroddiadau a wnaed ar ran y Pwyllgor yn sail i ad-drefnu'r Adrannau. Bu Dr. George Thomason yn cynrychioli y Pwyllgor yn y Gynhadledd ar "Cefngwlad yn 1970" a gynhaliwyd yn Llundain. Derbyniwyd gyda llawenydd Adroddiad Pwyllgor Heyworth a chredir bydd argymhellion y Pwyllgor yn fuddiol dros ben pan wneir ymchwiliadau cymdeithasol yn y dyfodol.

Y Pwyllgor yma oedd yn gyfrifol yn y lle cyntaf i drefnu Grwpiau Astudio i baratoi ar gyfer y Gynhadledd Brydeinig ar waith Cymdeithasol (1967). Yn y trefniad llwyddianus yma cafwyd cydweithrediad Adrannau Allanol Colegau'r Brifysgol yng Nghymru.

Cytunodd y Cyngor i ddarparu Ysgrifennydd i'r Urdd Gymreig o'r Gweithwyr Cymdeithasol ym mherson y Dirprwy Gyfarwyddwr.

Bu myfyrwyr o Golegau'r Brifysgol gan gynnwys myfyrwyr yn astudio am Ddiploma i Ymwelwyr Iechyd yn Ysgol Meddygol Cymru yn ymweld a'r Cyngor ynghyd a myfyrwyr o wledydd tramor a fu'n astudio gwahanol agweddau o waith y Cyngor.

Pwyllgor Gwaith

Blin gennym orfod cofnodi marwolaeth y diweddar Henadur Arthur Jones aelod o Gyngor Sir Fflint a fu'n aelod ffyddlon o'r Pwyllgor Gwaith Gwelir ei eisiau yn fawr iawn. Gwahoddwyd Dr. G. Tegai Hughes, Gregynog, i fod yn aelod o'r Pwyllgor yn lle Mrs. M. Garbett Edwards o Sir Drefaldwyn, a ymddeolodd oherwydd trymder galwadau. Dewiswyd cynrychiolydd arall o Ogledd Cymru, sef Miss M. E. Williamson, Rhyf. Edrychir ymlaen am ei chyfraniad, a bydd ei gwybodaeth a'i phrofiad fel athrawes ym myd gwaith cymdeithasol yn gaffeliad mawr i'r Pwyllgor.

Staff

Estynnir ein diolchgarwch i ddwy o'r Staff a ymadawodd yn ystod y flwyddyn, sef Miss Mair Grey a Mrs. R. Hale. Croeshawyd ar y llaw arall aelodau newydd ym mhersonau Mrs. B. E. Hughes a bennodwyd yn Ysgrifenyddes i'r Cyfarwyddwr, a Mrs. S. P. Berry a Miss Elaine Brown i fod ar y staff clerigol.

Dymuna'r Cadeirydd a'r Pwyllgor Gwaith ddatgan eu gwerthfawrogiad o lafur a theyrngarwch holl aelodau'r staff ac yn arbennig yng ngwyneb y gwaith ychwanegol a syrth ar eu hysgwyddau o flwyddyn i flwyddyn.

Gwerthfawrogiad

Dymuna'r Cyngor gofnodi ei ddiolchgarwch i'r Gweinyddiaethau, y Comisiwn Datblygu, Awdurdodau Lleol a'r Ymddiriedolaethau am barhau i gefnogi gwaith y Cyngor ac am eu cymorth ariannol gwerthfawr. Unwaith eto yr ydym yn ddyledus drosben i Adran y Merched a'r Clybiau dan arweiniad Mrs. Jennie Jenkins, J.P., a'r Prif Drefnydd, Miss Ceri Williams, a'i Staff am eu cyfraniad gwerthfawr o £2,167 tuag at gyllid y Cyngor. Dymuna aelodau gweinyddiaethol a chlerigol y staff ddiolch i'r Cadeirydd, Cynol W. R. Crawshay, y Trysorydd Anrhydeddus, Mr. Leslie Sketch, aelodau y Pwyllgor Gwaith a Phwyllgorau'r Adrannau am eu cefnogaeth diwyro yn ystod y flwyddyn. Dibynna Llwyddiant y Cyngor ar ewyllys da a chefnogaeth y nifer fawr o weithwyr gwirfoddol a ddaw ymlaen i roi o'u gwasanaeth a'u hamser er lles cymdeithas a Chymru.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Year ended 31st March 1965	EXPENDITURE.		£	£
18,075	Salaries		20,756	
677	National Insurance		920	
			21,676	
1,635	Superannuation		1,774	
35	State Graduated Pensions		36	
125	Staff Widow's Pension		125	
3,637	Travelling Subsistence		3,973	
84	Audit Fee		84	
842	Printing and Stationery		575	
568	Postage and Telephone		789	
563	Lighting, Heating and Cleaning		629	
167	Rent, Rates and Ground Rent		183	
124	Repairs and Maintenance		109	
51	General Insurance		54	
57	Bank Charges and Cheque Books		59	
—	Carriage and Haulage		2	
17	Office Expenses		25	
121	Publications and Newspaper Advertisements		84	
112	Office Equipment and Furniture		135	
50 Citizens Advice Bureau		50	
— Rural Department		85	
319	Drama Library and Equipment		240	
219	Drama Competition, Schools and Courses		187	
100	Drama Grants to Special Projects		250	
—	Drama Festivals		26	
148	Citizens Advice Bureaux—Schools and Courses		115	
20	—Exhibition		5	
367	Conferences and Meetings		393	
8	Old People's Week		22	
—	Rural Industries Exhibition		45	
237	Motor Car at cost, less grant from H.M. Development Commission		—	
70	Miscellaneous		92	
29,428			31,813	
671	Balance, being Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year		73	
£30,099			£31,886	

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Year ended 31st March, 1965	INCOME.		£	£
£				
	GRANTS FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES :			
6,045	H.M. Development Commission		7,706	
2,192	Department of Education and Science		2,235	
7,738	Glamorgan County Council		7,770	
350	Carmarthenshire County Council		350	
393	Local Authorities : Grants for Old People's Work		234	
1,500	National Corporation for the Care of Old People		1,141	
670	Welsh Board of Health—Care of Old People		850	
1,691	National Corporation for the Care of Old People—Cardiff Visitation Scheme		1,371	
—	Cardiff City Council		150	
50	Radnorshire County Council		—	
2,827	Board of Trade, Citizens Advice Bureaux per National Council of Social Service		3,319	
750	Arts Council of Great Britain (Welsh Committee) for Drama Work		1,000	
<u>24,206</u>				<u>26,126</u>
	DONATIONS FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES :			
3	Old People's Welfare Donation		4	
2	O.P.W. Affiliation Fees		—	
1,768	Women's Social Service Clubs		2,167	
—	Old People's Local Committees		38	
—	Old People's—Surplus on Conferences		56	
<u>1,773</u>				<u>2,263</u>
	GRANTS FOR GENERAL PURPOSES :			
250	Coal Industries Social Welfare Organisation		—	
1,000	Carnegie United Kingdom Trust		1,000	
<u>1,250</u>				<u>1,000</u>
	OTHER GENERAL INCOME :			
1,368	Subscriptions and Donations		1,321	
450	Special Donations		—	
150	The Jane Hodge Foundation		—	
212	Loans of Plays and Equipment		239	
—	Drama—Affiliation Fees		213	
54	Affiliation Fees		35	
60	Agency Fees		100	
80	Rent—Sub-Letting		78	
288	Investment and Dividend Interest		306	
62	Interest on Bank Deposit Account		163	
20	Staff Lecture and Broadcast Fees		14	
100	Merthyr Settlement Trustees		—	
1	Carriage Cost recovered		—	
25	Miscellaneous		28	
<u>2,870</u>				<u>2,497</u>
<u>£30,099</u>				<u>£31,886</u>

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS
for the Year ended 31st March, 1966

	£	s.	d.
Lt. Col. the Rt. Hon. R. E. Beaumont	2	2	0
The Hon. Anthony Berry	2	2	0
Mr. I. V. Cassam	8	18	9*
Mr. A. D. Russell Clarke	2	2	0
Mr. C. N. D. Cole	7	7	0
Mr. Christopher Cory	8	10	3*
Col. W. R. Crawshay	17	0	5*
Mr. D. J. Davies	85	2	2*
Mrs. Hilda and Mr. John S. Davies	1	1	0
Mrs. Leonora Davies	1	0	0
Margaret Davies Charity Trustees	10	0	0
Gwendoline Davies Charity Trustees	10	0	0
The Hon. Islwyn Davies	5	2	2*
Mrs. S. O. Davies	1	1	0
Mr. W. A. Twiston Davies	3	8	1*
Dr. Huw T. Edwards	1	15	9*
Dr. Griffith Evans	3	3	0
Mr. Idris Evans	2	2	0
Mr. D. Gibson-Watt, M.P.	1	0	0
Dr. Wyn Griffith	1	1	0
Mr. Raymond Griffiths	5	5	0
Mr. J. K. Harvie	1	0	0
Mr. T. I. Jeffreys Jones	1	15	9*
Mrs. Jennie Jenkins	2	2	0
Sir Maynard Jenour	25	10	8*
Dr. Dilwyn John	1	1	0
Mr. D. L. Jones	1	1	0
Mr. Ieuan O. Jones	5	7	3*
Mr. J. O. Jones	5	7	3*
Mrs. K. B. Jones	1	1	0
Lord Kemsley	2	2	0
Mr. G. Levy	1	1	0
Col. Sir Godfrey Llewellyn, Bart.	2	2	0
Mr. Herbert Lloyd	2	2	0
Lady Megan Lloyd George, M.P.	1	1	0*
Mr. A. V. S. Lochhead	5	0	0
Mr. H. B. Meredith	2	2	0
Lord Merthyr	8	18	9*
Sir Thomas Meyrick	5	0	0
Dr. David Monger	2	2	0
Mrs. Janet I. Morgan	5	0	0
Mr. A. B. Oldfield Davies	2	0	0
Mr. L. G. Oxford	2	2	0
Miss P. F. Parkinson	2	2	0
Sir J. Denning Pearson Charitable Trust	3	3	0
The Earl of Plymouth	5	5	0
Col. Evan Powell	1	1	0
Mr. D. S. Pugh	5	5	0
Alderman W. J. Saddler	2	2	0
Col. S. Morrey Salmon	1	15	9*
Mrs. M. Sessions	5	0	0
Mr. & Mrs. L. Sketch	2	2	0

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SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS—*continued*

	£	s.	d.
Miss Grace H. Smith	5	0	0
Dr. W. H. Smith.. .. .	4	0	0
Principal Anthony Steel	2	2	0
Sir William & Lady Thomas	5	5	0
Mr. Wynford Vaughan Thomas	2	0	0
Dr. G. F. Thomason	4	0	0
Mr. A. A. Thorpe	2	2	0
Sir Cennydd G. Traherne	3	11	6*
Sir Michael Venables Llewellyn, Bart	17	0	5*
Mr. Llewellyn Ward	35	14	11*
Mr. G. A. Watson	1	1	0
Mr. D. C. Watts	1	0	0
Rev. E. Whitford Roberts	1	1	0
Mr. Tudor Williams	1	1	0

Firms and Business Houses

	£	s.	d.
Aberdare Cables Ltd... .. .	10	0	0
Aluminium Corporation Ltd.	5	5	0
Associated Electrical Industries Ltd.	3	3	0
Associated Octel Co. Ltd.	5	5	0
Associated Portland Cement Manufacturers Ltd.	25	0	0
B. P. Refinery (Llandarcy) Ltd.	10	0	0
J. Bibby & Sons Ltd.	10	0	0
Boots Pure Drug Co., Ltd.	5	5	0
S. A. Brain & Co. Ltd.	2	2	0
British Aircraft Corporation (Operating) Ltd.	2	2	0
British Celanese Ltd.	5	0	0
British Nylon Spinners Ltd.	100	0	0
British Oxygen Co. Ltd... .. .	4	4	0
Butlin's Ltd.	10	0	0
Cadbury Bros. Ltd. & J. S. Fry & Sons Ltd.	2	2	0
Castrol Ltd.	10	10	0
Cooper & Co. (Birmingham) Ltd.	2	2	0
Courtaulds Ltd.	5	5	0
Crown Cork Co. Ltd.	5	5	0
Distillers Plastics Services Ltd.	5	5	0
J. Engl. Ltd.	3	3	0
Esso Petroleum Co. Ltd.	50	0	0
Firth Cleveland Fastenings Ltd.	5	5	0
Alex Gordon & Partners	3	3	0
Great Universal Stores Ltd.	10	0	0
William Hancock & Co. Ltd.	5	5	0
Hoover Ltd.	10	0	0
Kayser Bondor Ltd.	5	0	0
The Littlewood Charitable Trust	10	10	0
E. T. Lyddon & Sons	20	0	0
Mackross Ltd.	5	5	0
W. T. Maddock & Co.	3	3	0
Marks & Spencer Ltd.	21	0	0
Metal Box Charities Ltd.	5	5	0
Mettoy Co. Ltd.	2	2	0
Phillips Furnishing Stores Ltd... .. .	5	0	0
Pilkington Bros. Ltd.	10	10	0
John Player & Sons	10	10	0

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SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS—*continued*

	£	s.	d.
Quinton Hazell Ltd.	5	5	0
Rhymney Breweries Ltd.	5	5	0
Robinson David & Co. Ltd.	2	2	0
Ronson Products Ltd.	5	5	0
Rubery Owen & Co. Ltd.	5	5	0
H. Samuel Ltd.	2	2	0
Shell Mex & B.P. Ltd.	40	0	0
Singer Sewing Machine Co. Ltd.	5	5	0
W. H. Smith & Son Ltd.	5	5	0
Spillers Ltd.	3	3	0
Star Brick & Tile Co. Ltd.	1	1	0
Steel Co. of Wales Ltd.	50	0	0*
John Summers & Sons Ltd.	26	5	0
Richard Thomas & Baldwins Ltd.	50	0	0
E. Turner & Sons Ltd.	5	5	0
Unigate Creameries Ltd.	2	2	0
Unilever Ltd.	50	0	0
Thos. W. Ward Ltd.	5	0	0
Webbs (Aberbeeg) Ltd.	1	1	0
Whitbread & Co. Ltd.	5	5	0
W. D. & H. O. Wills	21	0	0
F. W. Woolworth & Co. Ltd.	25	0	0
Banks			
Barclays Bank Ltd.	50	0	0
Lloyds Bank Ltd.	50	0	0
Midland Bank Ltd.	50	0	0
National Provincial Bank Ltd.	50	0	0
Westminster Bank Ltd.	50	0	0
Trade Unions and Voluntary Organisations			
British Legion (Wales Area)	2	2	0
Toc H.	2	0	0
Transport & General Workers Union—North Wales	3	0	0
South Wales	10	0	0
Union of Shop Distributive & Allied Workers	5	5	0
Old People's Welfare Work			
County and Borough Councils—			
Breconshire County Council	25	0	0
Cardiff City Council	25	0	0
Carmarthenshire County Council	25	0	0
Denbighshire County Council	25	0	0
Flintshire County Council	50	0	0
Merioneth County Council	25	0	0
Merthyr Tydfil County Borough	21	0	0
Montgomeryshire County Council	10	0	0
Newport County Borough	20	0	0
Pembrokeshire County Council	3	3	0
Swansea County Borough	5	0	0
Firm			
Coates Bros & Co. Ltd.	4	0	0

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