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## EDITORIAL

Five years ago to this day the big men of Fleet Street were first shaken out of their complacency as their sales graphs dropped and people rushed to buy their copies of that exciting new periodical, "The Lion". Half a decade has now passed, and incalculable millions of gallons of a liquid which, in its pure state, is colourless, tasteless, and neutral to indicators, have flowed under the footbridge by Council Twt. . . Idly flipping over the two pages of the first edition, we find that only two boys therein mentioned are still in the School. One is Birdie, and the other Ev. We read that "Lofty Owen" (then a diminutive second former) was lost in some long grass for a few hours while looking for blackberries. Ev, who was in the Fourth Form, was said to be willing to take on all challengers, "with no holds barred". He was reported to be "worth his weight in wildcats", and readers were invited to send in their estimates of the number of wildcats that would be. It would not have taken many to equal the bulk of our present Dux when he was at that age.

This week the Matron sent out the Second Formers to pick blackberries for our post-prandial dessert. If this is the beginning of a new "Feed-yourselfes" campaign, interesting developments can be looked for. We shall have foraging parties going off to rustle sheep, and the Boarding House will be encompassed and besieged by the forces of Law and Order, reinforced by farmers with their shotguns.

Another glimpse of things to come was the news, in yesterday's

Paper, that a Translating Machine had been invented. This is going to make language teachers redundant: nevertheless their Trades Union will demand that they be retained, - and since they will now be semi-skilled operators of translating machines, they will probably get the same wages as miners.

Another gadget invented recently is a "War-winning Machine". This makes all the plans necessary for dealing with the enemy's Hydrogen Bombers, which it picks up on its radar, and then acts as guide to the Guided Missiles which it has ordered to be dispatched. We only hope that whoever wins will merely order the other's machines to be headed as War Criminals.

My last snippet of news is that the Cowbridge Handbell ringers have made a B.B.C. recording, and this will be broadcast at a peak listening period on the afternoon of Sunday October 16'th. The programme is entitled "Music Makers".

F. David German.

## THE CHOIR OUTING

by John Yardley

Top Dorm was by no means quiet on the morning of the Choir Outing to Salisbury, which was last Saturday. There were yells of excitement, and it was a long time before we managed to simmer down. Soon we were in the bus which was to take us to Cardiff. Floपालong was nearly crying at the sight of Sparrow leaving him, and must have been in tears by the time we had reached Cardiff.

We managed to get on the train at Cardiff all right, except that



again enabled us to visit the St Athan Baths for our weekly wash. But there is now one condition imposed - that being that we have to go on Friday evenings now instead of Saturday mornings. This should form a powerful deterrent from Clink, as the boys who are "in" cannot go. It is quite probable that Mr Hughes will have a large Welsh section next year - even if it does consist of Third Form Boarders!

### Injured List

A casualty in last week's rucker was Flook, i.e. Glyn Davies viii. During Games on Wednesday he was unlucky enough to come off worst in a clash with Reeve. He was X-rayed and found to have a chipped knee cap. He is now in plaster up to the thigh and down to the ankle, and is likely to remain in that state for five or six weeks. In today's Under 15 match Derek Loud was unlucky to be injured almost at the end of the game; we are very sorry to learn that he has sustained a fractured humerus and dislocated shoulder.

### Dark Seas Above

Yesterday David Morgan iii, a "new tick", like so many other new ticks, decided that the appearance of the River Thaw was uncanny, and being scientific decided that he would find out what went on in those murky depths. His clothes are still drying.

### Shelving the Problem

A large carved oak bookcase has just been installed in the Classics Room. Reports say that it dominates the room, but we feel that this is hardly likely with Huw Rees around.

### Crawsha' Beckett's Engine

Flop along this term is thoroughly convinced that he is scientifically minded. To verify this bold theory he has bought himself a steam engine. It is heated by a small methylated-spirit

lamp, and by means of the piston he can get the flywheel to revolve at between 500 and 5,000 revs a minute. Next year he is going to get something that can be worked from it . . .

### Down in the Chancel Something Stirred

The Church Choir, which is now so numerous that there is scarcely room for them all at the new Friday night practices in spite of the fact that half of them are at Scouts, is growing more ambitious than of yore. Work has now started on an Anthem which they hope to perform at the Harvest Festival services next month, and Mr Cobb has very kindly consented to give his help in its preparation. At present Carleton Parr is the whole of the Altos, and the Spranos were a bit dim Friday because John Bennett wasn't there. But with boomers like Tony Hutchings and Roger Brown in among the Tenors and Basses there is bound to be a good volume of sound, and we trust that "it will be all right on the night".

### Bachgen Ifanc Ffol

Mr Cobb was asked on Thursday to write out an arrangement of the well-known Welsh air, "Bugeilio's Gwenith Gwyn", and was heard playing it over in various moods and styles in the Schoolroom in Dinner Hour. John Harris, Old Boy who is due to start at Cardiff Coll this week, was here paying a visit at the time, and after the sixth performance opined the recital should be called, "Variations on a once-popular tune".

### For the coming Distraction

The Lion is able to reveal that the dates of the Half Term Holiday, as far as they are known at present, are October 28 to November 2. That is to say, we shall go home on the evening of Thursday the 27'th, and reassemble for School on the following Thursday morning, the 3'rd of November.



THE CHOIR OUTING (CONTD.)  
BY JOHN YARDLEY

"OVERHEARD IN WESTCOTTS"  
WEEKLY GOSSIP  
BY DAVID PHILLIPS

"Floppysocks" Marshall had lost his ticket. Our journey was indescribable. A gust of wind nearly blew Sparrow out of the window.

At Salisbury the Vicar intended us to go to the Cathedral first, but it turned out later that hardly any of the choirboys went before tea. Instead we all went to a Fun Fair, where Allinson and Marshall lost nearly all their money for a couple of china animals.

At tea we were asked if we had been to the Cathedral, and the boys who had not had to go after tea. At first sight Sparrow let out a yell of "Blimey, ain' it big!", while James vi just walked in and calmly viewed his surroundings.

After a good day at Salisbury we started back for Cardiff. On the way Allinson decided to be sick out of the window. Then Sparrow came back into our compartment, and we saw that he had just been wiping his face and was in a considerable temper over Allinson. . . . By the time we got to Cardiff Marshall was the only one who had not been feeling groggy.

The busride back was uneventful. James and Taylor iv decided to take a seat, but as all were engaged they enjoyed the ride back on the laps of two girls. All too soon we were back in Cowbridge, and ran back to our "dear" old School.

L I O N SMALL ADS

Wanted: Volume Control Unit to be fitted to Maxwell Cook, so that listeners can turn him down a bit when he is impersonating the Wireless Set. Offers to Deafened, Sixth Form Room .

Town Match

On Thursday night the School Team won their second victory of the season when they beat a depleted Cowbridge Town XV by 6 points to 3. School scorers were Harrison and Wilding with one try apiece, while Cowbridge Town also managed an unconverted try.

Exeant

Saturday the First of October has been chosen by the Headmaster as the official "day off" for the Boarders for this quarter-term. For those Second-formers who do not know the procedure, it is that after a time of day which the Head will announce, they are free either to go home or to be taken out to tea by their parents. In either case they have to be back by 7 o'clock.

Wanted, a Skipper

After three matches the School First XV still have an unbeaten record. This unparalleled feat is made even more stupendous by the fact that in all the matches the School have been without a captain. The obvious choice is between Tudor Hopkins and Nipper Wilding, and we do urge the Selection Committee to hurry this decision, so that we can blame someone for losing the next match.

Junior School Leavers

Farewells were said on Friday to Michael Leaney of 4.a who was leaving as his father has been posted from St Athan. George Parrett of 3.a is also leaving next week for the same reason; and we can but wish them the best of luck in their future schools.

Order of the Bath

The generosity of the R.A.F. and S/Ldr Dunlop has once



# TODAY'S GAME AT SCHOOL FIELD

BY PATRICK COLEMAN

## HOME WIN FOR "UNDER FIFTEEN" TEAM

### Whitchurch Beaten by Narrow Margin

School : 2 - 0 - 8 (one penalty)  
Whitchurch: 1 - 0 - 5.

Cowbridge Team D. Jones xviii,  
R. Harman, J. Thomas xiv, B. Samways,  
A. Hughes mi, W. Hall, D. Loud, B. Herlihy mi, J. Bridges, Davies v, W. Roberts mi, W. Goldsworthy, M. Baker, J. David ma, R. Brown ma, (capt.)

Cowbridge won the toss and elected to play towards the Verlands end. From a line out on the halfway line the ball went to the Whitchurch full back whose attempted kick was charged down by Harman. The ball was minored by Whitchurch and from the drop out it went straight into touch. Derek Loud was offside just inside his own half, and the Whitchurch kicker's attempt at goal was abortive.

### Cowbridge Score

From a line out on the half way line the ball went along the Cowbridge backs to Thomas xiv, who was tackled after a good run. After some loose forward play, Goldsworthy seized the ball and fell over the line for a try. Samways added the two points with a good kick.

### Samways Almost Scores

From a scrum on the Whitchurch goal-line Cowbridge gained possession but lost the ball to Whitchurch, who put it into touch. A Whitchurch forward was judged offside and Samways just missed from a difficult angle. Whitchurch cleared into touch a few yards from their line, and Goldsworthy was penalised for handling in a loose maul. Whitchurch failed to find touch, and the

ball was caught by Brown on their 25. He set off a threequarter movement which almost resulted in a try in the corner by Samways. Unfortunately however he stepped into touch a yard from the line, and with that the half time whistle was blown.

Half Time - Cowbridge 5 pts  
Whitchurch 0 pts.

### Second Half

Cowbridge kicked off and after some loose play touch was found on the Whitchurch line. But they cleared and Thomas xiv was accidentally offside. They gained little ground from the scrum, and the ball went to Thomas xiv who kicked ahead. This manoeuvre almost resulted in a try, but the ball was minored and dropped out. From an offside kick Samways found touch on the opponents line, but they cleared.

### Brown kicks penalty

A cowbridge forward rush ended with a penalty, and Brown scored with his kick from a not too easy angle. This made the score 8 - 0. From a loose maul on the Cowbridge line Hall attempted to clear. But the kick was charged down, and a Whitchurch player seized the ball for an opportunist try. The kick failed and immediately the final whistle sounded.

### Comments

Hall was notable among the backs for his sound defence, and Goldsworthy and Brown distinguished themselves in the forwards. However the pack needs more life, and should learn to combine better.

## OTHER RESULTS

School 1st vs Port Talbot County  
(at Port Talbot)

School : 1 - 0 - 3  
(Ladd, drop goal)

Port Talbot : 0 - 0 - 0.

School Under 14 Team vs Penarth  
(at Penarth) lost 9-3 (try by Butler)



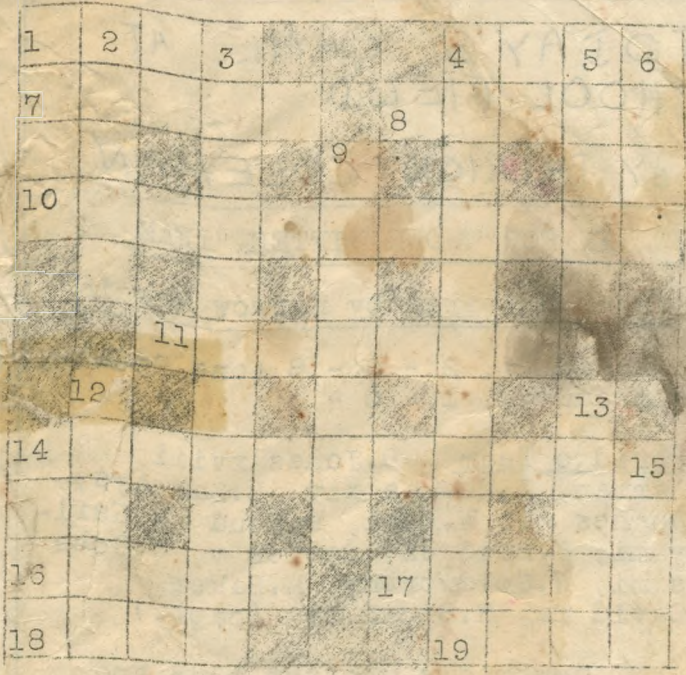
L I O N SENIOR CROSSWORD (Prize)

Across:

1. A great story
4. What the wing hopes for from the centre
7. To hang down lifelessly
8. A lifeboat is suspended on it
10. (2 words, 5 & 6) A member of any XV must be a ...
11. (2 words, 1 & 5) Able to be seen
14. Opposite to addition
16. Large city in Nigeria
17. We play Australia for these
18. Welsh name for "church" in place-names
19. Past tense of tear.

Down:

1. The Dam Busters attacked the Mohne and ... Dams
2. Haughty
3. The sort of co-operation needed on the football field
4. A modern commando
5. A hexagon has six ...
6. "Twinkle twinkle little ..."
9. Telescopes and binoculars are ... instruments
12. A large painting on a wall
13. "A ... went forth to sow"
14. You find it at the bottom of a window
15. You have one on your face.



W I N N E R S

of last week's Lion X-Words:  
 Senior: George Parrett 3.a  
 Junior: G. Burrows 2.b

L I O N JUNIOR CROSSWORD (Prize)

Across:

Down:



1. A bundle of firewood
5. (reversed) Spoiled
6. (reversed) Puffed
7. Large city in Devon with a cathedral.

1. A violin
2. Short for Gertrude
3. Red precious stone
4. If you lose this you are angry.