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Chairman's Foreword

This Report for the year 1968-9 is necessarily a brief and general statement summarising activities which have in various ways enriched people's lives in Wales. Behind the general statement lie countless acts of personal service performed by hundreds of people connected with the Organisations associated with the Council of Social Service. The Council itself as a co-ordinating body, receiving reports, commenting upon them, giving advice, authorising a course of action, instituting a special enquiry, makes its impact on the life of Wales through its Staff to whose devotion, loyalty and hard work I pay tribute.

If I single out for special mention this year the work of the Women's Department it is not to belittle in any way the other departments but because it gives an opportunity to compliment the vigorous and active Chairman of our Women's Committee, Mrs. Jennie Jenkins, J.P., who also holds office as Chairman of the National Association of Women's Clubs of England and Wales. We are glad to have Mrs. Jenkins as a member of our Executive Committee and we are deeply grateful to her and the members of the Women's Clubs for their generous support each year to the funds of the Council.

This is also the year which marks the Jubilee of the National Council of Social Service, the Senior body with which the Councils of Social Service in Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland collaborate cordially and effectively. In congratulating our friends in England and wishing them well we also take pride in the story of our own Council and its founders whose efforts are a constant inspiration to us to continue and develop the work which they began.

Rhagair y Cadeirydd

Yn yr adroddiad hon ceir ond amlinellid byr o weithgareddau a fu'n gyfrwng rhoddi bywyd llawnach a chyfoethocach i gannoed yng Nghymru. Mewn cyylltiad ar Cyngor y mae cymdeithasau gwirfoddol sy'n cael eu cynnal gan lu o bobl parod eu cymwynas a chymdogol eu hysbryd. Priod waith y Cyngor yw trefnu, arolygu, symbylu, holi a chynghori a hyn oll trwy waith dyfal a ddiwyd aelodau'r Staff. Croesataf y cyfle hwn i ddiolch iddynt am eu ffyddlondeb.

Dyma gyfle hefyd i dalu teyrnged i gadeirydd un o'n hadrannau ac wrth gyfeirio'n arbennig at Adran y Gwagedd a'u Clybiau nid wyf am ddiolch i'r adranau eraill. Y Cadeirydd brawd ac egniol yw Mrs. Jennie Jenkins, Y.H. sydd hefyd yn Gadeirydd Cymdeithas Cenedlaethol Clybiau Gwagedd Cymru a Lloegr. Da genym gael Mrs. Jenkins yn aelod o'n Pwyllgor Gwaith a diolchwn iddi hi ac i holl aelodau'r Clybiau am eu cymorth sylweddol a chyson i gyllid y Cyngor.

Hon yw blywyddyn Fiwili Cyngor Cenedlaethol Gwasanaeth Cymdeithasol—megis chwae'r hynaf Cynghorau'r Alban, Gogledd Iwerddon a Chymru a phriodol yw tystio i'r cyd-weithio hapus sydd rhyngom. Wrth longyfarch ein cyfeillion a dymuno'n dda iddynt mynnu'n ninnau ymfalchio fwy-fwy yn hanes ein Cyngor ni a chael bendith ac ysbrydiaeth trwy gofio'n barchus am ein rhagflaenwyr yn y maes hwn.

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DIRECTOR'S FOREWORD

This Report purports to give an account of the stewardship of the Council over a given period of twelve months. It will be seen that the Council covers a very wide range of activities and interests. The very fact that we are such a wide ranging organisation makes it difficult to project an image because it is only natural that people in Wales interested in one sectionalised interest see this Council from their point of view. It is necessary, from time to time, to restate precisely what we stand for and what are the broad principles that govern our thinking and work.

Primarily the Council was called into being and still exists to serve people. However complex the organisation may seem, our one unalterable purpose is to improve the quality of life of individuals and groups within our country.

In trying to carry out this purpose the first task is to bring people together to discuss and plan methods for serving their neighbours. Different people have different interests and thus it is necessary to bring together those who are interested in the old and young, rural affairs, urban renewal, leisure and culture. From these groups, both voluntary and statutory, have sprung the Departments whose reports are presented on the foregoing pages.

Some of these Departments have grown up through the force of economic deprivation and difficulties. Others are the result of invitations from Central and Local Government to co-ordinate specialised activities. For the most part, however, the Council itself has been alive to opportunities presented in fields of education, health and welfare, and culture to initiate movements that fill a gap in the life of the community. It is in this context that the Council can exercise a role which is unique. Whereas statutory authorities are, by their very nature, more formal and more rigid, a Council of Social Service can experiment in new fields of service. If the experiments prove demonstrably successful then our experience is that Central and Local Government undertake responsibility for them and under-write their finances.

It cannot be over emphasised that the Council is an independent body and is, in fact, an incorporate Company having as its Directors leading figures in public affairs in Wales. Whilst gratefully accepting the help and encouragement from statutory sources, the Council must always be free to express its opinion objectively on any matter of public interest. It must also fulfil the delicate role of integrating the provisions of the Welfare State and the voluntary help of individuals who want to give social service.

With these aims and functions in mind it is hoped that the foregoing departmental reports will reveal that the Council is in a healthy state and that it is endeavouring to live up to the principles that justify its existence.

There can be no doubt that in the past few years there is a great deal of uncertainty about the future of social community service, and this doubt is reflected in the numerous conferences and study groups described in the report. There has been a spate of White and Green Papers issued by the Government, the purpose of which has been to re-organise many fields of activity with which the Council is identified. These Papers range from Local Government reforms, social security, health and welfare services, individual case work and community group action. The interpretation of these proposed

enactments and their effect upon voluntary service occupies an increasing portion of our work. It is not always easy to engender, or maintain, enthusiasm for voluntary service when provisions for services are not clearly defined.

Voluntary agencies, naturally, are concerned as to what their future role is to be in all the social changes that are taking place or are envisaged. This Council makes it abundantly clear that there must be a role for the volunteer in the life of the community. It is encouraged to find that Government White Papers and Reports substantiate this contention. It will be the duty of all Councils of Social Service to give a lead in pioneering the spirit of mutual co-operation between professional social workers and volunteers in the next few decades of social reform.

It is in this spirit that this report has been prepared and we earnestly ask the support and patience of all our affiliated organisations as reviews of their, and our own, responsibilities are undertaken in the immediate future.

We are profoundly grateful for the magnificent volunteer service given by individuals and organisations in Wales to a variety of worthy causes. It could be said that it is our function to organise the organisers who render personal and local service and thus we are in a position to see, from the national standpoint, the immense contribution offered by individuals and agencies throughout the country. We are proud to be involved in this work and of our position as the major co-ordinating force for voluntary work in the Principality.

1969 is going to be a significant year in the history of Wales because of the Investiture of H.R.H. The Prince of Wales at Caernarvon on July 1st. The Investiture does not take place within the actual period of this report, but preparations for it have inevitably dominated much of our activity. We are proud of the recognition given to our associated group, S.C.W.V.Y.O. (for which we provide the secretariat) in that they were invited to prepare the official Investiture Programme.

It is good to know that Youth Organisations are going to be the principal beneficiaries of the profits of this exercise and our Youth Department has been submerged in preparation for this historic event. We have also been honoured as a Council in that we have been informed that the royalties from the sale of the official disc recordings of the Investiture are to be allocated to this Council. We refer to these generous actions as a tribute to our work and place in the life of the Nation.

Executive Committee

During the year the Council received, with regret, the resignation of two of its Executive Members, viz: Mr. B. J. Griffiths, Further Education Officer of the Welsh Joint Education Committee, who had been a most valued and popular member over a period of very many years. Mr. Griffiths resigned on health grounds and in thanking him for his contribution to our work we wish him recovery to his former energetic self. Mr. T. B. Morris, Manager of The Midland Bank, Cardiff, (the Council's Bankers) also resigned upon removal to Swansea. We have always found Mr. Morris extremely helpful in Committee especially in giving advice on financial matters. We wish him well in his new post.

During the year we were pleased to welcome the following gentlemen as Members of the Committee:—Alderman W. J. Hartland, C.B.E., J.P., O.S.T.J.; Messrs. T. A. Bowen, Wrexham; Hugh Bramsdon, Chairman of the Wales C.A.B. Committee; and David Thomas, Managing Director, Western Mail & Echo Ltd. These gentlemen will bring a wide experience to the counsels and deliberations of our Executive Committee and we count ourselves fortunate in having them join us.

Vice-Presidents

At the Annual General Meeting of the Council two lady members of our Executive Committee were honoured by being elevated to the rank of Vice-President. Mrs. Jenny Jenkins, J.P., who had rendered such good service to our Womens Clubs throughout the year was accorded this honour together with Mrs. D. B. Jones, J.P., the former Mayor of Colwyn Bay, who has also served us long and faithfully. We look forward to their collaboration for many years to come.

Personal

The end of the year saw the resignation of Mr. D. L. Jones, O.B.E., Secretary of the Monmouthshire Rural Community Council and for many years a Member of our Executive Committee. "D.L." as he is affectionately known to all his friends has been a R.C.C. Secretary for 40 years and at the time of his resignation was the Doyen of the Secretaries of England and Wales. During his long period of service he has built up his Council in Monmouthshire from small beginnings to one of the largest and most efficient in the county. His tireless energy and boundless sense of humour will be missed at our Meetings of R.C.C. Secretaries, but it is good to know that he will continue to serve for the time being on our Executive Committee. We wish Mr. and Mrs. Jones a long, happy retirement which they so richly deserve.

Staff

The Council once again expresses its very warm appreciation of the devoted service of the Staff both indoor and fieldworkers.

During the year Mrs. Natalie Webb left our employ to join the Staff of the Cardiff City Welfare Department. Mrs. Webb was the first Secretary/Organiser of the Cardiff Old Peoples Visitation Scheme, and for the past six years has been chiefly instrumental in ensuring the success of this experiment. We thank her for her loyal service. Her successor in the post is Mr. Asquith Morgan, J.P., who comes to the Council after wide and varied experience in commerce and voluntary movements.

Mrs. Elsie Williams, J.P., left our service during the period under review to join Tenopus Cancer Information Service. Mrs. Williams was the first Charity Review Organiser for the County of Glamorgan and her work has received the highest praise from the Charity Commissioners and our own Council. Her successor is Miss Heulwen Davies who will continue to make a review of certain defined rural areas in the County.

There has been an addition to the Staff in the person of Miss Jacqueline Sadler who has been appointed Citizens' Advice Bureau Training Officer. This welcome reinforcement to this rapidly expanding department will be of great assistance to Miss Nesta Davies, C.A.B. Advisory Officer. Miss Isobel Walters, Clerical Officer in this department left for another post in the early part of 1969.

Two long serving members of the staff employed in our Women's Department retired during the course of the year. These two Instructresses were, Mrs. E. Evans, Pontypridd, and Mrs. W. Goulden, Porthcawl. Both have carried

heavy responsibilities in field-work in their respective areas and we shall miss their friendship and devoted service. Mrs. E. Evans has consented to continue on a part-time basis as an Instructress.

Appreciation

The work of the Staff has been considerably helped during the year by the advice and encouragement of The President, Chairman, Hon. Treasurer, Members of the Executive Committee and Departmental Committees. It is impossible to enumerate the large number of sub-Committees and Voluntary Workers who assist the Council in a wide variety of activities. Our grateful thanks are due to all who behind the scenes make possible the work of our Council.

A perusal of our Accounts, shows that a large proportion of our income is derived from Central and Local Government sources and National and Local Trusts. Once again this year we wish to place on record our appreciation to Government Ministries, the Development Commission, Local Authorities, The Carnegie United Kingdom Trust and all subscribers for their generous support. A special word of praise is due to the Women's Social Service Clubs and their Chairman, Mrs. Jennie Jenkins, J.P., and the Staff of the Women's Department for their record breaking contribution to our work during the year.

RURAL DEPARTMENT

The Council continues to act as Agent of the Development Commission in co-ordinating the work of Rural Community Councils throughout Wales. Either the Director or the Rural Officer attends as many Executive Committees of these Councils as possible and also report regularly on their work and finances.

There have been two matters of outstanding interest in the past year, both of which have a direct bearing upon the Rural Department and upon the Rural Community Councils in Wales.

Co.S.I.R.A.

After overcoming many administrative difficulties the new Council for Small Industries in Rural Areas has been initiated in Wales. The final pattern is as follows:—

A Committee for Wales and three Area Committees. The areas have been grouped as follows:—

South Wales (Chairman—Mrs. J. T. Morgan) Headquarters, Carmarthen, Sub Office at Newport.

Mid-Wales (Chairman—Mr. A. J. Morgan) Headquarters, Machynlleth.

North Wales (Chairman—Mr. D. Wynn Jones) Headquarters, Bangor.

An attempt has been made to elect to these Committees members who have business experience coupled with local knowledge within their respective areas. The Director of the Council of Social Service for Wales sits on the Welsh Committee as an Assessor, whilst the Rural Officer acts as an Assessor in the three areas. A link has been maintained with the Rural Community Councils by inviting Rural Community Council Secretaries to act as Assessors on the Area Committee relevant to their county.

Loans from Co.S.I.R.A. started to become available at a time when loans from Banks were virtually unobtainable, so there were heavy demands from some parts of the country. However, this will be offset to a great extent by the fact that Co.S.I.R.A. resources themselves are likely to be severely restricted during this time of financial difficulty.

Loans for tourism are more readily available at present, and it is interesting to note that whilst some Welsh Counties apply freely, applications are slow from certain areas.

Standing Conference of Rural Community Councils in Wales

This year there has been a quinquennial Review of the work of the National Council of Social Service in London. Included in this Review was the work of the Rural Department of the National Council of Social Service. Working Committees were set up, and the Council of Social Service for Wales was represented by the Director and the Rural Officer. In due course, Chairmen of Rural Community Councils were also invited to London to give their views on Rural work in general and Rural Community Councils in particular. Following these meetings, several Welsh Rural Community Councils raised the question of a Rural Committee of its own for Wales, and a meeting was requested to look into the possibilities.

On December 12th, 1968, a meeting of Rural Community Council Chairmen and Secretaries was convened by the Council of Social Service for Wales at Llandrindod Wells. It was agreed at this meeting to set up a Standing Conference of Rural Community Councils in Wales.

Accordingly, the Standing Conference held its first meeting at Newtown during the Council of Social Service for Wales' Annual Spring Conference. That Standing Conference, it was agreed, should have the following Rural Community Council representation:—

The Chief Salaried Officer (R.C.C. Secretary),
The Rural Community Council Chairman, and
one other member of the Rural Community Council Committee in each of the Welsh Counties.

Croeso '69

The Development Commission has given a grant for an Exhibition to be staged at Messrs. David Morgan's store in Cardiff. This Exhibition which has been given the title of *Crefftwy'r Cymru* (Craftsmen of Wales) will be from the 3rd to 12th July, 1969. Arrangements have been the responsibility of the South East Wales Rural Industries Area Committee (organiser, Mr. Francis Davies), with the co-operation of Co.S.I.R.A. and its staff. The Directors and Staff of David Morgan played a very prominent part in the layout and planning of the Exhibition.

Rural Community Council Staff

After a lifetime spent in Rural Community Council work, Mr. D. L. Jones, O.B.E., Secretary of the Monmouthshire Rural Community Council has retired this year.

Commencing with very few resources "D.L." as he is familiarly known, has built up an excellent Council in Monmouthshire. He has pioneered a variety of community efforts and has gathered around him an informed and experienced membership, both on his Executive and his Departmental Committees.

D.L. was, at the time of his retirement, the doyen of all Rural Community Council Secretaries in England and Wales, and his genial personality, quick wit and happy turn of phrase have made him a popular figure throughout the country. His colleagues, who are Secretaries of Rural Community Councils, together with the Director and Staff of this Council, made him a Presentation on his retirement as a mark of esteem and affection. His services have also been suitably recognised by his own Council and several other organisations with which he was associated.

Mr. D. L. Jones is succeeded in Monmouthshire by Mr. Arthur Davies, formerly Secretary at Radnorshire Rural Community Council. A new Secretary, Mr. W. Ifor Hughes, has been appointed at Radnorshire.

Mr. Dafydd Morris Jones, Secretary, Cardigan Rural Community Council has, unfortunately, been away from the office for some time owing to illness. He has restarted a limited amount of work, and it is to be hoped that he will soon be able to resume full duties.

Conferences

The Annual Spring Conference of Rural Community Council Secretaries and Rural Industries Organisers in Wales was held at Ruthin Castle, Denbighshire, from April 24th to 26th, 1968.

A Reception was given by the Chairman of the Denbighshire County Council. Guest Speakers included Mr. Harold Naylor (General Manager of the Wales Tourist Board) who spoke on "Tourism in General", and Mr. Aneurin M. Thomas (Director of the Welsh Arts Council), whose subject was "The Arts—Fact and Possibility". On the closing day, Mr. T. E. Leigh (Publicity Manager, Rhyl Town Council) talked about "Publicity and Public Relations".

As in previous years, the Rural Industries Organisers held separate sessions of their own under the command of Major General S. H. M. Batty, the Director of the Rural Industries Bureau. This Conference was, in fact, the last of the combined Rural Community Councils and Rural Industries meetings, because by the following Spring Co.S.I.R.A. had come into existence. The Development Commission and the Rural Committee of the National Council of Social Service were represented at this interesting and informative Conference.

A JOINT CONFERENCE FOR RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCILS AND COUNCILS OF SOCIAL SERVICE was held at Loughborough University of Technology from 19th to 21st July, 1968. This was the first time that Councils of Social Service had joined in this Annual Rural Life Conference of the National Council of Social Service. The Conference theme was "Town and Country—a mutual concern for the community". The main Speaker was Mr. Arthur Skeffington, M.P., the Joint Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Housing and Local Government.

Other Speakers included Mr. Maurice Borady (Senior Lecturer in Sociology at Southampton University), Miss Emily White (Secretary, Manchester and Salford Council of Social Service) and Mr. L. W. Wood (Secretary, Oxfordshire Rural Community Council). On the last day a panel from Rural Community Councils and Councils of Social Service took part in questions and discussions, and there was a final summing up from Mr. John Cripps (Chairman, Rural Committee) and Mr. R. A. B. Leaper (Chairman of the Standing Conference of Councils of Social Service).

The Conference was held at the Council of Social Service for Wales Office on November 14th, 1968.

These Conferences have now become more informal, in that a fixed Agenda has given way to free discussion and an interchange of views. Subjects discussed included:—

- Old Age Pensioners' Clubs in relation to Charity Registration;
- The use of Service Personnel for Community work;
- The need for a strong national voice in rural matters;

Welsh Rural Community Council Secretaries' Autumn Conference

Agency work in Rural Community Councils'
Public appeals for funds for Rural Community Councils'
Local Government Re-organisation and the future of Parish Councils.

On the second day Mr. R. A. B. Leaper (Senior Lecturer in Social Administration at University College of Wales, Swansea) discussed proposed schemes for placing overseas students with Rural Community Councils in Wales during the Easter vacations. During last summer, several overseas students were attached to Rural Community Councils and Rural Community Council Secretaries went to considerable trouble to explain to them the aims and day to day functions of their Councils.

During the year, Rural Community Councils throughout Wales have been very much involved in preparations for local celebrations in connection with Croeso '69 which is a nationwide campaign to honour H.R.H. the Prince of Wales at his Investiture at Caernarvon Castle on July 1st, 1969.

Flintshire

The following Reports on rural work have been supplied by Mr. Eifion Jones, J.P., F.F.C.S., who is retained by the Council to advise and report on rural activities in this County where there is, as yet, no Rural Community Council.

**Association of
Parish Councils**

The Association operates on the basis of four Area Committees, these coinciding with the Rural Districts of the county—Hawarden, Holywell, Maclor and St. Asaph, and it is very pleasing to report that in the Hawarden, Holywell and St. Asaph areas there is now a 100% membership of Parish Councils.

The position in the Maclor area is not as good but is more promising because some of the smaller parishes in this area have of late taken greater interest in the work of the Association and no doubt the proposals for the Local Government Reorganisation in Wales has stimulated this interest.

The Annual General Meeting of the Association was held in September at the Shire Hall, Mold, and the Association was given a civic welcome by the Chairman of the Flintshire County Council, Councillor Edward Owen, J.P., as this was the first occasion that the Association had held its annual meeting in the new Shire Hall, and at the close of the meeting the delegates were entertained to tea by the Chairman of the County Council.

Arrangements had been made for Mrs. Eirene White, the Minister of State for Wales, to be the guest speaker but unfortunately owing to personal and domestic circumstances Mrs. White at the very last minute had to call off the arrangements. It was possible to contact Dr. Parry, a lecturer in Political Science at the University College of North Wales, Bangor, to give a talk on Local Government Reorganisation with particular emphasis on the White Paper as it affected Wales.

There was an excellent attendance at the Annual General Meeting and a record number of resolutions were also debated. One of the main resolutions affected a change in policy in election of the Executive Committee of the County Association. Hitherto membership of the Executive Committee has been on the basis of representation from Area Committees but the resolution demanded that in future the County Executive Committee should be com-

posed of one delegate from each affiliated Parish Council and whilst this increased the number serving on the Committee it did ensure that every Parish Council had a direct representative and the channel of communication between the County Executive Committee and the Parish Council was more direct and more satisfactory.

The resolution was carried and it was resolved that it should be implemented forthwith, which meant that the Executive Committee for the current year has been elected on this basis. This marks another step forward in the progress of the County Association in Flintshire.

County Playing Fields Association

During this year the Council of the Association has been very active and has met on three occasions considering in detail a series of activities which could be sponsored as fund-raising and publicity events in aid of the Association. I must pay tribute to the active support of the Council in this work and for their attendances at the Council meetings.

A number of events were programmed to include a Festival of Sport to cater for the County as a whole and the event for the eastern part of the County has already been staged at the Technical College, Kelsterton, and was acclaimed a success. A similar event is programmed for the western part of the County and it is hoped can be staged later in the year.

Certain other events were programmed to coincide with the Investiture celebrations during the '69 Croeso year and one of these events in which the Association is participating is the Aqua Spectacula being staged by the Maelor Rural District Council on Hanmer Mere as part of the Maelor Rural District Council Investiture celebrations. The Council are appreciative of the opportunities extended to the Playing Fields Association in the County to become associated with major events of this nature and are grateful of the support given by Local Authorities and also by members of the Association in assisting to stage the event.

Schemes

This year has not been a very suitable year for the launching of new schemes due to the economic climate which exists and the difficulty in obtaining the financial resources required, but the Association continues to give expert advice when required and the services of our Hon. Technical Adviser, Mr. G. Vaughan-Rees have been in demand and very much appreciated. I have provided information to a number of voluntary organisations interested in exploring the possibility of sources of grants and loans and I anticipate that in the not too distant future schemes will blossom forth which will require the active support of this Association. In the meantime, we have three schemes which are under active consideration and these are as follows:—

(a) Mostyn Playing Fields Committee

The Hon. Technical Adviser has produced a scheme for major playing field facilities on ground leased to the Mostyn Playing Fields Committee by the Holywell R.D.C. and the local Committee have obtained estimates in line with the specification and plan provided by the Technical Adviser. This scheme is now under active consideration with a view to future development and submission for loans from the various sources from where loans are possible for schemes of this nature.

(b) Brynford Parish Council

The Brynford Parish Council are again to develop a part of Brynford Common and the Hon. Technical Adviser is producing a suggested lay-out for this particular scheme.

(c) East Saltney Parish Council

The East Saltney Parish Council are proposing to extend playing field facilities on land in East Saltney and the assistance of the Hon. Technical Adviser is again being sought as to the most economic and practical development of the area in question.

I anticipate that before the next Annual Report is prepared, I shall be reporting to you that these schemes are well under way and if not completed, nearing completion.

**Interest-free
Loan Scheme**

As you will recall, the Council of the Association were charged with the responsibility of developing an Interest-free Loan Scheme to be sponsored by the County Playing Fields Association with the money invested and I am pleased to be able to report that during this year such a scheme has been adopted. Full details of the scheme are available to anyone on application and this information has already been circulated to Local Authorities, Parish Councils and voluntary organisations and to date two applications have been received and the applications have been approved and, in fact, interest-free loans have been advanced. One to the Northop Hall Cricket Club and the other to Mostyn Y.M.C.A. This is only the beginning and although our resources at the moment are limited, it is hoped that with continued support and fund-raising events and perhaps increased affiliation fees, the money invested can be increased, thus making the amount of money available greater which will be of considerable assistance to small clubs and other organisations requiring small short-term loans.

Conclusion

The economic climate has perhaps stifled many of the plans and projects which the Association anticipated but this we believe and hope will be of short duration, and in the not too distant future the Association can well find itself deeply involved in examining many schemes which are envisaged in this County.

I would like to place on record my thanks and appreciation to the Hon. Officers of the Association for their assistance and, in particular, to our Chairman and Hon. Treasurer and also the Local Authorities, Parish Councils and voluntary organisations for their continued support. We all know that our President is a tower of strength to any organisation with which he is associated and we are grateful to Brigadier Mainwaring for his active support and interest in the work of the Flintshire County Playing Fields Association. We are also grateful to our vice-presidents for their continued support.

Appreciation

The Rural Department Staff are grateful to all the colleagues in the various counties in Wales for their co-operation during the year. It has also been a great pleasure to continue happy associations with the Rural Department of the National Council of Social Service. Finally, a word of appreciation should be expressed to the Secretary and members of the Staff of the Development Commission for their advice and collaboration at all times on matters affecting rural policies in the Principality.

WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

Annual Conference

The Annual Conference of the Welsh Association at Swansea College of Education in early April, was the beginning of a very successful year. The Baroness Phillips and Miss Pamela Rees, Assistant County Further Education Officer, were the Guest Speakers, and the theme of the Conference was "Conditions of Living—Yesterday—Today—Tomorrow".

Both the Baroness Phillips and Miss Rees gave inspiring Addresses on this theme. The former outlined the setting and context of present day conditions as compared to the past, whilst the latter gave practical comments on how Members of the Association could help create new standards of living in the future. Mrs. Jennie Jenkins, J.P., who was again unanimously elected Chairman of the Welsh Association, guided the proceedings in her usual effective way and the Conference was undoubtedly a great success.

Thirteen Resolutions were discussed, ranging from the Rights of Women, Pensions and Social Security benefits, the use of public money with regard to 'Hippies' and 'Flower People', consumer problems, concern for pets allowed to stray when children got tired of them, height of bus steps for the old and infirm and the centralisation of Gas, Electricity and Water Boards.

Four new Clubs have been formed this year:—

- (i) CYMDDA—on a new housing estate in Sarn.
- (ii) WHITE ROCK in the southern part of Bridgend.
- (iii) BROWN & LENOX—a Club for the office and canteen staff of the Chain Works in Pontypridd.
- (iv) BRYNNA—the Old Brynna Road Club closed down and the new Brynna Club was opened almost immediately at the Brynna School.

Community Care

The Government credit squeeze which affects Local Authorities has necessitated a slowing down of our plans for an extension. Despite this fact our Clubs have continued with their fine record of caring for the community in which they are sited. During the year they have entertained the old, lonely and the handicapped, besides rallying around their own members in time of trouble or ill-health. We are proud of our members who, in these days of busy rush, set an example of putting others before self.

Rally

Clubs within the Association again took part in the Tregroes Open Day and Rally at Pencoed in July. The theme of the group competition this year was "When money Matters", and the Cup was won by Cowbridge Club in spite of keen competition from other organisations. Members also won in the open classes on Floral Arrangements. An Exhibition of work done in Clubs was held and the instructors gave demonstrations on "Some Uses of Paper", the theme of the Exhibition, and it proved very interesting to visitors to the Rally. The Homecraft Instructors had an Exhibition and gave demonstrations on "Convenience Foods" and were kept very busy, answering questions about the exciting and new ways of using these foods.

Exhibitions

Club members helped with the Old People's Week at Bridgend in the beginning of October, by taking part in the Exhibition arranged by Mr. D. Haydn Thomas, Old People's Welfare Officer. Our members are always ready to take part and help wherever and whenever needed.

At the end of October a Halloween Party was held for the first time. It was meant as a Club Rally for enjoyment, alternating with the Eisteddfod and Drama Festival. Eight hundred and sixty members and many guests came to the party, and enjoyed wonderful parades of "witches and ghosties" as well as hearing about many interesting recipes submitted for old time cleaning agents and remedies for anything from bad chests to baldness. Mrs. Jennie Jenkins, J.P., our Chairman, was Chief Witch and comper for the evening. Cardiff City Council co-operated generously in the arrangements for the use of Sophia Gardens Pavilion and the sum of £141 13s. 10d. was raised towards our Funds.

The Clubs in West Wales held a Christmas Fair on November 20th and the magnificent sum of £428 7s. 6d. was realised. On November 28th, Mid-Glamorgan area had their Christmas Fair, and the astonishing sum of £729 11s. 3d. was made. There were 57 Clubs involved in the latter and 36 Clubs in the West Wales area. The Clubs in the Pontypridd area decided not to hold a Fair this year, but that each member should donate 2s. 6d. so that each member and each Club would contribute equally. The sum of £54 7s. 6d. was given.

The Executive Committee met eight times during the year, to discuss conferences, events and Association business. Nine Area and eighteen Group meetings were held.

National Conference

The Annual Conference of the National Association of Women's Clubs was held in Cardiff this year, at the Cardiff College of Education. It was a most successful Conference and members from across the border were thrilled with their gifts of coat hangers covered in Welsh flannel of varying colours and designs. They were pleased also to have Welsh cakes instead of biscuits with their morning coffee on both days—700 cakes were made by the twenty-two Welsh delegates to the Conference. There were 47 resident delegates and visitors from Wales, and every available place was taken up by the day visitors. Six coach-loads of delegates toured Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan and were most interested, as in almost every place we passed through there was a Women's Club and a story to tell. An entertainment of music and drama was provided by members of our Clubs, and this was of a very high standard. Mrs. Jennie Jenkins, J.P., was again unanimously elected Chairman of the National Association as well as of the Welsh Association. There were two resolutions accepted from Wales at this Conference. One was the resolution on Hysterectomy and the need to obtain husband's consent for this operation to be performed. The other was an emergency resolution on "Germ Warfare" condemning the amount of money spent on experiments for killing people instead of trying to save their lives by greater research into cancer etc.

Mrs. Kane took a party of 40 to Brighton and Hove in May of this year and they paid many visits to places of interest in the surrounding area. Mrs. Kane was also the Leader of a Group of Welsh and English Club members who went on a Holiday Course to Switzerland. Their centre was an hotel at Les Diablerets and from letters received from members, we learn that the Holiday Course was most interesting and a great experience.

A very successful weekend school was held at Weston-super-Mare in March when 65 went from Wales. The theme was the "World around Us". Much was learnt and great joy was gained by meeting together with other members from across the border for the weekend.

During this year we set the target for appeals efforts from the Clubs and events at £3,000. This target was reached by November Fairs, Appeals and Raffles and the area totals were:—

	£	s.	d.
West Wales Area	937	8	0
Pontypridd Area	290	6	0
Mid-Glamorgan Area	1,877	3	9
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Less Printing and Prizes	3,104	17	9
	69	2	6
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Add profits from Halloween Party	3,935	15	3
Add profits from Sale of Cookery Books	141	13	10
	150	0	0
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Total	£3,327	9	1

Gratitude

This magnificent response, exceeding the original target, is a sure indication of the healthy state of our Clubs and their enthusiasm for our work.

I would like to take this opportunity of paying tribute, yet again, to the members of the Women's Clubs, all members of the Women's Department Staff and especially to our Chairman, Mrs. Jennie Jenkins, J.P., who, with everyone else, helped to make this sum possible, through their generosity, help, co-operation and encouragement. I would again like to thank my Secretary, Miss M. E. Griffiths, especially for her devoted and tireless efforts on behalf of the Department and Association. I would like to thank also the Director of the Council—Mr. Ivor V. Cassam, the Secretary and Assistant Director—Mr. I. O. Jones, and the Finance Officer—Mr. E. C. Bilson, for all their help; and also members of the staff of other departments of the Council who gave their assistance in many ways.

Our work would be thoroughly impossible without the grant we receive from the Glamorgan Education Authority and despite the financial squeeze we are grateful to the Authority for their sympathetic financial help and the courteous assistance we received from all the members of the County Council staff.

Lastly, but with great sincerity, I would like to thank the National Association staff, especially Lady Phillips, Mrs. Gwen Moffat and Mrs. Dorothy Holloway, for help given and interest taken in the work of the Welsh Association of Women's Clubs.

THE COMMITTEE FOR THE WELFARE OF THE ELDERLY IN WALES

The Committee for the Welfare of the Elderly in Wales is very conscious of the magnitude of the work which faces statutory and voluntary bodies in their effort to care for our elderly citizens. One in eight of the total population of England and Wales is of pensionable age and that for the next twenty-five years their numbers are expected to increase, with those over 75 years old forming a bigger proportion of the population.

Seebohm Report

The long awaited Seebohm Report on Local Authority and Allied Personal Services includes some pertinent comments on the existing services. While it appreciates all that has been done, it views "personal Social Services for old people in some areas to be underdeveloped, limited and patchy". This criticism, whether it is considered to be justified or not in our own areas, presents a challenge to all the agencies concerned.

Co-operation

The Report significantly recognises the important role to be played by voluntary organisations within the scope of community participation. It is obvious however, that if voluntary organisations are to fulfil their role effectively and for the benefit of the recipients there must be a great measure of co-operation to replace the present tendency to work in isolation. Co-operation and not competition is the key word in this context.

The Committee for the Welfare of the Elderly in Wales exists essentially for the purpose of providing a closer link with Voluntary Organisations including County, County Borough and Local Old People's Welfare Committees and Local Government Departments in Wales.

Public Health Act

The future trend in this field has been set by the Health Services and Public Health Act, 1968 which has given Local Authority Departments more power than hitherto to provide direct services for the elderly as for handicapped people.

Partnership between voluntary and statutory agencies is the underlying factor in Clause 45 of this Act, which when implemented will empower Local Authorities to employ as their agents any voluntary organisation having as its "principal object the promotion of the welfare of old people".

Sections 64 and 65 of the same Act empower the Minister and Local Authorities to assist financially or otherwise organisations working in the field of health and welfare.

It was felt necessary to mention the details of the last two paragraphs because of the relevant message therein for Old People's Welfare Committees on all levels. It is imperative that such committees take adequate steps to become efficient so that Local Authorities will have no hesitation in asking them to undertake agency work. The efficiency of Committees would also justify financial support from Local Authorities.

Field Work

The Officer of the Department has maintained the essential close relationship with County, County Borough and Local Old People's Welfare Committees throughout Wales by attending Quarterly and Annual Meetings of these Committees. Liaison with Committees is considered to be one of the most important aspects of the work of the Department. It not only enables the Officer to make an overall assessment of voluntary effort but also to associate itself directly with all efforts to further the welfare of the elderly in Wales.

There has been an increased demand on the Officer to address Local Committees, Old Age Pensioners' Clubs and other interested organisations, to tutor and lecture at Information/Training Courses and Pre-Retirement Course arranged by various County Education Departments.

The Officer has continued to represent the Department as a member of the National Old People's Welfare Council and its Education and Leisure Committee. An opportunity was given to the Officer to address a meeting of the National Council on Developments of Old People's Welfare in Wales.

Committees

Whilst there is no evidence of new Committees having been established during the year, it is very much hoped that an all out effort will be made to extend the network of Committees and thereby ensure a co-ordinated service for the elderly in all localities. The number of Old People's Welfare Committees remains at 151.

The Secretary is pleased to report that some steps have been taken in Flintshire towards the establishing of a Committee. The Flintshire County Council have appointed a Liaison Officer to co-ordinate the work of voluntary organisations in the County. It is hoped that a Committee will be established during the coming year.

Training Courses

One cannot emphasize enough the need for training volunteers. If volunteers are to perform their work effectively an appropriate form of training is essential. Such training would assist volunteers to be aware of the principal needs of the elderly, to have adequate information of the full range of service that exist and to know the best ways of dealing with problems when they arise. Volunteers thus equipped will inevitably be of great help and comfort to the elderly with their various needs.

The Department and Officer was pleased to be directly associated as lecturer and/or tutor with Courses held at:—

Newport, Risca, Pontardawe, Bridgend and Glamorgan.

The Course arranged in Glamorgan held during March, differed from the usual type of course in as much as it involved visits to establishments which provided an insight into different aspects of caring for the Elderly. The Course qualified for a grant from the Sembal Trust.

Aves Report

The Department eagerly awaits the publication of the Aves Report on "The Training of the Voluntary Worker" which could be of great assistance with the arranging of future courses.

Refresher Courses

The Department was pleased to arrange in consultation with the Welsh Board of Health (now Welsh Office) a further Residential Course for Senior Staff of Old People's Homes in Wales. The course, held at Aberystwyth in July, was extended to a five-day course. Twenty Matrons and Superintendents from Homes all over Wales attended a most successful course under the Tutorship of Miss Elspeth Handasyde a former Regional Welfare Officer of the Ministry of Health.

The Officer has already commenced arrangements for the next Residential Course to be held at Cardiff in July.

In view of the economic situation it was agreed that the arrangement of the usual One-Day Schools for Staff of Homes should be abandoned for the time being.

Wales Conference

The Committee for the Welfare of the Elderly in Wales, at its November Meeting agreed that the Secretary should proceed with arrangements for a Wales Residential Conference on "The Care of the Elderly in Practice".

The Conference will be held at Aberystwyth from the 12th-14th September, 1969. It is hoped that a good number of delegates from Local Authority Departments and Voluntary Organisations will attend what will be the first Residential Conference in this field of work to be held in Wales.

Standing Conference

Secretaries and members of Old People's Welfare Committees in North Wales attended the Annual Conference arranged by the Department and held at Dolgellau in April, 1968. The guest speaker was Dr. G. W. Roberts, Medical Officer of Health, Flintshire.

Alexandra Rose Day

The National Old People's Welfare Council, London, had previously been responsible for arranging Alexandra Rose Day Collections throughout the country and receiving a portion of the proceeds. An agreement was reached with the National Council that this Department should henceforth be responsible for such arrangements in Wales and reap the benefits.

The Officer during the closing months of the year has been negotiating with many areas in Wales, encouraging Local Old People's Welfare Committees to arrange collections in their respective areas.

"The People" Fund

County and County Borough Committees were invited annually to submit claims to the National Old People's Welfare Council for an allocation from the "Man of the People's" Christmas Appeal. This year however, it was agreed that this Department should administer the Fund after applying to the National Council for a block grant for Wales.

Club Grants

The Department has again this year received many enquiries from Old People's Clubs about capital grants for the purpose of building their own Club Premises. Unfortunately, however, the Voluntary sources which provided substantial grants in the past have become exhausted leaving no other source available to meet the increasing demands.

The Officer being aware of this problem and the inability to assist Clubs in this direction, prepared a Memorandum on Capital Grants for Old People's Club Premises. The Paper was accepted by the Executive Committee of this Council and it was agreed that it should be circulated to the Authorities concerned.

The Department, in preparing the Memorandum, enquired of all Local Authorities in Wales about the extent of grants allocated to Old People's Clubs under the permissive powers of the Physical Training and Recreation Act and other appropriate Acts. The enquiry revealed that only a minority of Councils had helped financially or otherwise. On the other hand, the majority replied that they had not been approached by Clubs for assistance.

Club officials should therefore be reminded that Local Authorities have permissive powers to assist in one way or another and should not hesitate to approach them.

The Department has been instrumental in obtaining grants from the Unilever Fund to assist the following Clubs with the purchase of crockery and utensils:
Goytre O.A.P. (£12); Markham O.A.P. (£5);
Griffithstown O.A.P. (£12).

Old People's Week, 1968

The Sixteenth Old People's Week in Wales was celebrated from 29th September—6th October.

The Official Opening and Launching Ceremony was held at the Ardwyn Grammar School, Aberystwyth. This was the most appropriate venue since the National Poster depicted young people from the School's Social Service Group about to embark upon a decorating project for two elderly ladies.

Pupils from the School and elderly people from the Aberystwyth Old Age Pensioners' Club and Old People's Homes were brought together for the Ceremony. The Mayor of Aberystwyth, Mr. A. D. Lewis, M.A. (Headmaster), Mr. Ivor Cassam, B.A., B.D. (Director) and D. Haydn Thomas, appropriately addressed the meeting after Old People's Week had been officially opened by Mr. Alun Owen, Welsh Board of Health. A joint message of good wishes from the Minister of Health and The Secretary of State for Wales was read.

Winners of the Award Schemes were announced and presented with plaques for the services rendered during the year.

- (a) Award Scheme for Old People's Clubs and Committees—Barry Old People's Welfare Committee.
- (b) Award Scheme Youth Groups—Llanfihangel Tre'r Berdd Youth Club, Anglesey.

Mr. T. Glyn Davies, Mold, was invited to adjudicate the two hundred essays received in the Essay Competition. The names of the prize winners were announced and the first prize winners in the English and Welsh Section received their prizes.

The Officer once again had the opportunity of introducing the hymns of the "Welsh Hymn Singing Broadcast" on the afternoon of Old People's Sunday, 29th September. The hymns were sung by the Pontardawe Old Age Pensioners' Choir.

The Department wishes to thank the Welsh Board of Health (now the Welsh Office) and the Welsh Office Information Division for their co-operation in providing the National Poster.

Appreciation

The Old People's Officer wishes to thank the many organisations and individuals for their kindness and co-operation in carrying out the work of the Department and in particular for the guidance, support and friendship of the Director, Assistant Director and members of the staff of the Council.

VISITATION SCHEME FOR THE CITY OF CARDIFF

The following report has been compiled by the present Secretary/Organiser principally from the records and statistics of his predecessor to whom tribute must be paid for the excellent work performed from the inception of the Visitation Scheme in 1963.

The valuable information obtained from 1963 to date together with the successful application of the Visitation Scheme, has largely been due to the goodwill created and the arduous work performed by Mrs. N. Webb (previous Secretary/Organiser). Her experience is now being successfully used in her present work as a member of the staff of the Cardiff City Welfare Department.

Seventh Phase

The Voluntary Visiting Scheme was extended during 1968 into the Ely Ward on the western side of the City. Ely, although a pre-war housing estate was largely built and extended at a much later date than the previous six wards in which a Visitation Scheme has been established.

Results of the survey conducted in the preliminary stages, were found to be of considerable interest:—

- (1) In comparison with the older wards surveyed, a larger proportion of pensioners interviewed requested a visit.

- (2) A higher proportion of pensioners lived alone.
- (3) There seemed a need to establish more voluntary groups in the ward as a point of contact.

The survey of 5,100 houses was completed by 80 volunteers who carried out a door-to-door interview of all pensioners and 250 requests were received for a voluntary visitor. 48 cases were referred to the City Welfare and Public Health Departments. Further meetings are shortly to be called to supplement the present loyal band of Voluntary Visitors.

Statistical Results of Surveys made to date are as follows:—

<i>Number of</i>	<i>Previous Surveys</i>	<i>1968 Ely</i>	<i>Total</i>
Houses visited	35,600	5,100	40,700
Volunteers conducting survey ..	542	80	622
Pensioners interviewed	9,197	1,053	10,250
Pensioners living alone	1,149	213	1,362
Pensioners requesting visits ..	1,291	235	1,526
Pensioners living alone requesting visits	323	108	431
Cases referred to Welfare Department and Public Health Department ..	295	48	343

Voluntary Visitors

Apart from the inevitable changes which take place, the vast majority of Voluntary Visitors faithfully continue to visit the elderly. Reports on these visits often bring to light a need which is met either through voluntary or statutory bodies in the City of Cardiff. This interchange of information between all concerned with the need of the elderly is invaluable. Additional names are continually being added to the Register of those requiring visiting through information received from voluntary and statutory organisations. New voluntary groups have also come forward with the names of persons prepared to assist in the Visitation Scheme.

The pattern which emerges is one of continual change: a factor which can be expected within the age group for which the Visitation Scheme is intended. This changing need is met by the faithfulness and goodwill of Voluntary Visitors, many of whom have continued visiting from the inception of the Visitation Scheme.

Voluntary Visitors' Meetings

Joint meetings of Voluntary Visitors were held throughout the year. One of the objects of these meetings is to supply the Voluntary Visitor with a background of information regarding the help available for the elderly.

Meetings were addressed by the following speakers, who gave most interesting accounts of the valuable work in which they were involved.

Mr. Llewellyn Clutterbuck, Senior Mental Welfare Officer.

Dr. M. S. Pathy, Consultant Geriatrician, Cardiff Hospitals Management Committee.

Mr. Evans, Post Office Headquarters for Wales.
Mr. Phillip Nourse, Liaison Field Officer, Voluntary Community Service.
Miss Morris, Nursing Officer, British Red Cross Society.

Interesting discussions were also stimulated by the various talks.

The Council of Social Service appreciates very much the readiness with which the speakers gave their time, their knowledge and their experience. Voluntary Visitors have benefited greatly from these talks.

Discussions

Discussions have taken place in recent months with officers of many of the statutory and voluntary bodies in the City of Cardiff, all of whom realise the need of a close liaison between all organisations interested in the need of elderly members of the community.

Informative meetings with the undermentioned officers have been greatly appreciated and will no doubt bind even closer the sense of mutual and co-operative effort needed :—

Director of Welfare; Chief Public Health Officer; Area Managers of the Ministry of Social Security; Citizens' Advice and Information Officer; Deputy Housing and Estates Manager; Public Health Department (Dr. Hughes); St. David's Geriatric Department (Dr. Pathy); Superintendent of Glamorgan and Monmouthshire Adult Deaf and Dumb Missions; County Director of the British Red Cross; Women's Royal Voluntary Service (Mrs. G. Lewis, Old People's Specialist); various Church Organisations; Liaison Field Officer, Voluntary Community Service.

Christmas Parcels

A number of Cardiff organisations applied for the names of pensioners to whom Christmas parcels could be supplied. A total of 138 names were given to the following:

Cardiff Rotary Club; Post Office Staff, Llanishen; Women's Department, Council of Social Service; Docks and Grangetown Guides and Scouts; Girl Guides of the Canton area; College of Food Technology Students; Women's Gas Federation. 28 names were also given to the Ely Boys Brigade who were providing a lunch for pensioners on Christmas Day.

Meetings and Conferences

A number of Meetings and Conferences were attended and many addressed on the subject of the "Cardiff Visitation Scheme". Included in these were the following:—

Cyncoed Methodist Church; Old Age Pensioners' Club, Ely; Social Studies Group of Conway Road Methodist Church; St. German's Church Mothers' Group; British National Conference on Old People's Welfare; Annual Meeting of the Family Welfare Association; Congregational Church Youth Club; Men's Forum, Windsor Road, Barry; St. Theodore's Young Wives Association, Port Talbot; Glamorgan County Old People's Welfare Committee; Annual Meeting of the National Old People's Welfare Council, London; Annual Meeting of Salvation Army, Cardiff.

Interest in the need of the elderly is not, fortunately, confined to any one age group and each group appears conscious of being able to contribute something in the way of voluntary service for the elderly. Meetings and Conferences have given prominence to this and it is of particular interest to note that meetings of Youth Groups have often resulted in many forms of aid being supplied, e.g. gardening, shopping, decorating, etc.

Appreciation

The continued success of the Old People's Visitation Scheme for Cardiff depends on the excellent goodwill and liaison which exists between the many voluntary bodies, the dedicated service of the Voluntary Visitors and Street Wardens and the close exchange of information with the statutory bodies.

To all, and especially to the Cardiff City Council from whom a grant has again been made available for 1968/1969, the Council of Social Service wishes to express its gratitude and appreciation.

DRAMA DEPARTMENT

Playwriting

With the continued support of the Welsh Arts Council and the Council of Social Service for Wales, it has been possible to extend the scope of the work of the Drama Association of Wales. For the first time, a full length play-writing Competition was held which attracted 47 plays. The Committee of the Welsh Arts Council donated a prize of £250 to the writer of the best play submitted to the Competition.

Training

An extended training course is planned for the Spring of 1969. This will be held at the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth and three of the best teachers from London Drama Schools will direct the Course. This School will be open to all Welsh students and will encompass production, acting and stage management.

Festivals

The established commitments of the Association have continued. The One Act Playwriting Competition, open to English and Welsh plays, was held in the Autumn followed by a weekend school at Llandrindod Wells. The Welsh Language Festival, following upon its earlier success at Dolgellau, was held in Mold. It was unfortunate that the Welsh National Youth Drama Festival had to be cancelled owing to the severe outbreak of Foot and Mouth disease which prevented the youth teams in North Wales Counties from meeting. It was decided with regret, that the Festival should not proceed without the full participation of all the Counties and County Boroughs.

Library

As more plays are made available for Amateur productions, so the Library has been enlarged. In order to keep records, a card index system will be introduced. Heavy bookings for lighting equipment and stage curtains are received from October to May and extra equipment has been purchased in order to meet increased demands.

Twelve of the thirteen Counties are affiliated to the Association and it is hoped that Montgomeryshire will join in time. The general membership increases slowly and now numbers 162.

Festivals

British Drama League One Act Play Festival of Community Drama
Graham Suter adjudicated the five Counties which entered this Competition. County Finals were held in Denbighshire, Merioneth, Breconshire, Glamorgan and Monmouthshire. From these 15 opting teams, the three chosen to appear at the Wales Final were The Llynsafaddan Players in "Min Mawr" by T. C. Thomas; Bridgend Castle Players in "The Rose Without a Thorn" (Act II) by Clifford Bax; and Oxford House Players, Risca, in "The Passing of the Shadow" by Michael Davies. The Final, which was held on May 25th at the Newport Little Theatre, was adjudicated by Bernard Prentice. He selected the Brecon team to represent Wales at the British Final in Belfast on June 29th. The eventual winners of this international Competition were the Paisley Old Grammarians performing "The Proposal" by Tchekov.

Welsh Language

Welsh Language Festival

A local Committee was formed at Mold to help organise the second Welsh Language Festival under the Chairmanship of the Headmaster of Ysgol Maes Garmon. The Welsh Theatre Company opened the Festival with a schools matinee of "The Pied Piper" on Thursday, October 31st. In the evening, the Company gave a performance of the play written by Gwenlyn Parry for the National Eisteddfod, "Ty A'r Y Tywod". On Friday afternoon the Garthewin Players performed "Marsiandwr Fenis" for an audience of school children drawn from a wide area of North Wales, followed by an evening performance for the general public. The Festival ended on Saturday, November 1st with "Gweilch Ym Mharadwys" by the Merionethshire County Drama Company.

Librarians

Conference of Librarians

The Drama Association of Wales was asked to convene a meeting of all Librarians in Wales to discuss the publishing and distribution of a catalogue of Welsh One Act plays. This Conference was held at the Shire Hall, Mold, by courtesy of the Flintshire County Council. The President of the Drama Association of Wales, Mr. Alun Oldfield Davies, was asked to take the Chair and the delegates were welcomed on behalf of the County Council by Ald. Dennis Griffiths. After the meeting a tea was given by the County Council.

Playwriting

Full Length Playwriting Competition

A Cheque for £250 given by the Welsh Arts Council, was presented to Mr. John L. Hughes, the winner of this Competition, by Col. W. R. Crawshaw at a reception given by the Welsh Arts Council on July 12th. Out of 47 entries Mr. Hughes, a teacher of remedial English in the Pontypridd area was judged the winner by the adjudicator, Mr. John English, Director of the Midlands Arts Centre.

One Act Playwriting Competition

Harlech Television awarded two prizes of £25 to the writer of the best play in English and the best in Welsh for the One Act Playwriting Competition. The winners, Mr. T. D. Williams, Llanelli, and Mr. Jack Rees, Cardigan, received their cheques at the Playwriting School held in November at Llan-drindod Wells.

Two special prizes of £5 each given by the Drama Association of Wales were awarded to Mr. Bill Meilen, Caerphilly, and Mr. Ceryl Wynn Davies, Blaenau Ffestiniog.

Library

Library

Five Hundred and Seventy Two sets of plays and 1,792 single copies were issued from the Library during the year. 420 lighting units and 85 sets of curtains were hired out to drama groups. Sound effects and dialect records were borrowed on 19 occasions. These records have been of great assistance to producers and it is hoped to build up a more comprehensive library of effects to aid presentation.

On behalf of the Drama Association of Wales, tribute is paid to the President, Mr. Alun Oldfield Davies, the Chairman, Mr. Raymond Edwards, the Vice-Presidents, Chairmen of the Sub-Committees and all members of the Com-

mittees for their support of the work of the Association. Expressions of thanks are also offered to the Secretaries of the County Drama Associations and their Committees for promoting the work of amateur drama throughout Wales; to the Director, Mr. Aneurin Thomas and his staff of the Welsh Arts Council and to the Director of the Council of Social Service for Wales, Mr. Ivor Cassam, the first Chairman of the Association and now a Vice-President, and to all the staff of the Council.

CITIZENS' ADVICE BUREAUX DEPARTMENT

Introduction

In his foreword to the handbook "Advising the Citizen", R. A. Butler comments as follows:—

"Modern society is inevitably complex; and in its complexity the ordinary citizen, especially when he is in trouble or difficulty, often finds himself at a loss to know what is the best thing to do".

The complexity of modern living may be seen in terms of new legislation and in the year under review there was a new Rent Act, a new Town and Country Planning Act, a Trade Description Act, Maintenance Orders Act, Family Allowances and National Insurance Act, Theft Act, to name but a few.

Advice

Lord Butler goes on to say,

"The Citizens' Advice Bureaux have shown over the years how much they can help the Citizen—either with advice about his problems, or about the right agency to which he should apply for guidance or assistance in tackling them".

The extent to which the "ordinary citizen" has been helped is shown in the following summary of enquiries dealt with during the year at 30 of the 33 Bureaux.

1.	Communication and travel	..	..	..	..	3,470
2.	Education and Training	..	..	..	..	2,057
3.	Employment	..	..	..	..	3,038
4.	Civic, Local and National Information	..	..	..	..	10,513
5.	Family and Personal	..	..	..	..	11,159
6.	Social Security	..	..	..	..	2,687
7.	Health and Medical	..	..	..	..	2,409
8.	Housing, Property and Land	..	..	..	..	11,475
9.	Taxes and Duties	..	..	..	..	992
10.	Consumer, Trade and Manufacture	..	..	..	..	5,794
11.	Private Insurance	..	..	..	..	924
	TOTAL					54,518

One would be justified in asking why the Citizens' Advice Bureau service has gained the confidence of the citizen and how are Bureau Workers able to help. Why do people come to C.A.B. to ask for information on emigrating to Australia, for advice on dealing with a difficult landlord or tenant, or to seek the Bureau's help in approaching a retailer who has refused to allow a complaint on a particular article? And how is a Bureau Worker able to deal with such a wide range of subjects?

Over the years the citizen has come to expect of C.A.B. information and skilled advice on problems arising in daily life; an explanation of legislation and help to take advantage of the services provided for him by the State. In other words, a professional service in an informal setting.

Training Bureaux are able to deal with such problems because they are staffed by carefully selected people who are trained for the work. They come from every walk of life and their varied experience helps them to understand the problems of those who seek their help. There is also available at the Bureau a vast amount of up-to-date information material which is supplied by the National C.A.B. Council.

There are about 350 voluntary workers at Bureaux in Wales and the number continues to increase as new Bureaux are opened. In addition to undertaking a series of 12 lectures before entering the service, Bureau Workers accept the discipline of continuous training. This takes place on a local and regional level. Bureau Workers meet monthly for case discussion and from time to time lectures are arranged as refresher courses.

Training on a regional basis is arranged through the North and South Wales Standing Conference of C.A.B. and during the year training days were arranged on the "Trade Descriptions Act, 1968". A residential training course was held in May, 1968 at Llandrindod Wells when 70 Bureau Workers were present. The programme included talks on the following subjects:—

- The Social Services—Past, Present and Future.
- Mental Health.
- Citizens' Advice Bureaux and Problems of Poverty.
- Marriage Counselling.

During the year Bureaux were opened at Aberdare, Chepstow, Monmouth, Rhondda and Rhyl. It is to be regretted that no progress has been made in the promotion of Bureaux at Caernarvon and Newtown where the Committees have encountered difficulties in recruiting voluntary workers.

Development Despite a decision in 1963 to support in principle the establishment of a Bureau, the Merthyr Corporation has not followed this up by calling a public meeting. However, a fresh approach was made in January, 1969 and its outcome is awaited.

There were a number of Bureaux on the official list of C.A.B. which were not operating in accordance with the requirements of the service as described in "Advising the Citizen". Re-organisation of these Bureaux is being undertaken but two Bureaux were closed, namely, Blaina and Abercrave. A third at Trealaw requested that its name be removed from the list as a Bureau had been established at Porth to serve the Rhondda Valleys.

The programme of promotional work on hand is nearing completion and opportunities must now be made to re-open negotiations with local authorities serving a population of over 20,000 who have not hitherto considered it necessary to support the establishment of a C.A.B. in their districts.

Wales Committee The need for greater unity between Bureaux in North and South Wales had long been felt and during the year a Committee of C.A.B. for Wales was established. The Committee comprises four members of North Wales Bureaux and 12 Members of South Wales Bureaux, the Secretariat being provided by the Council. Mr. Hugh Bramsdon, Chairman of Swansea C.A.B., was appointed the Committee's first Chairman and Mr. C. J. Boon, Organiser of Port Talbot C.A.B., the first Vice-Chairman.

Staff An Assistant Advisory Officer was appointed to the Department in September, 1968 and after a brief period of "in-service" training, has taken over the routine duties of the Department.

Acknowledgement

Finally, a word of appreciation to all those who have contributed to the provision of a C.A.B. service in the Principality during the year—The Council of Social Service for Wales, the National C.A.B. Council, local authorities, voluntary organisations and most important of all, the host of voluntary workers who have given of their best throughout the year in service to the citizen.

COMMUNITY/YOUTH DEPARTMENT

Community Work

The central issues of all recently sponsored Government Reports at present under consideration or preparation concerning the development of community services in this country, deal with the problems of co-ordination and liaison between statutory and voluntary agencies which are involved in work of caring for people.

Reports

The Seeborn Report, for instance, lays emphasis on the co-ordination of services at the level of the consumer, and particularly the role of both the professionally trained and voluntary worker in this process; whilst the awaited Youth Service Development Council's Report for England and Wales, to be published during 1969, will no doubt stress the need for a youth service which should make a clear contribution towards community development.

Techniques

It is therefore encouraging to see an emergence during the latter part of the 60's of a growing interest in the application of community work techniques in the field of social and educational work, and that in future planning of old and new areas, prime consideration will be given to the quality of life that can be achieved in each neighbourhood.

Participation

The Community Department of this Council has continued during the course of the year to play its part, in a facilitating and supporting role, of co-operating with both statutory and voluntary bodies in their endeavours to stimulate citizen participation and joint action so as to improve the quality of life in Wales.

Aid to Groups

For several years the Department has undertaken work of a particular nature in relation to the help and guidance it provides to small groupings of people in neighbourhoods where Community Centres and Associations have been established. This pattern of work has been maintained during the past year and a continuous flow of assistance has been given to community centre and hall committees in various localities in Wales.

Advice

The Community Officer has rendered advice on a variety of problems which face community centre committees, and these have included such matters as the acquisition of land, statutory and other sources of grant aid, the erecting and maintenance of buildings, trusteeship and constitutional procedures, and guidance on matters relating to the opportunities which exist for associations and centres to promote both social and cultural activities within their catchment areas.

Visits were made and new points of contact established by the Officer during the period under review with community associations and hall committees at Llanmorlais, Cwmllynfell, Pentyrch, Pontymister, Penrice and Oxwich, Caldicott, Cwmbran, Pontypridd and centres in the Swansea and Cardiff areas.

Aberfan The Department was particularly pleased to assist and be involved in the work of the consultative working committee formed in Aberfan and Merthyr Vale during 1968 which was concerned with the establishment of a Community Association in the area during the latter part of the year. A number of new groups have emerged in this community since the disaster of October, 1966, and it is pleasing to know that these now form a strategic part of a representative body of all interests in the neighbourhood in its planning for re-developments in the future.

Guild The Community Department of the Council provides the secretariat of the Guild of Social Workers in Wales, and meetings of social workers have been convened at intervals during the period under review at various points in the Principality. A number of conferences held during the latter part of the period were devoted to discussing the recommendations and implications of the Seebohm Report, and the comments and opinions which were expressed were collated by the Officer, and a report was submitted to the then Welsh Board of Health.

Conference It has for some time been the practice of the Guild to arrange a National Biennial Residential Conference at one or other of the University Colleges of Wales.

In March of this year it was organised at Aberystwyth and it is encouraging to note that over one hundred social workers from various disciplines, representing both statutory and voluntary agencies in Wales gathered at Pantycelyn Hall. The three day study period produced excellent talks and discussions on a relevant theme—"The Welfare State Comes of Age". The guest speakers were, Miss Enid Warren, Head of the Social Work Department, Hammersmith Hospital, London; Mr. A. B. Matthewson, Chief Staff Training Officer for Wales, Department of Health and Social Security; Mr. Gwilym Prys Davies, Chairman of the Welsh Hospital Board; Mr. Bleddyn Davies, Lecturer in Social Administration, London School of Economics and Mr. Maurice G. Speed, County Welfare Officer for Devon.

Helping Prisoners A further aspect of the Department's work during the year has extended to giving practical assistance to the Cardiff Prison Fund Committee. The Officer now acts as Treasurer to the Committee, and the Fund enabled social workers and volunteers to distribute a large number of gift parcels to dependants of prisoners during the Christmas period 1968.

Liaison Numerous organisations have had help, advice and assistance from the Department in various ways during the year, and these have included such Institutions and Bodies as the National Federation of Community Associations, The Educational Interchange Council, The British Council, Central Council for the Disabled, Central Council for Physical Recreation, together with Departments of the University Colleges, and other Colleges in England and Wales who have been assisted in the placement of students during their practical periods of training.

Youth Work The Secretariat and field work of the Standing Conference for Wales of Voluntary Youth Organisation is provided by the Community/Youth Department of the Council of which there are over thirty constituent and observer member bodies.

Joint Action The work of the Standing Conference is geared to foster closer co-operation between these bodies, for the well-being of young people in Wales, through encouraging corporate action and consultation on questions of common policy. The collation and dissemination of literature and information relating to youth service work is also an important aspect of the Department's responsibilities, and there is an increasing demand for advice and assistance which is given to youth workers in this respect.

Conferences Various courses and conferences on a national and local basis were arranged by the Standing Conference during the course of the year and these were convened as follows:—

Community Service by Young People

Following the announcement by the Department of Education and Science of the establishment of a Trust Scheme to develop community service by young people, the Youth Officer invited the Director of the "Young Volunteer Force Foundation", Mr. Anthony Steen, to address representatives from Local Authorities and Voluntary Bodies in Wales at a Conference held at the Glamorgan County Hall, Cardiff, on the 2nd May, 1968.

This Council has been instrumental through its Youth Department in assisting a number of local schemes of Voluntary Service by young people in Wales, and it is encouraging to note that there is a growing desire amongst groups of young people to participate in this type of activity.

Annual Conference

The Standing Conference held its Annual Residential Conference at the Y.M.C.A. Centre, Glanymor, Barry, on the 12th/13th October, 1968. Eighty representatives from the Voluntary and Statutory sectors of Youth Service participated in the Conference which has as its theme "The Newsom Report and its implications to the Youth Service".

Guest speakers at this conference were Professor Norman Heycocks, University of Nottingham and Chairman of S.C.N.V.Y.O.; Mrs. Dorothy Clayton, The Schools Council and Mr. Alan Higgins, Assistant Youth Officer, Cardiff.

Teach-In

Physically Handicapped Young People

"A Teach-In" was arranged by the Youth Officer in co-operation with the Glamorgan Education Authority at Erw'r Delyn School for Physically Handicapped Children, Penarth, on the 23rd November, 1968.

Twenty-five youth leaders and a comparable number of disabled young people assembled at the school, and a most informative and useful day was spent discussing some of the problems and difficulties which face handicapped young people particularly after they leave the care of a residential establishment, and the opportunities which the Youth Service has in contributing towards community care in meeting some of the needs of the disabled.

Training

Training of Youth Leaders

The Standing Conference arranged a weekend residential leadership training course for senior young people at the Y.M.C.A. Further Education College, Coleg-y-Fro, Rhoose, on the 7th/8th December, 1968.

Fifteen young men and women attended the course, and it is hoped that the lectures and discussions will have stimulated and encouraged them to concern themselves further in basic youth leadership training courses which are offered each year by the various part-time youth leadership training agencies in Wales.

The Youth Officer has also been pleased to assist the Officers of Local Education Authorities by lecturing and participating at various youth leadership group meetings during the course of the year.

Croeso '69

The latter part of the year under review has presented the Standing Conference for Wales of Voluntary Youth Organisations with a number of commitments in connection with the Investiture of His Royal Highness, The Prince of Wales at Caernarvon on the 1st July, 1969.

Investiture Honours

The most important of these commitments was the honour bestowed upon the Standing Conference by His Royal Highness, in allowing it to produce the Official Souvenir Programme of the Investiture, the proceeds from the sale of which will be channelled to further assist the work of the member youth organisations. The producing and publishing of this document entailed tremendous work on the part of the Chairman and Officers of the Standing Conference, who wish to thank very many people for the generous help and assistance which they received to produce the Souvenir Programme for sale as scheduled during May, 1969.

The Standing Conference was also given the responsibility of arranging for young people representing the various youth organisations in Wales to attend the Investiture Ceremony at Caernarvon Castle, and the "Youth of Wales Welcomes the Prince" event at Cardiff Castle during His Royal Highness' tour of the Principality.

Exchanges

For a number of years the Youth Department has arranged, in conjunction with the Educational Interchange Council, for young people in Wales to make study tours and visits to Western and Eastern European countries.

The Youth Officer again arranged the distribution of information and selection of young people who, during 1969 will make British group study tours of Russia, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia and Rumania. Several young men and women were also assisted by the Department in attending International Conferences at Sonnenberg, the Federal Republic of Germany, during the early and late summer of 1969.

The Youth Officer was also privileged to visit two areas in the Federal Republic of Germany during 1968 under the auspices of the Welsh Joint Education Committee and the British Council. The main purpose of both these visits i.e. to Stuttgart and Bonn, was to establish closer links between these areas of Germany and Wales so that youth exchange arrangements could be further extended in the immediate future.

It was with regret that following elaborate arrangements which the Department had made in compiling a programme of visits and accommodation in Wales for a party of thirty Bulgarian young people during September, 1968, the tour was cancelled at a very late stage as a result of the Czechoslovakian crisis. The Youth Officer is however pleased that in the interim, cultural exchanges have been resumed with Bulgaria, and that it will be possible for group visits to be renewed during the coming year.

Practical Assistance

The Youth Officer has been pleased during the year to give practical assistance to or participated in conferences and meetings arranged by various bodies some of which are listed as follows:—

The Publicity Committee, Barry National Eisteddfod, 1968.

Central Council of Physical Recreation, Welsh Committee Urdd Gobaith Cymru "Commission of Enquiry into the Life and work of the Movement".

National Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs Assembly at Saundersfoot.
Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme Annual Conference, Church House, Westminster.

Teachers Centre, Merthyr Tydfil, Glamorgan (Youth Leadership Course).

The Council of International Contact, London.

County Further Education Centre, Ferryside, Carmarthenshire. (Three Counties Youth Leadership Course).

Appreciation

The Community/Youth Department is most grateful to the Director, Assistant Director and members of staff of this Council for their friendship and unfailing support in all aspects of work, and to many individuals and groups throughout the country for their kindness and assistance at all times.

CHARITIES REVIEW, GLAMORGAN

Introduction

The present Review in Glamorgan is of Charities for the poor and sick poor in the Rural District of Cardiff, Llantrisant and Llantwit Fardre, Cowbridge and now extending into Penybont Rural District, the whole area comprising eighty-one parishes. The endowed Charities involved in the Review span a period in history of some four hundred years.

Cardiff Rural District

The population is estimated at 26,250 (1967 Returns of the Registrar General). The acreage is estimated at 59,859 acres.

In fifteen of the thirty parishes there were found details regarding twenty-eight charities. Eight unregistered charities for the poor were discovered.

Applications involving nine charities have been sent to the Charity Commission for the establishing of seven cy-près Schemes to modernise and/or group charities. The oldest charity seems to be founded in 1576.

Llantrisant and Llantwit Fardre Rural District

The population is estimated at 30,920 and an acreage of 18,433. In this area there are only two parishes in which eight charities for the poor and sick poor were found. No unregistered charities were discovered.

There were two applications for cy-près Schemes to modernise charities in the area.

Cowbridge Rural District

The population is 21,900 with an acreage of 40,020. The Rural District consists of twenty-nine parishes, fifteen of which were found to contain no charities.

In the remaining fourteen parishes details regarding thirty-three charities including one unregistered charity, have been found.

Although the majority of the charities in the area were founded in the late Nineteenth Century, one dates back to shortly before 1685, its object being for the benefit of the poor, old people in four different parishes who receive blankets for distribution each fourth year. Arrangements have been made for a meeting between the Charity Commission and the Review Organiser to discuss possible cy-près Schemes for certain of the charities of this area before formal applications are made for between twelve and seventeen possible Schemes.

Response of Trustees

Almost without exception the Review Organiser was courteously received by the trustees of the various charities, the majority of whom welcomed suggested Schemes for modernising and grouping their charities, except where parish boundaries are involved. It is felt by the Review Organiser that grouping of charities involving more than one parish will be facilitated when the implementation takes place of the amalgamation of small parishes.

Consultations

Consultations have taken place with the Charity Commission, the County Archivist and the Representative Body of the Church in Wales. The valuable help and co-operation of these various bodies have been much appreciated.

The Local Index of Charities is maintained by the Council of Social Service and numerous enquiries have been dealt with regarding possible sources of income for the relief of poverty and distress.

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

For many years the Council has been privileged to distribute this Fund throughout Wales and Monmouthshire. This allocation is distributed to needy children with the co-operation of Officers of Rural Community Councils, Medical Officers of Health, Education Officers, Social Workers in Hospitals and Members of our own Staff. The amount allocated during the year was £1,903, as compared with £1,537 the previous year. The number of children who benefited was 1,557, compared with 1,334 in 1967.

NON-DEPARTMENTAL ACTIVITIES

The Council continues to provide either direct, or indirect, assistance to several voluntary Organisations. Some of these are listed below:—

- Cardiff Voluntary Organisations Liaison Committee;
- Cardiff and District Mental Health Association;
- The Glamorgan Mission to the Adult Deaf and Dumb;
- Cardiff and District Council on Alcoholism;
- Cardiff and District Voluntary Community Service;
- The Glamorgan Drama League;
- The Royal Alfred Merchant Seamen's Society;
- The Wales and Monmouthshire Council for the Blind.

The Staff assists many National Organisations in enquiries in cases of personal hardship. This entails a certain amount of personal casework to be done from time to time. The Council has available a few Trust Funds through which it can offer limited assistance in exceptional circumstances.

It is pleasing to record that Government Ministries and Local Authorities have consulted the Council on various points seeking collaboration and advice. There is obviously a growing awareness of the role this Council plays as the principal co-ordinating body for voluntary service in Wales.

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RHAGAIR Y CYFARWYDDWR

Amcan yr Adroddiad hwn yw rhoi crynodeb o lafur y Cyngor dros gyfnod o ddeuddeg mis. Y mae yn Fudiad amlochrog ac o ganlyniad anodd felly ydyw cyfleu i'r cyhoedd union-faint ei wasanaeth. Tuedd naturiol bobl Cymru yw gweld un agwedd yn unig o'n gwaith sydd o ddi-ddordeb arbennig iddynt hwy. Priodol yw i ni yn achlysurol roi amlinelliad o safbwynt ac egwyddorion sylfaenol y Mudiad.

Pwrpas sylfaenol y Cyngor o'r cychwyn cyntaf hyd heddiw ydyw gwasanaethu ac er mor gymhleth yr ymddengys, glyna wrth ei brif amcan i wella ansawdd bywyd unigolion a grwpiau o bobl yng Nghymru.

I'r perwyl yma ei ddyletswydd cyntaf ydyw dwyn pobl ynghyd i drafod a chynllunio y modd gorau i wasanaethu cyd-ddyn. Mae diddordeb pobl yn amrywio ac felly mae'n rhaid dwyn at ei gilydd unigolion a mudiadau sy'n ymddiddori yn yr hen a'r ifanc, materion gwledig a threfol, hamdden a diwylliant. Allan o'r angen yma tyfodd Adrannau'r Cyngor. Ceir adroddiadau y gwahanol adrannau ar y tudalennau a ganlyn. Daeth rhai o'r Adrannau i fodolaeth mewn cyfnod o broblemau a dirwasgiad economaidd tra cychwynwyd eraill mewn canlyniad i annogaeth ar rhan Llywodraeth Canolog a Lleol i gyfuno gweithgareddau arbennigol. I raddau helaeth iawn, fodd bynnag, y Cyngor ei hun, o fod yn effro i'r anghenion ym meysydd addysg, iechyd, lles a diwylliant a fu'n gyfrifol yn uniongyrchol am hyrwyddo symudiadau a mudiadau er ceisio llenwi'r bylchau ym mywyd y gymdeithas.

Y mae gan y Cyngor felly gyfle gwych i gyflawni swyddogaeth arbennig a digymar.

Yn wahanol i'r Awdurdodau Deddfol sydd o ran eu natur yn fwy ffurfiol a chyfyng o ran gwasanaethau, gall Cyngor Gwasanaeth Cymdeithasol arbrofi yn meysydd hyn. Wedi'r arbrofion brofi yn llwyddiant gwelir y Llywodraeth Ganolog a Lleol yn eu cymryd drosodd a thalu am y gwasanaethau.

Ni ellir gor-bwysleisio fod y Cyngor yn fudiad annibynnol. Y mae yn Gwmni Corfforedig a'i Gyfarwyddwyr yn bersonau blaenllaw ym materion cyhoeddus Cymru. Y mae'r Cyngor yn gwerthfawrogi cymorth ac annogaeth y ffynnon-hellau deddfol. Mae'n holl bwysig, serch hynny, fod y Cyngor yn teimlo yn gwbl rhydd i ddatgan barn gwrthrychol ar unrhyw fater sydd o ddi-ddordeb i'r cyhoedd. Cyflawna swydd arbennig arall sef cyfannu darpariaethau y Wladwriaeth Les a chyfraniad gwirfoddol yr unigolyn sy'n barod i wasanaethu cymdeithas.

Gyda'r amcanion hyn mewn golwg, hyderwn y dengys yr adroddiadau a ganlyn fod y Cyngor mewn cyflwr iach, ac yn byw i'w ffunny i'w egwyddorion sylfaenol sy'n cyflawnhau ei fodolaeth.

Heb os mae onitbai, bu dipyn o ansicrwydd yn y blynyddoedd diwethaf yn gl'n â dyfodol gwasanaeth cymdeithasol. Gwelwyd hyn mewn nifer o gynhadleddau a grwpiau astudio y sonir amdanynt yn yr adroddiad. Cyhoeddodd y Llywodraeth dorraeth o Bapurau Gwyn a Gwyrdd gyda'r bwriad

i ad-drefnu mewn amryw o feysydd sy'n dal cysylltiad agos a gwaith y Cyngor, Sonia'r Papurau yma am adrefnu Llywodraeth Leol, diogelwch cymdeithasol, gwasanaeth lles a iechyd, problemau yr unigolyn, a gweithgarwch grwpiau mewn cymdeithas. Gelwir arnom fel Cyngor i ddechongli'r cynnig-ddeddfau hyn a chanfod eu dylanwad ar waith gwirfoddol. Mae'n anodd ar brydiau i fagu a chadw brwdfrydedd am wasanaeth gwirfoddol yn enwedig pan na chuir diffiniaid cglur o'r darpariaethau mewn meysydd gwaith cymdeithasol.

Yng ngwyneb cyfnewidiadau cymdeithasol a ddisgwylir, ymddengys pryder naturiol gan fudiadau gwirfoddol ynghylch eu swyddogaeth i'r dyfodol. Y mae'r Cyngor yn bendant fod yna le arbennig i'r gwirfoddolwr ym mywyd y gymdeithas. Da gennym ddeall fod Papurau Gwyn y Llywodraeth o'r un farn. Dyletswydd pob Cyngor Cymdeithasol fydd rhoi arweiniad i'r dyfodol er hyrwyddo cydweithrediad llwyr rhwng gweithwyr proffesiynol a gwirfoddol ym maes gwaith cymdeithasol.

Gwneir apêl yn yr adroddiad hwn am gydweithrediad pob [mudiad Cysylltiad pan wneir, yn y dyfodol agos, adolygiad swyddogol o'n gwasanaeth a chyfraniad y Cyngor i ardaloedd Cymru.

Yr ydym yn dra ddiolchgar am y gwaith godidog a gyflawnir gan unigolion a mudiadau yng Nghymru i amryw achosion teulung. Gellir dweud i raddau mae ein gwaith yw trefnu y trefnwyr sy'n gwneud cyfraniad personol a lleol. Yr ydym mewn sefyllfa i weld o safbwynt cenedlaethol y gwaith ardderchog a wneir i'r cyfeiriad yma.

Ymfalchiwn o fod yn gyfrannog yn y gwaith hwn ac am y swydd arbennig a berthyn i'r Cyngor wrth gyfuno gwaith gwirfoddol yng Nghymru.

Bydd 1969 yn flwyddyn arbennig iawn yn hanes Cymru gydag Arwisgiad Ei Uchelder Brenhinol, Tywysog Cymru yng Nghaernarfon ar laf o Orffennaf. Er nad yw'r Arwisgiad yn dod o fewn cyfnod yr adolygiad yma, eto mae'r paratodau ar ei gyfer eisoes yn cymryd dipyn o'n hamser. Ymfalchiwn yn yr anrhydedd a roir i S.C.W.V.Y.O. (ein Cyngor sy'n gyfrifol am yr ysgrifennyddiaeth) a wahoddwyd i baratoi Rhaglen Gofrodd Swyddogol yr Arwisgiad.

Da yw gwybod mai Mudiadau Ieuencid fydd yn derbyn yr elw o hyn. Syrthiodd gwaith y paratoi yn drwm ar ysgwyddau'r Swyddog ac Adran Ieuencid y Cyngor. Anrhydeddwyd y Cyngor hefyd pan glywsom ei fod i dderbyn tâl (royalty) ar werthiant y record swyddogol a wneir o'r Arwisgiad. Cyfrifwn yr anrhydeddau yma fel teyrnged i waith a lle y Cyngor yn mywyd y genedl.

Pwyllgor Gwaith

Blin oedd gan y Cyngor dderbyn yn ystod y flwyddyn ymddiswyddiad dau o aelodau'r Pwyllgor Gwaith.

Mr. B. J. Griffiths, Swyddog Addysg Bellach y Cyd-Bwyllgor Addysg Cymreig. Bu'n aelod gwerthfawr a phoblogaidd am nifer o flynyddoedd. Ymddiswyddodd Mr. Griffiths oherwydd afiechyd, ac wrth ddiolch iddo am ei gyfraniad tuag at ein gwaith, dymunwn adferiad iechyd buan a llwyr.

Ymdeolodd Mr. T. B. Morris, Rheolwr Banc y Midland, Caerdydd, (Banc y Cyngor) gan iddo symud i Abertawe. Cawsom ef yn gymorth parod iawn yn enwedig wrth gynghori ynglŷn â materion ariannol. Dymunwn pob llwyddiant iddo yn ei swydd newydd.

Ar y llaw arall cawsom gyfle i groesawu y canlynol fel Aelodau newydd y Pwyllgor:—

Yr Henadur W. J. HARTLAND, C.B.E., J.P., O.S.T.J.

Mri. T. A. BOWEN, Wrexham

HUGH BRAMSDON, Cadeirydd Pwyllgor Cymru C.A.B.

DAVID THOMAS, Cyfarwyddwr Gweinyddol, Western Mail ac Echo

Edrychwn ymlaen yn fawr iawn am gwmi y gwŷr profiadol hyn yn nhrefod-aethau'r Pwyllgor Gwaith a theimlwn hi'n fraint o'u cael ar y Pwyllgor.

Is-Lywyddion

Anrhydeddwyd dwy o Aelodau'r Pwyllgor Gwaith yng Nghyfarfod Blynyddol y Cyngor drwy eu dyrchafu'n Is-Lywyddion, sef Mrs. Jennie Jenkins, J.P., a roddodd wasanaeth arbennig ar hyd y blynyddoedd i Fudiad y Merched, ac hefyd Mrs. D. B. Jones, J.P., Cyn-Faer Bae Colwyn, a fu'n ffyddlon eu gwasanaeth am gyfnod maith. Edrychwn ymlaen am eu cyfraniad am lawer o flynyddoedd eto.

Personol

Ymdeolodd Mr. D. L. Jones, O.B.E., ar ddiwedd y flwyddyn o'i swydd fel Ysgrifennydd Cyngor Gwlad Mynwy ac am flynyddoedd lawer yn aelod o'r Pwyllgor Gwaith. Bu "D.L.", fel yr adnabyddir ef gan ei gyfeillion, yn ysgrifennydd R.C.C. am ddeugain mlynedd a phan ymdeolodd, ef oedd aelod hynaf ymblith Ysgrifennyddion Cymru a Lloegr. Yn ystod cyfnod maith ei wasanaeth adailodd ei Gyngor yn Sir Fynwy i fod ymhlith y mwyaf ac effeithiolaf yn y wlad. Gwelir eisiau ei gyfraniad diffino a'i humor iach yng nghyfarfodydd Ysgrifennyddion R.C.C. ond da yw deall y cawn eto o'i wasanaeth ar y Pwyllgor Gwaith. Dymunwn hir flynyddoedd hapus i Mr. a Mrs. Jones wedi'r ymdeol.

Staff

Dymuna'r Cyngor unwaith eto ddatgan ei werthfawrogiad o lafur a theyrn-garwch aelodau'r Staff i gyd.

Collwyd gwasanaeth Mrs. Natalie Webb a ymunodd a Staff Adran Les Cyngor Caerdydd. Mrs. Webb oedd trefnydd cyntaf Cynllun Ymweld a henoed y ddinas. Hi yn fwyaf arbennig a fu'n gyfrifol i raddau helaeth iawn i sicrhau llwyddiant y fenter. Diolchwn iddi am ei gwasanaeth ffyddlon. Ei holnydd yw Mr. Asquith Morgan, J.P., a ddaw gydag ef brofiad helaeth ym myd masnach a mudiau gwirfoddol.

Gadawodd Mrs. Elsie Williams, J.P., cin gwasanaeth yn ystod y flwyddyn ac ymunodd a mudiad Tenovus. Mrs. Williams oedd y trefnydd cyntaf i adolygu Elusennau ym Morgannwg. Derbyniodd ei gwaith gymeradwyaeth uchel gan y Comisiynwyr Elusen a'r Cyngor yma. Dilynwyd hi yn y swydd gan Miss Heulwen Davies a fydd yn dal i adolygu elusennau mewn ardaloedd penodedig yn Sir Forgannwg.

Ychwanegwyd at aelodau'r Staff gyda apwyntiad Miss Jacqueline Sadler fel Swyddog Hyfforddiant C.A.B. Bydd o gymorth mawr i'r Adran ac i Miss Nesta Davies, Swyddog Ymgynghorol C.A.B. Gadawodd Miss Isobel Walters, swyddog clerigol yr adran ar ddechrau 1969.

Ymdeolodd dwy chwaer a wasanaethodd adran y Merched fel hyfforddwy am gyfnod hir. Mrs. E. Evans, Pontypridd, a Mrs. W. Goulden, Porthcawl, a gwelir cisiau eu cyfeillgarwch a'u gwasanaeth. Boddlonodd Mrs. Evans, serch hynny, i ddal ymlaen fel hyfforddwr rhan amser.

Gwerthfawrogiad

Bu cyngor a chefnogaeth y Llywydd, y Cadeirydd, Trysorydd, Aelodau'r Pwyllgor Gwaith a Phwyllgorau'r Adranau o gymorth mawr i'r staff yn eu gwaith a'u gwasanaeth. Amhosibl yw nodi nifer fawr yr is-bwyllgorau a'r llu gweithwyr gwirfoddol a gynorthwyodd y Cyngor. Diolch o galon i bawb a lafuriodd ac a gefnogodd y Cyngor yn ei wasanaeth.

Dengys Amlen Cyfrifon y Cyngor fod rhan helaeth o'n incwm yn dod gyfeiriad y Llywodraeth Ganolog a Lleol ac Ymddiriedolaethau Cenedlaethol a Lleol.

Unwaith eto dymunwn gofnodi ein gwerthfawrogiad i Weinyddiaethau'r Llywodraeth, y Comisiwn Ddatblygu, Awdurdodau Lleol, Ymddiriedolaeth Carnegie a'r holl tanysgrifwyr am eu cefnogaeth ariannol hael. Rhaid talu teyrnged arbennig iawn i Glybiau'r Merched a'u Cadeirydd, Mrs. Jennie Jenkins, J.P., a Staff yr Adran am y cyfraniad ariannol gwyth iawn tuag at waith y Cyngor.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Year ended 31st March, 1968	EXPENDITURE						£	£
£						28,062		
24,279	Salaries						£	
1,028	National Insurance					1,241		
25,307							29,303	
2,057	Superannuation						2,306	
95	State Graduated Pensions						104	
125	Staff Widow's Pension						125	
4,758	Travelling/subsistence						5,314	
105	Audit Fee						105	
748	Printing and Stationery						840	
784	Postage and Telephone						908	
708	Lighting, Heating and Cleaning						747	
219	Rent, Rates and Ground Rent						229	
—	Dilapidations and Removal Reserve						2,000	
85	Repairs and Maintenance						67	
51	General Insurance						51	
85	Bank Charges and Cheque Books						86	
25	Office Expenses						28	
39	Publications and Newspaper Advertisements						95	
396	Office Furniture and Equipment						387	
25	Office Furniture and Equipment—Citizen's Advice Bureau						—	
316	Drama Library and Equipment						359	
423	Drama Festivals Competition, Schools and Courses						543	
100	Drama Grants to Special Projects						265	
27	Residential Courses—Welfare of Physically Handicapped						—	
312	Citizens' Advice Bureau—Schools and Courses						354	
538	Conferences and Meetings						563	
58	Old Peoples' Week						80	
36	Old Peoples' Welfare Courses						41	
3	Old Peoples' Welfare—Hire of Room						5	
—	Motor Car at Replacement Cost						330	
54	National Youth Festival Expenses						—	
135	Miscellaneous						69	
37,614							45,304	
298	Balance, being Excess of Income over Expenditure for the year						339	
							£37,912	£45,643

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1969

Year ended 31st March, 1968	INCOME		£	£
£				
	GRANTS FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES:			
8,134	H.M. Development Commission .. .. .	.. .. .	9,147	
2,340	Department of Education and Science .. .. .	.. .. .	2,633	
9,238	Glamorgan County Council .. .. .	.. .. .	10,151	
300	Carmarthenshire County Council .. .. .	.. .. .	350	
654	Local Authorities: Grants for Old Peoples' Work .. .. .	.. .. .	626	
	Local Authorities: Grants for Old Peoples' Work in Glamorgan .. .. .	.. .. .	120	
—	National Corporation for the Care of Old People .. .. .	.. .. .	—
1,500	The Welsh Office .. .. .	.. .. .	2,000	
	National Corporation for the Care of Old People—Cardiff Visitation Scheme .. .. .	.. .. .	—
79	Cardiff City Council .. .. .	.. .. .	—
1,800	Board of Trade, Citizens Advice Bureau per National Council of Social Service .. .. .	.. .. .	1,800	
4,062	Welsh Arts Council for Drama Work .. .. .	.. .. .	5,600	
2,000	Local Authority Grant for Rural Work .. .. .	.. .. .	2,500	
50		.. .. .	—
30,242			34,927	
	DONATIONS FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES:			
—	Old Peoples' Welfare—Wales .. .. .	.. .. .	65	
—	Affiliation Fees—Glamorgan .. .. .	.. .. .	25	
2,086	Women's Social Service Clubs .. .. .	.. .. .	3,137	
33	Old Peoples' Local Committee .. .. .	.. .. .	—
33	Old Peoples' Other Organisations .. .. .	.. .. .	—
—	Old Peoples' Week .. .. .	.. .. .	36	
2,152			3,263	
	GRANT FOR GENERAL PURPOSES:			
2,000	Carnegie United Kingdom Trust .. .. .	.. .. .	2,000	
	OTHER GENERAL INCOME:			
1,540	Subscriptions and Donations .. .. .	.. .. .	2,252	
350	Special Donations .. .. .	.. .. .	500	
371	Loans of Plays and Equipment .. .. .	.. .. .	425	
275	Drama—Affiliation Fees .. .. .	.. .. .	289	
35	Affiliation Fees .. .. .	.. .. .	54	
100	Agency Fees .. .. .	.. .. .	100	
179	Rent—Sub-Letting .. .. .	.. .. .	92	
325	Investment Interest and Dividends .. .. .	.. .. .	349	
280	Interest on Bank Deposit Account .. .. .	.. .. .	449	
—	Lecture and Broadcast Fees .. .. .	.. .. .	35	
—	Marks and Spencer Fashion Show .. .. .	.. .. .	907	
63	Miscellaneous .. .. .	.. .. .	21	
3,518			5,453	
£37,912			£45,643	

