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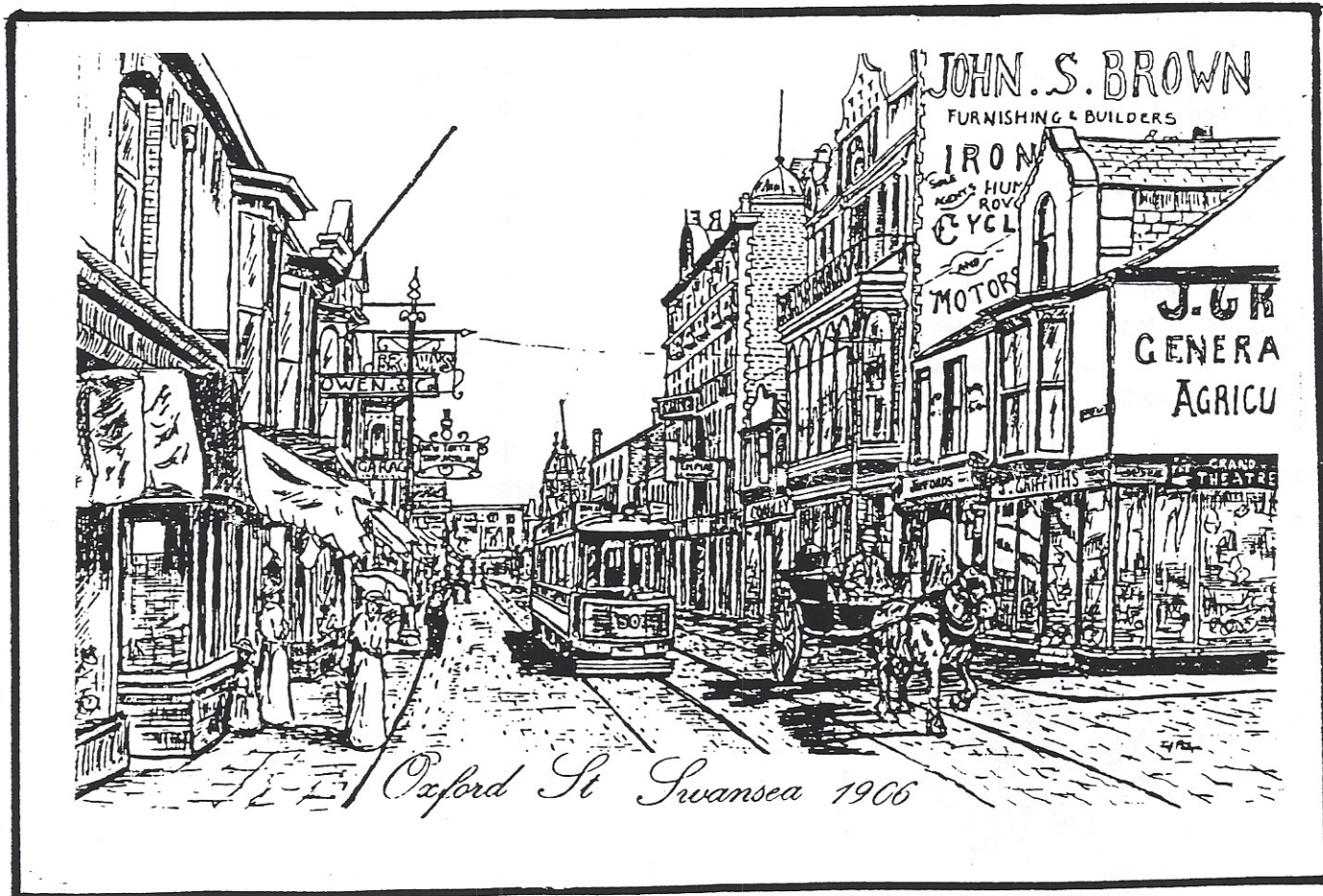


September to October,
1996

Cymdeithas Gymraeg Vancouver

Cambrian News

Welsh Society Newsletter — Cylchgrawn Cymraeg



Drawing by Jeff Phillips

Scientists Find Leftovers From World's First Lunch

(But don't read this while eating your's!)

The Halifax Chronicle Herald, Thursday September 28th, 1995

British scientists said recently that they have discovered the remains of some of the animals worlds' first meals and found that primitive creatures probably ate dirt.

Sorting through 400-million year old deposits, they found tiny pellets of faeces from unknown insects that provide some of the earliest evidence yet of animals eating either plants or the remains of plants.

In a report in the science journal Nature, Dianne Edwards of the University of Wales and colleague said their finds pre-dated similar evidence by 90 million years.

"The assumption that one had a very simple food chain of animals eating plants and then animals eating other animals does not have any evidence in the fossil records," said Edwards who is a paleontologist.

She said the first land animals - creatures similar to today's centipedes and millipedes - first ate plant detritus (also known as dirt) and then each other.

Contributed by Sandra Jones Ireland

CAOBRIAN CIRCLE Singers

Rehearsals for the singers began on the first Friday after the Labour Day Long weekend.

Anyone interested in joining the group, please call Director Nerys Haqq at 278-8978.

Church Service



Regular service is held on the second Sunday of each month at 11:00 a.m. Next service is October 13th. A small luncheon is served afterwards.

(Service is held on same day as Gymanfacedd in Spring and Autumn.)

A notice to confuse tourists visiting the Church of St. Mary the Virgin in Great Bardfield, England: "Upon entering the porch, we are struck by the door".

(From August 1996 edition of Readers' Digest)



VANCOUVER WELSH MEN'S CHOIR

Box 2978, Main Post Office, Vancouver, B.C. V6B 3X4

Saturday, September 28th, Bowen Island Benefit.

Saturday, October 19th, Como Lake United Church, Coquitlam.

WELSH SOCIETY ANNIVERSARY DINNER 1996

RED DRAGON

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5TH

DINNER BEGINS AT 7 P.M.

CATERING BY JORDANS'

TICKETS : \$18 EACH

*call Gwen Tonack at 738-3377 or Gaynor
Owen at 946-4956

Noson Lawen

Saturday, November 2nd 1996 at 8:30 p.m.

Any and all talent is required for this.

If you wish to take part or would like to
M.C. this "merry evening", please contact
Elizabeth Murray at 261-6571.

Fall Hymnfa Hanu

Sunday, November 3rd 1996 at 2 p.m.

Conductor: Rev. John Davies

Accompanist: Enid Lewis

Soloist: Alan Tucker

Please spread the word and bring your
friends. The Church Service will be the same
morning at 11 a.m. and not the second Sunday
as usual.

The Magic Of Steam

The world famous Ffestiniog Railway runs from the sea at Porthmadog 13.5 miles into the mountains at Blaenau Ffestiniog. As the little train pulls away from Porthmadog, the panorama is breathtaking.

To the north the Snowdon range towers over the River Glaslyn whilst on the seaward side, the vista stretches out across Porthmadog Bay on towards Cardigan Bay. Climbing over the divide between the Glaslyn and Dwyryd Valleys, glimpses of both rivers are visible as the train rises higher and higher into the mountains. Then, after tunnelling through the hills and running right by the backs of cottages, the grandeur of the landscape surrounding Blaenau Ffestiniog is reached.

A truly memorable trip, a day out in itself.

There are so many different walks to take from stations all the way along the route and the railway is an unusual way of visiting other attractions nearby such as Portmeirion and Llechwedd Slate Caverns.

The Ffestiniog Railway also plan to reopen the Welsh Highland Railway between Caernarfon and Porthmadog. They have produced a new colour brochure focussing on the project to keep railway enthusiasts and visitors informed about their plans and to encourage public participation and support.

(From "This Week", Welsh tourist newspaper, donated by Gwen & Tony Tonack)

SENDING GREETINGS...

Sending heartfelt good wishes to longtime members Mrs. Olive David, Mrs. Sally Highet, Mrs. May Lievesley and Mr. Ros Thomas - from all their friends in the Welsh Society.



Mulled Wine Evening

Saturday, November 30th

In the Red Dragon

Carol Singing, A Child's Christmas in Wales, Delicious Treats, Music and a Warm, Cheery Atmosphere

Do Join Us!

Of Interest...

See Mead Made

The next time you are back home for a visit, why not take a look at how one of Wales' most popular drinks was made.

A Dee Valley company, established two years ago in the making of traditional-style mead, have found that curiosity has enabled them to open up to the public for viewing the mead-making process. Purchase of the finished product is also available!

(From "This Week", a Welsh tourist newspaper.)

Christmas Dinner Dance 1996

The Red Dragon

Saturday, December 7th

Catering by Jordan's

Music provided by Hot Hit
Productions

Raffles and Door Prizes

Tickets will be on sale after the Anniversary Dinner

Books for Sale

Archivist Margaret Davidson has completed her task of researching the history of the Vancouver Welsh Society and the book she has written to go with it, is now for sale.

Cost for each book is \$7.00 inclusive and is available from members Beverly Thomas at 738-0680 and Gwen Tonack at 738-3377.

The book contains a lot of the interesting history of the Welsh in Vancouver, how the Welsh Society began, who was influential in the past etc. as well as being a fascinating read. Also included are black and white photographs.



Looking Aood!

At last look the renovations for the new kitchen are moving right along.

BRYN TERFEL

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27th 1996

RECITAL, ORPHEUM THEATRE

One of the most sought-after bass-baritones in the world, this gifted Welsh singer adds magic to whatever he sets his voice to.

Critics herald Terfel's recitals as "astounding vocal events," characterizing his sound as "magnificent" and his stage presence as "electrifying".

Order tickets by phone: 683-0222 OR fax: 683-0230

Mail or in person: Suite 500, 845 Cambie Street, Vancouver, V6B 4Z9.

Individual tickets are available as of September 3rd at all Ticketmaster outlets or charge-by-phone at: (604) 280-3311 - there is an extra \$1.00 charge on phone orders.

Folk Dancing News

Resuming practices on Thursday, September 12th at 7:30 p.m.

Gaynor Evans is instructor. Beginners and anyone interested in finding out more about Welsh Folk Dancing are welcome to attend one evening and watch.

General Meetings...are held every second Wednesday in the month, starting at 7:30 p.m.

This year's Annual General Meeting is held on Wednesday, December 11th.

Membership input is valued, so please attend to help us run the Welsh Society smoothly.

The Greynog Press 1923-1996

The above mentioned was the brainchild of two sisters, Gwendoline and Margaret Davies, and was established at their country mansion in Wales in 1923. During the following twenty years the Press established a reputation for producing limited edition books of the highest order and a place alongside the foremost private presses of the day. Reopened in 1978, the Press continues today to produce books entirely under one roof, following traditional methods and winning many accolades.

Women's Auxiliary

The next meeting for the Women's Auxiliary will be on Wednesday, September 18th at starting at noon.

Greetings are sent to any members who absent due to ill health at this time.

Anyone who wishes to join the W.A. at one of their meetings is extended a warm and welcome invitation. All you need to bring with you, is a packed lunch.

The
Dylan Thomas

Festival

(in two parts)



OCT. 25 - 27th, 1996

at the
CAMBRIAN HALL
215 W. 17th Avenue
Vancouver, B.C.

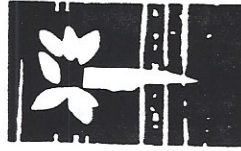
PART I

FRIDAY OCT. 25th
7:30 p.m.
CAMBRIAN HALL

THE LIFE OF DYLAN
THROUGH HIS
POEMS AND PROSE

Presented by:

The visiting
DYLAN THOMAS
SOCIETY
OF GREAT BRITAIN
(SWANSEA, WALES)



COST: \$12

(all proceeds go to the visiting cast)

The performance will be followed
by a social evening at our own
Sailor's Arms.

PART II

SATURDAY OCT. 26th
SUNDAY OCT. 27th

Inaugural Meeting

THE DYLAN THOMAS
CIRCLE OF
VANCOUVER

- A Play of Voices, excerpts from under Milk Wood
- Presentation By Prof. Ralph Maude
- Laugharne Revisited (a slide show)
- Memories of Old Swansea
- Ploughman's Lunch at the Sailor's Arms
- Volunteer readings

COST: \$15 (Annual Membership
of the Dylan Thomas Circle)

*Further information is
available on request.
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	LABOR DAY		EXECUTIVE MEETING		AMERICAN CIRCLE SINGERS PRACTICE BEGINS	RED DRAGON PUB OPEN ON SATURDAYS FROM 8:30pm
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
CHURCH SERVICE CANCELLED THIS MONTH.			GENERAL MEETING	FOLK DANCE PRACTICE BEGINS 7:30 PM		ROSH HASHANAH
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
AUTUMNAL EQUINOX 	YOM KIPPUR					
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			EXECUTIVE MEETING			WASH SOCIETY ANNIVERSARY DINNER (RED DRAGON OPEN AFTER DINNER)
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	GENERAL MEETING	10	11	COLUMBUS DAY RED DRAGON OPEN ON SATURDAYS FROM 8:30PM
CHURCH SERVICE 11 AM	COLUMBUS DAY (OBSERVED) THANKSGIVING (CANADA)					
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
(DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS) PUT YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR!				HALLOWEEN	NOVEMBER (TACHWEDD)	NOSON LAWEN
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
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