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**“Merthyr Express” 30 January 1909**

Cardiff Infirmary A public meeting was held at Nazareth Chapel on Monday night, to consider the best way and means of finding money for the support of the Cardiff Infirmary. Mr. George Thomas, Pleasant View, presided. A committee was formed to deal with the subject, consisting of three members from each place of worship: St. Mary Church: Mr. H. Evans, Brook House; Mr. Alfred Evans and Mr. Charles Payne. Carmel Chapel: Mr. Evan Evans, Mr. Thomas Ballard, Dr. Eleazer Davies, J.P.. Noddfa Chapel: Mr. Thomas Evans, junior, Mr. Walter Walters, and another. Nazareth Chapel: Rev. Isaac Roderick, Mr. William Jones, and Mr. James Lawrence. Mr. Thomas Ballard was appointed secretary.

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**“Merthyr Express” 13 November 1915**

Russian Flag Day A Russian flags day was held at Fochriw on Saturday, the sellers being very busy. A very large number of flags were disposed of.

**“Merthyr Express” 25 December, 1915**

Postcard Day Saturday last was Picture Postcard Day in aid of the National Fund For Welsh Troop. It was observed at Fochriw, when a number of ladies were busy throughout the day selling postcards. Thanks to their untiring efforts, a large number were disposed of.

**“Merthyr Express” 19 February, 1916**

Flags Day A Flag Day in aid of St. John Hospitals, was observed last Saturday. The principal streets of the village were paraded by the Fochriw Brass Band, under the conductorship of bandmaster W. J. Powell. The procession also included the Fochriw Ambulance Brigade under the command of Superintendent W. J. Ballard. A number of ladies were busy throughout the day disposing of flags.

**“Merthyr Express” 10 June, 1916**

Flags Day Flag day was observed at the village last Saturday in aid of the Welsh Hospital at Netley. Several ladies were busy throughout today disposing of flags.

**“Merthyr Express” 29 July 1916**

Jack's Day Jack's Day was observed at Fochriw last Saturday, when a large number of ladies were very busy disposing of flags, flowers, etc., in aid of our brave sailor lads.

**“Merthyr Express” 19 August 1916**

Parade: Prisoners of War Fund Under the auspices of the Cwlwm y Brodoriaeth Lodge of the R.A.O.B., a parade took place on Monday evening, a collection being made en route in aid of the Prisoners Of War Fund. The procession was large, and was headed by a banner bearing the inscription: "Collection in aid of the prisoners of war in Germany. Help the "B-boys." The procession was headed by the Fochriw Brass Band, followed by members of the R.A.O.B., the Fochriw Ambulance Brigade, the Fochriw Fire Brigade, and the Pontlottyn Fire Brigade. A total of £5-12-0 was collected.

**“Merthyr Express” 3 March 1917**

Welsh Flag-Day A flag day was held at Fochriw on Saturday, in aid of the National Fund For Welsh Troops. A large number of ladies were busily engaged throughout today disposing of flags with much success.

**“Merthyr Express” 21 July 1917**

Flag Day A flag day in connection with the Caerphilly Red Cross Hospital was held on Saturday, when a large number of ladies were busy throughout the day selling flags.

**“Merthyr Express” 29 September 1917**

Flag Day Flag Day was observed on Saturday last, when in number of ladies were busily engaged in disposing of flags in aid of our noble ally, Romania.

**“Merthyr Express” 27 October 1917**

Flag Day Flag Day one has a observed at the Fochriw on Saturday in aid of the St. John Ambulance and Red Cross. And number of ladies were busy throughout the day the village disposing of flags.

**“Merthyr Express” 9 March 1918**

Welsh Troops The Flag Day in aid of the Welsh Troops was held at Fochriw on Saturday. Thanks to the organising abilities of Mrs. J. Francis and Mrs. E. Cole Jones, and their gallant band of lady sellers, the sum of about £8 was realised.

**“Merthyr Express” 27 July 1918**

Merthyr Hospital A Flag-Day, in aid of Merthyr General Hospital, was held on Saturday, when a number of ladies were busy disposing of flags and forget-me-nots. The arrangements were ably carried out by Mrs. John Bevan, Martin-street, and the sum realised amounted to £12 13s 3½d.

**“Merthyr Express” 25 September 1920**

Flag-Day Flag Day in aid of the National Institute for the Blind was observed on Saturday last. Miss Kate Davies, Honorary Secretary, had been busy in getting a willing band of young ladies to dispose of the flags. It is hoped that a fine sum has been realised for such a deserving cause.

**“Merthyr Express” 9 October 1920**

Flag Day As a result of the recent Flag Day in aid of the National Institute for the Blind, the sum of £7 was realised.

**“Merthyr Express” 8 October 1921**

Flag Day Tomorrow is the Flag Day in aid of Merthyr General Hospital. Give as much as you can.

**“Merthyr Express” 15 October 1921**

Flag Day Flag-Day in aid of the Merthyr General Hospital was observed at Fochriw on Saturday. The arrangements were carefully prepared by Mrs. John Bevan and Nurse Thomas. They were assisted by a willing band of lady sellers. A sum of over £10 was realised.

**“Merthyr Express” 12 November 1921**

Poppy Day Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, will be observed in the village as Poppy Day, when the sellers will be busy disposing of poppies. It is hoped that everyone will respond when approached in honour of the brave boys who sacrificed so much for us.

**“Merthyr Express” 19 November 1921**

Poppy Day This was celebrated at Fochriw on Friday last, and proved a decided success thanks to the organising ability of Mrs. John Bevan and her noble band of lady helpers. The sum of £14 10s. was realised. After the sale of poppies, the sellers were entertained to an excellent tea provided by Mrs. Bevan. Armistice Day was observed at St. Mary Church with a celebration of Holy Communion at 8:00a.m. The solemn silence was also observed at 11 o'clock in memory of the noble heroes who made the supreme sacrifice.

**“Merthyr Express” 15 November 1924**

Poppy Day On Friday, ladies were busily engaged throughout the day disposing of Flanders' Poppies. They were well received and goodly sum was realised. The effort was successfully organised by Mrs. J. Bevan, Hill House, assisted by Mrs. W.J. Payne, Mrs. J. Lawrence, Misses Elsie Griffiths, Mary Jones, Jessie Thomas, Margery Lewis, Elizabeth A. Jenkins, Rachel Gregory, Phoebe Cole, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. T. Jones and Mr. C. Ballard.

**“Merthyr Express” 21 May 1927**

Hospital Day Last Friday, a number of ladies were busy in disposing of Forget-me-nots in the aid of the Merthyr General Hospital.

**“Merthyr Express” 19 November 1927**

Poppy Day A number of ladies were busy disposing of poppies last Friday. The arrangements were in the capable hands of Guardian Mrs. Bevan, Hill House, and a goodly sum was realised.

Armistice Service At St. Mary Church on Friday morning, a short service and the great two minutes silence was conducted by the Rev. Samuel Evans, Vicar. On Friday evening, the services were continued, when representatives from various bodies were present - ex-Servicemen, the Royal and Ancient Order of Buffaloes, etc. A most inspiring service was conducted by the Vicar. The Rev. W. S. Pontin, Rhymney, preached, choosing as his text "Thou shalt remember."

**“Merthyr Express” 28 April 1928**

Lest we forget! On Friday and Saturday next, the inhabitants will have the opportunity of showing their appreciation for the noble work carried on by the Merthyr General Hospital, when sellers will be busy disposing of forget-me-nots in aid of the Hospital funds. Please help this noble institution.

**“Merthyr Express” 10 November 1928**

Poppy Day Poppy Day will be observed in the village on Friday and Saturday. A United service of remembrance will be held at the Parish Church at 3p.m. on Armistice Day.

**“Merthyr Express” 27 April 1929**

Lest We Forget The inhabitants of the village will have an opportunity on Friday and Saturday next to show their appreciation of that noble institution the Merthyr General Hospital, when sellers will be offering a flower to help their funds. Receive them with a smile, and remember that they are giving their time and labour, not for themselves, but for a worthy cause.

**“Merthyr Express” 4 May 1929**

Merthyr General Hospital On Friday, several ladies were busy selling flowers for the hospital. Considering the bad times in the village, they did fairly well. On Monday, another effort is to be made at the Church Hall, when a whist drive and social will take place.

**“Merthyr Express” 23 November 1929**

Poppy Day The sale of poppies was supervised by Mrs. S. J. Jones. A band of willing workers were busy selling, and a good sum was realised. The sellers were Misses Rosie Davies, Maggie Thomas, Mary Morgan, Gladys Lewis, Iris Edwards, Lilian Way, Nesta Evans, and Jessie Thomas.

**“Merthyr Express” 12 April 1930**

Hospital Next Friday and Saturday, the inhabitants of the village will have an opportunity to show their appreciation of the Merthyr General Hospital, when ladies will be busy selling forget-me-nots.

**“Merthyr Express” 19 April 1930**

Forget-Me-Not Another effort towards the fete in connection with the Merthyr General Hospital was made in the village on Friday, and a goodly sum was realised. The following ladies disposed of the flowers: Misses Rosie Davies, Maggie Thomas, Phillips, Edna Morgan, Olwen Morgan, Lizzie Watkins, Lilian Way, Iris Edwards, Olive Payne, Margaret Harris, Maggie Williams, Doreen Weeks, Jessie Thomas, Nesta Evans, Gladys Lewis, Gwenda Thomas, Mwynwen Jones, Ceinwen Thomas.

### **“Merthyr Express” 25 October 1930**

Hospital The people of Fochriw and district will have an opportunity very soon to show their appreciation of the work done at Merthyr General Hospital, where so many Fochriw people are constantly cared for. A great Christmas draw has been decided upon, with about 50 prizes ranging from vouchers for £5, £4, £3, etc. Fochriw has done well in the past.

Poppy Day In conjunction with the local branch of the British Legion, a meeting was held at the Old Library on Monday. Mrs. S. J. Jones presided. In connection with the selling of poppies for Remembrance Day, Mrs. W. Howells consented to act as treasurer, and Miss Rosie Davies took on the secretarial duties. Mr. D. J. Shankland stated that he had already ordered the necessary poppies, and would be pleased to receive orders for wreaths and sprays which are some of the products made by our disabled ex-servicemen at the poppy factory.

### **“Merthyr Express” 15 November, 1930**

Poppy Day A number of lady sellers were busy on Friday and Saturday disposing of poppies, and splendid results were obtained. To augment funds, the various churches were appealed to for a collection, and each responded. The following were the sellers: Mrs. Howell, Mrs. Thomas, Mrs. S. Jones, Mrs. T. Jones, Misses R. Davies, N. Evans, Jessie Thomas, Iris Edwards, Annie Mills, M. Thomas. Including the sale of poppies, wreaths and Church collections, the sum of £8 15s 3d was realised.

### **“Merthyr Express” 25 April 1931**

Lest We Forget On Friday and Saturday next, readers will have an opportunity to show their appreciation for that noble institution, the Merthyr General Hospital, by buying a flower from the sellers.

### **“Merthyr Express” 2 May 1930**

Flower Day On Friday, a number of ladies were busy disposing of forget-me-nots in aid of the Merthyr General Hospital. Thanks are due to Mrs. W. J. Payne and Mrs. Howell Thomas for organising the sellers, and also to the ladies for selling. The sum of £4 3s 10d was realised. The sellers were Misses Wynda Edwards and Cissie Edwards, Misses Mary Morgan and Nellie Morris, Misses Olive Payne and Phoebe Jones, Misses Rosie Davies, Maggie Thomas and G. Turner, Misses May Cook and Annie Mills, Misses Rosie Williams and Eironwen Richards, Misses Gwyneth Parry and Ceinwen Thomas, Misses M. E. Thomas and Addie Slimmons, Misses Nesta Evans and Ceinwen Cole.

**25 July 1931** Flower Day In aid of the Merthyr Tydfil Institution for the Blind, a very successful flower day was organised, and a number of ladies worked very hard, so that the handsome sum of £3 15s was realised between the Fochriw District and Pantywaun. The following were the officers of the committee: chairman, Mr. J. Lloyd Jones; treasurer, Dr. Williams; secretary and organiser, Mrs. S. J. Jones. The following were the sellers to whom great credit is due: Mrs. S. J. Jones, Mrs. (Dr.) Williams, Misses Rosie Davies & M. Thomas, Mrs. W. A. Thomas, Mrs. D. O. Davies, Mrs. T. Millward, Mrs. T. Rowlands, Miss Eironwen Richards.

**29 October 1932** Lest We Forget Self-denial week in aid of the Blind is being held this week.

**19 November 1932** For The Blind The results are now to hand of the house to house collection in Fochriw and District on behalf of the Merthyr Institution for the Blind. The organiser was Mrs. S. J. Jones, Brynteg. The envelopes were opened in the

presence of Mr. Sam Lewis and Mr. Ieuan Jenkins. The ladies who undertook the collection were as follows: Miss Eiluned Lawrence and Miss Doris Davies; Miss S. Jones and Miss M. Jones; Mrs. Rowlands and Miss M. A. Griffiths; Mrs. Pope and Mrs. Harding; Miss Eironwen Richards. The total collected was £4 5s 11d.

**“Merthyr Express” 17 December 1932 Hospital Effort** Great praise is due to the willing ladies who undertook the selling of prize drawing tickets for the Merthyr General Hospital. Although tickets were sold at the collieries, the splendid sum of £8 4s. was realised in the village, thanks to the organising abilities of Mrs. W. J. Payne (secretary) and Mrs. Howell Thomas (treasurer), and the following band of workers: Mrs. H. Thomas, Mrs. A. Ballard, Mrs. W. J. Payne; Mrs. Pullen and Mrs. C. Ballard; Mrs. O. Richards and Miss Palmer; Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Morgan; Mrs. S. Lee and Mrs. H. Jones; Miss Gladys and Miss Alice Mills; Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Griffin; Mrs. Cissie Evans and Miss Annie Mills; Mrs. C. White and Mrs. T. Jones; Mrs. Palmer and Mrs. S. Jones.

**“Merthyr Express” 18 March 1933**

**Lest We Forget** On Monday next, S.O.S. envelopes will reach every house in the area. Please help again this year. The executive board is struggling with a bank overdraft of £3,000. There is no nobler work than the care of the sick and injured.

**“Merthyr Express” 1 April 1933**

**S.O.S. Appeal** The following the ladies deserve thanks for their efforts in distributing and collecting envelopes on behalf of the Merthyr General Hospital: Mrs. W. J. Payne, Mrs. Howell Davies, Mrs. Bob Rees, Mrs. Sydney Davies, Mrs. S. Davies, Miss E. M. Wilton, Mrs. Arthur Ballard, Miss Rosie Davies, Mrs. G. Llewellyn, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Morgan, Miss Iris Edwards, Miss Rachel Harris, Mrs. David Evans, Miss M. Cook, Mrs. W. Morgan, Mrs. W. Edwards, Mrs. Palmer, Mrs. Mitchell. A total of £7 9s 2d has been raised with a few envelopes still to be returned.

**17 June 1933 Flag Day** The Railway Benevolent Institution Flag Day was observed by the railway people of Fochriw on Friday, and the organisers are pleased to acknowledge the support given, the collectors having been sold out. The collectors were Mrs. M. Lewis and Miss R. Lewis.

**21 April 1934 For The Blind** Thanks to Mrs. S. J. Jones, Awelfan, and a willing band of women workers, the S.O.S. in aid of the blind realised £3 3s 51/2d.

**30 June 1934 Personal Service League** The following ladies were busy on Friday and Saturday last selling flags for the above League: Mrs. Joshua Evans, Mrs. Laurie Parry, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Mills, Mrs. Pullen, Mrs. Wyndham Hughes, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Davies, Mrs. Daiton, Misses Mary Morgan, R. Harris, Jessie Thomas and Nellie White. The organisers were Mrs. Sam Lewis, Mrs. J. L. White, and Mrs. D. Jones.

**1 September 1934 Blind Welfare Week** A meeting in connection with the above was held at the New Hall on Thursday evening last. Mr. J. Lloyd Jones, secretary, explained the object of the meeting was to see if something could be done to help the Blind Welfare Week effort. Mr. W. J. Payne was appointed chairman, and on taking the chair he appealed to all present to give of their best to help financially such a deserving cause. Several schemes were discussed, and it was decided to hold a community singing festival at Carmel Chapel on September 2nd at 7.30 p.m. The conductor will be Mr. Wyndham Lawrence, with Mr. Thomas Walters as organist, and Mr. W. J. Payne as chairman. Mrs. S. J. Jones was appointed treasurer.

**8 September 1934** Efforts For The Blind The community service of song was held at Carmel chapel on Sunday evening in connection with the Merthyr Institute for the Blind. The weather was very bad and marred the attendance. The singing reached a high standard. The chairman thanked the officers of the chapel. A collection was taken on behalf of the Institute.

**21 September 1935** Personal Service Flags A flag day was held on Friday last for the funds of the Personal Service League. It was organised by Mrs. J. L. White, Mrs. S. J. Jones, and Mrs. Sam Lewis (secretary). The sellers were Misses Winnie Evans, Jessie Jones, Dilys Evans, Eirlys Jenkins, Joan Mills, Catherine Jane Williams; Pantywaun: Miss Crump and Miss Morgan. The total receipts were £1 11s..

**5 October 1935** N.S.P.C.C. Collection A house-to-house collection realised £2 7s 8d. The collectors were Misses E. Jones, B. Morris, J. Jones, W. Evans, M. Lewis, K. Williams and E. Thomas. The local secretary is Mrs. M. Jenkins.

**19 October 1935** For The Blind A house-to-house collection organised by Mr. J. Lloyd Jones, assisted by the women's section of the British Legion, resulted in £2 4s 7d being collected. The collection was supervised by: Mesdames A. Jones, A. Morgan, M. E. Thomas, L. Thomas, N. Evans, M. J. Davies, C. Way, B. Evans and R. Lewis.

**8 August 1936** Daffodil Day Daffodil Day, in aid of the League of Nations, took place on Saturday, and raised £1 10s. The organiser was Mrs. S. J. Jones, Brynteg-street, and the following helped: Mrs. Stanley Jones, Mrs. S. Phillips, Misses Wynda Edwards, Nancy Davies, Jessie Jones, Winnie Evans, Mary Morgan, Monica Williams.

**26 September 1936** Flag Day The Personal Service League flag-day was held on Friday. The collection totalled £1 4s 3d.

**31 October 1936** For the Blind The door-to-door collection organised by Mrs. S. J. Jones resulted in £2 4s 10d. being raised for the Merthyr Institute for the Blind. The collectors were: Fochriw, Mrs. Sheen, Misses Jessie Thomas, Eirlys Jenkins, Phoebe Davies, Monica Williams; Pentwyn, Miss Megan Pope and Lettuce Lewis; Penybanc, Mrs. Morgan.

**13 February 1937** N.S.P.C.C. A house-to-house collection was made last week in aid of funds. This collection was the best yet made in the village. The officers and members of the local committee wish to thank those who were contributed. The total collected was £4 14s 11d. The collectors were: Mrs. J. Lawrence and Mrs. Pugh; Mrs. S. J. Jones and Mrs. S. Lewis; Mrs. M. Davies and Mrs. C. Way; Mrs. I. Cumpstone and Miss Matthews; Miss W. Adams-Jones and Miss M. Jones; Miss Rosie Davies.

**15 May 1937** Coronation Emblems Emblem Day in aid of the British Legion and the Merthyr General Hospital took place on Friday and Saturday. The organisers were Mrs. S Phillips and Mrs. W. J. Payne. The sellers were: Mesdames S. & T. Jones, Richards, Smith, Phillips, Davies, Morgan, G Williams, Taylor, Miss Maureen Lewis, Kathleen Williams, Hannah Mantle, Doris Morgan, Mrs. L. Thomas and Mrs. Adams.

**14 August 1937** League of Nations "Daffodil Day" in connection with the League of Nations Union was organised by Mrs. S. J. Jones. Assistance was rendered by Misses Thelma Thomas, Edna Jones, Winnie Evans, Jessie Jones, Catherine Williams, Mills, Ethel Rowlands and Mrs. L. A. Smith. The amount collected was £1 7s 6d.

**21 May 1938** Daffodil Day Under the auspices of the League of Nations Union, sellers were busy on Saturday disposing of daffodils. The organiser was Mrs. S. J.

Jones. The sellers were: Pentwyn and Penybank, Miss Mary Jennet Evans and Miss Patricia Small; Upper Fochriw, Mr. Lily Thomas and Miss Esther M. Pugh; Aelybryn district, Miss Maureen Lewis and Miss Eileen Simpson; Brynteg district, Miss Winnie Evans and Miss Jenny Morgan. The amount realised was £1 12s 7d.

**8 October 1938** For The Blind A house-to-house collection in aid of the Merthyr and Mid-Wales Institution for the Blind has been carried out due in the last two weeks. The organiser was Mrs. Sam Lewis, who wishes to thank the public for their support. The following were responsible for distributing and collecting envelopes: Mesdames E. Rowlands, C. Shankland, C. Oliver, L. Evans, W Hollister, Misses C. Jones, R. Davies, A. Mills, L. Mills, B. Simpson, Sybil Jones and Mr. T. Rowlands. The collections were: Brynteg: £1 1s; Guest-street and Martin-street: 17s 1d; Pentwyn and Pit-row: 11s 4d; Pleasant-view, Morris-row and Villas: 9s 3d; Penybank: 9s 1d; Aelybryn: 7s 5d; Dynevor-street: 6s; Brook-row and Council Houses: 2s 1d. Total £4 3s 3d.

**21 October 1939** For The Blind A house-to-house collection has been made in Fochriw for the Blind. The organisers were Mrs. Sam Lewis and Mrs. W. J. Payne, assisted by Misses Rosie Davies and E. Morgan, Mrs. Pope, Mrs. Doris Morgan, Mrs. W Adams Jones, Mrs. T. Walters, Mrs. T. Rowlands, Mrs. C. Shankland, Mrs. R. Price, Mrs. J. Lawrence, Mrs. I. Cumpstone, Mrs. Fox, Mrs. Lloyd, Mr. Griffith Jones. The sum of £4 18s. was realised. The organisers have received a letter from Mr. Bert Fisher, Merthyr, thanking the public for the support.

**5 October 1940** For The Blind A house to house a collection was made at Fochriw during last week, when the organisers were Mrs. S. Lewis and Mrs. W. J. Payne. The collectors were: Mesdames Way, Fox, I. Cumpstone, B. Cumpstone, Price, H. Jones, S. Lewis, W. J. Payne, B. Jones, A. Mantle, W. Hollister Misses R. Davies, E. Morgan, E. Evans, I. Thomas, C. Jones. The sum of £4 19s. was realised.

**2 August 1941** National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children On Friday last, a flower day was organised under the auspices of the N.S.P.C.C. The following ladies were busy disposing of emblems: Mesdames M. Davies and Way, £1 5s 7d; Lawrence and Davies, £1 3s 3d; S. Lewis & T. Thomas, 19s 2d; Mrs. Monelly and Miss Evans-Jones, 17s 6d; total £4 5s 6d. Mrs. Matthews is secretary, and Mrs. M. Jenkins, treasurer.

**4 October 1941** Help the Blind The house-to-house collection for the Merthyr Tydfil and Mid-Wales Institution for the Blind was carried out during the past week. The organiser was Mrs. S. Lewis, assisted by the following collectors: Mesdames I. Cumpstone, B. Cumpstone, C. Shankland, T. Rowlands, N. Evans, R. Price, H. Jones, S. Jones, B. Rees, S. Lewis, and Misses C. Jones, E. Morgan and R. Davies. Collections: Aelybryn district - 17s 4d; Brynteg - £1 9s 2d; Council Houses - 17s 8½d; Guest-street - 13s 6d; Martin-street - 12s; Pentwyn and Pit-row - 12s 1½d; Penybank - 7s 2d; total £5 18s.

on Friday at Pentwyn and Penybank. The organiser was Mrs. Stanley Jones. £1 16s was realised.

**25 October 1941** Flag Day In aid of the Lord Mayor's Distress Fund, a flag day was held

**27 December 1941** Help for Russia A collection organised by the National Council for Labour in aid of the Help For Russia Fund, took place on Friday. Collectors were members of the W.V.S. and the collections were as follows: Brynteg district - Mrs. E.



G. Rees & Mrs. B. Morgan - £2 7s 6d; Caeglas district - Mrs. M. Watkins & Miss C. Sahnkland - £2 5s 6d; Brook-row dsitric - Mrs. P. M. Jones & Mrs. W. K. Evans - £1 13s 6d; Aelybryn district - Mrs. C. Way & Mrs. M. Jones - £1 8s; Pentwyn district - Mrs. A. Jones & Mrs. F. E. Lewis - £1 10s; Penybank - Mrs. A. Morgan - 10s 6d; total £9 15s. The organisers were: Fochriw - Mrs. M. Jenkins; Pentwyn and Penybank - Mrs. A. Jones. They wish to thank all for the splendid response.

**9 May 1942** British and Foreign Bible Society Result of Collection: Mesdames Evans & A. Wright - £1 13s. 2d.; Miss & Mrs. R. Rees - £1 19s.; Messrs. J. Lawrence & B. Davies - £2 11s. 2½d.; Misses R. Davies & E. Morgan - 9s 7d.; Pentecostal Church - £1 1s.

**9 May 1942** Dr. Barnardo's Homes The house-to-house collections resulted as follows: Mrs. W. Edwards & Mrs. C. Perkins, £1 14s 9½d; Mrs. T. Rowlands, 14s 6½d; Mrs. C. Shankland, 11s 2d; Mesdames I. & B. Cumpstone, 16s. 10d.; Misses Betty and Ray Farley, £1 4s 11d; Misses R. Davies & E. Morgan, 7s 9d; total £5. The organiser was Mrs. G. Walters, Glyn-terrace.

**20 June 1942** Flag Day The flag day in aid of the St. John and Red Cross funds took place on Friday. The organiser was Supt. Tom Evans of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, and the sellers were Messrs. Tom Evans, Dd. Mantle, Dan James, Tom Thomas, S. James, D. Evans, V. Llewellyn and G. Williams. The sum of £3 13s 6d was realised, and the organiser wishes to thank all for their support.

**20 June 1942** N.S.P.C.C. A flower day collection was held on the 30<sup>th</sup> ult., when £3 15s 6d was collected, which makes a splendid addition to the local funds. A letter from headquarters has been received thanking all who gave valuable support to the funds. Those who sold emblems were Mesdames I. Cumpstone, G. Jones, G. Walters, T. Evans, C. Way and D.J. Jenkins.

**25 July 1942** District Nursing Association The contributions for the year 1941-42, and the special effort, amounted to £3 19s 8d. The collectors were Mesdames P. Jones and Way, Miss Mair Morgan, Mrs. T. Pugh, Miss A. Lawrence and Mrs. J.M. Lawrence. The organiser for the special effort was Mrs. J.M. Lawrence, Emlyn House.

**29 August 1942** For the Blind A house-to-house collection in aid of the Merthyr Tydfil and Mid-Wales Institute for the Blind was carried out last week. The collectors were: Mesdames I. & Bert Cumpstone, T. Rowlands, C. Shankland, W.J. Payne, S. Lewis, B. Rees, Harry Jones, Misses C. Jones, Eliz. Evans, Master Irfon Davies; Pentwyn and Penybank: Mesdames S. Jones, A. Morgan & Miss Iris Morgan. Collections: Pentwyn & Penybank - 1-3s-6½d; Aelybryn - 1; Council Houses & Pleasant View - 1-0s-9d; Guest-street - 16s-3½d; Brynteg district - 1-17s-4d; Dynevor-street - 13s-3d; Martin-street - 13s-10d; total - £7-5s. Thanks are given to the organiser, collectors and public for their splendid response.

**12 December 1942** For Red Cross On Friday, a flag day was held in aid of the Red Cross and St. John Prisoners of War fund, when the sum of £10 12s was realized. The flag sellers were members of the Fochriw W.V.S.

**24 April 1943** Flag Day A flag day in aid of the Welsh Services Club was held in the village on Friday. The sellers were members of the Women's Voluntary Service.

**15 May 1943** Dr. Barnardo's Homes A house-to-house collection was carried out during the past week and £6 7s was realised. The collectors were Mesdames James Lawrence, P. Cumpstone, Phyllis Jones, I. Cumpstone, Joshua Evans, Sam Lewis, L.G.

Jones, Misses E. Morgan, R. Davies, Betty Jones, E. Evans, Leslie Hollister. Mrs. Sam Lewis was the organiser. Thanks are given to the collectors and public for their support.

**5 June 1943** Penny-A-Week Fund The annual collection of the Penny-a-Week Fund of the Fochriw branch of the Pontlloftyn and District Nursing Association, amounted to £9 4s 9d. The organiser was Mrs. J.M. Lawrence, and the collectors were Mesdames W. Pearce, T. Thomas, J.M. Lawrence, T. Pugh, Misses A. Lawrence, M. Williams and L. Mantle.

**24 July 1943** For The Blind A house-to-house collection in aid of the Blind Institute was held last week. The collectors were Mesdames T. Rowlands, I. Cumpstone, B. Cumpstone, C. Shankland, B. Angell, Harry Jones, Sam Lewis, P. Cumpstone, Misses E. Morgan, R. Davies, C. Jones, M. Jones, Betty Jones, Eliza Evans and Leslie Hollister. The sum of £7 13s 6d was realised. Mrs. Sam Lewis, the organiser, wishes to thank the public and collectors for their response.

**8 April 1944** "Aid To China" Flag Day The committee wish to thank all who helped to make the flag day on Friday last a success. The following disposed of the flags: Fochriw – Mrs. W. Evans, Mrs. E. Thomas, Misses M. Ballard, E. Evans (organizer, Mrs. M. Jenkins) £3 8s 11d; Pentwyn and Penybank – Mrs. G. Bengough, Mrs. E. Llewellyn (organizer, Mrs. Llewellyn) £1 4s 3d; Pantywaun – Misses Gwyneth Thomas and Mary Ralph (organizer, Mrs. E.D. Jones) 6s 8d.

**13 May 1944** Dr. Barnardo's Homes An envelope collection on behalf of Dr. Barnardo's Homes was carried out during the week, April 28th. The collectors were: Mesdames I. Cumpstone, R.M. Cumpstone, G. Mantle, Joshua Evans, K. Ficher, D. Brown, S. Lewis, Misses Rose Davies, Doris Davies, Mavis Jones, Betty Jones, Aranwy Jones, Lettie Hollister. The organiser was Mrs. Sam Lewis. The sum of £6 11s 6d was realised. The committee thank the collectors and public for their response.

**24 June 1944** Flag Day A flag day was held on Friday in aid of the Red Cross and St. John Joint War Organisation. The sellers were Misses B. Rees, R.M. Cumpstone, L. Thomas, E. Harris, B. Angell, M.A. Lewis, R. Fox, O. Thomas, M. Davies, L. Evans, M. Lawrence, G. Bengough, Miss S. Jones, Mair Morgan and D. Pullen. The organisers were Mrs. A. Ballard and Mr. Tom Evans, who thank all who helped. The sum of £7 was realised.

**1 July 1944** Annual Collections The British and Foreign Bible Society have held their annual collection. The collectors were: Mr. Thos. Ballard and Mr. John Davies, £3 3s 3d; Mrs. E. Lewis and Mrs. E. Mathews, £2 5s 4d; Mr. Richard Jones, £1 8s 9d; Mrs. Mantle and Mrs. G. Wright, £1 2s 7d; gift from Full Gospel Mission, £1 1s; total £9 1s 4d. The secretary is Mr. T.J. James, and the treasurer, Coun. S. Lewis, J.P., who wish to thank all for the splendid response.

**8 July 1944** Flag Day Mrs. G. Llewellyn, Pentwyn Farm, organiser for the Toc H flag day, had received a letter from the secretary at Bargoed, expressing thanks for the able way she and her helpers assisted in making the flag day the success it was. The following are the collections: Upper Fochriw district, Miss Doreen Pullen, 19s 9½d & 10s 10d; Pentwyn & Penybank, Mrs Bengough & Miss Tyler, £1 1s 6d; below bridge district, Mrs. A. Wright & Mrs. M. Mantle, £1 8s 10d; total £4 0s 11½d. Mrs. Llewellyn wishes to thank the collectors and all who assisted, together with the public for their support.

**22 July 1944** Y.M.C.A. Flag Day The proceeds of the recent flag-day in aid of the Y.M.C.A. amounted to £5 1s 9d. The sellers were Mrs. W.K. Evans and Mrs. R. Parry, 19s 9d; Mrs. B. Angell and Miss E. Angell, 11s 7d; Mrs. L. Thomas and Mrs. B. Harris, 13s 8½d; Mrs. M. James and Mrs. M. Jenkins, £1 13s 4d. At Pentwyn the sellers were Mrs. David Pullen and Miss Doreen Pullen, £1 3s 11½d. The organizers Mrs. S. Llewellyn and Mrs. M. Jenkins wish to thank the collectors and all who assisted for their support.

**25 November 1944** Flag Day Result Pontlloftyn and District Nursing Associations' flag day was organized in Friday in Fochriw by Mrs. J.M. Lawrence. Sellers were Mesdames J.M. Lawrence, T. Pugh, Gower, Williams and Miss Nan Evans. The amount realized was £3 13s 3d.

**13 January 1945** Red Cross Efforts Very creditable results of the efforts of Fochriw Red Cross Committee were given by the secretary at the meeting held recently. The collections were begun in July 1943 and during the months July - December, 1943, the total sum collected was £41 0s 7d. From January to December 1944, the sum of £125 9s 6d was realised, making a total of £166 10s 1d. for the period since the commencement of the collections. Credit is due to the collectors for their steady periodical collections for this most worthy cause. The secretary is Mrs. A. Ballard and the treasurer Mrs. E. Cumpstone.

**17 February 1945** Red Cross Penny-a-Week in London During January, Londoners contributed £48,200 to the Red Cross Penny-a-Week Fund.

**10 March 1945** Red Cross The amount collected towards the Red Cross for February was £10 3s 3d. The committee wish to thank the collectors and contributors for their work. The secretary is Mrs. M.A. Ballard, with Mrs. E. Cumpstone as treasurer.

**7 April 1945** Barnardo Day A house-to-house collection for the Barnardo Day Fund was held last week. The collectors were Mesdames L. Cumpstone, C. Shankland, T. Rowlands, S. Lewis, J. Fisher, B. Angell, J. Lewis, Misses M. & A. Jones, R. Davies, Betty Jones and Elsie Davies. The sum collected was £6 12s, and the collection was organized by Mrs. Sam Lewis.

**12 May 1945** Red Cross Fund During the month of April, the sum of £8 1s 5½d was collected for the Red Cross Penny-a-week Fund. The proceeds from the performance given by the Pontlloftyn Melody Makers amounted to £22, and a donation of £1 1s. was received from the Fochriw Ambulance Corps. A letter of appreciation has been received from Mrs. Etherington Smith, secretary.

**26 May 1945** Hospital Appeal As a result of the S.O.S. in aid of Merthyr General Hospital, £11 1s. was realised. Coun. W. J. Payne, organiser, wishes to thank collectors and public for their support. Collectors and amounts were as follows: Mrs. T. Thomas, £1 11s 2½d; Mrs. Millward, £1 9s; Mrs. G. Davies, £1 3s 6d; Mrs. L. Thomas, £1 0s 5d; Mrs. Lewis, 19s 2d; M. Ralph and G. Thomas, 18s; Mrs. T. Lawrence, 17s 10d; Mrs. S. James, 17s 7d; Mrs. Price, 17s 1d; Mr. Ballard, 10s 6½d; Mrs. Coggan, 7s 6½d; Mrs. Flewett, 5s 9½d; Mrs. Watkins 3s 5d.

**2 June 1945** Forces Flag Day A flag day on behalf of the S.S.A.F.A. was organised on Friday last throughout the village. The collectors were: Mrs. W. Edwards and Mrs J. Harding, £1 4s; Mrs. F. Lewis, 12s 1d; Mrs. Jenny Williams and Miss Margaret Rowlands, 18s 6½d; Mrs. Tom Thomas, 10s 1d; Mrs. L. Thomas, 7s 8d; Misses Jean Slimmon and Betty Fox, 7s 10d; Mrs. Angell, 5s 8½d; Misses M. Ralph and G.

Thomas, 7s 1d; total £5 5s 3d. The organizer, Coun. W.J. Payne, wishes to thank all who helped in any way.

**16 June 1945** Flag Day In aid of the Red Cross and St. John, a flag day was held over the weekend, when the following assisted: Mesdames R.M. Cumpstone, E. Rees, B. Angell, G. James, C. Way, P. Jones, L. Evans, G.M. Lawrence, G. Bengough, M. Tyler. The amount realized was £4 15s 9d. The organisers were Mrs. Ballard and Mr. Tom Evans, who wish to thank all who helped in any way.

**30 June 1945** Personal The name of Miss Millie Williams was omitted from the list of collectors for the Nursing Association in last week's report.

**28 July 1945** Cancer Campaign The following ladies undertook the distribution and collection of the British Empire Cancer Campaign envelopes: Mesdames Shankland and Fox, £1 15s 11/2d; Mrs. J. Davies, £1 5s 9d; Mrs. Price, £1 4s 71/2d; Mrs. E. Matthews, £1 3s; Mrs. Thomas, 19s 01/2d; Mrs. Lewis, 15s 4d; Mrs. Ralph and Thomas, 14s 5d; Mrs. Coggan, 12s 31/2d; Mrs. P. Jones, 11s 01/2d; Mrs. M.A. Ballard, 14s 11/2d; Mrs. Harding, 6s 2d; total £10 0s 11d. Coun. W.J. Payne (organiser) wishes to thank the collectors and contributors for their support.

**15 September 1945** Mile of Pennies Organised by the Comforts Fund and Welcome Home Fund, a mile of pennies was held on Friday and a good sum was realised. Mrs. D. Jenkins was chairman, and Mrs. T. Evans the secretary.

**20 October 1945** Bible Society The British and Foreign Bible Society's annual house-to-house collections were: Aelybryn, Mr. Thos. Ballard and Mr. John Davies, £3 10s; Penybank, Mr. Cliff Golden and Mr. T. Elfed Davies, £1 11s 2d; Brynteg, Mrs. Gwenfil James, £1 8s 6d; Caeglas, Mrs. Matthews and Mrs. E. Lewis, £1 15s 5d; total £8 17s 8d. The committee thank the collectors and supporters for their services and gifts.

**2 March 1946** Street Collection The sum of £3 12s 6d. was realised in aid of the National Children's Homes and Orphanage as a result of the recent street collection. The local secretary wishes to thank the villagers and collectors for their help. The collectors were Man Jones, Millie Williams, Violet Abbey and Amy Thomas.

**25 May 1946** Flag Day The sum of £4 4s 6d. was raised by the sale of flags in aid of the Pontllytyn and District Nursing Association. The sellers were Mrs. M. Watkins, Mrs. E. Matthews, Miss L. Mantle, Miss C. Woods, Miss J. Sullivan. The Association thanks helpers and others who supported the effort. The organiser was Mrs. J.M. Lawrence.

**8 June 1946** Flag Day On Friday, a flag day was organised in aid of the Soldiers', Sailors and Airmen's Families Association. The following were the sellers: Mrs. M.H. Morgan and Miss M. Rowlands; Mrs. G. Williams and Mrs. C. Shankland; Mrs. E. Matthews; Miss N. Palmer & Miss V. Pegg; Mrs. Lewis; Misses E. Morgan & E. Davies; Misses Mary & Maureen Ralph. The sum of £4 5s 1d was realised.

**24 August 1946** Cancer Campaign As a result of the envelope collection, £8 was collected. The following ladies were responsible for the effort: Brynteg district, Mesdames A. Ballard and T. Rowlands, £1 15s 9d; Aelybryn district, Mrs. Fox & Miss Betty Fox, £1 3s 10d; Pentwyn, Mesdames S. Jones & S. Pullen, £1 1s 6d; Martin-street district, Miss Rosie Davies, 15s 10d; Pantywaun, Misses Mary & Noreen Ralph, 14s 6d; Guest-street district, Mrs. J. Matthews, 13s 2d; Cwmbargoed, Mrs. Evans, 11s 8d; Dynevor-street district, Misses Elsa Morgan & E. Davies, 9s 5d; Brook-row & Council

Houses, Mrs. M.H. Morgan. 8s 4d; Penybank, Mr. J. Evans, 6s. The organiser, Mr. W.J. Payne, thanks all for their co-operation.

**31 August 1946** Aid to China The result of the Aid to China Flag Day, organised by Councillors S. Lewis and W.J. Payne, resulted in a collection of £3 1s 5d. The collectors were: Mesdames M. Lawrence, L. Evans, D. Brown, A. Davies, Rowlands, Llewellyn, Misses Betty Fox, Pullen and Mr. E.D. Jones.

**2 November 1946** Mayoress of Merthyr's Appeal for the Blind Institute In aid of the appeal, the Fochriw Youth Centre held a dance, music being provided by the Fochriw Silver Band. The event raised £11 4s 9d, and in addition, there was a donation of £1 1s. from the band, whose conductor is Mr. A. Mantle. The M.C's were H. Owen and C. Cumpstone, assisted by Mrs. Stuart Davies. The prize winner was Mr. Howell Lewis. The officials were the warden and vice-warden of the centre, Mr. H. Owen and Miss Enid Davies. Refreshments were served by Miss Enid Davies. The band secretary is Mr. J. J. Lewis.

**4 January 1947** Poppy Day The sum of £18 5s 4d was realised. Thanks are extended to the sellers and helpers. The organiser was Mrs. H. Lloyd Farley.

**2 August 1947** Hospital S.O.S. As a result of the S.O.S. for Merthyr General Hospital, the sum of £7 13s was realised. The organiser was Mrs. W.J. Payne, who thanks all collectors and public for their response.

**8 November 1947** Aid to China Fund The result of the Flag Day was that a total of £3 4 6d was realised. The collectors were Misses Enid Cumpstone and Elsa Morgan; Miss Betty Fox; Mesdames J. Lawrence and E. Davies; Mrs. J.J. Llewellyn and Misses M. Taylor and M. Morgan; Mr. E.D. Jones. The organisers were Councillors S. Lewis and W.J. Payne, who wish to thank all for their support.

**3 January 1948** Poppy Day The Fochriw British Legion result of Poppy Day, inclusive of collection, Ogilvie and Goesfaen Collieries, Penybank, Pentwyn, Pantywaun and Fochriw, realised £16 17s 6d. The organiser was Mrs. H. Lloyd Farley, who thanks all sellers, helpers and members of the public for their support.

**28 February 1948** Children's Home The sum of £4 10s. was sent to the National Children's Home as a result of the recent house-to-house collection. The secretary, Miss E. Ballard, wishes to thank all collectors – Miss Esther Matthews, Miss Betty Fox, Miss Margaret Ballard, and to the residents for their interest in the cause.

**1 May 1948** Maternity Home In aid of the Maternity Home, the women were busy of Friday when a "mile-of-pennies" was organised and the public made a splendid response. The sum of £12 17s was realised. The next effort is the house-to-house collection, which will be made on Friday.

**5 June 1948** Flag Day In aid of S.S.A.F.A., a flag day was held. A sum of £3 10s 1d was realised. The sellers were Mrs. Fox, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Coggan, Mrs. Davey, Mrs. Edwards, Misses Shirley Lawrence, Ray Hurley, Betty Fox, Sylvia Evans, Lorna Rees, Dora Cumpstone, Jean Wood, Eileen Millward.

**17 July 1948** Maternity Home As a result of the Mile of Pennies, the sum of £10 was realised for which the officers wish to thank the ladies at the tables and public for their generous support. Officers: chairman, Coun. Payne; treasurer, Coun. S. Lewis, J.P; secretary, Mrs. M. Jenkins; assistant secretary, Miss M. Jones.

**13 November 1948** Poppy Day The local Poppy Day organiser wishes to thank sellers and the public for their loyal support again this year.

**18 June 1949** For "National" A mile of pennies effort was made in the district in connection with the 1950 National Eisteddfod to be held at Caerphilly. £9 10s 3d was realised. The following officers wish to thank the public for their ready response: chairman, Coun. S. Lewis, J.P.; secretary, Miss Bessie Ballard; treasurer, Mr. Emlyn Evans, Post Office.

**24 September 1949** Flag Day The flag day held in Fochriw in support of The Soldiers', Sailors' and Airmen's Families Association realised £3 16s. The organiser was Mrs. W.J. Payne. The collectors were: Mrs. T. Lawrence and Mrs. I. Cumpstone; Miss Pat Newman and Miss Yvonne Davies; Mrs. W. Foz; Miss Sheila Lewis and Miss N. Jones; Mrs. G. Mantle; Miss Shirley Lawrence and Miss Ray Hurley.

**7 January 1950** Poppy Day As a result of Poppy Day efforts for Fochriw and district the sum of £10 11s. 6d. was realised. The organiser was Mrs. H. L. Farley, who wishes to thank all for their kind support.

**10 June 1950** S.S.A.F.A. Flag Day The annual flag day in aid of the Soldiers, Sailors & Airmen Families Association was held on Friday. The organiser, Mrs. W.J. Payne, wishes to thank the sellers and the public for their support. The following sums were realised: Shirley Lawrence and Pat Brown, £1 0s 3d; Lorna Rees and Pat Sullivan, 19s; Jean Price and Audrey Dummett, 11s 4 1/2d; Maureen Ralph and Mary Jones, 10s 3 1/2d; Ray Hurley and Jean Paul, 7s 3 1/2d; Sheila Lewis and Evelyn Jones, 5s 4 1/2d; total, £3 13s 7d.

**24 March 1951** Flag Days In aid of the Lord Mayors Thanksgiving Fund, flag days were held on Friday and Saturday, when the following ladies were busy disposing of flags: Mrs. A. Jones, Mrs. W. Davies, Mrs. Rowlands, Mrs. S. Evans, Shirley Lawrence, Pat Brown, Jean Paul, Dona Marshallsea, Jean Williams, Evelyn Jones.

**12 May 1951** Flag Day In aid of the Playing Fields, a Flag Day was held on Friday, organised by Coun. Sam Lewis, J.P., who wishes to thank all who supported it. The total was £3 7s 3d.

**2 June 1951** N.S.P.C.C. A flower day collection was made on Thursday when the sellers were Mesdames A. Evans, G. Jones, J. Lawrence, M. Davies, L. & M. Evans, G. Edwards, M. A. Ballard, A. Davies, D. Jones, Misses E. Evans & L. Jenkins. The amount collected was £4 14s.. The president, Mrs. A. Evans, and the secretary of the local branch, Mrs. M. Jenkins, thank all collectors and the public for their response.

**6 October 1951** Dr. Barnardo's Homes The recent house-to-house collection raised £6. The collectors were: Mesdames Wright, Mantle, G. Edwards, L. Evans, M. Watkins, C. Shankland, E. Matthews, G. Pearce, Misses E. Evans, N. Jones, L. Rees. The organiser was Mrs. T. J. Jones.

**24 November 1951** Poppy Day Results The Women's Section of the British Legion (Fochirw Branch) organised a Poppy Day on Friday last week. Collectors were Mesdames J. Harding, Jean Hughes, Dwynwen Thomas, S. Davies, E. Jones, Audrey Hollister, Jean Paul, Mary Jones, Jessie A. Davies, Phyllis Hughes. Sum realised: Church collection 10s; sale of poppies £5 1s 2d. The organiser was Mrs. J. Harding.

**1 November 1952** Dr. Barnardo's Homes The house to house collection for Dr. Barnardo's Homes realised £5 0s 4d. The collectors were Mrs. G. Edwards and Mrs. L. Evans, £1 12s; Miss E. Evans, 15s 3d; Miss Jessie A. Davies and Miss Mary Jones, 15s; Mrs. E. Jones and Miss C. Shankland, 10s; Miss N. Jones, Pentwyn, 12s 10d; Mrs. E. Matthews, 9s 7d; Mrs. G. Jones, 5s 8d. The organiser was Mrs. Doris Davies Jones.

**22 November 1952** Poppy Day Collections Poppy Day collections realised £7 2s 7d. Owing to the illness of the organiser, Mrs. Harding, Mrs. G. Edwards carried out the arrangements. The following ladies made house-to-house collections: G. Williams & Games, Aelybryn, £2 0s 5d; Mesdames Shankland, Lloyd, Smith & S. Davies, Upper Fochriw, £2 1s 9d; Mrs. G. Edwards & Mrs. Powell, Brynteg, £1 14s 9d; Mrs. G. Edwards and Miss S. Evans, Pentwyn, £1 5s 8d. Mrs. Edwards wishes to thank all who made the appeal a success.

**26 September 1953** Dr. Barnado's Homes The recent house-to-house collection realised £5 12s 11d. The collectors were: Mesdames I. Jones, D. Jones, G. Edwards, L. Evans, E. Jones, and Misses C. Shankland, G. Evans, E. Matthews and N. Jones. The organiser was Mrs. D. Davies-Jones.

**18 December 1954** N.S.P.C.C. Collection The house-to-house collection made on behalf of the N.S.P.C.C. realised £11 12s 10d. The collectors were: Mrs. Morgan and Mrs. G. James - "New Estate;" Mrs. G. Wright - Aelybryn; Mrs. J. Lawrence - Pleasant View; Mrs. M. Evans - Station Terrace; Mrs. G. Edwards - Brynteg; Mrs. L. Evans - Glyn Terrace; Mrs. A. Davies - Railway Terrace; Mrs. T. Llewellyn - Guest Street; Mrs. M. Lewis - Dynevor Street; Miss E. Evans - Martin Street. The hon. Secretary of the local branch is Mrs. M. Jenkins. Thanks to all collectors and those who contributed so generously.

**1 January 1955** All the World's Children Collection As a result of the collection in the village, the sum of £10 10s 6d was realised. The collectors were: S. James, D. Morgan, W. Evans, G. Williams, M. H. Morgan, L. Jones, Nurse Ballard Davies, R. Thomas, W. Pearce, M. H. Morgan, L. Evans, M. A. Lewis, M. Evans, G. Lawrence, Miss O. Payne, G. Jones, G. Burrows and Rouse. The organiser was Miss Maria Jones, assisted by Nurse M. Lewis, who wish to thank all collectors, and those who gave so generously.

**29 January 1955** Barnardo's Collection The recent collection for the Dr. Barnardo's Fund realised the sum of £9 10s. The organiser was Miss M. Lewis.

**12 March 1955** United Nations Children's Fund As a result of a house-to-house collection at Penybank and Pentwyn in aid of the U.N. Children's Fund, the sum of £4 1s. was realised. The collectors were Mrs. E. Davies & Mrs. Prouse.

**30 July 1955** Ambulance Flag Day The officers and members of the Fochriw Ambulance Division wish to thank all who took part in the recent flag-day collection. The sellers were as follows: Llwyn Iago Estate, Misses Margaret Morris and Jeanette Burrows; Aelybryn etc., Misses Joyce Evans & Mary Cumpstone; Brynteg etc., Miss Ann Ballard, Mrs. Yvonne Davies; Cae-glas, Miss Ann Morris, Mrs. Eunice Jones; Penybank, Gordon Evans, Mansel Evans.

**10 September 1955** For the Blind A house-to-house collection in aid of the Sunshine Home for Blind Children was made recently. Collectors were: Mrs. Sheen, Miss E. Evans, Miss Shirley Lawrence, Miss Sylvia Evans, Miss Betty Fox, Miss Lorna Rees, Mrs. Jones, Miss Margaret Morgan, Mrs. O. Williams, Miss Anthea Watkins, Mrs. Price, Mrs. Small. The total collected was £10 2s 10d. Mrs. Evans, the organiser, wishes to thank all for their support.

**18 February 1956** Collected by Children The amount of £10 14s 4d was recently collected for Dr Barnardo's Day Fund by the following children: Mary Price, Theresa Mantle, Linda Pugh, Jean Davies, Janice Lawrence, May Davies, Malvina Pugh, Ruth

Jenkins, David Price, Sandra Gardener, Rosemary Evans, Sandra Marshallsea, Angela Owen, Anette Jones, Huw Watkins. A certificate has been received by the organiser acknowledging the receipt of the money, along with a letter of thanks for the effort made. The organiser, Miss M. Lewis, wishes to add her thanks to those of the secretary of the Dr Barnardo's Day Fund.

**20 October 1956** "The Sunshine Home" A recent house to house collection for the "Sunshine Home" for the Blind realised £10 14s 1d. The organiser, Mrs. Evans, The Vicarage, wishes to thank the collectors and residents for their support. The collectors were Mesdames Watkins, Lilian Lawrence, Walters, Southworth, Misses Pamela Isles, Pamela Hughes, Malvina Matthews, Pamela Yeoman and Brenda Small.

**23 November 1957** National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children The recent annual collection by the local branch realised the sum of £15 16s 4d. The collectors were Mrs. H. Morgan; Mrs. M. Evans; Miss E. Evans; Mrs. B. Thomas; Mrs. A. Davies; Mrs. L. Morgan; Mrs. A. Evans; Mrs. M. Jenkins. Thanks to the collectors and the general public for their help and generosity.

**15 December 1956** House To House Collection A sum of £13 5s 6d was realised. The organising secretary, Mrs. M. Jenkins, wishes to thank all collectors and those who gave so generously to this worthy cause.

**11 January 1958** N.S.P.C.C. The house-to-house collection made on behalf of the Society realised the sum of £15 10s. The collectors were Miss M. Jones, Mrs. I. Evans, Miss E. Evans, Mrs. A. Davies, Mrs. H. Morgan, Mrs. Small, Mrs. J. Davies, Miss Rosemary Jones and Mrs. Jenkins. The secretary wishes to thank the honorary workers for the help given so willingly, and those friends who so kindly contributed.

**15 February 1958** Dr. Barnardo Collection The receipt of £12 5s 2d. - realised from the recent collection - has been acknowledged by the secretary. The organiser, Nurse M. Lewis, wishes to thank the collectors who were: Mrs.. D. Edwards, Brook Row; Miss Myra Lloyd & Miss Marie Williams, Martin-street, Dynevor Street, Williams-row, Railway-terrace; Mrs.Hannah Thomas, Station-terrace; Mrs.. Hilda Morgan, Mrs.. F. E. Lewis, Glanynant; Mrs. B.lod Evans & Mrs. Gwyneth Mantle, New Council Estate; Miss Cassie Chankland, Guest-street; Miss M. Jones & Miss M. Evans, Plantation-terrace & Glyn-terrace; Mrs. E. Rees & Mrs. Powell, Heol Iago, Coronation-terrace, Rhodfa Ganol; Mrs. E. Thomas, Moore's-row, Pleasant View & Villas.

**26 July 1958** Sunshine Homes The result of the door-to-door collection for the Sunshine Homes realised £11 4s 9d. Mrs. Evans wishes to thank the collectors.

**17 January 1959** Dr Barnardos Letters have been received from the matron of Dr. Barnados Homes, Cowbridge Road, Cardiff, and also, Rev. J. A. James, organiser, thanking all for the gifts contributed - garments, gloves, books, etc. Thanks too to Mr. D. Jenkins, ex-headmaster, who delivered the parcel to the Home in Cardiff.

**4 April 1959** Letter of Thanks Mrs. B. Morgan, Tegfan House, Fochriw, organiser of the recent house-to-house collection for the National Children's Home and Orphanage has received a letter from the Home and Orphanage secretary, thanking her for the gift of £9 5s, the result of the collection. The services of all kind friends in Fochriw have been a direct means of helping the boys and girls of the Home.

**21 November 1959** For The Blind A house-to-house collection for the blind held at Fochriw realised the sun of £14 9s 10d. The organiser was Mrs. R. S. E. Sedgemore, who wishes to thank the collectors and the public. The collectors were Messrs.. W, K.



Evans, M. Pritchard, E. L. Rees, M. E. Palmer, L. Lawrence, M. Coggan, T. Gillard, G. M. Lawrence, E. Fox.

**21 May 1960** Envelope Collection An envelope collection was made last weekend in aid of the World Refugee Fund. It is proposed to end the year's effort with a community hymn singing on May 29<sup>th</sup> at 7.45 p.m.

**6 January 1962** For The Blind A house to house collection in aid of the Royal National Institute for the Blind organised by the Rev. & Mrs. Sedgemore, realised £14 14s 6d. The collectors were: Mesdames G. Hughes, G. Hopkins, J.D. Jones, O.M. Evans, R. Bills, A. Watkins, S.J. Pullen, C. Pullen, T.E. Davies, E. Fox, L. Lawrence, C. Ballard, E. Thomas, M. Chapman, M.A. Jones, E.H. Dummett, C. Evans, G. Dummett, B. Southworth, O. Jenkins, O.M. Payne.

**16 June 1962** £23 For Cancer Fund Over £23 was realised in the recent house-to-house collection in aid of the British Empire Cancer Fund. The organisers were Mrs. E. Sedgemore, Mrs. E. Fox and Mrs. K. Lewis. The collectors were Mesdames E. Sedgemore, K. Lewis, B. Davies, T. Lewis, E. Thomas, A.M. Holifield, M. Chapman, L. Lawrence, C. Ballard, M. Lawrence, C. Evans, J. Jones, G. Hughes, G. Hopkins, B. Bills, C. Dummett, C. Jenkins, Misses E. Fox, O.M. Payne, M. Jones, A.F. Jones.

**3 November 1962** Collection Result The Moral Welfare house-to-house collection in aid of the Llandaff Diocesan Association organised by the Rev. & Mrs. Sedgemore, realised £15 4s 7d. A cheque for this amount was presented to the Assistant Bishop of Llandaff by Mr. Gordon Lawrence at the Cathedral recently. The collectors in Fochriw were Mesdames E. Sedgemore, M. Chapman, E. Thomas, C. Ballard, M. Lawrence, L. Lawrence, N. Sharpe, W.K. Evans, D.J. Jones, G. Hughes, G. Hopkins, J. Jones, O. Jenkins, A. Watkins, T. Powell, T.E. Davies, S.J. Pullen and the Misses O.M. Payne, E. Fox, Christine Pullen, Allison Watkins, June Palmer, Shirley Lawrence, C. Evans.

**1 June 1963** N.S.P.C.C. Collection This was held recently and the sum of £15 4s was realised. Collectors were Misses E. Evans, M. Jones, A.F. Jones, Betty Fox, O.M. Payne, Mrs. T.E. Davies, W. Davies, A.M. Holifield, Brown, Thomas, Hilda Morgan, Phyllis Jones, L. Lawrence, E. Rees, T. Powell. The president of the local branch is Mrs. A. Evans, 3, Moore's Row, and the secretary, Miss O.M. Payne, 1, Glyn Terrace.

**15 June 1963** For the Blind A collection was held in the village recently in aid of the Royal National Institute for the Blind. It realised the sum of £15 14s 6d. The collectors were Mrs. T. Gillard, Mrs. S.J. Pullen, Mrs. A. Palmer, Mrs. N. Sharpe, Mrs. C. Ballard, Mrs. M. Chapman, Mrs. E. Thomas, Mrs. O. Jenkins, Mrs. T. Powell, Mrs. A. Watkins, Mrs. J. Jones, Mrs. G. Hughes, Mrs. L. Lawrence, Mrs. M. Lawrence, Misses O.M. Payne, C. Evans, S. Dummett, O. Lewis, S. Lawrence, E. Fox.

**3 August 1963** A Mile of Pennies In aid of the O.A.P Fund, the mile of pennies realised £27 16s.

**3 August 1963** Collection A recent house-to-house collection in aid of the Cancer Campaign realised £18 7s 3d. The organiser was Mrs. Sedgemore, a member of the committee for the area.

**2 November 1963** Collection A house to house collection in aid of the Moral Welfare Home at Penarth held recently, raised £14 12s 6d. The organisers were Rev. & Mrs. E. Sedgemore. The envelope collectors were Mrs. Sedgemore, N. Sharpe, A.M. Holifield, L. Lawrence, J. Jones, G. Hughes, G. Hopkins, A. Watkins, M. Lawrence, E. Thomas, C. Ballard, Misses C. Evans, O.M. Payne, Maralyn Jones, G. Jones, E. Fox.

The money was presented to the Lord Bishop of Llandaff by Mrs. A. Palmer for St. Mary's and Mrs. M. Owen for St. Peter's, Deri.

**16 November 1963** Poppy Receipts Poppy sales in aid of the Earl Haig Fund realised £17 15s 11d. The organiser was Mrs. Elspeth Shankland. The collectors were Mesdames E. Shankland, J. Jones, C. Ballard, M. Chapman, E. Thomas, S.J. Pullen, P. Jones, Miss E. Fox.

**16 November 1963** Bible Society A collection in aid of the British and Foreign Bible Society held recently amounted to £24 3s 6d. The collectors were Mesdames D. Jones, R. Davies, P. Jones, O. Thomas, L. Lawrence, A.M. Holifield, E. Rees, Misses M. Jones, B. Jones.

**1 August 1964** Cancer Campaign A house to house collection in aid of the Cancer Campaign held recently realised the sum of £17 5s 10d. The collectors were Mesdames C. Ballard, E. Thomas, M. Chapman, M.E. Palmer, E. Shankland, R.S.E. Sedgemore, A.M. Holifield, Miss N. Tyler, Miss E. Fox and M.T.E. Davies. The organiser was Mrs. Sedgemore.

**31 October 1964** Collection A collection in aid of the Llandaff Diocese Moral Welfare Association was held recently and raised the sum of £12 4s 7d. The amount was presented to the Bishop of Llandaff at the Cathedral on Tuesday last by Mr. A. Palmer, treasurer of the Mothers' Union. The organisers, Rev. & Mrs. Sedgemore, wish to thank all collectors.

**7 November 1964** Poppy Day Appeal The collections raise £18 1s. The collectors were Mrs. P. Jones, Mrs. E. Thomas, Mrs. M. Chapman, Mrs. C. Ballard, Mrs. E. Shankland, Miss E. Fox. The organiser was Mrs. E. Shankland, 22, Aelybryn.

**4 December 1964** Poppy Day The collection for the Earl Haig Poppy Fund in Pentwyn District was carried out by Mrs. S.J. Pullen and Miss Christine Pullen.