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Part of the Penygraig parents pictured before their fruitless trip to County Hall on Monday.

Appeal to MP on free school buses fight

Parents are to Rhondda's MP in their fight to school transport children. It is having no joy in Education of 1 week plans to children home school has been at least until the situation of ten school buses to put in the area. The Authority gave withdrawing free school buses from all children living within a mile radius of Rhondda Community School.

The parents say they cannot afford the bus fare and the route is too dangerous for their children to walk. But they failed to convince county officials, including Education chairman Coun Phillip Squire.

"We got nothing, nothing at all," said parents' spokeswoman, Mrs Marlene Leyshon, of Aubrey Road, afterwards.

"The only way that can help us is by re-measuring the route, they were very sorry and sympathetic but they could not give us free transport."

She added that they did not even appear to be interested in the safety aspect.

Y at pit reprieve

A miners are the news of the Deep Duffryn shaft - but in the end it was not the "bed" that was the "bright" said N. U. M. Lodge in the end, as we more about the future of the mine.

Under the terms of the reprieve, it is understood that Deep Duffryn will get the money to work a new face, but will be given a set time to make it profitable.

But the miners are demanding the right equipment and facilities from the Coal Board so it can be made productive. In the long term they want to see the exploitation of a whole new area beyond the Gadsby fault where they say massive reserves of coal exist.

Y claims for benefit

Mr. Lynn Devonald, prosecuting for the Department of Health and Social Security, said: "He operated 23 7/8 weeks for his wife and after matters came to light, he claimed he thought she could earn up to £13 without declaring."

Mr. Devonald asked for an order for £128.85 compensation and said the £128.85, although there was a £2000 overpayment of over £200 which they would be seeking to recover.

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Ynyshir parents' crossing protest

ANOTHER group of Rhondda parents are threatening to keep their children home from school. Ynyshir folk say they will take action if a patrol of police is not provided at a busy pedestrian crossing. Banner waving parents demonstrated at the crossing all this week after a child was seriously injured in a collision with a car last Friday.

But they called off an earlier proposal to block the road completely. Four year old Carlene Roberts, of Llanywuno Road, was involved in the accident while crossing the main road through Ynyshir.

She was taken to Llanywuno Hospital, but transferred to East Glamorgan Hospital where her condition was later said to be satisfactory.

Now local parents want the immediate provision of a crossing attendant. They also want warning signs placed along the road.

On Tuesday morning the chairman and vice-chairman of Mid Glamorgan's Highways Committee, Coun. Bill Williams and Kelvin Eason met the parents at Ynyshir Junior School.

Afterwards the parents' spokeswoman, Mrs Iris Earland, said the parents would patrol the crossing with the help of the police until term ends - a week today.

"We know for sure nothing is being done at the end of the six weeks, then the parents will take it on their own back to keep their children home. It's up to them now," she said.

Up to 80 parents, mostly mothers, demonstrated at the crossing all this week in the morning, lunchtime and afternoon.

The crossing is used by many young children attending both Ynyshir Infants' and on one side of road and Ynyshir Junior School. It is a busy area and there are many near escapes they took not now, somebody killed.

"My own little traffic accident ago and I do anybody to get what I and I went through. I the mother must it's terrible. The fighting for the Up to two years crossing had all patrolled but we didn't have a new building, was taken off."

Coun Roy Hill, the Deputy Mayor, has a appeal PHOMPT action by has won the His action, probably saw Carlene Robert Paul Humphreys, nurse, of the Hl was passing by when the accident occurred. He appreciated her mother's rescue action was taken to mothers to c police require. He appreciated their road was the link of the Rhondda. "I'm convinced that what money available would be an there. But he is threatening to in competition other cross where public cuts begin to bi

Seven years in Spanish jail for Ton Pentre man

By CERI JONES

ALAN JONES, the Rhondda man charged with smuggling more than 23 kilos of hashish over the Spanish/Moroccan border has been sentenced to seven years imprisonment by a Spanish court.

He was tried on June 8 at Cueta after nearly a year's wait in prison. The result of the trial was broken to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jones of Wndham Street, Ton Pentre, by their son Norman.

Both were shocked and upset at the sentence. Neither had expected it to be so severe.

Said Mrs. Beryl Jones: "I was ill but I think I have got over it now. It did shock me. I did not expect it to be so long. I thought if they found him guilty, it would be about two years."

"I would so like to go and see him if I could get the money but it would be awfully hard to see him and have to come back again."

Alan, aged 38, pleaded not guilty to the drug smuggling charge. At the time of his arrest on July 11 last year he was working for a Cardiff firm dealing with boat repairs. He was arrested at Cueta and accused of trying to smuggle more than 23 kilos of hashish worth about £30,000 on the British market - over the Spanish Moroccan border.

He claimed the drug was planted on him by two people from London he had given a lift to. Interpol subsequently made their own inquiries into these two people.

But according to Alan their report was not read out at his trial.

In a letter to his parents written over a week later, he says the trial was "a complete waste of time."

He writes: "As far as the judges were concerned, I was guilty no matter what I or my lawyer said. I don't think they even read the report from Interpol."

In an effort to cheer his parents up he added "All is not lost," as he would be appealing.

His parents say they have no way of knowing whether the trial was fair or otherwise.

They are concerned that he will serve his sentence in Cueta jail, scene of an abortive escape attempt the last time he was imprisoned there.

"I hope he will be moved from there," Alan says. "He's not going to put up with a lot of messing around. He resents authority of any sort," said his father, a retired schoolmaster.

Now both parents are resigned to not seeing their son for another six years. Even if they could afford to go to Spain, they realise they would probably only see him for only 15 minutes and it would be too heartbreaking.

So instead they are planning to send him parcels of food and magazines - to remind him of home.

A Foreign Office spokesman confirmed the sentence this week describing it as "par for the course."

He expected Alan to stay at Cueta but added that his years stay in prison awaiting trial would probably be included in the sentence and there would also be remission for good behaviour.

Legion seeks more cash for cenotaph

THE British Legion cenotaph in Treherbert Park has just been completed. But funds are still needed to pay for it and to erect railings around the monument and garden of remembrance planned.

The cenotaph has been planned for five years, but has only just been built.

Members and others had to hold their Armistice Day parades in Blaenrhondda. But they felt there was enough local support to have a Treherbert and District Cenotaph. They appealed to local business people and British Legion branches throughout Wales, and raised £800 towards the £1,000 cost. They now need extra £200, and enough to erect some railings.

They have invited Prince Charles to unveil the cenotaph, and are waiting to hear if he can come.

Secretary of the branch, Mr. Graham White, said: "The branch has worked hard to get the money. If anybody in Treherbert would like to make a donation they should contact me". Mr. White lives at 20 Dyfrig Street, Treherbert.

During its construction, the cenotaph has suffered from vandals writing their names in wet concrete, and putting cans and rubbish down the hollow centre of the monument.

So the legion members mounted a guard on the site between the builders leaving at night, and the park closing at 8.30 p.m.

The plaque, which will have a general inscription on it, will be added soon, and three strips of garden - one for each service - will be dug next to the cenotaph.



Ynyshir parents demonstrating at the pedestrian crossing on the railway track beneath Llanwytton Bridge, Porth on Sunday morning. The child was killed as a result of a serious accident last Friday after the new stand.

Penygraig pupils sing on radio

Craig-y-Eos Infants School, Penygraig, are featured on B.B.C. Radio next Monday singing the hymn 'Draw Draw yn China'.

They sing it in both Welsh and English, on the Alan Williams programme, produced by local man John Roberts.

The school are running a project based on the 'International Year of the Child' and chose the hymn, which is about foreign children, as part of it.

It is a Welsh hymn which was sent to the Alan Williams programme to be translated. Mr. Williams then visited the school to record the children singing it.

In the project the children have painted, and learned about children from other lands and put on an exhibi-



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Jumble sale

A GRANT jumble sale will be held tomorrow (Saturday) at the Treherbert Boys' Club at 12 noon in aid of the Blaenrhondda football club. Proceeds will aid the fund for the new stand.

Stone damage

KAREN Mary Clothier, 19, of Edmund Street, Tylorstown, was found guilty of driving through traffic lights at red and fined £15 with 15 costs by Porth magistrates.

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