

Newtown – Social Activities



A series of pictures of a famous ladies hockey match at the Pool Road Recreation Ground, Wales v England not surprising large number of spectators.





Below are whole series of pictures of the summer Carnival. The first two show the crowds of people in Broad Street outside of what was then the Bear Hotel, the third shows the Army Cadet Force band and the remainder floats. It is not clear whether they were all taken on the same occasion!















Early 1950s carnival. J. Peter Jones had a lorry company based at Severnside. He sold to Buttington Road Stone around 1954 who then sold to Corfields of Abermule. The site is now housing. J. Peter Jones was noted for steam haulage including Sentinel Lorries in the inter war period.



Phillips bicycles lorry at the carnival. Phillips took over the Air Ministry shadow factory. The Phillips emblem was a lion so the site became 'The Lion Works'. Mr Eaton helped Richard Christmas acquire the skill of photography.



Armistice Day parade/s, once again it is not clear if taken on one or more than one occasion. Parade/s appears to include Newtown Silver Band, police, guides, as well as female members of the British Legion. Also a number of civic dignitaries and others.







The collection contains many informal pictures, taken at dances and dinners, etc., at Pryce Jones and the Elephant and Castle Hotel and elsewhere. Below is a sample, a singer, Marion Ryan at a dance at Pryce Jones, behind Ray Ellington.



Same Pryce Jones dance. A group enjoy the prestige band of Ray Ellington.



The Ray Ellington quartet was a little scoop as they were a national band. The lead singer was Marion Ryan. This Northern girl was a major vocalist and commentator on radio in the 1950s. Copies of the photos were sent on to the band's address at Ray's request.