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## PREFATORY NOTE

In March, 1943, the Welsh Youth Committee received from the Youth Advisory Council a draft of a report which was subsequently published under the title "The Youth Service after the War". As this report was concerned with the Youth Service in England only, the Welsh Youth Committee thought it would be well to consider separately the question of the post-war Youth Service in Wales. Accordingly, on the 19th March, 1943, they appointed a Sub-Committee with the following terms of reference:—

"To consider what should be the position of the Youth Service after the war."

The Sub-Committee were instructed to proceed on the following major assumptions:—

(a) That the school leaving age will be raised to 15 without exemption ;

(b) That the period from 15 to 18 will be treated in some degree as an educational period in the sense that adolescents will be regarded as remaining the concern of the education service ;

(c) Arising out of (b), that a system of compulsory part-time education during working hours will be established for all young people after they have ceased full-time schooling up to the age of 18.

In due course the Sub-Committee presented a report which has now been adopted by the Committee.

It will be understood that in publishing this report the Ministry of Education must not be regarded as committed to acceptance of its conclusions and recommendations. The Ministry believe, however, that the findings of the Council will be of interest not only to those engaged in the day to day work of the Youth Service in Wales, but also to a wider public.

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