

REGIONAL TV INTERVIEWS:

MONDAY 24th MAY      CARDIFF, ANGEL HOTEL

HARLECH TV    INTERVIEWER:    MAX PERKINS

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The principal topic will be jobs in Wales. There will be particular reference to the Serpel Report and to the future of the railways and jobs on the railways. Also Steel and Coal Mining.

Our advertisement today said, "Not Black but British". What about the Welsh? Are the Welsh an ethnic minority?

Will there be a special inquiry into the events at Bluff Cove?

BBC WALES      INTERVIEWER:      PATRICK HANNAN

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NATIONAL ISSUES

*Is it with promising  
Welsh Grants' part in  
Frelands (P636 speech)  
NOT for PRESS  
RELEASE*

*177 foreign-owned*

*Hydro conversion  
of Tynon  
investment*

*55,000*

*Hot rolling mill  
at Port Talbot*

BOTH INTERVIEWERS HAVE BEEN ADVISED THERE WILL BE 4 MINUTES AVAILABLE.



22nd May 1983

PRIME MINISTER

- A. HTV have published an opinion poll of 1,235 adults living in Wales. My old firm, Research and Marketing (Wales & the West) undertook the research on 17th-19th May.

The results are as follows:

- Q. How will you vote at the General Election on June 9th?

	<u>Poll</u>	<u>1979 Actual Result</u>
Labour	44%	46.9%
Conservative	38%	32.2%
Alliance	14%	10.6%
Plaid Cymru	5%	8.1%

- Q. Which Party Leader would make the best Prime Minister?

Thatcher	38%
Foot	19%
Steel	20%
Jenkins	6%
Wigley	2%

- Q. Britain should get rid of all nuclear weapons, even if other countries keep theirs.

Agree	22%
Disagree	72%
Don't know	6%

- Q. Britain should allow cruise missiles to be based in Britain.

Agree	41%
Disagree	46%
Don't know	13%

- Q. Council tenants should have the right to buy their Council houses

Agree	88%
Disagree	9%
Neither agree nor disagree	2%
Don't know	1%



Q. The Government should maintain social services even if this means higher taxation

Agree	82%
Disagree	11%
Neither agree nor disagree	4%
Don't know	3%

Q. The Government should not interfere with the rights of Trades Unions

Agree	42%
Disagree	39%
Neither agree nor disagree	12%
Don't know	7%

Q. The NCB should close pits which do not make a profit

Agree	67%
Disagree	21%
Neither agree nor disagree	8%
Don't know	4%

Q. Should Britain stay in or come out of the EEC?

	<u>May</u>	<u>March 1983 HTV poll</u>
Stay in	57%	39%
Come out	29%	46%
Don't know	14%	15%

According to the 'ITN/BBC Guide to the New Parliamentary Constituencies', the following would be Conservative seats in Wales with 1979 patterns of voting:

1. Clwyd North West
2. Clwyd South West
3. Delyn
4. Montgomery
5. Cardiff Central
6. Cardiff North
7. Ynys Mon
8. Conway
9. Monmouth
10. Pembroke
11. Brecon & Radnor
12. Vale of Glamorgan



If the HTV poll results are achieved on June 9th, and based again on the 'ITN/BBC Guide' figures, Conservatives would win:

1. Newport West (notionally from Labour)
2. Swansea West ( " " " )
3. Meirionydd ( " " Plaid Cymru)
4. Ceredigion ( " " Liberals)

- B. Your correspondence has contained a large number of supporters frustrated and annoyed that they cannot vote because they will be away on June 9th.
- C. The figures we have been using for increases in the staff of the National Health Service are England figures only: for instance, we are saying that there has been an increase in nurses and midwives of 45,000 since 1978; if Scotland and Wales are added in the figure becomes 56,000. I shall attempt to put together a full set of figures.



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