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How's hat! Now for the next century

PLYMOUTH school-boy Jeremy Pannell, left, is taken by surprise as former pupil Joe Pengelly tries his hat on for size.

The Plymouth-born former South West television presenter was one of the guests at a centenary exhibition at Devonport High School for Boys.

Opening the display was local BBC weatherman Craig Rich, also an old boy.

Headmaster Nic Pettit said the school - founded as a private school - had undergone some major

by **HOW THOMAS**
changes over the past century.

An advertisement in the Western Daily Mercury from January 1896 described its fees as "moderate, graduate and strictly inclusive" with boarders charged from 35 to 50 guineas a year.

As part of efforts to mark its first 100 years, the school - which is now grant-maintained - aims to build on its sporting reputation by raising £100,000 to invest in equipment and facilities for the next century.



Picture WAYNE PERRY

Sparks may fly over electric bills

by **SHARON WRIGHT**

ELECTRICITY customers in the South West could be hit by two per cent bigger bills to pay for bringing supplies from distant power stations.

But the region's watchdog Electricity Consumers' Committee today launched a fightback on behalf of hard-hit householders.

The offensive is being backed by Sweb and business leaders, who say the charge hike could deal a further body blow to industry in the region.

Regulator Professor Stephen Littlechild has called for bills to reflect the varying costs of supplying electricity - and this could mean increasing Sweb

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