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Front cover: *John Cowper Powys and his and Phyllis's god-daughter Phyl
at 1 Waterloo, c.1957 (this and photo on page 40 by courtesy of Phyl Lewry).*

Back cover: *Marwnad: JCP's elegy for William Williams (see page 60).*

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MARWNAD

William Williams

We never used to meet but in a trice
Charmed by your voice I leant upon
my stick,
To hear you, little guessing how the
wick
Of life was burning low. 'Twas as
as a Sais
You spoke, but thought yn Gymraeg
Once or twice,
As with rich dignity you broke off
quick
And smiled your meaning, you
explained this trick.
Ah! You must now translate from
Paradise
Until our foes hear the tremendous
tongue
That always hath made tyrants
stammer and blink:
"Who takes the sword shall perish by
the sword!"
'Too soon, too soon, the Invader's bells
are rung.
You hear, you tell me, from beyond
the brink
The thunder of the chariots of the
Lord!

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