Hippies stoned

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was driving”, said one of the youths who lives in Lampeter. “We stopped about 50 yards from the common and three of us got stones and were throwing them at the bus and smashing the windows”.

He said they went on the raid as a reprisal after one of his friends had been dragged off his motorbike and beaten up when he drove across the common. Asked how he knew the bus was occupied by the person responsible for this attack, the youth replied: “We didn’t really know. But they are all together up there.”

The youth said they then drove on across the common. But when they returned a group of hippies were waiting for them.

“They threw a rock through the windscreen and another hit the driver on the head. He swerved, lost control, and the car crashed into the hedge”.

His companion, from Llandeilo, said all five of them had then scrambled out of the car and ran away.

“I cut my hand very badly pulling myself through the broken windscreen,” he said. “We all ran off in a panic. The driver had a head injury and had cuts all over his arm”.

The youths said they were later stopped by the police after someone living near the common had reported the incident. The car owner said when they returned to the scene in daylight on Sunday, his vehicle had been wrecked. But later, when a local breakdown garage tried to pick it up, it was missing.

He claimed that one of the hippies had told him the car had been taken away and set on fire. “So I’ve lost a car worth £1,200 with all the speakers and tapes that were in it”, he said.

A police spokesman in Lampeter said that the weekend incidents were still being investigated but no-one had so far been charged.