

# The Valley Voice

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## EDITORIAL

### THE REASON WHY

The purpose of this paper is to serve a community. The participants believe there is a necessity for a local news reporting and comment medium in this district.

They believe there are many purposes such a news-sheet can perform. Mainly it is intended to be a communication between, what is happening and what should be happening in this valley. It is to be a liason between those who do and those who want to know about it. The aim is to be factual in news reporting, critical in out-look and constructive in suggestion.

At times it will be difficult not to be unbiased and if this human error creeps in, we will welcome your; the readers, opinion.

To be successful it will need public acceptance, eventually and public sympathy for its birth pains. To cover costs of production it will be charged and it is hoped advertising fees will add a small profit for future expansion.

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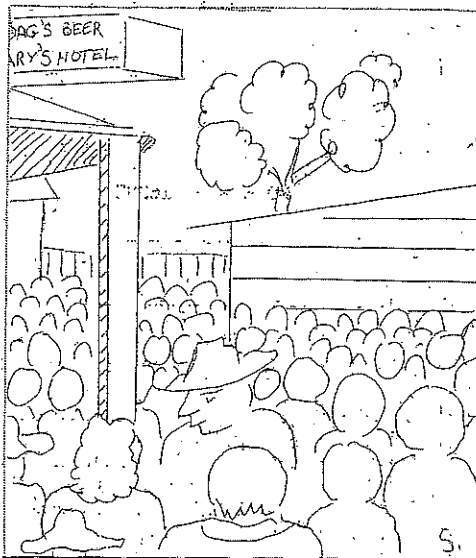
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### TOUCHE' COLUMN

#### A Question from a traveller:

"Look," he said, "I over heard in St. Marys last week that cries of drought from some farmers in the valley only damages the districts image." He asked, "what image - image to whom?" Is it an image of unlimited greenery?" "Can't be. A drive through here last February would prove that. Perhaps it is the image that no matter what happens, the district doesn't scream?" "Perhaps that's what it is?"

"If so, God help us if we get an earthquake."

(We said; under our breaths)

Scamander Motel has seen some up and downs during its short history. Mostly under temporary management. Until some permanent arrangement is made we will reserve judgement.

Two Governmental cars met on the middle of Break-O-Day Bridge this week. Quees what? One belonged to the Road Safety Council of Tasmania.

HERITAGE CORNERHow St. Marys was Named

Francis Groom arrived in Tasmania from England in 1827 and settled on the Break-O-Day River and named his property Harefield after his native town, Harefield, in England. The church in Harefield, England is called St. Marys and after this he named the settlement near his property.

It is of interest that during the 1914-18 War there was an Australian Hospital in Harefield, England and an Australian War Cemetery in the Churchyard of St. Marys. Each year a representative from Australia House lays a wreath in this cemetery on Anzac Day.

MORE NEXT ISSUE

ADULT EDUCATION STUDY WEEKEND

On 26-27 April last, the Child Health Association, in conjunction with the Adult Education Board, held a week-end school at St. Marys. The school was conducted by Mrs. Mollie Campbell-Smith B.Sc. who lectured on Human Relations and other related subjects. Mrs. Campbell-Smith is also a Marriage Guidance Counsellor.

On Friday night 26th, Mrs. Campbell-Smith spoke of the need for unity and involvement by all in the Valley. She said there was no need for a dwindling population to become apathetic or depressed. She invited general discussion on these subjects and this was eagerly embarked upon by the some sixty people present.

On the following morning Mrs. Campbell-Smith spoke on Parent-Child Relationships, Sex and the Child, Emotional Involvement etc.

This talk was accompanied by films and general discussion again. Everyone present agreed that all lectures had been most informative and Mrs. Campbell-Smiths charming personality captivated all.

This is the first time the Adult Education Board has held a week-end school in St. Marys and it is hoped the experience will be repeated.

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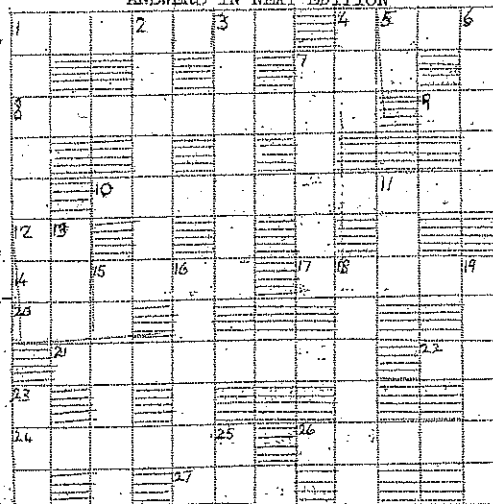
AT ST. MARYS PHARMACY

ACROSS

1. Fall on delicate material, or is it a myth?
4. Two of a kind.
7. Let the court stand, not likely!
8. Timely.
9. Goes with either.
10. Compensating.
12. Belonging to.
14. One counts them, but they're not there.
17. A friendly game.
20. Rumpus.
21. Merriment.
22. He could be fatherly, but with a strong arm.
24. Frying, like a sticky beak.
26. From the past.
27. Deity.

DOWN

1. What every climber needs.
2. The King's lady.
3. Pussy brought her relatives in the spring.
4. Have you got your finger in one?
5. Preposition.
6. Of the countryside.
7. Heard around the farm.
11. Bill's mate.
13. Fencing weapon.
15. In-betweens.
16. Are you urging your hens to lay.
18. Cereal with a soft beginning. Let's discuss it.
19. Roof repair.
23. Prefix.
25. Green signal.

ANSWERS IN NEXT EDITION

FOR ADVERTISING SPACE

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FROM *Miss Fiddle*

Mrs. J.B. Bushing of Fingal and Mrs. H.B. Bushing of St. Marys are off to Melbourne on Friday the 3rd May, for two weeks holiday. Lucky things. They intend to visit their sister-in-law, Mrs. H. Holland of Trafalgar.

Mr. & Mrs. Ian Walker of Fingal have returned after two weeks away. Most of the time was spent at Burnie, Bicheno and Hobart.

Megan Luck and Jeff Kerrison who will be married on May 18th are to be guests of honour at a Kitchen tea given by Mrs. Maisie Pilgrim on Friday May 10th, 8.00 p.m. Cornwall Hall.

Ellen Keddle's recent letter from Melbourne tells us she is enjoying settling in at Bethesda Hospital for her nursing training.

On Saturday April, 27th at the Scamander River Hotel-Motel, the Child Health Association and the Preschool Committee combined to hold a Mannequin Parade.

#### WHAT'S ON

##### Miss Teena Quest

A Bar-b-que at the home of Mrs. E. Barnes, Fingal, Sat. 4th May.

Concert at Royle's Theatre, St. Marys, Friday 3 May.

Euchre evening Sat. 4th May at the Institute, St. Marys.

Ladies Day at the Golf Club St. Marys, Tuesday 7 May. Starts 12 m.d. Visitors from Ben Lomond, Fingal and Bicheno. Bring your own partner.

American Tea at Mrs. Cles Niel's, St. Marys, 10.00 a.m. Thurs. 9th May. Bring a gift and buy a gift.

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#### MISS TEENA QUEST

St. Marys Entrant Patsy Tansett

Readers don't forget the concert Friday night 3rd May, at Royals Theatre. It is in aid of the Miss Teena Quest. It promises to be a good night.

Performers will include John Laing - Aust. winner of Brian & the Juniors, which speaks for itself. Others include Danny and Dudley Madden and Mr. R. Scott from Hobart and some fine and varied local talent includes a short, hilarious locally made movie, skits and singing talent.

#### METHODIST CHURCH

The preacher at the St. Marys Methodist Church this Sunday morning, 5th May, will be the Rev. H.B. Freeman, the Chairman of the Tasmanian District.

The St. Marys Methodist W.A.O.M. will celebrate its 49th Birthday next Tuesday at 2.30 p.m. The speaker will be Rev. R. Imms of Launceston. All ladies invited.

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# HEALTH NOTES - FEAR OF DOGS

What can be done to help a youngster who is afraid of dogs? This happens quite often when a child has been frightened by a dog while very young.

If a child shows fear at sight of a dog, it's quite wrong to try to urge the youngster to become friendly with the 'nice doggie'. The more you do this, the more likely he is to hold back.

Instead, reassure the child by acknowledging to him that it's natural for 'small' children to be afraid of 'big' dogs, and let him see that there's no need to be ashamed of this.

You can interest him indirectly, too, by telling him stories about pet dogs or let him see one of the many 'doggie' TV shows. Give him a toy dog to play with, or you might even go so far as to buy him a puppy and encourage him to help prepare his food so that he will feel that he is playing a part in his life.

Many children fear dogs and quite a number don't lose their fear until they reach school age, or later - particularly if unwise adult handling has made their fears worse. Well-meant 'coaxing' attempts may be harmful and being told to 'look after the dog' may be too great a responsibility for a nervous child.

Some sort of balance has to be struck so that the child neither cowers in fear at sight of a dog, or runs up to every dog he sees to hug or pat it. Usually, though, the child will work it all out quite satisfactorily for himself. Naturally, if it begins to be a 'phobia' with him, then medical help must be sought quickly.

Q. Why is the sand wet?  
A. Because the sea-weed.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sir,

My congratulations on your first edition of the "Valley Voice". May it prosper and give the citizens of this Valley a chance to express their hopes and opinions on what can be done in this very neglected area.

A start is a much needed dressing up by the Public Works Dept. of that vacant block which is the most prominent corner in our district. This is the gate-way to St. Helens and Swansea and passed each year by thousands of tourists and locals who can glimpse over the piles of rotting rubbish and fine view of our Community Hall framed through the rusted bottomless sanitary pan that nestles among the debris.

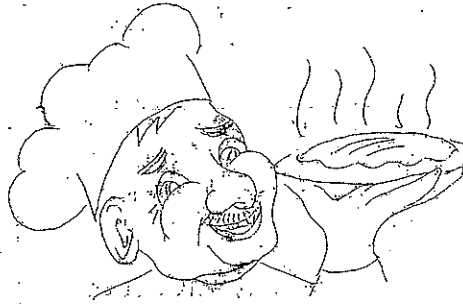
Couldn't this block have a lawn - seats and perhaps a tree to allow our elderly citizens and tourists awaiting buses etc. to rest.

Many times I have seen and talked to tourists squatting on the steps of our Community Centre and even on the edges of our pavements, awaiting buses. These people should have some consideration.

Finally, what about a public convenience.

Ruth Gill.

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COX: To Janice and Trevor, a son Charles Douglas.

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FOOTY NOTESBY OBSERVER

Interest is high in St. Marys after two good wins by the senior team against Avoca and Fingal respectively. Both these successes have been full of merit and supporters are now awaiting the clash with last years Premiers Rossarden in order to assess the teams chances for 1968. Players from last years Premiership Reserves team, R. McCarty, G. Bullock, T. Haas, K. Mason and D. Williams are all making their presence felt in the senior ranks this season. Other players in mid season form at present include D. Birrell roving, T. Cooke centre, A. Stone, full back, and Trevor Viney centre half forward. The side is quite young, the average age being approx. 21.

Fingal, although well beaten by St. Marys last week are looking forward to a successful season. Their win, after being 5 goals down at the last change against St. Helens, was a good start to the season, and a much better guide to their prospects. New coach Rex Anderson and ex Victorian Bill Kelly are both brilliant players and opposition teams will find them hard to counter as the season progresses. Last years Coach J. Baldwin is proving a reliable defender and looks set for a good season. Others doing well at present are N. Webb, Clements, Parker & G. Youl. Fingal's clash with Rossarden this week is vital to them; as a win or a narrow defeat will prove their form against St. Marys all wrong.

Of the other teams Rossarden again appears the team to beat, although Swansea have commenced the year in grand fashion and will again be strong contenders for the flag. A good guide to St. Helens chances will be their game with Swansea on Saturday, whilst Avoca and Mathinna, who both have yet to win a game are opposed at Mathinna.

It is also pleasing to note that Fingal, St. Marys and Rossarden are fielding thirds teams, which enables the boys to play more competitive football.

SENIOR LADDER TO DATE

<u>Team</u>	<u>Points</u>
St. Marys	8
Swansea	6
Rossarden	6
St. Helens	4
Fingal	4
Avoca	Nil
Mathinna	Nil

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2 eggs  
 $\frac{3}{4}$  cup sugar  
 1 cup S.R. flour  
 1 good tablespoon cocoa  
 1lb margarine,  
 vanilla.

Beat eggs, & gradually add sugar and essence. Mix milk, cocoa (mix to a paste, to remove lumps) & margarine and bring to boil. Let it cool slightly.  
 Add sifted flour alternately with cocoa mixture. Bake approx. 30 mins. in moderate oven. Ice with chocolate icing - can be filled with cream as a sponge.

Q. What did the ear-wig say when it fell over the precipice?

A. Ear-wig go.