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EDITORIAL

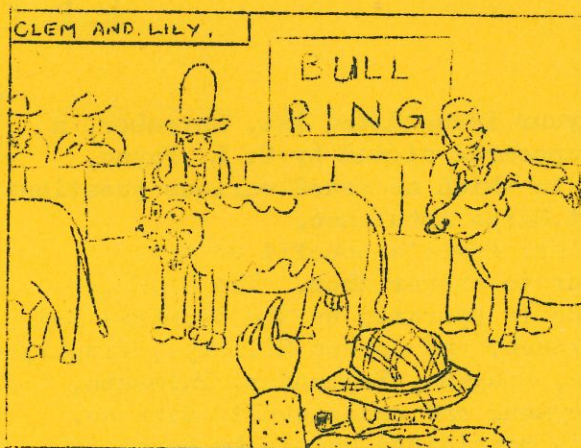
On Monday last the Premier of Tasmania proclaimed his acceptance of the Prime Minister's offer of Federal money on a dollar for dollar basis for this State. No doubt, after two long months of waiting, farmers will welcome the first signs of realistic aid to come their way.

However, this paper waits with reservation till all the facts emerge. The first jarring note has already come with talk of set time limits (eight years) and set interest rates (3 per cent). It is earnestly hoped these basics are not strictly adhered to. For although it may be well within the capacity of one farmer to accept these conditions and repay without trouble it most certainly will not in all cases. The recent Dairy Farmers' Relief Bill is already proving this; where many of the Dairy Farmers who are now faced with a second short, unproductive season and a decreasing repayment time are already in fear of their ability to repay.

Mr. E. Mills, State President of the Tasmanian Farmers' Federation, has already expressed doubts about a "strings attached loan". We endorse his doubts whole heartedly. The last thing farmers will want are strict conditions attached to any money. Again, the Dairy Farmers' Bill is the epitome of this. The recipient of the loan is not even allowed to handle his loan money at all. All payments are made by the Agricultural Bank on behalf of the farmer, direct to his debtors.

Why farmers must be treated as potential dishonest idiots is beyond comprehension. What other loans outside farming carry such iniquitous conditions? It is also beyond comprehension why Mr. Reece has not offered some worthwhile freight concessions for fodder and agisted stock as this appears to be the most pressing interim relief that could have been offered to the farmers during the long weeks of political debate, and the one to cost the State the least.

It becomes abundantly clear that in any future crisis the slow grinding of the Government Machinery must be speeded up, and the best way to accomplish this seems a louder and stronger Farming Voice.



TOUCHE'

THE SECRETARY of the Child Health Association tells us that of the one hundred and eight invitations sent out for a Wine Tasting at the Seamander Motel, only a quarter were answered on the day preceding the Function. Makes catering for the Motel very difficult.

TWO STAFF MEMBERS having a look at Bruny Island last weekend found the roads far too narrow to allow passing and had a closer look at the bush. It seems there are no garage facilities on the Island; but fortunately for those in the accident they had just passed Mr. Les. Foote of Avoca who did a skilled job of extrication.

OVERHEARD in St. Marys store last week. "Have you got any of that cloud seed in yet. I want to try some in with me carrots. That way the rain'll be right where I want it."



* When you're looking for savings bank service, you can't do better than call at *
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* Fingal - Messrs. Holder Bros. Mr. F. C. Haas. *
* St.Helens - Mr. T. R. Avery (Storekeeper). *
* Bicheno - Bicheno Shopping Centre. Mr. P. B. Farrow. *

LETTERS.

Sir,
In your issue dated 1st. November, a letter appeared signed by G. L. Payne, Fingal, in which he asked various questions about St.Marys Ambulance.

For Mr. Payne's benefit we will endeavour to answer them. The St.Marys Ambulance is operated by the St.Marys Red Cross Branch, and serves St.Marys, Fingal, Mathinna, Mangana, Scamander, Falmouth, Gray, Seymour and occasionally Bicheno.

It is maintained mainly by house to house collection in the above named districts and is absolutely free to the patient, whether the patient has been a donor or not.

The use of the ambulance is authorized as follows:

- 1. It can be ordered by any medical practitioner who might have a case needing ambulance service in the district.
- 2. By the Matron of the St.Marys District Hospital and in her absence, by the Sister-in-Charge.
- 3. By the Police in case of an emergency. The only condition being that it must be an ambulance (or stretcher) case.

No member of the local Red Cross Committee can authorize the use of the ambulance.

In the case quoted by Mr. Payne, the St.Marys doctor (Dr. Lawson) could not order the ambulance as the lady in question was not one of his patients, and he would not know whether the ambulance was necessary or not, and generally the average maternity case is not a stretcher case.

Finally, if the matter was so urgent why rush off towards Launceston when the St.Marys District Hospital is only thirteen (13) miles away.

E.M. NIEL, Hon. Sec.
JOHN SPILSBURY, Hon. Treas.
St.Marys Red Cross Branch.
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Sir,
I wish to sincerely thank all who assisted in any way with the raising of funds for the handicapped children during the recent Miss Tasmania Quest.

Also I would like to thank my sponsors, the Fingal District Football Association.

My sincere thanks must go to my committee, namely the Chairman, Mr. R. Hinds, Secretary, Mrs. F. Martin, Treasurer, Mr. V. Royle, Mrs. D. Wright, Mrs. I. Mawson, Mrs. K. Bullock, Mrs. W. Cruse, Mrs. G. Gill, Mrs. P. Bessell and my parents who all worked tremendously hard, for without them, it would not have been possible to raise the amount of money.

Thank you to the Golf Clubs of the district, the sporting bodies and the public for their support generally.

The Quest was a record for money raised; this being the main object.

I would recommend a visit to St.Gile's or one of the Retarded Childrens' Schools to anyone, and you would never begrudge giving something after seeing these children who are less fortunate than ourselves.

We had a marvellous time during the finals of the Quest, although a very tight schedule and we were all very tired at the end.

Your Miss Tasmania 1968
Entrant,
JEANNETTE NIEL.

Sir,
Once again the Fingal Municipality has been left without a doctor while the private practitioner at St.Marys has been on holidays.

Surely it is time a Government Medical Officer was appointed to Fingal.

In order to see a doctor this week the sick had to travel either to St.Helens or Campbelltown. One resident of Mathinna travelled 265 miles in one day on two trips to Campbelltown with two different patients.

Thank goodness there has not been a bad accident during this period.

(MRS.) A. J. COKER,
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+ PAINLESS EARPIERCING BY MODERN +
+ ASEPTIC METHOD +
+ Contact Sister Driscoll, L'ton, 442347 +
+ or Cliff Taylor, Centreway Arc., L'ton. +
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Miss Piffle

MR. & MRS. J. SPILSBURY of St.Marys had Mrs. Spilsbury's brother, Mr. G. Lamprey and a friend, Mr. S. Beveridge from Sassafras staying over the long weekend.

SISTER D. KINGSTON of St.Helens is having a busy time settling into her new home at Fairlea.

MR. & MRS. S. VANCE and their baby son of Fingal are holidaying in Hobart. They are staying with Mr. Vance's parents.

GREAT TO SEE Ellen Keddy home for a brief visit from her nursing studies in Melbourne.

NOTICED IN ST.MARYS at the weekend, Mr. & Mrs. Wally Jenkins. Their many friends no doubt were pleased to talk over old times.

MR. & MRS. ROSS ANTHONY who are moving into their brand new house at Burnie this week were the guests of Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Hayes of Fingal last weekend.

MRS. MARGARET MORRIS AND MISS DOROTHY WHITE of St.Marys had a lucky day at Melbourne Oaks Meeting last week. Dorothy White has commenced her long service leave and will later be holidaying on King Island.

MR. & MRS. DENNIS PRIOR and family have left Mathinna to make their new home in Burnie.

WINE TASTING

Under the direction of the Australian Wine Bureau, the St.Marys and Fingal Branch of the Child Health Association, with the generous support of the Scamander River Motel-Hotel held a most successful Wine Tasting and buffet dinner on Tuesday, 12th. Nov. last. This was attended by about seventy people from Avoca, Mathinna, Fingal, St.Marys, Falmouth and St.Helens. The Wine Bureau officer gave a most informative talk about wines and their function in every day living. All those present enjoyed a delicious meal of both hot and cold dishes, whilst sipping wines of many varieties and vintages. Afterwards, the ladies were given folders containing recipes featuring Australian wines.

A great deal of credit must go to Mr. & Mrs. David Pesscott and their staff of the Scamander Motel, for the most efficient handling and the very pleasant and informal atmosphere of the whole evening.

PREPARATION FOR CHILDBIRTH.

SISTER WHITTAKER holds ante natal classes 10 am Thursdays at St.Marys Child Health Centre. Talks, films and exercises. All expectant mothers welcome.

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--- COMING --- GOING --- GONE ---

COMING...A STREET STALL at St.Marys 22nd. Nov. In aid of St.Marys Trotting Club.

COMING...RECORD AND DANCE evening will be held in the Recreation Room at the Nurses' Home on 22 Nov. at 8 pm. in aid of ST.MARYS DIST. HOSP. All welcome. Adm. 30¢. Supper included.

COMING...R.S.L. CABARET at Bay View Hotel, St.Helens, Sat. 16 Nov.

COMING...DEVONSHIRE MORNING TEAS to be held in the Recreation Room St.Marys Hospital on Thursdays Nov. 21 and 28 at 10.15 am. All welcome.

COMING...BREAD & CHEESE LUNCHEON, Thursday 21 Nov. at the home of Mrs. C. Loane, Evercreech. All welcome.

COMING...MATHINNA FOOTBALL CLUB general meeting Mon. 18 Nov. Business - general fund raising.

COMING...FOLK SINGING evening in Recreation Room at St.Marys Hospital Frid. 28 Nov. Details next issue.

COMING...AMERICAN TEA, Thursday, 21 Nov. at the home of Mrs. H. Davis, Scamander. In aid of Progress Association. All welcome.

COMING...AMERICAN TEA Wed. 20 Nov. at the home of Mrs. M. Eddington, Queechy, St.Helens. In aid of Girl Guides. All welcome.

COMING...STREET STALL at St.Marys Frid. 22 Nov. 10.30 am. In aid of Methodist Church.

COMING...ST.HELENS HOSPITAL FAIR, Sat. 14 Dec. Geriatric Wing to be opened by the Minister for Health, Mr. A. G. Everett.

GONE...A SUCCESSFUL Fair and Pedlars' Parade followed by a dance was held at Mathinna last Friday. Takings were in aid of Parents & Friends Association.

GONE...INAUGURAL MEETING of the Rural Youth Group was held at St.Helens Thurs. 14 Nov. Members came from as far afield as Rochelea and Hobart. New members welcome.

Q. Why is a boxer like a spaceman?

A. They both see stars.

HERITAGE CORNER
THE NAMING OF BICHENO.

About the year 1803 and possibly earlier, sealers and whalers used Waub's Boat Harbour, as Bicheno was then known, as shelter for their boats. The name Waub's Harbour is believed to have come from its connection with Waubodebar, an aboriginal woman, whose fenced grave is found in the camping ground near the Motel. The inscription reads - "Here lies Waubodebar, a female aborigine of Van Dieman's Land, died June 1832 aged 40 years - erected in her memory by a few of her white friends." Later the area was known as the Old Fishery.

In 1854 Bicheno was established as a coal mining port taking the name in memory of Mr. James Ebenezer Bicheno who died in Hobart in 1851. James Bicheno was the popular Colonial Secretary of Van Dieman's Land from 1843 until his death. He was born in England and is described as a cultured, fat, short, good-tempered man, a Fellow of the Royal Society, of the Linnean Society and of the Geographical Society. He bequeathed his extensive library of 2500 books to the people of Tasmania and thus formed the nucleus of the first Tasmanian Public Library.

THE SILVER THREADS SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB held their serial afternoon in the R.S.L. Rooms on Tuesday 12th., Nov. There were 10 members present, all had a very jolly afternoon with competitions and cards. Prize winners for the afternoon were Mrs. D. Berwick and Mrs. G. Lehner.

Several new members were enrolled. An Antique display was the centre of interest for the afternoon, with Mrs. Royle giving a demonstration of an antique nut cracker, it's age was not known but all agreed it could quite possibly have been on the "Ark". Mrs. H. Freeman was a most pleasant and efficient tea hostess.

This club meets again on Tuesday, 26th when Mrs. D. Berwick will be hostess for the afternoon. All new members will be made most welcome.

The members are very busy working for funds to buy a mat for indoor bowls. A Euchre evening was held at Mrs. H. Freeman's home on Saturday last and netted the grand sum of \$7.20, towards the mat.

THE VISITING Dairy Officer was lecturing to a group of country people on the merits and methods of maintaining production from the good milkers in the herd.

"Now", he said, "we come to the cows which don't pay."

The local storekeeper, gleefully rubbed his hands together and called from the rear of the hall.

"That's the style mate, give it to 'em. The hall's full of 'em."

D.L.

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FOR SALE...1 Iron Frame Zenker and Schultes make Player Piano; excellent condition. Also 1 lady's Bike - good order. Apply Mrs. H.J. Aulich Phone St. Marys 81 or P.O. Box 36.

FOR SALE...Girls 26 inch "Speedwell bike - good order \$25. Also "Roden" plug-in stove rapid coil - good order \$20. Phone 102 St. Marys.

FOR SALE...2 second hand 1,000 water tanks. Apply C. Royle, St. Marys.

FOR SALE...7 gal. Dulux Semi-Gloss pale yellow paint. \$10. P.O. Box 90 St. Marys.

WANTED TO SELL...Child's cot and mattress. Good order. \$12. Phone Pingal 69

TO LET...Water front shack at "The Gardens" via St. Helens, fully furnished, open fireplace, safe secluded beach. \$2.00 per day. Phone St. Marys 102.

AGISTMENT...FOR DROUGHT AREAS - FARMERS please note. A limited amount of FREE agistment is available in other districts. Most of the agistment offered is for smaller lots of from ten to twenty head of cattle. For further information contact Geoff. Dean at St. Marys 17.

FODDER...FOR DROUGHT AREAS. The Devonport Apex Club's secretary, Mr. Gary Stewart, has informed us of the magnificent response his club has received from the farmers in this district in their call for hay to aid the plight of East Coast farmers. Mr. Stewart has indicated his club has already made a survey of possible hay in the Devonport district and they hope to be able to obtain from three to four thousand bales over the next month. The hay will be donated and loaded on the train at Devonport at volunteers expense as it becomes ready. Any farmer who may need some of this hay is urged to contact Geoff Dean at St. Marys who will be the Co-ordinator for its distribution.

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+ ST. MARYS - ST. HELENS - WINNALEAH - +
+ BICHENO - SWANSEA. +
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HEALTH NOTES

FOOD POISONING IN THE WARM SUMMER MONTHS.

The Australian Medical Journal warned last week of the danger of food poisoning from deep-frozen poultry. Dr. Anderson said that inadequate thawing of frozen poultry resulted in imperfect cooking and the survival of bacteria which multiplied enormously during the cooling period. The organisms produce a toxin which causes severe illness four to six hours after eating. Therefore, never cook poultry unless completely thawed. Leave the poultry in the plastic bag to thaw in the storage section of the refrigerator overnight. If it is impossible to remove the little plastic bag containing giblets, neck, etc., from the inside, then the bird has not thawed out properly. After the bird has thawed, remove the bag containing giblets and pour very hot water inside the bird to scald thoroughly. The poultry is then ready to cook in the normal way.

Meat: Pork must be thawed out completely before cooking. Other meats may or may not be thawed out according to personal preference.

Fish: Allow to stand wrapped in its plastic bag for 5-6 hours until soft. Wash in salted cold water.

If poultry, meat fish or any deep-frozen foods do thaw out, then use them immediately, without refreezing.

When defrosting the refrigerator, do not let the deep-frozen foods thaw. Defrost at the coolest time of the day. Wrap all deep-frozen food in several layers of newspaper. This will hold the food in its frozen state for an hour or so.

Q. Why did the moth eat up all the carpet?
 A. Because he wanted to see the floor show.

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 + Royles Toyland.
 + THE BIGGEST AND BEST RANGE
 + ON THE EAST COAST
 + OPEN EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT FROM NOW
 + TILL XMAS
 + L A Y - B Y N O W
 + NEW STOCK ARRIVING EACH WEEK
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* D I D Y O U E V E R T H I N K
 * ...about cards? Christmas cards, birthday cards, sympathy cards, sorry I forgot your birthday cards, New Year cards, invitation cards, declining your invitation cards, sorry you haven't a birthday cards, or aren't getting engaged or married or dying or having a party cards. Sorry you haven't won a lottery or can't afford to go to Surfers Paradise cards. Sorry you're old, cards, or too young to drink, cards.

Funny cards, unfunny cards, happy cards, sad cards; in fact, nowadays there is a card for every human emotion and experience, dreamed or undreamed of. Perhaps someone will come up with a sorry you're having a drought card?

People who once sent in their card on a silver salver with the butler to announce their presence, now simply turn up.
 * Visiting cards have now become the prerogative of business houses.

In America, this card mania has reached such lengths, cards are even sent to attend funerals, after which one imagines, cards are sent saying thank you for a nice funeral, or we did enjoy your cremation.

But the time card senders really have a field day is with the basic things, such as marriages and births. The baby cards are endless; pink for a girl or blue for a boy. They are adorned with smiling cherubs, entwined with rosebuds and forget-me-nots, or else showing smiling, quite mature looking babies wrapped in a nappy, being borne through the air by storks. Which is rather peculiar, to say the least, in this enlightened age.

Why do we send cards? Have we, as a society, become more polite, more socially minded or do we just have more money or time, or perhaps we just like signing our names or licking stamps?

With regard to the article above. This paper wishes to advise our readers that we do not take this flippant attitude towards cards. We wish to make it clear we are only too happy to publish YOUR seasonal greetings at 50c an inch block.

THE PASTOR AND OFFICERS OF ST.MARYS -
 ST.HELMS METHODIST CHURCH
 invite

THE READERS OF THE VALLEY VOICE
 to meet the

President of the Victoria and Tasmania Methodist Conference Rev. R. Allardice, B.A., Dip.Ed. and Mrs. Allardice at St.Marys on Tuesday, 19th. November, 1968.

A Service of worship, conducted by Rev. H.B. Freeman, at which the President will preach, will commence at 7.30 pm. Public welcome in Sunday School at approximately 8.15 pm.

DO YOU KNOW the meaning of these initials?

R.S.V.P. - Please reply.

French - Réponse, s'il vous plait.

THE CHIMNEY STAKES

In six weeks time your children will be leaving a glass of milk and a piece of cake for Santa. But what sort of toys will Santa bring?

Toys for young children should be chosen with great care and should be suited to the age of the child. Some toys are designed to be educational (e.g. certain types of building blocks). These are good, but the 'kids' need and like other types of toys.

Perhaps the best gift for a toddler is a soft easily washed cuddly toy, which is small enough to be hugged and carried easily. But it should not have any removable parts such as buttons used for eyes, which could be bitten off and swallowed. Some toys have sharp pointed parts which stick out (e.g. pointed ears on plastic toys). They can injure the child's eyes, so should be avoided.

For a 3 or 4 year old girl, a doll is an ideal gift; not a big doll, but a small cuddly one which can be nursed and dressed. During these pre-school days, children copy their parents and to help them sweep and cook like Mum or hammer or cut grass like Dad, a toy stove, a toy lawnmower, a baby in a cot or a carpenter's set are good gifts. Make sure these toys are not dangerous - no sharp edges or points. Toy distributors fortunately closely supervise the type of toy they sell, but occasionally a dangerous type of toy may escape notice. The final responsibility for the type of toy given to a child rests with the giver.

If you are giving books, choose picture books for the child of 2, pictures with stories for the 5 year old and books without pictures for the 10 year old.

The primary schoolchild's play becomes more adventurous and he likes cowboy and Indian suits, guns and outfits used by T.V. heroes and heroines such as "Girl from Uncle".

Children like to be "with it" and toys and play equipment advertised on T.V. are usually the gifts they want.

If you have a large family, perhaps you could give them one big present such as climbing bars, a swing or a pool; but these are expensive gifts and the children should be made to understand their value and be encouraged to look after them.

Of course you could waste a lot of time choosing your gifts; there are some fascinating toys in the shops this year. Blast!!! My rocket's disappeared.

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IVY LEAF CAFE ST. MARYS

SPECIALS - Chicken (No.5) Glenila

Old potatoes 6c lb \$1.35c

Chicken soup 18c

TAKE AWAY HOT AND COLD FOODS

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ST.MARYS BUTCHERY

Toby Spilsbury

FOR TOP QUALITY MEATS

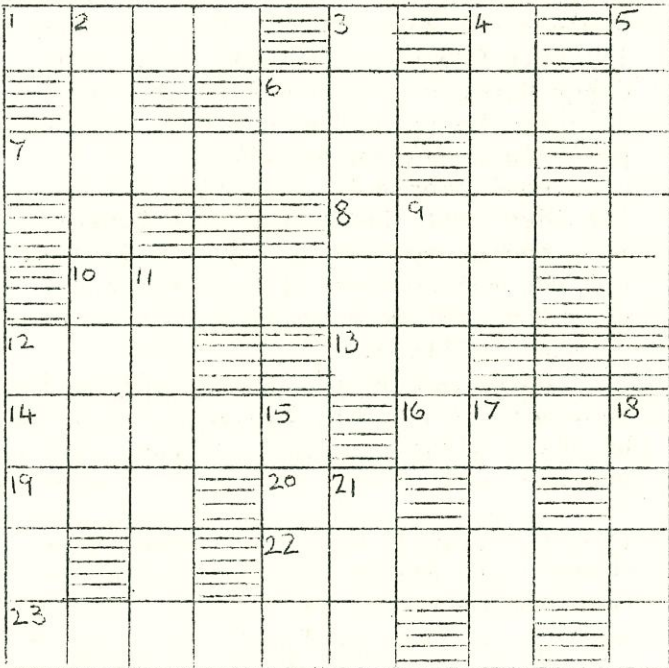
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ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD.

- ACROSS - 1.Pincer 4.Sag 7.Code 8.Style 10. Undo 11.Aver 13.Remember 16.Theatre 18.Idly 20.Rye 21.Born 22.Keeper 23.Doe.
- DOWN - 2.Interred 3.Calamity 4.Son 5.Adder 6.Geo. 7.Curb 9.Eve 12.Emperor 14.Extend 15.Leave 17.Ayr 18.Irk 19.Lee 21.Be.

CLUES TO THIS WEEK'S CROSSWORD.

- ACROSS - 1.Lease 6.Yearly 7.Be present 8. Remove weapons 10.Tuneful 12.Hurried 13. For example 14.Water creature 16.Appear 19. Garland 20.Exclamation 22.Adorn 23.Relative.
- DOWN - 2.Assess 3. Entice 4.Of the country 5.Accuse 6.Article of speech 9.Natters 11.Unravels 12.Baker's product 15.Garment 17.Paradise 18.Manufacture 21.Preposition.



CONVERSATION OVERHEARD IN ST. HELENS during the long weekend.

"STRONGEST BRICKS you ever saw - couldn't break them if you tried. Made by Tasmania's best Brick Maker. All other bricks are out of fashion. The colours of these are infinite and the sizes as well. Make a house out of these and everyone will come begging to be shown around. I warn you though; wear dark glasses before wandering through their colour department. So cheap for all the magic within them."

Make sure you buy the best - buy

BURNS BRICKS

PHONE 134 ST. HELENS

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THE FINGAL HOTEL

Today it's modern, the food and service is better

Ball *Sometime!*

RO TATLOW

FINGAL 19

COMMENT by A.B.L. - HOBART

Tasmania's political climate in many ways is similar to our geographical climate: heavily timbered and unique in Australia.

Perhaps one of the most unique features of Tasmanian Government and Politics is our Legislative Council. This nineteenth century conservative buttress against radical legislation has been brought to attention once again by recent efforts to restrict its power.

Any member of the Council has distinction of being one of the nineteen members who make up the strangest Legislative Councils in Australia. This Upper House has even greater powers than the House of Lords for it has the power to amend money bills.

Most people by tradition accept the idea that the Legislative Council is a necessary part of our parliament, yet the reasons for its existence are very few and are usually not in a democratic tradition.

Some members of the Council believe that the Upper House provides the means by which minorities may approach and receive just attention from Parliament. The argument is usually advanced, also that individual members unfettered by party restrictions can exercise more scrutiny of Legislation than do party members who have to "toe" the party line. A few members of the Council also believe that reforms should be brought into increase the franchise. At the moment the Upper House is elected on a restricted franchise, based on property thus accounting for about 75% of the population.

These reasons which are adding meaning to a traditional attitude for the retention of the Council are hardly substantially based on democratic principles. All the members of the Council are representatives and the interests they represent are usually minority interests. The situation then arises, as it has on many occasions, whereby representatives of minorities control legislation proposed by a party, representing a majority. This is a totally undemocratic position.

Historically the Legislative Council has acted in one of 3 ways to proposed Legislation. It lets inoffensive Legislation through, or it picks the eye out of legislation which is disliked, but

but which the Government may be said to have strong public support for, or finally it blocks any Legislation which is considered to be detrimental to property interests and not overwhelmingly supported by public opinion.

There is no democratically valid reasons for keeping the Legislative Council. Any of the procedural matters with which it involves itself could be or are procedures already dealt with by the House of Assembly.

Perhaps the great number of candidates for the last Q'borough elect'n can be read as a sign that people want a change in the Legislative Council, or perhaps it was just an indication of the most bureaucratized city in Australia (apart from Canberra where $\frac{1}{3}$ of the population work for the Government.

TO A ROAD SIDE WORKER

Pack up your shovel on your motorbike
And go, man, go.

Pack up your shovel on your motorbike.
It's five o'clock, you know.

What's the use of overtime?

You only spend more dough...So,
Pack up your shovel on your motorbike
And go, man, go.....

TO A SILVERFISH

I know a silly silverfish his name is
Samuel Snack.

He lives inside my top drawer, right
at the very back.

I'm sure he reads my letters when
the house is still at night,
For when the drawer is opened, he
nearly dies of fright.

He scampers off to safety. It's
obvious to me,

He has a guilty conscience and it
makes him shy, you see.

I.S.Y.

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IN THE EYE OF THE LAW.

Whenever a motorist is reported for an offence concerning a motor vehicle on a public road or is involved in an accident or road check by police, he is asked to produce his driver's licence to the police officer concerned.

The driver of a motor vehicle is required by law to carry his driving licence with him at all times when driving a vehicle on a road and to produce it on demand. Road checks on motor vehicles have revealed that very often the driver cannot produce his licence because he does not carry it with him.

The privilege of having seven days to produce a driving licence is only extended to a driver who has a reasonable excuse for not having that licence with him at the time of demand. To avoid the possibility of prosecution for this offence, be safe; carry your driver's licence with you at all times when driving a vehicle on a road.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND - CULLENSWOOD PARISH.

SUNDAY 17 November at CORNWALL
10 am. Holy Communion and Baptisms.

SUNDAY 24 November - at ST.MARYS
9.30 am. Holy Communion.

THE ST.MARYS GARDEN CLUB will meet in the Parish Hall next Wednesday, 20th.
COMPETITIONS...Best Rose, Best Broad Beans, Floral Art and Xmas Decoration. All names for the Annual Dinner at Scamander, to be in by Wednesday.

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uncertain - splay footed - figmented -
pear shaped - disconnected - frustrated -
psychotic - nervous - neurotic - nauseating?

Do YOU have PROBLEMS?

Then tell them to VALERIE VOYCE...Let her guide you in your moment of need. Write to her care of this paper and find out just how easily your little problem can become a CATASTROPHE. See next issue. Also please note that owing to the delicate nature of

SPORTS.

BASKETBALL

The recently formed NOMAD Basketball Club now consists of two teams. The school girls from St.Marys District School have also formed a team.

It is hoped to have regular matches each Saturday, commencing at 5 pm. Practice games and exercises take place each Tuesday and Thursday at 5 pm to 6 pm at the school. Tuesday is exercise and jogging day and all interested in some outdoor exercise are welcome.

There is still need for more basketball players.

Anyone interested come along to practice games.

BICHENO BOWLS

At the weekend Bicheno Bowls Club entertained St.Marys Bowls Club at Bicheno. Bicheno won the day by defeating St.Marys by three rinks. One rink was won by St.Marys and one drawn.

Final Score...Bicheno 146 points
St.Marys 93 points

Although most of the St.Marys' players were new to the game, they put up a great performance. With more practice in competition they will become a force to be reckoned with when Bicheno visits St.Marys in the near future.

One of the features of a very enjoyable day was the good performance by Bicheno's youngest player Sheryl Greg. Sheryl is only fourteen years old.

Mary had an iron cow,
She milked it with a spanner.
Big tins, one and six,
Little tins, a tanner.

Mary had an iron cow,
She milked it with a wrench.
Big tins, one dollar,
Little tins, ten cents.

GILL'S STORE - ST.MARYS
XMAS HAMS
XMAS CAKES
XMAS PUDDINGS
SPECIALS - Luncheon Beef 35¢
Peeled Tomatoes 21¢
Apricot Jam 29¢

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