

The Valley Voice

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EDITORIAL

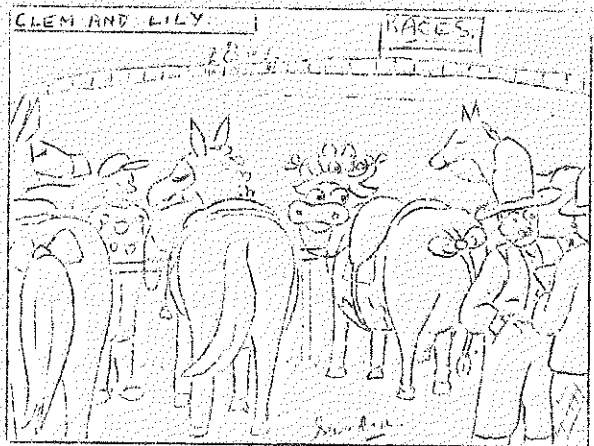
This paper is issued at the height of the tourist season. On the coast from St. Helens to Bicheno, camping areas, shacks, hotels and motels are brimming full of tourists. Some of these people have only travelled a few miles; some have travelled thousands. They return each summer like the swallows to their summer place. As one resident in St. Helens expressed it, 'The visitors return year after year and each time they return they bring a few more of their friends.' This year has been no exception and although on Sunrise Strip the sun has not smiled benignly on these holiday itinerants, most appear to be settled in and satisfied with their holiday lot.

In Australia generally and Tasmania particularly (perhaps because distances are so much less), the coastal strips seem to hold some kind of magic for the holiday maker. 'Sand, sea, sun and idle days,' a poet once wrote of a sea side holiday. Psychologists have offered us other reasons, a main one being the desire of people to congregate together no matter what. The popularity of the Gold Coast is possibly the best example of this herd instinct.

No doubt living on the coastal strip can be enjoyable to the locals and when the tourists move in, profitable as well. But for those who do not have the sea and sand to exploit must look elsewhere to attract tourists and the added business that goes with tourist needs.

Business people on the coast are doing a very worthwhile job to make sure a tourist that is satisfied will return again and again. The St. Helens Chamber of Commerce increases its scope with each succeeding year. However, the same cannot be said of the towns that lie inland. The several towns of the Fingert Valley, each succeeding year, literally get off the road to let the tourist drive past. This Valley may not have the attraction of the sea, but it does have innumerable other attractions, which if capitalised upon, could gain tourist attention.

In the main he will always prefer the Coast for a holiday, but the cloudy skies of this season would make bathing less inviting. On these days, other pursuits such as hiking or shopping or sightseeing, even mountain climbing,



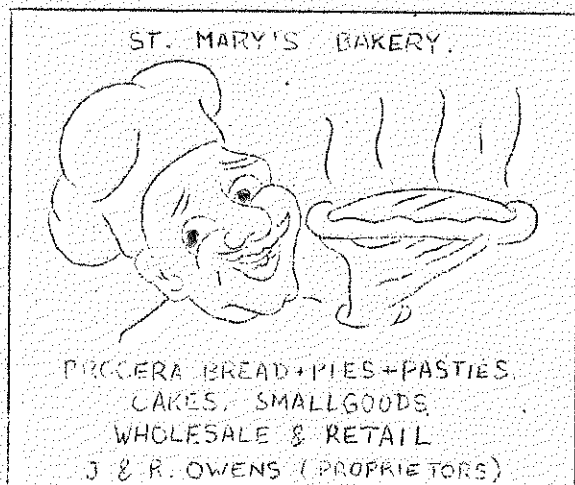
'YOU'RE SURE THOSE HORNS ARE JUST FOR DECORATION, MR. CLEM?'

TOUCHE!

SEEN AT "THE GARDENS"...Three men in a motor boat, driving for shore flat out. Two lying on the hood facing backward, trying to steer, the third sitting on top of the out-board. The reason? A 5 foot octopus pulled up with a cray pot.

IN 1840 THE PRICE of crown land was raised from 12/- per acre to £1 per acre. Three weeks ago the Forestry Commission offered a land owner just over \$2.30 an acre. It seems land prices have risen about 3/- per acre in the last 168 years. Not bad-eh!

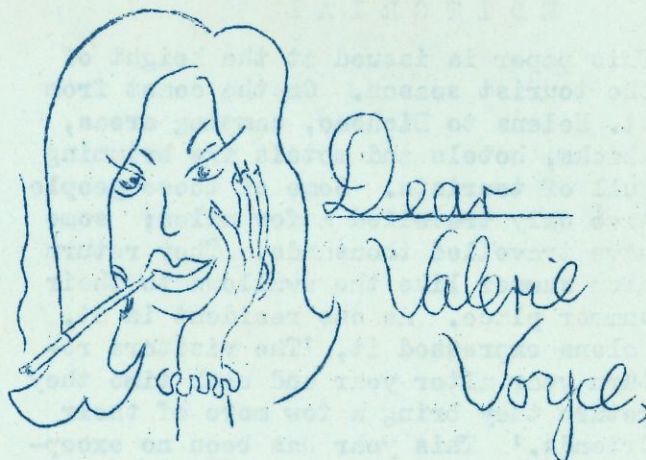
TOKEN RESPONSES from the Government have marked the end of 1968. Note: the reaction to the drought on the East Coast; The Casino as their tourist policy and the old "bomb" legislation as an effort to minimise road accidents.



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could hold many attractions for holiday makers who cannot sunbathe. Why the people, especially the business people of St. Marys, Fingal and other towns with considerable attractions cannot at least form some sort of Progress or Tourist Association, is beyond comprehension? Without an Association such as this, we will always be off the map. If we do get around to it, some people will most likely be surprised at the pleasure civic pride will give them. The profit can lie in this as well as the pocket.



Dear Valerie Voice,

I am heartbroken and demented. Till Christmas my wife and I were devoted to each other. As a present I gave her a poodle, which she had always wanted. Since then I have been playing second fiddle to this dog. I am banished to the spare room and the poodle is sleeping with my wife. I take meals alone in the kitchen, as my mealtimes do not coincide with the dog's feeds. I'd like to make this a dual query and ask also if you know of any medical insurance for dogs, as the Veterin ary bills are colossal. Please help me.

Dog Tired.

Dear Dog Tired,

Under the circumstances I suggest you buy a poodle also. A bitch of course. As to your second enquiry, if you read your M.B.F. form carefully you will see it only says name and sex of dependents. It does not mention anything about dogs or otherwise.

V.V.

Dear Valerie Voice,

I was born with a silver spoon in my mouth and people think I am lucky, but how can I tell if my male admirers are in love with me or my money. Loaded.

Dear Loaded,

Perhaps it's just the novelty of kissing a girl with a silver spoon stuck in her gob. Try taking it out you will find that you will be understood a lot better.

V.V.

Q. Why did the elephant cross the road?

A. Because it was the chicken's day off.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Ed,

I wonder why the Fingal Council has built a toilet block on the Falmouth beach? There is no water for a septic tank and no one to act as a nightman. It has been in a filthy state for months.

Signed Curious.

Dear Editor,

Six weeks ago we applied to the Post Master General to have a telephone put in our house, but we received a letter back to say that he couldn't do it for a year. I am glad that I don't live in the Nullabor Desert or at the side of Lake Peddar. I feel that the Post Master General needs to make a New Year Resolution and I would dearly love to suggest one to him. If I thought he had a phone in his house I would ring him up at 3 a.m. and tell him how I feel about the whole affair.

Sandra Young,
St. Marys.

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Miss Piffle

ALL HER MANY FRIENDS will be glad to hear that Mrs. Peter Burns is now home from hospital.

MR. & MRS. TAS YATES are at present holidaying with Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Cawthorn at New Norfolk.

SISTER WHITAKER enjoyed a lovely fortnights holiday with her family in Melbourne.

TIM TARGETT & JANET HOWARD enjoyed a pleasant evening dining at Surfside Motel and afterwards at Scamander Motel to celebrate the announcement of their engagement.

MR. & MRS. MAWLEY & CHRIS spent the weekend with their guests Mr. & Mrs. G. Barnes of Fingal.

MISSSES MARLENE PARSONS and Elizabeth Love are spending a day in Melbourne before commencing an 11 day round tour of Adelaide and Kangaroo Island.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR and a very Happy New Year's Party and dance given by St. Marys Hospital Staff. Among those present were Mr. Garth Napier, representing St. Marys Hospital Board, Mr. & Mrs. Charlie Aulich and Mr. & Mrs. Peter Crowley with daughter Meredith representing the Hospital Auxiliary. Other guests came from all parts of Tasmania and the Mainland. Guest of Honour of course was Father Time and at 12 m.n. the scene was gay with streamers and balloons as 1969 was given a rousing welcome.

THE MARRIAGE TOOK place between Carol Marce Freeman and Glenn Edward Hampton of Storeys Creek in the Church of England Fingal, and was conducted by the Rev. Brian Horwood, on Sat. 28th Dec. 1968, at 4.00 p.m.

Carol was given away by her father, Mr. V. Freeman. She was attended by Eleanor Gibbons and her sister-in-law, Margaret Hampton. The bride wore a full length gown of white parchment satin and lace and carried a bouquet of frangipanni and lily of the valley. The bridesmaids wore gold crope full length gowns. Glenn is a National Serviceman and has volunteered for service in Vietnam. He is at present stationed at Glenelg, S.A.

NEVILLE SAUNDERS has moved to Melbourne where he is apprenticed as a jockey to Mr. Ron Maund of Mordicallie. We wish him good luck with his rides.

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...COMING...GOING...GONE...

COMING...ST. MARYS DISTRICT HOSPITAL FETE - March 22nd - A weekend you must not forget.

COMING...CABARET at Scamander Hotel-Motel every night. Featuring the Famous Phantoms.

COMING...ST. HELENS ATHLETIC CARNIVAL. Don't forget to make a day of it on Jan. 18th.

CORKMEN ARE IN - Join the St. Marys District Hospital Cork Club - Apply Mr. Keith Cook at St. Marys 20.

COMING...ST. MARYS PROGRESS ASSOCIATION. Yes, we have waited a long time for this to get off the ground, but 1969 will see it. All interested watch for Meeting No. 1, early in the New Year.

COMING...CHURCH OF ENGLAND SERVICES Sunday January 5th - 2nd after Xmas. FINGAL - H.C. 8 a.m.

AVOCA - H.C. 9.30 a.m.

ST. MARYS - E'song 7.00 p.m.

Sunday January 12th 1st after Epiphany

AVOCA - H.C. 8 a.m.

CORNWALL - 10.00 a.m.

FINGAL - E'song 7.00 p.m.

GOING...1968.

OH! THE MISTAKES WE MAKE.

ELIDHOVEN, Sunday. (Priests quit to marry).

Two Roman Catholic Priests from the same parish have given up the priesthood to marry. They are Father Anton Vervey, 51, and Father P.J. Pulles, 39.

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HERITAGE CORNERAN ACCOUNT OF THE LIGHTING OF LAUNCESTON
written in 1900

Like water, a good luminant is without doubt essential to our comfort. Only those who are well advanced in years can look back now to the inconvenience of the Slush Lamp, Dip, or Moulded Tallow, and the inevitable snuffer and tray upon our tables. As for our streets, the butcher's shop, with its large Slush Lamp shedding its rays far and wide, was a beacon light to the wayfarer; but townsfolk who wished to avoid stumps and waterholes never left their homes after nightfall without providing themselves with a Lantern. A few years later Government provided a few street lamps, tenders being invited every year for the repair and lighting of Government street lamps. The townspeople grumbled a lot then and perhaps not without reason. Dips and Tallow candles had given place to oil lamps in the shops and many private houses but streets were far from being well lit. Many schemes were mooted for providing more light and some were very ingenious. The following appears in the Launceston Observer of 11th July 1836,

"It has long been the wish of the inhabitants to have their streets properly lighted, and this might be easily accomplished at a trifling expense to the population considered individually. Say for instance, there were 2000 lbs of meat daily consumed in the town; if one farthing extra is charged by the butchers on each pound of meat sold, 2000 farthings might be laid by, which at the end of one month would give £58-6-8 or \$700 per annum. If 75 lamps were added to the few that now make darkness visible, and a sum per night allowed for each lamp for oil and cotton, £13-2-6 would be the weekly expenses or annually £689-10-0. The probable expenses for posts and lamps would be 26/- per lamp, £93.15.0 which could be raised by subscription. Launceston might be divided into 4 divisions, and convicts allowed as lamplighters on the principle of post office messengers, under the immediate supervision of the district constable. A committee might be formed by the inhabitants, and proper officers chosen amongst them for the management of the whole."

Sperm oil was used for many years as a luminant and then in later years the mineral oils, kerosene and paraffin supplanted it.

Gas was known in Launceston as early as 1844 when Benjamin Hyrons, of the Angel Inn, Charles St., manufactured it for his own use, and had the whole of his hotel lit with it. He did not use coal in it's manufacture of gas, but garbage of every description. The attempt, however, was no great success and others were not tempted to follow his example.

In 1860 gas was first used for lighting the streets of the town.

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-and there was Jack next door spending his whole holiday building his shack.

"D'ont worry about him", I said. He's as happy as Larry (that's me) since he decided to use those bricks from St. Helens. BURNS' BRICKS- you know the ones we found so good when we built this house.

Any BRICKS that are cheaper than timber yet need NO MAINTANANCE are worth getting EXCITED about.....

LOST: Frank's Hat, green crotched raffia. Size... minute. Reply St. Marys Hospital.

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Phone Launceston 26.1363

WANTED TO BUY. Chest of drawers..

Suitable for shack. Phone St. Marys 102

Q. What did Adam first plant in the Garden of Eden?

A. His Foot.

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HEALTH NOTES

How is your skin colour? Black, white, yellow, purple or green? Well no matter what colour it is, it will become sun-burnt through overexposure to the sun. It is an old wives tale to say that red-headed fair skinned people cannot stand sun exposure, or that all dark-haired brown-eyed people can. Everybody's skin is different, but all skin will burn if the owner is too anxious to look like the model in the swimsuit ad.

You should never be too anxious to get brown, even if you are lily white, and all your friends are nut brown. There is no way of hurrying the process. Staying in the hot sun that extra half hour does not mean you will get a better tan. It will usually cause blistering and peeling.

Every year many people, adults as well as adolescents go into hospital with severe sunburn. Usually because they could not wait the extra day or week to receive a good tan.

Little children are especially vulnerable to the sun's rays. A baby or young child should begin with only 5 minutes of sun, older children and adults only 15 minutes of sun, and not in the heat of the day. The second days exposure can be 15 minutes longer and so on. Remember that the ultra-violet rays can bounce off the sea, and especially the sand, and that a beach umbrella may give you shade but does not give complete protection.

Sunburn can have the same effect as being burnt in a fire, or having boiling water poured over the body, and it needs the same kind of treatment as these accidents. It can result in first, second or third degree burns.

For bad sunburn what should you do?... Apply water as cold as possible to the sunburn until the sting goes.

When a child is badly sunburned over a wide area and feels sick, he should see a doctor as soon as possible.

Suntan lotion does help a little if it is a good product, but the best precaution for sunburn is a little sun a day, keeps the ultra-violet rays at bay.

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DID YOU EVER THINK...about tomorrow?

In the last week of 1968 men have already orbited the moon, it now seems only a matter of time before men will step on it, explore it and conquer its isolation. It's not difficult to envisage in the future lunar trips for Mr. Everyman. "Spend your holidays this year in the exciting new experience of lunar exploration - make it a family trip - the kids will love the sand."

The brochure will possibly be decorated with a bikini clad solar siren posing on the shores of the Lake of Tranquility. But what will happen when the excitement becomes as common place as the suburban super-mart? Presumably with the moon conquered and Saturday mornings on the moon ringing with the cries of the kids getting added boost from their lunar pogo sticks, the men of science will, with age old human inquisitiveness as their fuel, have progressed beyond our moon and will be engrossed in orbiting men around Mars or Venus or ice-bound Pluto - or even landing upon their alien surfaces.

Then their taming - their excitement waning and on and on down through the years to - - where? In a limitless universe time must also be limitless. Perhaps our descendants will find the elixir of life or perhaps some mode of time travel when men could spend a thousand years exploring those airless, whirling, infinite spaces, yet return to earth the same age as they left it.

Last century the moon was up there and beyond comprehension. In our shrinking concept of space the moon is at our doorstep. The Atlantic, the Sargasso Sea and the new world where the limitless unknown lies in the stars, they are there, as the unexplored continents on earth were, for humanity to seek out.

Our childrens' children may not even bother to look up when the Solar special roars in from Mars.

MR. GEORGE OLIVER.

Mr. George Wilfred Oliver of Mangana died at Launceston, 15th Dec. last, aged 75 years. A Requiem Mass was celebrated at St. Josephs Church, Fingal. He is survived by his wife and three daughters. Mr. Oliver had resided at Mangana all his life and was for many years caretaker of the Mangana Church; his main job keeping the fence and grounds in order. He will be sadly missed by his many friends.

MISS ALICE BURT.

Miss Alice Catherine Burt who died in Launceston on 18th Dec. last, was a well known identity in Fingal for many years. She was for a time housekeeper at St. Patrick's College, Launceston, but left there to come to Fingal to care for her aged mother.

Another mis-print?

He swayed slightly, his face was flushed, his eyes were bloodshot, and his breath smelt of alcohol.

EAST COAST ROAD NOT WARRANTED.

The new road planned to by-pass the St. Marys and Elephant passes and joining Chain of Lagoons with Four Mile Creek, was described by Mr. Cashion last week as not yet being warranted. Mr. Cashion, who was in Bicheno to open the annual sports Carnival, said that there was not enough traffic on the East Coast Highway to justify the expense of a new road just yet. However, once the woodchip industry at Triabunna began the highway would naturally carry more traffic. This may lead to the situation in which the by-pass would be constructed. The new road down the coast which many people see as a natural extension of the Highway, would be eight miles long. This would shorten by 14 miles the bad roads up and down the passes, and so facilitate tourism to a marked degree.

OLDEST MAN DIES

Leslie John Steel, who was born 103 years ago next July at Falmouth, died at St. Helens on 17th Dec. 1968. He was the oldest man in Tasmania and had vivid recollections of the early days of sailing ships and convict settlements at Falmouth and adjacent areas. For many years he was the President of Illwarra Shorthorn Association and judged these cattle at the Sydney Show until a few years ago. During his long life he took an active interest in the East Coast and was a councillor for many years for the Fingal Municipality and during that time was Warden twice. He was a Justice of the Peace for 70 years. Mr. Steel bought the property, Thompson Villa at Falmouth, from his Uncle, Michael Steel in 1913, when the name was changed to Enstone Park; Enstone being the name of the village in Oxfordshire, England, from which the members of the Steel family had come. Mr. Steel's wife died some years ago and he is survived by six of his ten children.

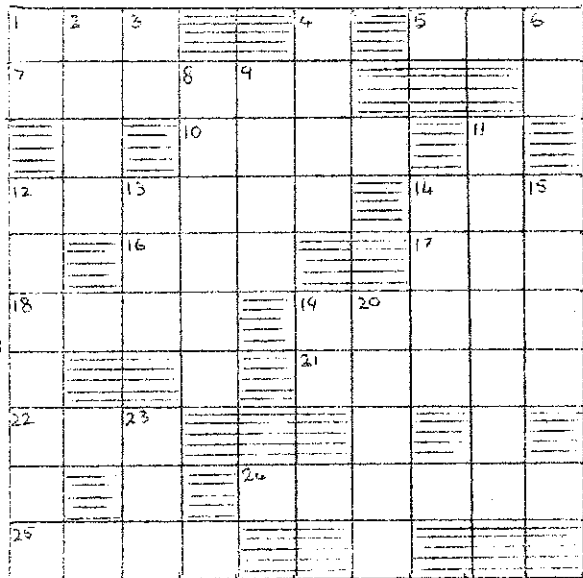
ST. MARYS WATER SUPPLY IS STILL SERIOUS
RESIDENTS ARE REMINDED THAT RESTRICTIONS
ARE STILL IN FORCE.

WATER IS TO BE USED ONLY FOR DOMESTIC PURPOSES.

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\$ WATCH FOR THE GIANT \$
\$ VALLEY VOICE TREASURE HUNT \$
\$ Clues will be given in each \$
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\$ FIRST CLUE NEXT ISSUE \$
\$ Don't worry if you are old, \$
\$ busy or a child, all can take \$
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CLUES TO THIS WEEK'S CROSSWORD.

ACROSS. 1. Limb 5. Noisy crowd 7. Crescent shape 10. Peer 12. Discard 14. Lie 16. Open (Poetic) 17. Boy's name 18. Part of ear 19. Pieces 21. Dulcet 22. Crooper 24. Advertisement 25. Dress
DOWN. 1. Preposition 2. Ceremony 3. Master of Ceremonies (Abrev.) 4. Cheeky 6. Prefix 8. Guardian 9. Material 11. Breed of cat 12. Tumbling 13. Bible character 14. Without hindrance 15. Superior 19. Part of verb to be 20. Entwine 23. Tree



ANSWERS TO ACROSSTIC

1. Avoca 2. Violent 3. Elephant 4. Red
5. Youth 6. Mathinna 7. East 8. Rally
9. Refit 10. Yellow 11. Chipper 12. Hospital 13. Rossarden 14. Item 15. Shaving 16. Innex 17. Map 18. Averted 19. Storeys.

AND THIS WAS THE SECRET MESSAGE.

THE EDITORS OF THE VALLEY VOICE HOPE THAT ALL READERS HAVE A GLORIOUS CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

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+ ASEPTIC METHOD +
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In his Annual Speech Night Address, the Headmaster of the St. Marys High School, Mr. Barnfield, suggested the eventual construction of a hostel in St. Marys to cater for High School children from the Swansea and Pyengana areas.

Mr. Barnfield said, because a High School has been established in St. Marys it seemed reasonable to expect it to be developed to meet the needs of senior children over a wider area.

A hostel situated at St. Marys, he added, would have a two fold purpose. Firstly it would allow country children to attend a country High School within easy reach of their home at weekends and secondly as the school expanded accordingly it would be able to offer courses comparable to any in the State.

CONGRATULATIONS to Irene Waller of St. Marys High School for an outstanding year in 1968. We wish her future success at the Launceston Matriculation College. She has won a scholarship to the Launceston Matriculation College. We wish her all the best for the future.

RECOMMENDED FOR 1969.. A crash course for The Pinal Council Works Supervisor on determining the difference between pottery clay and road filling.

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1 Steelcraft Safety Car Seat with harness and head rest. \$10.50

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When you vote in an election do you feel you know the real merit of the candidates and their policies, or could you tell the way the votes are counted in the Hare Clark system?

Politics to most people are pretty confusing. Perhaps what makes politics in Tasmania more confusing to people is the fact that our politics in this island state are unique in many and varied ways.

We have had a Labour Government for 34 yrs., for instance, no other state has such a record. There is a 5 year term for the members of the House of Assembly. Other states have a 3 year term. We have no record of debates in the House; no Hansard. No other country in the British Commonwealth lacks this device.

A big difference in Tasmanian politics is the size of our parliament. It is much smaller than any other in Australia (35 members in the House of Assembly and 19 members in the Legislative Council). Also the type of constituencies, or areas are different. Here we have 5 constituencies, Denison, Wilmot, Bass, Bradden and Franklin. From each of these areas, 7 members for the House of Assembly are elected. In other states only 1 member of the House of Assembly comes from each constituency.

At the moment your Wilmot representatives are William Anderson (A.L.P.), Leonard Bessell (Liberal), the Hon. Walter Angus Bethune (Leader of Opposition, Liberal), the Hon. Douglas Cashion (Minister for Lands and Works, A.L.P.), the Hon. Roy Fagan, (Deputy Premier A.L.P.), Christopher Ingamells (Liberal), Ray McDonald, (A.L.P.) Do you realise our constituencies are called multi-member constituencies? This fact brings about a different electoral system to other states. It's known as the Hare-Clark system.

Tasmania lacks a Country Party, and any political ideologies, yet we have a Centre Party. Apart from all these differences the Government passes as many bills in one year as the Federal Parliament does.

Our form of Government in Tasmania is a representative form. Members of Parliament represent the people of each constituency. If you disagree with what the Government or the Opposition is doing, or is not doing then write to one or all of your members of parliament who represent you. This is what democracy means.

The names of your Wilmot representatives are printed above and all letters should be addressed to House of Assembly, Hobart, 7000.

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Sports Page ~

BIG EAST COAST CARNIVAL

After days of overcast weather the sun finally came out, it seemed especially for the Bicheno Annual Sports Carnival. The sportsground presented a pleasant picture of enjoyment, with children riding the toy train, the Irish Pipe Band marching and playing, hot dogs being sold, raffles of crayfish, foot races, wood chopping, brick throwing and clay pidgeon shooting. In fact everyone seemed to be doing something interesting and having a good time. One of the outstanding attractions of the day was the tree felling exhibition held by the Southern Tasmanian Axemen's Association.

Mr. Cashion, Minister for Lands and Works, officially opened the Carnival and unveiled the new archway which had been constructed especially for the occasion. Unfortunately last Friday, (the day previously) a rock weighing over a 100 lbs was blasted out of the ground on the other side of the sports ground, and crashed down on the new archway, smashing it completely. The blasting had been carried out in preparation for the wood chops. The B.S.L. organised the Annual Sports Carnival, and all monies raised will go to the Memorial Hall and the Sports Ground.

The organisers may have been worried by the initial bad luck of the broken archway but they should have been pleased by the response of the crowd last Saturday and the weather which really showed up the beauties of Bicheno.

TENNIS NOTES

"Our tennis team" is looking forward to a successful and highly active new year on the hospital's new tennis court. It is not built yet, but we are ever hopeful. We would just like to say how much we have appreciated playing tennis on the old council tennis court. This court has afforded us tremendous and unique experience and we hope it will never happen again.

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F. Singline	68 points
Thursday Twilight Golf - 9 hole Assoc.	
R. Gill	45 12½ 32½
R. Ryan	45 12 33
I. Lehner	43 9 34
Members	
R. Barnfield	37 5½ 31½
F. Singline	37 5½ 31½

TURF NEWS

Congratulations to the St. Marys Trotting Association for a successful meeting held on New Years Day. We have a good track at St. Marys and with more public support this centre could become the venue of trotting on the East Coast. The attendance at the last meeting was good but we should be able to attract more visitors from outside the district. Here's hoping we see another trotting spectacular before next New Year.

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