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EDITORIAL

In his Annual Speech Night Address at the end of the 1968 school year, Mr. Barnfield, the Headmaster of the St. Marys District School, suggested the eventual construction of a School Hostel in St. Marys. He envisaged this hostel to cater for High School children from areas further afield than those already attending his school.

His suggestion is based on very sound reasoning. It could benefit many. From the Education Department's point of view it would centralise a major school complex that could serve the educational needs of a large section of this coast and the Fitzgerald Valley and at a level, comparable to any in the state! As Mr. Barnfield pointed out, there is already a high school in St. Marys. In these expanding times of educational facilities it would seem, therefore, more economical to build from this foundation rather than the eventual construction from scratch of more High Schools in the already crowded metropolitan areas. From the children's point of view, it would mean less travelling and less time away from home at a very impressionable age. Theoretically, their approach to their studies should be better adjusted in a similar environment to their own. For the parents, this would mean a greater peace of mind, it also would mean a greater financial saving in travel and board expenses.

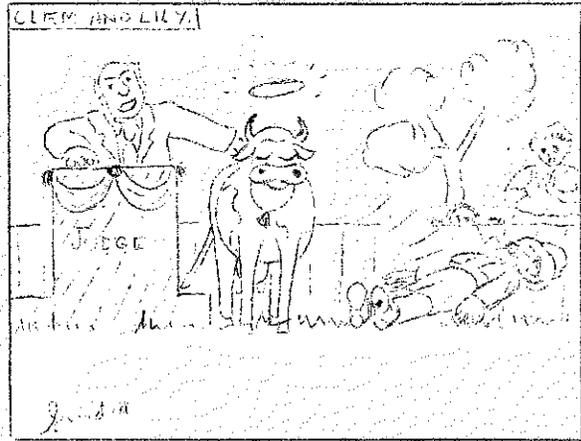
St. Marys also would benefit by the added local employment, there would be more teachers and children to cater for and generally because of all this, it would become more stimulated both financially and culturally.

With the emphasis these days placed on the decentralization of industry and the subsequent progress in areas that otherwise would stagnate, why cannot this also be applied in education? Throughout the world University Towns have been accepted for years, why not a High School town?

If this procedure was in due course implemented to this paper's knowledge, it would be the first in Tasmania and possibly in Australia.

For too many years now our rural populations have suffered penalties in too many things whilst urban areas get it better

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"AND THE FIRST PRIZE GOES TO.....
LILY OF THE VALLEY!"

Editorial cont.

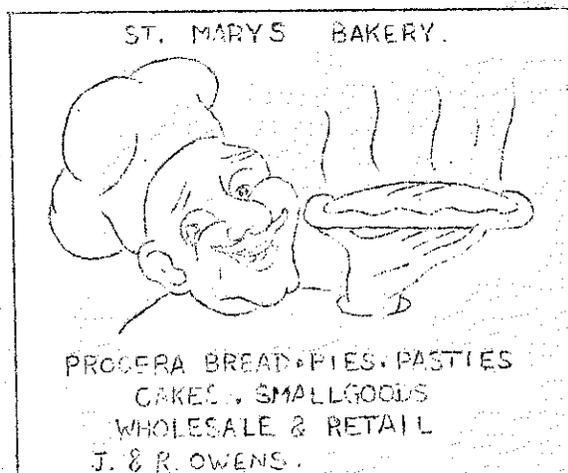
and better. A rural situated education complex would seem one ideal way for our educationalists to be able to say 'An equal chance for all.'

TOUCHE'

THREE COMMENTS from tourists. A teacher, his wife and two children travelling in a hire car from New Norfolk to Swansea and back. "Tasmania is a beautiful island, we are enjoying our holiday immensely - except perhaps for that Hotel between Sorrell and Swansea where the woman wanted \$4.00 for four pies and four cups of tea.

TWO GIRL STUDENTS from Melbourne University. "We've only had three days to get around the island. Next time we'll make it three weeks.

A HONEYMOON COUPLE from S.A. "Well, there's plenty of scenery - can't say the same about lavatories though. Can we presume there are no public toilets between Launceston and Seamander?"



Miss Piffle

MR. & MRS. MICK O'HALLORAN and family of Gowrie Park spent last weekend with Mr. & Mrs. Col. Saunders of Cornwall.

MR. & MRS. W. TYLER of Fingal returned Sunday 26th. Jan. from a 6 weeks tour of the Mainland. Places visited include Melbourne, Sydney and Canberra.

TIMOTHY CAUSBY of Heidelberg, Victoria enjoyed spending some of his school holidays with his Grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. L. Upton of the Mangana Post Office.

GREAT NEWS for Mr. & Mrs. Les Nolan of Cornwall. Their son Jack has been promoted from Inspector of the New Zealand Insurance Branch in Launceston, to Superintendent of the Branch in Adelaide. Jack's fiancée' also lives in Adelaide.

VISITING ST. HELENS last week and catching up with all their old friends were Mr. & Mrs. Trevor Emmett and family on holiday from Wynyard.

MR. & MRS. D. J. MAWBY and their three small sons, Dale, Nigel and Simon of Sulphur Creek spent last weekend with their Grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. G. Barnes of Fingal.

OFF FOR A CRUISE in the South Seas is Sister Elaine Salter of St. Helens. Elaine has an exciting new wardrobe and is looking forward to visiting Fiji, Noumea and New Zealand.

MR. & MRS. G. FOX and son John of Hobart visited Fingal on Saturday.

RETURNING TO LAUNCESTON after an enjoyable holiday at St. Helens are Dr. and Mrs. D. Farrar and Mr. and Mrs. R. Campbell-Smith.

MRS. BRIAN BALDWIN OF Deloraine, accompanied by her children, Vivienne and Darryl, spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. & Mrs. C. C. Bean of Fingal.

MISS MARGARET BEAN has been spending the school holidays at Deloraine with Mr. & Mrs. Brian Baldwin.

MISS ZOE JOHNS has rejoined the staff of St. Marys District Hospital and is another keen honorary member of The Valley Voice staff.

ROSSARDEN... FRIENDS of Mrs. M. Emery are pleased she is home after spending 3 weeks in Campbelltown Hospital.

NEW TEACHERS settling in at Rossarden are:- Miss M. Slatter of Launceston and Miss Mary Astor of Devonport.

MR. R. GUTHRIE is home again after a spell in the Launceston General Hospital.

GREAT EXCITEMENT in the DINGYAN family. Recently arrived from Holland are Mr. & Mrs. K. Dingyan (Snr.) of "The Hague". They are spending a holiday with their sons and families in many parts of Tasmania.

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

COMING... SAT. 15 MAR. A Walkathon - Bikathon, to aid Methodist Church. More details next issue.

COMING... TUES. 18 FEB. Pancake for Shrove. 12.30 pm. 20 cents entrance fee for pancake race. To be held at the St. Marys District School. In aid of Freedom from Hunger Campaign. Contact Mrs. H. Ramshaw if interested.

COMING... FRI. 14 FEB. at Mangana School House. A Coffee Evening for World Needy. Slide showing by John and David Lowe.

COMING... THURS. 27 FEB. at home of Mrs. George Freeman, Fingal. Bread & Cheese Luncheon. 12.30 to 2 pm.

COMING... FRI. 31 JAN. at 8 pm. Meeting of Fingal Football Club at 8 pm.

COMING... FRI. 28 FEB. A visit by the President of the Mothers' Union of Australia, Mrs. Stuart-Fox from Cairns, Queensland. Cullenswood is the oldest Mothers' Union Group in Australia. A Fellowship Service will be held at Holy Trinity Church, St. Marys at 2 pm. followed by afternoon tea in the Parish Hall. Women of all denominations are invited to attend.

GONE... FRI. 24 JAN. FINGAL FOOTBALL CLUB. A farewell evening and presentation of a canteen of cutlery to Terry Johns who has moved to Canberra. Mrs. Johns and son David will follow later when Terry has found a house.

SHROVE TUESDAY: This day is traditionally celebrated before the fast of Lent, which lasts for forty days and forty nights. It was customary to eat as much as possible on Shrove Tuesday before fasting. The ladies of the town raced through the town tossing their pancakes at given points.

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HERITAGE CORNER

From Mr. J. Strochnetter, Ulverstone, and formerly of this district comes this tale of the past. During the early 19th century convict gangs were put to work to build the St. Marys Pass under the supervision of a military guard. There were two gangs, one working from the foot of the Pass up and the other working from the top down. One party was camped at Falmouth and the other at St. Marys. One of the convicts from the party camped at St. Marys set out each day and worked hard with the other members of the gang but the guards noticed that each day after the meal break he separated himself from the party and was absent for longer than he should be. They followed him and found him in the bush chipping away at a large stone. 'What are you doing and who gave you authority to leave the party?' asked the guard. 'I am a stonemason' said the convict, 'and I realise that we are building a very steep Pass here and there will be many tired horses coming up this road. I am building a stone trough to place by this creek to help them on their way.' As the prisoner could not claim any authority to do this work his action was reported to the higher command, and then to the higher still. The judgement was in his favour and he received his parole. The horse trough remained near the top of the Pass and can be remembered by many of the early residents of the district. Unfortunately it was swept away by the 1929 floods and not even the pieces can be found.

ST. MARYS DISTRICT SCHOOL

From 1969 onwards all text books and stationery will be purchased from the school. Children will be bringing home a Class List which will show the requirements in each class together with prices in the High and Primary Schools. To assist parents the school will be open for sales at the following dates and times.

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Thursday and Friday January 23rd and 24th 1969 - 10 am. to 12 md. and from 2 to 4 pm.

HIGH SCHOOL

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday January 23th, 29th, 30th and 31st. From 10 to 12 and 2 to 4 each day.

REPLY TO V. BRADBURY, Cornwall who wrote about the school uniform last issue.

The Headmaster assures us a complete explanation will be given at the next Parents and Friends Meeting. Correspondence will also be read.

Q. What is the definition of a drought?
A. Two trees fighting over one dog.

FOR SERVICE

M. D. WEBB

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PHONE BICHENO 63

CLASSIFIED ADS.

POSITION VACANT...St. Marys Football Club require a Playing Coach. Applications are called for the above position. Please contact Secretary, K. J. Faulkner, St. Marys, stating age, experience, remuneration required. Applications close on Jan. 31st. 1969.

FOR SALE...1 Holden Van. 1962. As is. Best Offer. Apply R. K. Lohrey, St. Marys.

FOR SALE...Portable, two speed, press down Tape Recorder. Well known brand. Excellent condition and sound reproduction. Includes three thirty minute tapes. \$35.00 O.N.O. A. M. Nolan, Cornwall.

FOR SALE...Double Return Air Ticket to Sydney. Half Price. Phone St. Marys 42.

FOR SALE...2-3 berth Caravan. Very good order. \$400 O.N.O. Clive Berwick, St. Marys. Phone 16.

BIRTHS

LE FEVRE: To Kathleen and Stan a little daughter, Madeleine, sister for Sandra. Thanks to Dr. Cheung and Nursing Staff.

BUSHING: To Maureen and John, a daughter, Annette Marce, 28/1/69.

MISS FIFFLE CONTD.

MR. & MRS. MAURICE NAILER and their daughters have returned home to Bruny Island after holidaying at their shack at Four Mile Creek.

MR. R. ETHERINGTON AND FAMILY are home after spending a holiday in Adelaide.

MR. & MRS. F. LLEWELLYN are home after spending a few days in Launceston.

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HEALTH NOTES

Health Notes (contd.)

FIRST AID PART I

First Aid is based on the principles of practical medicine and surgery. It is limited to the assistance rendered at the time of the emergency with such material as may be available. First Aid does not replace the doctor; it is knowledge of what you should do or NOT DO until the victim is in the hands of a doctor or hospital. There are 5 basic rules governing first aid.

- 1. DON'T PANIC. You must be in control of yourself if you are to make the right decisions. A confident attitude in the first aider will do much to calm and reassure the victim.
2. MAKE SURE THE VICTIM IS BREATHING. His life may very well be saved by administering IMMEDIATE mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.
3. CONTROL ANY SEVERE BLEEDING. Obviously, if the victim is breathing satisfactorily, this becomes step number 2.
4. TAKE STEPS TO PREVENT OR TREAT SHOCK. Remember shock can be well advanced before it becomes obvious, and it is dangerous.
5. DO NOT MOVE THE VICTIM ANY MORE THAN NECESSARY. If you can treat him where he is, don't move him. If he must be moved, get help and do it properly. SHOCK.

DO NOT be misled if the victim of a serious injury appears alert, even cheerful. Symptoms of shock may not develop for as long as an hour after the injury, particularly in cases of severe bleeding. SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF SHOCK.

- + The victim may feel faint or giddy, or complain of blurring of his vision; he may collapse.
+ He is seen to blanch, his colour may fade to a deathly pallor.
+ He breaks into a sweat.
+ His skin is clammy and cold, sometimes alarmingly so.
+ His breathing is shallow and rapid and may later become gasping.
+ He may have a very anxious expression with dull, vacant eyes.
+ He has a weak but rapid pulse. TO PREVENT AND TREAT SHOCK.

Have the victim lie down in the basic shock position - on his back with the feet elevated 12 to 18 inches. Do NOT elevate the feet in cases of head injury or chest injury or if the victim complains of pain when feet are elevated. Keep flat in these cases with the head raised on a pillow. + Protect victim with a sheet or blanket. HE MUST NOT BE OVERHEATED. The object is to keep him as near normal temperature as possible. + Do not move him or question him unnecessarily. + Do try to keep him comfortable and encouraged. + Get medical help as quickly as possible. + If there is any delay in getting the

victim to hospital or obtaining medical aid, keep half hourly or more frequent records of pulse and respiration rate, and if the victim is conscious, there is no vomiting and no chest or abdominal injury of the penetrating type, give fluids by mouth. DO NOT GIVE STIMULANTS OR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

Next Edition - Mouth to mouth resuscitation.

IN THE EYE OF THE LAW

Again it has become necessary to bring to the attention of occupants of motor vehicles that are travelling on a public road, that it is an offence to have any part of the persons body protruding from that vehicle. This regulation applies to every person travelling in a vehicle. Police are concerned about the ever increasing number of occasions that this violation of the Traffic Laws is being observed; so much so that it is becoming apparent that stricter action has to be taken, although Police would prefer to see an improvement rather than the necessity arising whereby prosecutions have to take place. Primarily this regulation is to protect the occupants of vehicles from losing or seriously injuring a limb; the main fault being the arm resting on the window ledge and protruding outside and beyond the alignment of the vehicle; but besides this reason it could be misconstrued by the driver of the vehicle travelling behind, as a signal being given. Remember, two arms are better than one.

Table listing items: R. T. & M. J. SEMMENS - ST.MARYS SPECIALS, Rosella Canned Soup 26c, Pkts. Chicken Noodle Soup .14c, Robur Jellies 2 in 1 15c, Pkts. Rice 15c

Table listing services: PAINTING - REPAIRS - BUILDING, AJAX PUMP SERVICE AND PARTS, GALVANISED AND COPPER PIPING AND FITTINGS, W. C. NIEL PHONE ST.MARYS 61

Table listing nursery services: S T . H E L E N S N U R S E R Y, Phone St.Helens 76, Exotic INDOOR Plants

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HEAVY DUTY

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VALLEY VOICE CONTRIBUTORS

All letters, contributions, advertisements, etc., may be placed direct in the Valley Voice letter box situated between the Launceston Bank for Savings and the St. Marys Pharmacy.

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COMING, GOING, GONE CONTD.

COMING...ST. MARYS GARDEN CLUB Annual Summer Show on Fri. 14 Feb. in Institute. To be opened by Mr. G. Shaw, M.L.C. at 2 p.m. Judges will be from Westbury and Whitmore. Would all Garden Club members please bring a cake for afternoon tea.

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ST. HELENS CAFE

Cecilia Street Phone 18

GRILLS AND SNACKS

TAKE AWAY FOODS

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GUIDES - GUIDES - GUIDES

First meeting of year will be held on Friday 7 Feb. 7 pm, at Matron's Flat, St. Marys District Hospital. Any adults interested in helping the Movement are invited to come along.

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M. FRANKS

BUTCHER

PHONE ST. HELENS 8

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BROWNIE - GUIDES

Meetings as usual every Wednesday, 4.15 p.m. at Parish Hall, St. Marys.

COMING...Annual General Meeting of St. Marys Football Club, Tues. 4 Feb. 8 pm, at the Institute. All welcome.

ANSWERS TO LAST EDITION'S CROSSWORD

ACROSS. 1. Sturgeon 7. Rail 8. Takings 11. Steer 12. Yank 14. Les 15. In 17. Lee 18. Aroused 20. Harp on 25. Rye 26. Ill 28. Nix 30. Pretty 31. T.N.T.

DOWN. 2. Totter 3. Rake 4. Orgy 5. Nasal 6. Slake 9. Aesop 10. Irish 11. Slay 13. Nero 16. Nearly 19. Dry 21. Pent 22. Next 23. Par 24. Sit 27. It (abrev.)

COMING...ST. MARYS PROGRESS ASSOCIATION A meeting will be held at the Institute, St. Marys on Mon. 17 February to discuss the formation of a Progress Association. All interested persons are invited to attend.

CROSSWORD FANS PLEASE NOTE :Owing to an excess of contributions this week we regret we have no available space for a crossword.

COMING...Cornwall Golden Years Club will recommence their meetings on Wednesday, 3 February at 2 pm, in the Salvation Army Hall.

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FRANCES MADDEN, L.A.B., L.T.C.L.,

resumes tuition in Piano and Theory

Feb. 4th at St. Marys. Phone 171

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CITIZENS OF ST. MARYS.

Your CO-OPERATION PLEASE.

Clean up or report any fire hazard in your vicinity. The matter is urgent.

R. Legge,
Fire Captain.

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U.F.O.s SIGHTED IN VALLEY

Three separate reports of unidentified flying objects were received at this office last week. These reports are of interest in that two people travelling separately on the same night gave similar descriptions of an object in the same area. One of these people was able to wake her family and enable them to see the phenomenon. All descriptions agree that the object seen was a large ball of light travelling low in the sky.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND SERVICES

SUNDAY 2nd. February.

FINGAL. Holy Communion at 8 am.

ST. MARYS. Family Service at 9.30 am.

AVOCA. Evensong at 7 pm.

SUNDAY 9th. February.

CORNWALL. Holy Communion at 8 am.

AVOCA. Family Eucharist at 9.30 am.

ROSSARDEN. Holy Communion at 11 am.

FINGAL. Evensong at 7 pm.

Q. Why didn't the viper viper nose ?

TREASURE HUNT NO. 2 CLUE - The two clue words are contained in the following sentence. All letters are in their proper sequence. (There are 12 letters) IF I CATCH YOU MALTREATING AN ANIMAL, I'LL TAN YOUR HIDE

YOUNG GARDENRY

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 + LE FEVRE'S BUTCHERY +
 + ST. HELENS +
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 + Only Launceston inspected meat sold +
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Sir,

I would like to ask that the new uniform for the St. Marys District School be given a fair trial before judgement as to cost and quality is passed.

I would like to say that the interest NOW being shown on the idea would have been highly valued at the meetings called at the school as to this whole question, and to which all parents were invited to attend. At the last of these meetings, pupils modelled the proposed uniforms and the Headmaster gave a close approximation of costs involved.

It was originally only intended that the High School pupils adopt this 'New Look' in keeping with the fashion change and adult outlook of these pupils. However, when the enthusiastic primary parents approved of the uniform, the whole school was included in the change-over. We have been assured that no one will be pressured into buying this uniform all at once. It would intermingle in the school for some time. Have first year parents realised that the cost of the new uniform will not exceed the savings made by the new hiring scheme for text books this year? The cost of clothes worn for five days a week every week must be more. The old summer uniform was cheap and no one can deny that it looked it.

May I conclude in saying that the pride the pupils feel in their School will be reflected in their pride in wearing its uniform.

(MRS.) K. BUENS,
 ST. HELENS.

Sir,

As the water is very short in St. Marys one would think that the towns-people would do something about the fire hazards in the town. The block of ground near the Methodist Church is a disgrace to any town. A fire could sweep through the long grass in no time, and the elderly residents of Groom Street would not have a chance of saving themselves and their treasured belongings. This land could be turned into an attractive park, with no fence. Tourists could eat their lunches, and children play. The lane leading to the 3 elderly residents of Groom Street is also a disgrace. The grass should be cut and kept cut. A few flowering trees could be planted, and it would result in a beautiful lane in Spring. These are not the only two fire hazards in town; but just two I have mentioned.

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Dear
Valerie
Voyce

Dear Valerie Voice,

My husband beats me every night, I am covered in bruises; what can I do for my bruises?

Black, blue & sore!

Dear Black, blue and sore,

Darling - -

I couldn't tell you, but if it's love, what a colourful life you have!

V.V.

Dear Valerie Voice,

I hate everyone and everyone hates me. I am considering making my own atomic bomb. What do you think?

H. Rinds,

"Forgotten Valley"

Dear H. Rinds,

Make love not war.

V.V.

Sir,

The two raffles conducted by the Seamander Progress Association raised \$50.80. The groceries were won by Mrs. K. Jenkins of Seamander and the whisky by Miss Sue Dakin of St. Marys. We thank all those people who gave so generously. The money raised will help to defray the cost of a heavy duty lawn-mower, which will be used on the picnic ground and at Wrinkler's Beach. The toilets we erected at these two popular spots have proved a great boon to visitors. It is sad to relate that some irresponsible people are stealing toilet paper from the Wrinkler toilets. Mr. Ken Jenkins is making a generous gesture by supplying the toilet paper; but as he is not a millionaire, we say to visitors, "Please don't steal the toilet paper."

N. HARDMAN
 (Secretary)

