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Dear Editor:

I am eight years old
Some of my friends say there is
no Santa Claus. Please tell me
the truth.

Virginia O'Hanlon.

The editorial writer who was
assigned to reply to Virginia at
first disdained the task as tri-
vial, then found himself warming
up to a real opportunity and
finally wrote the words that
millions since then have warmed
to read:

Virginia, your friends are wrong.
They have been affected by the
skepticism of a skeptical age.
They do not believe except they
see. They think that nothing
can be which is not comprehen-
sible by their little minds. All
minds, Virginia whether they be
men's or children's are little.
In this great universe of ours
man is a mere insect in intellect,
as compared with the boundless
world about him, as measured by
the intelligence capable of grasp-
ing the whole truth.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa
Claus. He exists as certainly
as love and generosity and de-
votion exist, and you know that
they abound and give to your life
its highest beauty and joy. Alas,
how deary would be the world if
there were no Santa Claus. It
would be as deary as if there
were no Virginias. There would
be no childlike faith then, no
poetry, no romance to make tol-
erable this existence. We should
have no enjoyment, except in
sense and sight. The eternal
light with which childhood fills
the world would be extinguished.

Not to believe in Santa Claus?
you might as well not believe in
fairies. You might get your
papa to hire men to watch all the
chimneys on Christmas Eve to
catch Santa Claus, but even if
they did not see Santa Claus com-
ing down, what would that prove?

Nobody sees Santa Claus, but
that is no sign that there is
no Santa Claus. The most
real things in the word are
those that neither children
nor men can see.

You tear apart the baby's
rattle and see what makes the
noise inside, but there is a
veil covering the unseen world
which not the strongest men,
nor even the united strength of
all the strongest men that
ever lived, could tear apart.
Only faith, fancy, poetry,
love, romance, can push aside
that curtain and view the super-
nal beauty beyond. Is it all
real? Ah, Virginia, in all
this world there is nothing else
real and abiding.

No Santa Claus? Thank God,
he lives, and lives forever.
A thousand years from now, Vir-
ginia, nay, ten times ten thou-
sand years from now, he will
continue to make glad the heart
of childhood.

So we will not "spend" Christmas
nor "observe" Christmas.
We will "keep" Christmas - keep
it as it is ... in all loveliness
of its ancient traditions.
May we keep it in our hearts,
that we may be kept in its hope.

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Gloria Ward.

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THE VALLEY VOICE XMAS HOLIDAYS

Subscribers please note next issue Dec 16 is the last before Christmas, so anyone needing space for Xmas greeting etc, please get it in by 12 noon on Wed 14 Dec.

Our first edition in the New Year is Friday Jan 13, all contributions for this issue must be in on Jan 11, 12 noon.

A mans ear was bleeding like a stuck pig. "I bit myself," he explained. "Thats impossible," said the docter. "How can a man bite himself on the ear?" The man said, "I was standing on a chair".

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Mrs Jack Ward of Mangana is home again after a holiday with her daughter Mrs Fred Yates of Longford.

Mr Bob Hinds of Bicheno is in hospital at Swansea, his many golfing friends wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr Geoff Cox has returned home to Mangana after a stay in the Launceston General Hospital.

Mr Michael Sweeney is a patient at Campbelltown Hospital, he hopes to be home soon.

Mrs Upton of Mangana is still in Launceston, she hopes to be home soon.

WHATSON?CONTINUED

St Marys Red Cross Blood Bank Dec 3 at 7.30. St Helens

Red Cross Bank is on Friday Dec2.

ST MARYS SILVER THREADS CLUB

The Annual Break-up Party will be held in the Institute on Wednesday 7th December at 7.30pm. All members welcome- Bring a small gift and a plate

L.H. Spilsbury Sect.

ST HELENS FLYING GROUP

On Sunday 4th December (this Sunday) commencing at 10am the St Helens Flying Group will have a plane and instructor at the St Helens Aerodrome, weather permitting. The Instructor will be available to answer questions from persons interested in obtaining a pilots licence. The plane will also be available on hire to any suitably qualified pilot.

The St Marys Child Health Association Christmas dinner will be held at the Bayside Inn St Helens at 8pm on Friday December 16th All welcome.

Bicheno Golf Club Annual dinner will be held Dec 3. all intending to come, please get in touch with Max Bracy, phone 75 1228, or H. Winter ph 75 124.

The Scamander Tennis Committee are holding a Progressive Dinner, starting at Mrs Tony Rawnsley's home at 6.30pm on Dec 9.

The St Marys Child Health Association invites you and your children to its Christmas Party to be held at the Institute on Wednesday December 14th at 10am. Please bring your child a small named gift for Santas bag. All welcome.

St Marys Hospital Auxiliary extends an invitation to all Board members, all Hospital staff and all Auxiliary members and their spouses to their Xmas Party on December 9th at 7.30 at the Hospital.

Bicheno Ladies R.L.S. Auxiliary are holding a Xmas get-together at the Annexe, and invite all Senior Citizens to attend Thursday Dec 15th at 2.30pm R.S.V.P. by Dec 11 to B. Yates phone 75 1141, or C.Gray phone 75 1257.

NEXT IMMUNISATION 12 DECEMBER at St Marys District Hospital 1pm.

The next meeting of the St Marys Child Health Association will be held at the Clinic on Thursday Dec 8 at 7.30pm. Old and new members welcome.

MULTICAP RAFFLE WINNER

200 cans of beer. Won by Mr Colin Barnett Launceston.

A LARGE BLACK SPOT to the VANDELS who pinched the shrubs planted round the Combined Church in Bicheno, this garden is planted by volunteer labour to keep Bicheno looking tidy.

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NEW HOURS

Open now at

9am

ALL DAY UNTIL

4 PM

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CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PARISH OF AVOCA FINGAL & COLLENSWOOD

Sunday 4th December:

Avoca 9am. H.C. Rector
Cornwall 11am Sunday School Anniversary
Mathinna 3pm H.C. Rector
Fingal 7pm E.P. Rector

Sunday 11th December

Fingal 9am H.C. Rector
Avoca 11am Sunday School Anniversary
Mangana 3pm H.C. Rector
St. Marys 7pm H.C. Rector

THRIFT SHOP ROSTOR

November 2nd. No thrift shop. Street
stall at 10.30am.
November 9th. Mrs R. Legge & S. Birrell
November 16th. Mrs u. Camplin & V. Bradbury.

December 6th: Empty Christmas Tree. 2pm.
Cornwall church. Social afternoon.
Please bring a gift for either of the
three homes -

Clarendon Children's Home
Glenview Home for the Aged
Roland Boy's Home.

Afternoon tea.

THE SALVATION ARMY - CORNWALL

Sunday December 4th

No Sunday School.

Sunday School Anniversary 7pm.
Major & Mrs L. Barnard - Divisional
Commander for Tasmania.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PARISH OF ST. HELENS

Sunday December 4th

St. Helens 8am H.C.
Falmouth 9.15am H.C.
St. Helens 11am H.C.

Sunday December 11th

St. Helens 8am H.C.
St. Helens 11am Sunday School Festival
and Prize Giving Service
Pyengana 7.30pm E.P.

Sunday December 18th

St. Helens 8am H.C.
Falmouth 9.15am H.C.
St. Helens 11am Carols and 9 lessons
Pyengana 7.30pm H.C. Xmas Service

Sunday December 25th

St. Helens 12.01am H.C.
St. Helens 7am H.C.
Falmouth 9am H.C.
St. Helens 11am H.C.

Sunday January 1st.

St. Helens 8am H.C.
Falmouth 9.15am H.C.
St. Helens 11am H.C.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND - CORNWALL

December 4th Sunday School Anniversary
11am. All welcome to attend.



MEALS ON WHEELS

DECEMBER

Sunday 4th
Monday 5th
Tuesday 6th
Wednesday 7th
Thursday 8th
Sunday 11th
Monday 12th
Tuesday 13th
Wednesday 14th
Thursday 15th

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SPORTS

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FISHING NEWS

Forthcoming events:- 11th December, St Helens Surf Angling Club. Surfcontest at Big Lagoon beach from 12noon to 6pm.
18th December, Scamander Angling Club surf contest at Winklers beach from 11am to 4pm.
The annual Swansea event has been held & most competitors appear to be happy with their catches. Once again, the big prize went to a local angler with his local knowledge. A very recent immigrant to Swansea is Charlie Haas, the ex-warden of Fingal. He must have assimilated rapidly since he won fifth prize in the bream contest. He thought that he had a real winner when a four pound Blackback took his bait & kept him guessing for quite some time before it was landed in the boat & the disillusionment set in. The sea fishing brought out an interesting result. Nearly all the fish weighted in were caught from boats while around 200 surf anglers could only manage about 25 fish all told. It will be some consolation to St Helens and Scamander anglers to know that their familiar pattern is repeated further South. Very few catches have been reported locally in recent weeks & beaches appear to be very flat & featureless at the present time. We can only hope that Father Christmas will bring us something which most anglers have been wanting for many months now - a good bag.

GOLF NOTES FROM BICHENO

Results of the Browns Trophy
Won by B. Yates & H. Winter 64 net
2nd C. & D. Brown on C.B. from M. Herbert & T. Cruse 66 net
Nearest the pin = N. Hough & K. Davey.
Members Day on Sat. Stroke
H. Winter 64 net
2nd D. Williams 66 net.
3rd G. Gurr 67 net.

STMARYS BOWLS CLUB

East Coast Pennant Results

BICHENO	ST MARYS
R. Haywood 26 drew	C. Berwick 26
E. Haywood 30 d	I. Calvert 17
B. Widdicombe 29 d	J. Brennan 13
85	56

LADIES

G. Gregg 24 d	D. Bushing 11
B. Madson 24 d	I. Brennan 19
B. Russell 14 L.T.	J. Freeman 14

Shaggy dogs

A kangaroo yanked her young one out of her pouch and gave it a hearty smack on the backside. "I'll teach you to eat biscuits in bed", she declared.

LIONS JACKPOT
\$ 55 BINGO

TUESDAY 7.30pm.

LOG FIRE

Supper provided R.S.L. Institute

GARDEN CLUB NOTES

The monthly meeting of St Marys Garden Club was held Nov 24th, and 13 members were present. Mrs Royle received a birthday posy. A posy was sent to Mrs Amy Jarvis who is a patient in St Marys Hospital, members hope to see her home soon.
Open Arr. L. Rattray, A. Llewellyn, L. Rattray.
Int Arr. Marj Aulich, L. Mitchell.
Xmas Arr. M. Royle 1st & 3rd, A. Llewellyn 2nd.
Raspberry Slice E. Hughes, L. Rattray, M. Royle.
Broad Beans P. Llewellyn, 1st & 2nd, Molly Aulich 3rd.
Any other vegetable P. Llewellyn, M. Royle, Molly Aulich. Raffle Winner P. Llewellyn. Lucky door Linda Rattray.
Competition winner, guessing what was in the box. M. Royle, a fancy Xmas candle
The Xmas Party to be held on Dec 16th 7.30
All prizes to be given for points gained over 12 months. Donors for Dec 16, Lucky door Elsie Hughes. Lucky cup L. Rattray. Competitions to be conducted by M. Oliver, M. Royle, A. Jarvis, or Linda Mitchell, Marj Aulich. Members are reminded to bring 2 plates and present for the Xmas tree. Roll-call will be

A FUNNY STORY.

ST MARYS BOWLS CLUB continued

LADIES

BICHENO	ST MARYS
62	44

No results to hand from the St Helens-Swansea Match.

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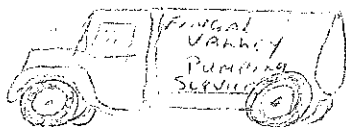
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THE ABORIGINAL PROBLEM cont. . from last issue by John Schier.

Housing has been provided by the Church of England Church Missionary Society and the Government, but still a lot of the Aborigines are content to live and sleep on old mattresses in the dirty sand outside their partly wrecked homes. Most tribes own motor vehicles which are not looked after properly, and after the vehicle is too damaged to drive it is discarded, and its owners wait for their next allotment of money to buy a new vehicle. Ninety per cent of the time the vehicle is only used for transport to and from the local licensed recreation club owned by GEMCO, just 12 miles from their homes. The Aborigine has a different set of values than us Europeans. He doesn't want to work, or see the need to grow food. He's mainly interested in transport and alcohol. They are only allowed to drink beer as spirits would have an extremely detrimental effect on them.

What future lies ahead for these Aborigines on Groote Eylandt and similar settlements in Australia, particularly for the children who make up 50% of the islands 1,000 Aborigine residents? Work is available for the men with GEMCO on an extremely attractive wage, but only some 40 odd are employed by GEMCO. How are the Aborigines going to cope with alcoholism, racial prejudices and conflict between different tribes in the future as our modern changing world keeps setting a more hectic pace for its inhabitants?

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The most disturbing point of the whole Aborigine plight is the fact that no one seems to have any feasible solutions to this enormous problem.

Thank you John, we hope to hear more from you. Ed

ST MARYS AMBULANCE DRIVERS

Drivers will you please check your roster to see if you are on. Holidays are nearly here, so you will be wanted so be SURE you are ready. If you have to be away on your day on please make sure you have a replacement, and don't forget to let the hospital know how to get hold of them. Because when the Ambulance is wanted it's wanted in a hurry, and it may be one of your family.

APPLES

I love to sit beneath the trees
And smell the apples in the breeze
For there is many an apple,
That is grown at Huonville,
That is picked & packed,
And sent far away.
But if you want an apple
That is really good.
Get one that is grown on "Inglewood"

SAD ENDINGS

Willie saw some dynamite;
Couldn't understand it quite.
Curiosity never pays.
It rained Willie seven days!

Mark
He rocked the boat,
Did Ezra Shank
These bubbles

Where Ezra sank.

There was an old lady of Leith
Who had most remarkable teeth;
They were not very strong,
But so spiky and long

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STARDUST

By Mercury

Fortnight from Dec. 2.

ARIES: Mar. 21 - Apr. 20

Look for changes where you work, there is also a chance to gain some recognition in creative activity if you belong to a hobby club. Lucky days 10, 14.

TAURUS: Apr. 21 - May 21

Get in touch with a friend, buying a pet can be a happy event & add to daily enjoyment of life. Look after health. Lucky days 7, 12.

GEMINI: May 22 - June 21

Extra care may be necessary in spending, rely on your own efforts to make progress, hang onto your common sense. Lucky days 5, 10.

CANCER: June 22 - July 23

Take advantage of developments to increase your earnings. Look after your health if you have to be in cold or crowded places. Best to trim your sails a bit. Lucky days 5, 7.

LEO: July 24 - Aug. 23

You may be taking a trip to join loved ones. The tempo could speed up in social & home life. New ideas show good signs. Lucky days 12, 15.

VIRGO: Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

It is the time to put creative and artistic plans into action being methodical is a great help in success plans, because it helps to keep you on a definite program. Lucky days 6, 9.

LIBRA: Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Club work and group activities are unusually beneficial in your local area just now, keep loved ones in mind, and make home happy. Lucky days 8, 14.

SCORPIO: Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Divide your time between personal interests & relatives, some of your career projects may begin to pay off, make the most of social contacts. Lucky days 9, 13.

SAGITTARIUS: Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

Be understanding and helpful to a person going through emotional upset. You may find just what you have been looking for, be tactful in partnership matters. Lucky days 7, 11.

CAPRICORN: Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

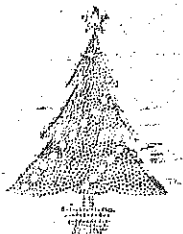
You will have surprises soon. Some good, some not so good. All partnership concerns require diplomacy and tact, just now, remember moderation in all things, including spending. Lucky days 11, 13.

AQUARIES: Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Your efforts to improve education really have much to do with the good that will happen, keep a check on health matters, get a little variety into your work and make a new friend. Lucky days 9, 14.

PISCES: Feb. 20 - Mar. 20

Strengthen ties with friends & partners just now. You will enjoy making your gifts for friends and seeing people happy in your home. Dress neatly and feel your best in grooming. Lucky days 10, 15.



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