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COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Saturday, 24th. of March will see Council elections throughout the State. If the pattern of previous occasions is repeated, less than thirty percent of eligible voters will attend the polling booths.

The law says who shall not become a Councillor, leaving the elector to determine who will represent his interests. The elector is the only person, who by action or default, can determine the quality of the Local Council, and Local ernment generally.

Whenever Councils are mentioned in a conversation you can be sure to hear comments along these lines. "Why don't they a something?". "They are a poor lot". "They are only in it for themselves". "Look at the drongos they have working for them".

Assuming that sometimes, somewhere, there might be a grain of truth in uninformed comment, whose fault is it the situation arose as alleged? The Councillors, the paid officers or the electors?

The blame lies squarely at the feet of the electors. Too often the elector gives little or no consideration to the structure of 'his' local governing body.

will "stir them up a bit ", but who lacks the skill thereafter to do much of a constructive nature. In extreme cases, a Commission is appointed to clean up the mess resulting from such a situation.

Electors must accept the proposition that any ills suffered by Local Government must ultimately be blamed on themselves. The question comes begging... " What can electors do about it? " Overall, a simple answer would be for the electors to progressively educate themselves in what they expect of their Local Council. Local Government is now big business. The honorary Councillor bears a heavy responsibility as even more is expected by the community from lower forms of government. The decisions Councillors are called on to make often have far reaching implications which can profit or burden a community for years and years to come.

An elector, with the ongoing interests of the municipality at heart, ought to be looking well ahead when considering nominating, and voting for, a person for election to the Local Council. An elector may well find the following criteria coming to mind...

Ideally, every person elected should be a potential leader because sudden responsibility may be thrust upon him.

He should have the dignity to keep appropriate balance as occasions demand.

He should possess advocacy to be able to advance the municipality's cause to top government level.

He should be able to control and extract full value from senior staff without usurping their responsibilities or allowing them to dictate policy.

He should have local acceptance.

He should show ability to adapt to changing times and conditions.

He should have a genuine interest in all community activities, not only Council.

He should have a proven record of success in some field of endeavour to assist limit the 'in-service' experience needed to become an effective Councillor.

Tomorrow, all electors have the chance of making such decisions as they cast their votes for the future of their own municipalities.

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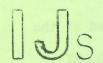
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WOULD EACH ONE PLEASE EXCEPT THIS
AS OUR PERSONAL THANKS AND GRATITUDE

Members of the St Marys Hospital Auxiliary wish to thank the people of St. Marys and surrounding districts also Matron Johnson & Hospital Staff for their generous donations and support for our recent Hospital Auxiliary Fair. By your generiosity and help the fair proved an outstanding success financially. The amount raised is approximately \$1,750 with Donation still being received. The records shows that the amount has exceeded all previous years. This is very pleasing to the Auxiliary Members and makes working for such an organisation a worthy cause a pleasure to all members. As the old section of the Hospital is being remodelled at the present time, the majority of this money willbe spent to the comfort of patients and staff in the section. THANKING ALL once again, from all members.

Alice Birrell (SEC)
Amy Jarvis (PRES)
James Napier (TREAS)

LETTER TO THE DEAR SIR EDITOR

How many people must be hurt before the H.E.C. replace a burnt out light? It is now several weeks since a light was reported out but it has not been replaced. I know the H.E.C. are on call at all times but knowing Cornwall has no footpaths and the roads are very rough, surely it would not take long to replace a light. On Friday night a lady fell. Luckily she was only shaken but what if the lady had been elderly? I shudder to think. Porhage while I am feeling as porturbed about things, may I also put in a plea for the signpost to Cornwall to be replaced and also may I ask the mitmits who remove such posts to leave then in place? Camplin. Corn.

PROPOSED NETBALL ROSTER.

Any ladies interested in playing a netball roster to co-incide with the Fingal Valley Football Roster, please contact Ms. C. McCarty or Ms. R. Hardcastle no later than Friday, 23 March. Meeting to follow at the home of Ms. C. McCarty, Main St., St. Marys on Monday, 26 March.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND FAIR

St. Marys Friday, 20 April in the Community Hall. Variety of Stalls. 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Keep this date free.

THRIFT SHOP ROSTER

23 March: B. Spilsbury G. Hayes

30 March: M. Haas M.Maney

6 April : U. Camplin K. Spilsbury

13 April: R. Summers V. Bradbury.

INDOOR BOWLS

Cornwall, every Wednesday afternoon and Friday evening. All Welcome.

Next Meeting of the St Mayys Mospital auxilary will be held on April 2nd 7.30 pm.
Prize winners at the fair were.

Sherpa blanket Mrs McManus Electric Kettle Miss Sharon Johnston Math. Bacon Mrs. Audrey Wright StMarys Dinner Mr Keith Bullock St Marys Fruit Cake MR George Oliver St Marys Potatoes Mrs Joan Dawson St Marys Chocalate Cake Mrs Connic King St Marys

FACE LIFT

The St Marys hospital is having a \$40,000 facelift. Renovations to the old wing are in progress and will be completed in early May. The chairman of the Hospital Board, Mr. Casboult, said the improvements will bring the old section up to an acceptable standard, especially reducing the risk of fire. "It will also make the ward amenities much more comfortable for patients and staff," he said. The contract was won by Scottsdale Plumbing Service.

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St. Marys	11.00am	Vincent
St. Helens	7.00pm	Vincent
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Fingal	9.30am	Vincent
St. Marys	11,00am	Vincent
St. Helens	$7.00 \mathrm{pm}$	Denney

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Sunday 25 Marc	h	
Avoca	8.30am	H.C.
St. Marys	10.30am	H.C.
Fingal	$7.00\mathrm{pm}$	H.C.

Tuesday 27 March 7.30pm H.C. Mathinna

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St. Marys - St. Marys of the Assumption Sunday 25 March and 1 April 9.00am THE WAY OF THE CROSS - every Friday in Lent at 7.00pm. The Catholic Community of St. Marys cordially invites members of other churches to come and join with them in this traditional Lenten Devotion each week.

St. Helens - SS Helena & Stanislaus Saturday March 24 & 31 Vigil Mass

Fingal - St. Joseph Sunday March 25 and April 1

10.30am

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4.00pm

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Parish Priest: Father Geoffrey Jarrett, The Presbytery, St. Marys 7215. Phone 72 2252.

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MARCH	APRIL	ST. MARYS	FINGAL	MANGANA
Sunday	25	Carol Faulkner	Mr. R Saunders	
Monday	26	Dot French	Mrs. D Woods .	Mr. J. Miller
Tuesday	27	Mary Targett	Mrs. A McKenzie	Mrs A McKenzie
Wednosday	28	R. Legge		
Thursday	29	Val Leedham	Mrs Sharon Hall	Mrs M francis.
Sunday	1	Gerald Aulich	•	
Monday	2	Mary King		
Tuesday	3	Alf Faulkner		
Wednesday	4	Sandra Aulich		
Thursday	5	Miss Thorold		

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"I shall pass through this world but once. Any good therefore, that I can do, or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me no defer nor neglect it, for I shall not this way again." These lines were written more than 100 years ago.

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FISHING NEWS

Anglers Diary: Sunday, 25 March: St. Helens Game Fishing final four decided. Club Rally Day.

Friday, 13 April: (Good Friday): Scamander Angling Club surf contest at Four Mile Beach from 2 to 6 p.m.

Easter Saturday and Sunday: Game Fishing Club of Northern Tasmania Annual Open.

The only contest reported this week was that conducted by the Scamander Angling Club at Wrinklers Beach last Sunday. The weather was threatening and much discussion took place before it was decided to hold the event to avoid disappointing the hardy and keen anglers who had travelled long distances to take part. The decision was justified in that Kevin Littlejohn from Perth landed a 71b. gummy shark to win first prize. The only other fish to be weighed was caught by Keith Nicklason rom Pyengana - a 9 oz. bream.

Meantime other anglers were busy in the more sheltered Scamander River and several came home with good bags. David Stone with son Scott had 10 fish, the heaviest being variously estimated at 2 to 3 lbs.

It is also reported that John Skoda caught a good bag, apparently fishing from the top floor. My informant was not too certain on this but it was apparently very close to the hotel.

A visitor to Falmouth asked for help in the identification of a "fish" picked up on Falmouth Beach. It was a sea-snake, about $2\frac{1}{2}$ ft. long, jet black along the backbone and bright yellow along the sides. A rare visitor, thank goodness. Alive, it would givesome anglers an attack of the screaming horrors.

EAST COAST BOWLING CHAMPIONSHIP

This championship was held at Swansea recently. In the men's semi-final, Stan Burbury of Swansea d. W. Connor of St. Marys, 31-11. John Haslop of Bicheno d. C.Fysh of St. Helens, 31-24. In the Final, Haslop d. Burbury, 31-28.

Ladies semi's saw E. Morling d. D Bushing 32-20. M. Headlam d. B. Madsen, 33-20. The final was won by Molly Headlam d. Elsie Morling, 31-27.

TENNIS

The roster games are now ended and the

St, Helens finished on top, unbeaten. Next came Oatlands, Fingal and Campbelltown. St. Marys was pipped on the post in the last roster match, losing to Campbelltown by one game, four to five.

Finals begin on Sunday, 25 March when a confident Campbelltown meets Fingal. The real interest lies in who will lose the Final to St. Helens, whom nobody expects to be beaten.

BADMINTON

The Badminton Association met for it's Annual Meeting recently to get this year's season started. Some clubs were reported to be fielding two teams and there was hope for two grades to be formed. This now seems unlikely.

Clubs fielding teams this year are Fingal, Pyengana, St. Helens, St. Marys and Rossarden.

Ross LeFevre of St. Helens is the Association President and Vicki Woods of Fingal continues as Secretary.

MARYS HEALTH Kevin and Jill Faulkner

Feather soft. Toilet rolls (Twin) 56¢ Eastern Spice Soap 4 cakes 99¢ Ipana Toothpaste Reg & Mint 59¢ Steiner Pearl Foam shampoo \$2,25 Steiner creme Rinse conditioner \$2.25 Rubber Gloves 3 pair \$1.00 Miracle Pegs 6 doz per bag Space tone exerciser as advertised on T.V. Agents for Medibank, St Lukes & M.B.F. Stockists of Medicines, Gifts, Cosmetics. Pet and animal care products. Citizens and Timex watches. etc. If not in stock, ask for and we shall get it.

RED CROSS APPEAL

Red Cross held its annual Appeal on Sunday, 18th March and the amount raised looks like going over \$1800,00 When the count is finally tallied it could even exceed last years \$2100.00.

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WOMENS VOLLEYBALL NOTES

ROUND 10 - 13.3.79

Game 1. Toby's Team were no match for Bankcard who continued on their winning way and won 3-0. Best for Bankcard: C. Hendley, R. Hardcastle, M. Richardson. For Toby's Team: Jo-anne Aulich, T. Gillies and Karen Bean.

Game 2. Targett's Garage have really improved but not enough to beat Trendsetta who won 3 games to 0. Best for Trendsetta: Vanessa Aulich and Jenny Midson. Best for Targett's Garage: Val Leedham, Tania Leedham and Andrea Hayes.

Game 3. This game was played between Blackwoods and Kiwis. Kiwis played very well and easily defeated Blackwoods who couldn't seem to do any thing right. Scores: 3-0. Best for Kiwis: M. Targett and K. Richards.

ROUND 11 - 20.3.79

Game 1. By defeating Blackwood Hodge. in this game, Bankcard have now gone into second position on the ladder. Best for Bankcard: C. Hendley, C. Woolley, and S. Blackman. Blackwood Hodge: Michelle, Janine and Cindy Williams and Janine Harris. Scores: 3-1.

LADDER

Trendsetta	40
Bankcard	28
Kiwis	24
Blackwood Hodge	24
Toby's Team	16
Targett's Garage	0

ROSTER:

27.3.79 Bankcard Targett's Garage Kiwis Toby's Team Blackwood Hodge v Trendsetta

SEMI - FINALS 3.4.79

> Kiwis V Blackwoods Trendsetta Bankcard V Winner of this game goes into Grand Final

> > 7.15pm Start

10.4.79 PRELIMINARY FINALS 7.15pm Start

Winner of Kiwis v Blackwoods plays loser of Bankcard Frendsetta. This game followed by Mens Preliminary Final.

12.4.79 GRAND FINAL 7.15 Start WOMENS MEN

VOTE COUNT NIGHT WOMENS VOLLEY BALL Wednesday 28th March R.SL. Institute 7.30pm. Trophy will be sponsored by New Zealand Insurance Company.

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and S. Blackman. Blackwood Hodge:	GOLF NOTES	by Tee Up
Michelle, Janine and Cindy Williams	Associates	
and Janine Harris. Scores: 3-1.	3	oke 2) 68
Game 2. Had Kiwis played as a team		5) 70
they may have had some chance of		70 73 73
defeating Trendsetta. Kiwis won the	Stroke	
first game which is quite an advantage	,	67
but after that they just seemed to		64) 68 63) 69
collapse. Scores: 3-1. Best for		2) 70
Trendsetta: V. Aulich and T. Lynch.	Bogey	
Best for Kiwis: K. Richards and A.	N. Macleay (27)	5 down
Greenwood.	R. Gill (19) E. Herring (19)	5 down 6 down
Game 3. I think everyone would like	P. Davern (17)	7 down
to see Targett's Team win a game but	Members	T it is an investigation
Toby's Team proved too strong for them	Stablet ord	
this time and won 3 - 2. Best for	G. Hayes (26) A. Lynch (28)	44 points
Toby's Team: Karen Bean, T. Gillies.	G. King (21)	42 "
Best for Targott's Team: Tania Leedham,	C. Davern (23)	41 "
Heather Hayes, Janice Pitt and Andrea Hayes	s. Nearest Pin: J.	McGee

COUNCIL

At it's next meeting on March 12th, Council eased water restrictions at Scamander and removed them completely at Mathinna. A report on progress of improvements to Scamander supply was received.

Council agreed to meet with representatives of C.Y.S.S. to discuss aims and objectives with a view to helping the municipality unemployed.

Advice was received from the Valuer - ... General that revaluation of the Municipality would begin soon and that the new values will apply from 1.7. '79.

Council deferred complying with a request of the Department of Health to withdraw the licence for St Marys abbatoir pending further advice from the Department on a proposed renovation plan.

Building applications valued at \$30,000 were approved.

Annual election of Councillors is on Saturday, March 24. Three sitting members were returned unopposed. The only election necessary is in St. Marys Ward, where sitting member Mr. D. Casboult is being opposed by Mr. T.F. Lohry.

Council's street and road sealing programme has been delayed by the statewide shortage of bitumen.
Adequate supplies are expected at the end of eight weeks.

THUMBS DOWN

wrecking the street signs around St.
Marys.

...to the owner of the caravan left to rot near Holy Trinity Church, St. Marys.

...to the vandals who break bottles on the path to the public toilets at the St. Marys Rivulet.

THUMBS UP

...to whoever keeps the little area at the bottom of Cameron Street so neat.

...to the courteous workmen on the Scamander bridge.

...to the H.E.C. for providing an upgraded feeder to St. Helens, and for doing the same to the Avoca feeder.

...to the bright new paint job on a St. Marys service station.

MINED-FUL

Seen visiting Fingal recently was Michael Polley MHA, in company with mine officials. The barbs from the Libs. who inspected the Duncan a couple of weeks ago may be the reason.

MUNICIPALITY OF FINGAL

ST. MARYS WARD.

PLEASE NOTE THAT VOTING TO
ELECT A COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE
FOR ST.MARYS WARD WILL BE HELD
THIS SATURDAY MARCH 24 TH AT
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THE SCAMANDER NEWSAGENCY
THE CORNWALL HALL.

BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 12 Noon & 7 pm.
I WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT.

AUTHORISED TERRY TARGETT.
ST. MARYS.

DENZIL CASBOULT.

MENS VOLLEYBALL.

8th. MARCII

Game 1: C.B.A. V T.R.C. This game looked like being a real upset when T.R.C. went to a 2-0 game lead against the strong C.B.A. Mick & Brett Miller were playing very well for T.R.C. while C.B.A. were having problems with their setting and spiking. With their backs to the wall in the 3rd. game C.B.A started to put it together and won the next 3 games quite easily to win the match 3-2 (71-52). Best were Chris MacGregor & Murray Schier for C.B.A & Bob Blackman, Mick Miller and Brett Miller for T.R.C.

Game 2: ALPINE V ROOSTERS.
This game provided another 5 setter with Roosters defeating Alpine 3-2 in a very unexciting game. Tom Hendley, playing with an injured hand, tried hard for Alpine as did Stephen Bantick for Roosters Mike Brown and Greg Tapp played well.

Game 3: ADIDAS V FOCTIE FRAUKS.

Adidas continued in their usual vein by defeating the Franks 3-0 in another game that didn't cause much excitement. Terry Targett served well for Adidas and Les Newman played his usual reliable game. Shane Goss & Wayne Morris were best for the Franks.

Game 4: JETSETTERS V ST. HELEMS. This proved to be the best game of the night with both teams badly needing to win to keep their chances of making the "four" alive. St. Helens looked like easily taking the match early as they raced to a 2-0 game lead. The next 2 games saw Jetsetters play together well, as they are capable of doing, and Level the scores 2-2. The final game had both teams ensed up and neither side could open up a handy break. Both teams arrived at set point but Jetsetters were the team to settle and took the game 16-14 (Final scores 68-64). Best were Peter Lohrey & Adrian Donker for Jetsetters and Tony Dilger & Kim Charlesworth for St. Helens.

Game 5: FOOTIE FRANKS V ALPINE.

Due to injuries and work committments Alpine forfeited this game which gave Footie Franks the 4 points plus a 45-0 score for their percentage. It is hoped that this will be the lst. and last forfeit as every endeavour should be made to make up their numbers and give their opponents a game.

15-3-79

Game 1: ADIDAS V ST. HELENS.
This game never reached the heights that were expected of it as St. Helens in previous weeks had been playing very well and were expected to go close to inflicting Adidas's first loss. However Adidas completely dominated the game and only allowed St. Helens 14 points during the 3-0

VOLLEYBALL CONTINUED. Superserve MacDonalf had victory. his best game this roster and St. Helens had no answer to his serves. Michael Wright also played well for Adidas. St. Helens tried hard but good players were hard to find. Game 2: JETSETTERS V FOOTIE F's. Both teams started the game level on points and wanting a win to get into the "four" and played a long. 5 setter before the eventual winner was found. Fottie Franks by winning 3-2 (62-57) have now taken over 4th. position and could be a surprise semi-finalist if they can win at least one of their next two matches. Best were Gus Richards, Ritchie MacDonald, Peter Lohrey & Adrian Donker. Game 3: ALPINE V T.R.C. Alpine going into this game with an unsettled side were no match for T.R.C. and lost 3-0 (45-15). Bob Blackman & Rod Howell played very well for T.R.C. while new player for Alpine Roger Watson

was a very good player. Came 4: ROOSTERS V C.B.A. C.B.A are still having trouble putting their game together and did not look anything like a premiership side during this game which they won 3-1 (53-43). This loss has virtually wiped the Roosters chances of making the "four". Best players were Rod Woolley, Ian Brad bury and Nigel Britton. Game 5: T.R.C. V JETSETTERS. This was a fair standard game with T.R.C. winning 3-2 (66-56) and the win putting them clear in third position and assuring themselves of playing in the finals. Jetsetters by losing are going to find it difficult to get back into the "four" and would have to win both of their remaining games to achieve this. Best players were Rod Howell, who is improving with every game, Garry Richardson & Phillip Midson for T.R.C. and Mark Read and Keith Cook for Jetsetters.

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•	Games	%	Points
	play ed		
ADIDAS	11	166	44
C.B.A.	12	123	36
T.R.C.	11	103	24
FOOTIE FRANKS	12	, 96	20
ST. HELENS	11	95	16
JETSETTERS .	12	95	16
ROOSTERS	12	85	16
ALPINE	11	67	12

Players are reminded that on the 30th. March (Friday) at 7.30 at the football sheds a vote count night will be held for the 3,2,&1 votes in the Jetset Tours Best & Fairest award. A calcutta will be run and it is hoped all will attend.

MUNICIPALITY OF PORTLAND.

SOUTH WARD. (Incorp. Fairlee. Ningle Nook, Parkside, Stieglitz and Scamander.)

VOTE TO MARGARET BUCHANAN

Main Road Scamander Phone 725112 or 725121.

For a Policy of co -operation and aiming at a continuance of street sealing, improving water facilities etc. I now have the experience which I lacked in the first term as a counciller.

VOTING HOURS. 10.00am _ 7.00pm.

Saturday 24th March, 1979.

YOUTH HOSTEL, Scamander

COUNCIL CHAMBERS, ST. HELENS.

You must vote for all candidates in order of choise. If unable to get to polling Booths PLEASE get your Postal Vote NOW and lodge immediately.

Thanking You,

Margaret L. Buchanan.

P.S. AS there are so many ratepayers in this WArd I am sorry that owing to various circumstances I may not get around to see you all but please write if you wish.

Authorised by F.H. Plumstead Scamander.

YOU MAY NOT HAVE HEARD THIS BUT !:

To learn a mar's weak points, let him talk while you listen...some people stop at nothing when it comes to charitythe man who says he never made instake may have a wife who did...he who finds fault means to buy...false friends are worse than open enemies... conscience is like a mosquito-it can make you uneasy without stinging...he who knows nothing is confident of everything...it's easy to tell a lie, but hard to tell only one.

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Wisdom can neither be inherited nor bequeathed.

God gives every bird food, but He does not throw it in the nest.

We are born crying, live complaining, and die disapointed.

No mind is thoroughly well organized that is deficient in a sence of humor.



We have three kinds of friends; those who love us, those who are indifferent to us, and those who hate us.



Casey's Column

It was good to read in a recent isque of the Tasmanian Mail an article by former Senator, Sir Reginald Wright, in which that respected gentleman made a small plea for a radical overhaul of our taxation He quoted from a report by Lord Beveridge which said ... "the freedom which most men value most is the freedom to spend one's own income." The individual should be able to keep the rewards of his own effort and not have that effort taxed. You will realise by now that I sec our present taxation system as unjust and counterproductive. It penalises effort, discourages real progress and I think it is a major factor contributing to this country's economic malaise, especially unemployment.

I don't deny that governments need money to provide those amenities and services we would be unable to provide as individuals. I don't deny we need a taxation system but I do nost strenuously object to the present system which discourages work, discourages thrift, promotes dishonesty and appropriates from every productive process, from all productive work and from all individual effort a penalty called tax. How can we expect to promote personal industry community effort and national progress when that effort is subject to a minimum fine of 33.5 cents in the dollar?

One of the biggest growth industries at this time is the Tax Avoidance Industry..industry if you lease!! Weekly journals contain advertisements selling tax avoidance counselling and tax dodge schemes. Mr. Howard, the Federal

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Treasurer, is making the appropriate disapproving noises, clucking his tongue and wagging his finger at the accountants and lawyers waxing fat on finding the loopholes in our 700° page Income Tax Act. But no revision of the Act is contemplated, only the pasting over of the loopholes after they've been exploited for a number of years.

There are many economists and other analysts who have devised alternate and fair tax raising measures. In time, given sufficient public disenchantment with our present method, something may be achieved.

There is one tax we can change ourselves; legally, properly and to our collective benefit. That tax is the local tax, the Rate struck by the Hunicipality. As you will soon see, local taxes are also unfairly charged. The present system is discriminatory, it grants privileges to some and not others, it charges most home-owners more than their fair share of costs and like income tax, penalises effort and improvement made by a ratepayer. The major part of local rates falls; as a tax on the improvements; that is, the buildings, cultivations and other signs of ratepayer effort. Put down a path, build a garage, sow a field, add a room, dig a dam, put up a fence or instal a hot water service and as soon as the valuer learns about it, what happens? UP GO THE RATES! Why? Why should your own effort be taxed?

Why are you fined and penalised every time you try to make things a bit more pleasant for yourself? Is it fair? Of course it isn't and no-one can convince me there is any semblance of justice or equity in the present system of rating which is a direct disincentive to anyone who wants to improve their property.

Most of Australia's Municipal Councils have given up taxing buildings. Over 94% of the areas govern ed by Councils are now free of this restrictive tax and I think it's about time we set about discarding it too.

Over the next few issues I'll examine an alternative method of rating and point out how the present unfair system could be corrected. It will not be a theoretical argument, but a practical method, permitted under the Local Government Act, and it is dominant system used in Australia.

Casey

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Ey Grandna Moses
Fortnight beginning March 23rd.

ARIES: March 21 - April 20
There may be surprising developments in personal & family affairs. Take the chance now to promote some of your favourite interests. There may be a promotion in line for you. Pay particular attention to family harmony. BEST DAYS: 23, 27, 5.

TAURUS: April 21 - May 21
Take this opportunity to finish those tasks around the house. Watch your weight closely - if a diet is indicated then stick to it. Attend to your health, beware of catching cold. A good time to improve your financial situation. BEST DAYS: 23, 30, 3.

GEMINI: May 22 - June 21
Your social life & family outings are
many just now. Remain alert for profitable deals-you could increase your
earnings. Plan a new interest for those
long winter evenings ahead-something
the whole family will enjoy.
BEST DAYS: 29, 1, 4.

CANCER: June 22 - July 23

Now is a good time to get on with unfinished tasks-be prepared to give more attention to career matters. Avoid arguments & conflicts - especially at mealtimes. Time to adopt a good-health diet - cut out sugar & starch for a start. BEST DAYS: 25, 1, 2.

LEO: July 24 - August 23
Look about for new ways to better your future security & to better joint funds. Good news may come from afar. Follow the advice of a trusted friend & take advantage of an opportunity to strengthen family security. Play some sport but don't overdo it. BEST DAYS: 23,28,1.

VIRGO: August 24 - September 23
Rely on your partner to make financial decisions. Take advantage of career developments. Family relationships tend to be delicate-try not to cause a rift. Be extremely careful on short journeys. Some financial restrictions, but not enough to cause discomfort.

BEST DAYS: 24, 28, 5.

LIBRA: September 24 - October 23
A good trend now brings surprising developments in career & employment matters.
Time to take a good long look at your way of life. Is there enough togetherness in the family? Correct any problems now.
Don't forget the elderly when making plans. BEST DAYS: 23, 31, 5.

SCORPIO: October 24 - November 22
Those interested in furthering their education should make a firm decision now.
Creative talents, such as writers & artists, may find special recognition.
Concentrate on designing new projects in your creative hobby.
BEST DAYS: 26, 29, 3.

SAGITTARIUS: November 23 - December 21
Outisde pressures & divided interests re
likely to create havoc with family scludes - behave in your usual calm & capable
way & all will go well. Work fast to complete your personal projects. There may
be some sickness in the family. Finances
should improve. BEST DAYS: 29, 2, 3.

CAPRICORN: December 22 - January 20
Family interests are first & foremost at present. When working as a family don't overlook the elderly-they especially enjoy the company of the younger ones. Time to put some extra effort into your hobbies - they may earn you some recognition. BEST DAYS: 24, 31, 5.

AQUARIUS: January 21 - February 19
Exercise caution in your spending on major purchases. You may have a busy social calendar now - don't overinduly. Time to make some plans for some educational involvement. Be cautious when traveling - particularly air travel. Health very good. BEST DAYS: 25, 2, 5.

PISCES: February 20 - March 20 Creative hobbies should prove very satisfactory-you may discover profitable items that you can sell. A good time to study your financial structure. Avoid trenuous exercise which puts a heavy strain on your heart - mild exercise would be far more beneficial. BEST DAYS: 29, 1, 5.

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