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## WE WON'T WIN!

The Search is on for the tidiest town in the State.

The Chairman of the Keep Australia Beautiful Council announced recently that a competition, to be known as the Tidy Towns competition, was being promoted by his Council and the Tourist Department. The details of prizes and judging have not yet been spelled out.

The campaign is directed at the community in general to encourage litter consciousness and pride in keeping towns neat. We submit no town in our readership area will earn a prize, for even the most generous critic could hardly describe our towns' appearances as neat and tidy.

We know some towns are aware of their image, especially on the coast. St. Helens township is one that tries hard. It is well signposted, streets are clearly named, the public reserves are well tended. There is a cleanliness in the main area which is commendable. Such attention to this detail is important to St. Helens for it is significantly dependent on tourist money, and good impressions help.

Fingal and St. Marys are the opposite. Both towns look untidy. Go into almost any street and an eyesore can be found. Whilst there are numerous well kept and finely groomed dwellings, there are also scruffy vacant blocks, derelict looking houses and untidy road edges at almost any glance. Until recently, the Rivulet Bank in St. Marys was an example; a blackberry wilderness in the centre of the town. The berries have gone...what comes next?

There is a well known maxim which says "Morale drips down from the top". Civic pride also does the same. If the local authority sets examples in its reserves and streets, the citizens usually follow. In the absence of formal Progress Associations in St. Marys or Fingal, the challenge of town beautification and progress is set

back considerably, in comparison to towns that have these sort of civic interest bodies.

The responsibility of promoting progress falls entirely on ward councillors, who must accept the duty and be prepared to set the examples the community will follow.

The Keep Australia Beautiful Council has set out a small challenge for towns to tidy up. Let everyone pick up the challenge; individuals, service groups, organisations such as schools, hospitals, forestry and Councils. The benefits will provide their own direct reward.

## TRAVELLING MUSEUM

The Queen Victoria Museum Railcar is at St. Marys Railway Station for a short while. Operated by the Education Service of the Museum, the railcar is primarily established for children in country areas to see some of the exhibits of the museum in their own town.

St. Marys is the second place visited by the railcar; Smithton was the first. When finished here the display will continue its tour of the state.

The railcar will be in St. Marys until Wednesday, 3 October. It is here for use of the schools of the area and will not be opened publicly without appointment, by groups or parties, being made with St. Marys School.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the St. Marys  
Football Club will be held in the Club  
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ST. MARYS FOWLING CLUB will hold it's  
Annual Opening Day on September 23 at  
1.30 p.m. start. Ladies a plate.

MENS AFTERNOON...VFL Grand Final Get To-  
gether for the St. Marys Football Team  
will be held in the clubrooms on September  
29. Make it a date.

R.A.F.T. Tuesday 25 September at 7.30 p.m.  
in the Uniting Church Hall, Fingal.

ST. MARYS LADIES FELLOWSHIP...Mini Auction  
in the Clinic on 1 October at 7.30 p.m.

CHILD HEALTH MEETING...Clinic, Monday 24  
September at 1.30 p.m. All ladies welcome.

TENNIS CLUB...Annual Meeting at Gary Rich-  
ardson's on Thursday, 20 September at  
7.30 p.m. All members and intending mem-  
bers welcome.

HOSPITAL AUXILIARY... Annual Meeting on  
1 October at 7.30 p.m. Members please  
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GEOFF & RUTH GILL wish to thank their many  
friends for their deep concern and care  
displayed in the form of cards, letters,  
telephone calls and visits to the hospital  
and home, and for the help rendered in so  
many ways following the very bad accident  
Geoff suffered 3½ months ago. Although  
Geoff has a long way to go yet and must  
re-enter hospital for further treatment,  
we both feel that the help and encourage-  
ment given by all of you who had such  
concern has helped beyond description.  
Thank you very sincerely, one and all.

Geoff and Ruth Gill.

AURORA TIME...Sky watchers should be  
rewarded with the Southern Light displays  
over the next fortnight. Last Tuesdays  
bright pink display was the brightest  
for some years.



Sir,

This letter is the result of the general feeling of all who were at the under-16 Grand Final at Campbelltown, between Avoca and St. Marys. It was brought to my notice on that day by many NTFA supporters who were at this game that one of the Avoca players had been under suspension since June for the rest of the season, as a result of a serious kicking offence with the NTJFA earlier this year.

These NTFA supporters were furious that this boy was on the field, as his offence was so serious that previous umpires had refused to umpire while he was on the field.

How can the Avoca Club, and the Association, allow this boy to play here and ignore the penalties given in another association. If a player is suspended from one club, he is automatically suspended from playing in any club.

Under-age football is the basis of all future football, it has a very large following and has created a lot of interest in the Association this year. The type of player referred to must be kept out of football for the good and safety of all who play. Good fair sportsmanship is the aim of any sport and cruel, dirty play must be kept out.

The other matter I want to mention is that a neutral umpire from outside this area must be supplied for the under-16 finals. Surely these boys deserve an NTFA umpire for the Grand Final, at least; especially when you consider NTFA boundary umpires are used for the Reserves and Seniors.

In the case of the Grand Final this year, the umpire was from the home town of the Rossarden boys who play with the Avoca club.

The boys who leave under age football this year will not benefit from this letter, but if future boys do, then this letter will have been worthwhile.

"By the Rules",  
St. Marys.

Sir,

I have been reading your football notes all season and was pleased to see them back in your paper. Your writer made my wagers on some matches most profitable because of his reliable "kiss of death", particularly on Grand Final day when all three predictions were wrong.

Are you going to have the same writer give us some Cup tips this spring?

"The Prophet"  
Scamander.

## RETURN THANKS

BINNS Walter Leonard

Gordon and family wish to thank friends and relatives for personal expressions of sympathy, cards, phone calls and floral tributes at the sad loss of his father.

Sir,

"Wondering" in the last issue will remain wondering as long as he/she holds the belief that governments and their actions are the cause of unemployment. It is the actions of International Capital that are the root cause of our present employment crisis.

The arguments about employment, inflation, wages, prices, taxes and the rate of exchange are all economic ones. It is difficult to resist the conclusion that if the economic basis were taken out of politics, there would not be much left. Yet there are few politicians with economic training, and few economists who will admit their subject is political, and far too few electors who really understand either.

If "Wondering" reads further than daily newspapers the reasons for our predicament will be discovered.

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St. Helens 5.00pm Vincent

Sunday September 30  
Fingal 9.30am Vincent  
St. Marys 11.00am Vincent  
St. Helens 5.00pm Vincent

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF FINGAL, CULLENSWOOD, AVOCA

Sunday September 23  
Fingal 9.00am HC Rector  
Cornwall 10.30am MP R. Legge  
St. Marys 10.30am MP R. Mellowes  
Mathinna 10.30am HC Rector  
Avoca 7.00pm HC/Vestry Rector

Sunday September 30  
Fingal 11.00am Family Service and Barbecue

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Sundays September 23 and 30 9.00am

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Saturday September 22 & 29 6.30pm

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Sunday 23 September 10.30am

Mangana - Our Lady of the Sacred Heart  
Sunday September 30 10.30am

Bicheno - Community Church  
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## MEALS ON WHEELS

SEPTEMBER/OCT.

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Sunday	23	Carol Faulkner
Monday	24	Jean Lohrey
Tuesday	25	Alf Faulkner
Wednesday	26	CYSS
Thursday	27	Jess Cornelius
Sunday	30	Gerald Aulich
Monday	1	Mary King
Tuesday	2	CYSS
Wednesday	3	Jim Napier
Thursday	4	Jean Freenan

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Mr. B. Saunders	

FAST LEARNER

A well known local identity has taken a course in Speed Reading and is very impressed with the results.

When asked for an example of his new ability, he said, " I learned to read straight down the centre of a page, and I was able to go through 'War and Peace' in twenty minutes. It's about Russia".

THUMBS DOWN

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# SPORT

## FOOTBALL

Avoca led the Robins all day until half way through the final quarter, when Lowe came from the centre to kick a goal and put the Robins in front.

The game, played before a 3000 crowd, proved to be a pleasure for them all. The Campbelltown Club is to be commended for the way it catered for the fans.

Best players for both sides were hard to see as all players strove for their teams to win the flag.

In the Seconds, the Bay Swans were too strong for the Tigers and led all day. Des Faulkner and George Gall played exceptionally well for St. Marys backline but unfortunately the forwards could not capitalise on their play. Stephen Spilsbury, (the Percy Jones of St. Marys) couldn't find his form of the earlier finals games and the Tiger forward line didn't click. For St. Helens, a good team effort.

The Thirds Final was a great game with Rocky West's Tiger cubs throwing everything at the unbeaten Avoca boys. Despite their efforts, they could not manage to overcome the Avoca ability of seeming to get the better of one of the umpires decisions. Best players for St. Marys were Ridges, Vinoy, Wright and Herring. The rest played hard and tried all day.

As this is the last of the football notes for this year, it is Cheerio until the next centre bounce, when I hope my tipping will have improved through a study of some form over the summer months.

## FISHING

Angler's Diary: Sunday 23 September, next Sunday. Scanander Angling Club surf contest at Wrinklers Beach from 12 noon to 4 p.m. Sunday 30 September St. Helens Surf Angling Club at Big Lagoon from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Two very welcome reports were received this week. Last Friday evening, Algy Quinn landed six nice blackback at Wrinklers Beach and on Sunday another party finished with over twenty. We hope that there are still a few there next Sunday for the con-

test as this news should bring a large field.

Game fishermen will be interested to learn that a supply of miniature shields for the Keith Jessup Bluefin Trophy have been donated by Frank Titley. These have been unobtainable before and now past winners will be sure that their fame will be recorded for posterity.

Now is the time to overhaul game fishing gear..if there are a few more days like last Sunday, the urge will come to put to sea just in case the fish are early.

We also hear that one game fisherman has a new wall decoration and has stopped watching telly; fish staring is more exciting.

## HOLE IN ONE

Members 72 Hole Competition, 3rd Round.

1st. Division: C. Mitchell 9, 60 nett  
M. Holmes 13, 62 "  
R. McDonald 15, 62 "

2nd. Division K. Spilsbury 20, 60 nett  
J. McGee 22, 62 "  
R. Spilsbury 25, 62 "

3rd Division T. Targett 26, 59 "  
G. Hayes 26, 67 "

Scores for the 4th. Round:

1st. Division: S. Dawson 10, 63 nett  
C. Berwick 15, 64 "  
C. Mitchell 8, 65 "

2nd. Division R. Spilsbury 22, 57  
G. Kerrison 21, 61  
P. Davern 19, 71

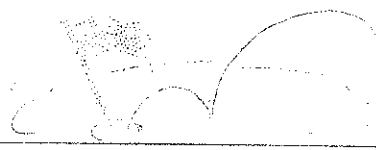
3rd. Division G. Oliver 24, 66  
D. Summers 24, 69  
G. Hayes 26, 69.

PETER DAVERN HOLED IN ONE ON THE FIFTH, A DISTANCE OF 159 METRES.

Final: A Grade C. Mitchell 281  
B Grade R. McDonald 310  
C Grade G. Oliver 362

72 Hole Handicap R. McDonald (72) 238

Peter Davern's Hole-in-One on the fifth was the bright spot for his golf this season. Congratulations Peter.



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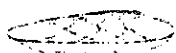
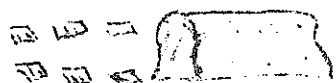
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LADIES VOLLEYBALL

The ladies started their season with a "Lightning Premiership".

Bankcard	d	Tobys	15-10
Kiwis	d	Blackwoods	15-2
Blackwoods	d	Targetts	15-8
Bankcard	d	Kiwis	15-10
Tobys	d	Targetts	15-1
Bankcard	d	Blackwoods	15-7
Bankcard	d	Targetts	15-4
Kiwis	d	Tobys	15-4
Targetts	d	Kiwis	15-7
Tobys	d	Blackwoods	15-13

Bankcard & Kiwis played best of three games final with Bankcard running out Premiers. Congratulations to them for playing so well. Score: 15-13 and 15-8.

Players to show out during these games were J. Wright, P. Burgess, C. Hendley, A. Greenwood, K. Richards, T. Leedham, D. Dawson, K. Bean and A. Road.

ROSTER Round 1 25.9.79

BLACKWOODS	v	BANKCARD
TOBYS	v	KIWIS
TARGETTS	v	BLACKWOODS
BANKCARD	v	TOBYS

Round 2 2.10.79

TARGETTS	v	KIWIS
TOBYS	v	BLACKWOODS
BANKCARD	v	TARGETTS
KIWIS	v	BANKCARD

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MENS VOLLEYBALL

The results for Round 1 were as follows:-

ADIDAS	d	SPAULING	3-0
ROOSTERS	d	JETSETTERS	3-0
ADIDAS	d	SUPA VALU	3-0
C.B.A.	d	T.R.C.	3-0
PELICANS	d	F. FRANKS	3-1
C.B.A.	d	SUPA VALU	3-2

These games failed to reach a very high standard with players taking a while to settle down and get used to the flight of the ball again. Long rallies were very few and far between with some good serving by individuals being the highlights. Those to serve well first up included "Come in Spinner" Summers, Michael Wright, "Plover" Hendley, Robert Schier, "Powder" Morris and Murray Harper. The best game of the round was undoubtedly C.B.A. versus Frank Thring's boys, Supa Valu which C.B.A. just won 3-2 with the final game going to 17-15. New team Pelicans had a good start to the competition by winning their first game against Footie Franks 3-1.

ROUND 2.

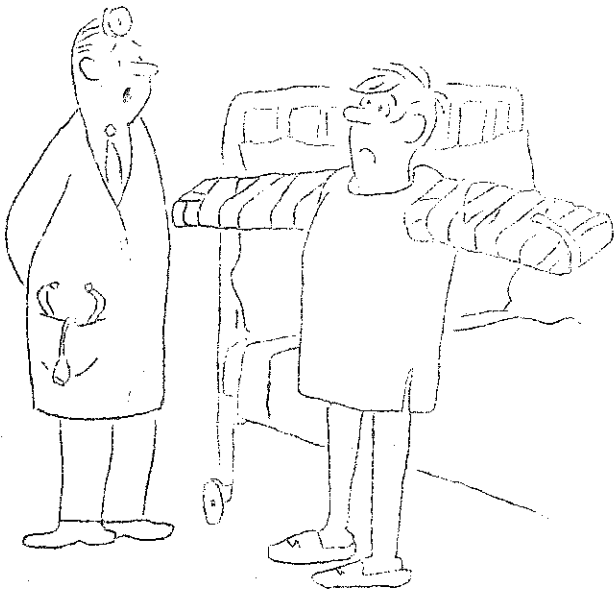
ROOSTERS	d	FOOTIE FRANKS	3-1
C.B.A.	d	ADIDAS	3-1
JETSETTERS	d	FOOTIE FRANKS	3-1
PELICANS	d	SPAULDING	3-2
SUPA VALU	d	T.R.C.	3-1
JETSETTERS	d	PELICANS	3-1

The standard of games in this round was a big improvement from the first week with the highlight being the appearance of Tasmanian player and Australian squad member Theo Oosterloo for C.B.A. against Adidas. Theo turned on a good display and produced some first class spikes, winning about 65% of C.B.A.'s points for them. Adidas put up a very good effort against this opposition and were very unlucky not to win. An improvement by Jetsetters was also shown in this round and they won their two matches which leaves four teams now with two wins each. Players to show out during this round were Bruce Cornelius, David Herring, "Time Waster" Cooke, Mike Herring, Gary Streets, Norman Adamczewski and Micheal "Midnight" Brown by his absence.

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## SO YOU KNOW FOOTBALL!

Now the football season has ended and the experts have all had their say, we thought we would ask one or two questions on the game. If anyone can write in with all the correct answers we'll post you a dollar. First correct entry, that is.

What club holds the Australian record of 10 straight premierships in senior football?

Who holds the record of 100 goals or more kicked in 12 successive seasons?

What VFL team had six brothers in it?

Who won the Australian championship in 1961, and where?

Who won a VFL premiership although beaten in the Final? Why?

Who kicked the most goals in a senior career?

What South Australian footballer has been decorated by the Queen?

In 1933, what test was instituted for VFL umpires?

Argue that lot out. Answers next time.

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## TENNIS

The St. Marys Tennis Club is gearing up for the coming season. The Annual Meeting was held on Thursday 20 September to get the formalities started.

Work on improving the court has been in progress. New wire has been added, old wire had slumped but is now lifted and the height of the fence around the court has been increased.

The roster begins shortly,

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## CASEYS COLUMN

I keep writing about Local Taxes and I wonder how many have given up reading the column because it's about the same thing all the time. No-one has written in to complain, so here are a few more paragraphs on the same thing.

Some of those who calculated their Rate bill from the figures in the last issue have mentioned the increases they will have to pay, compared to last years demand.

The average town dweller should expect about a 12 - 14% increase on the rating charges. Most rural dwellers, on the other hand, will pay less than last year because of the disproportionate valuation rises between town and rural properties.

It is not a fair result, but until some logic is put into Rating, by a change to Land Value as the rating base, it wont be corrected.

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The valuation figures for the municipality may be of interest. The Land Value is \$13,938,870, made up of...

St. Marys	\$5,355,415
Town Ward	\$3,748,800
St. Pauls	\$3,391,450
Tower Hill	\$1,443,205

The Assessed Annual Value, the AAV, the figure the rates are based on at the moment, is \$1,708,470 for the municipality. For the wards, in the same order as above, the amounts are \$790,790, \$394,504, \$371,880 and \$151,794. Apart from showing the St. Marys ward to be out of proportion to the other wards, the figures show that the ratio of Land Value to AAV is 12½ to 1.

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I mentioned recently that the municipality is paying for some previous works for which money was borrowed. One of the difficulties of a Council is that of deciding how much debt it should incur to provide the services demanded or needed.

Fingal municipality's debt is relatively small but it still takes 15% of all rates income to pay the instalments on the loans. It is a system of development under 'hire-purchase'.

Some of the larger debts outstanding at June 30 were...

St. Marys Water	\$29,500
Fingal Water	\$24,500
Mathinna Water	\$10,900
Scamander Water	\$87,800
Rossarden Water	\$8,000

The amount outstanding on the municipal building and court room is \$84,700. With a few other minor balances added on, the total amount of Loan Debt for Fingal Municipality was \$262,300. Despite that

seeming a large amount, in the terms of the volume of money Council handles over the periods of the loans, it is a small amount. In terms of income and balances owing, it's less than most people hock themselves for in buying a car, in comparative terms, that is.

"Casey"

## GARDEN TALK

by Maud

Growing your own ferns is fairly simple and is rewarding. There are so many varieties around our bush you can make quite a display with just ferns.

Get an old frond that has the brown spores underneath and hang it, in a paper bag, in a dry spot. In two weeks you will find the spore dust in the bottom of the bag. These are the fern "seeds". Naturally, you use a different bag for each variety of fern!

Old ice cream containers are useful for propagating the ferns. In fact, old ice cream containers are very useful to we gardeners. Put your drain holes in the bottom, using a new container for each type of fern you have. Then fill each one half full of peat moss, sterilised as I said last time. The peat moss must be moist but not wet.

Sprinkle the spore dust onto the moss. Dont cover it, just sprinkle it on and then water it very gently so it doesn't get washed to the bottom of the pot.

Now you must put it where it will be in a cool, even temperature, with the lid on! A shaded part of the garden where you have some ferns already would be alright. Other wise put it somewhere level and cool and leave it. Look again in four weeks, check the moss is still moist. Only water if it needs it. The spores will form a green mossy growth on the top. These are the young ferns. It could take up to six months before the ferns can be handled.

## LAUNCESTON BANK FOR SAVINGS

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... 3 - 24 MONTHS



# STARDUST

By Grandma Moses  
Fortnight beginning September 21

LIBRA: September 24 - October 23  
Wait a while before promoting a new idea because lack of finances might spoil your efforts. Take steps to overcome personal handicaps or educational gaps. Relax with something you enjoy doing. Travel is favoured. BEST DAYS: 21, 26, 1.

SCORPIO: October 24 - November 22  
If you can overcome some hurdles you can look for some good monetary gains. Turn on your charming personality & avoid aggressive actions in public. Advice from an older person could alter your outlook on some problem. BEST DAYS: 23, 24, 4.

SAGITTARIUS: November 23 - December 21  
Matters at home may occupy much of your time-work out problems with the whole family & listen to all advice. Keep plugging for your ideals but be reconciled to a failure-you can always try again later. Drive with the utmost caution. BEST DAYS: 25, 27, 2.

CAPRICORN: December 22 - January 20  
Don't let problems at home affect your efficiency at work-daydreaming could land you in the doghouse. Say something nice about a friend's creative effort-you might need that goodwill later. BEST DAYS: 22, 27, 4.

AQUARIUS: January 21 - February 19  
If you really want to get ahead with your ideals then diligent application is needed. Your friends should prove stimulating & creative. Pay attention to your health & diet. Give thought to changes you might want to make. BEST DAYS: 21, 29, 3.

PISCES: February 20 - March 20  
You are stimulated in a desire to buy on the installment plan-put it off as the long term cost can't be justified. Be patient with long-term projects-time brings all things. Be discreet in romance, travel is favoured. BEST DAYS: 21, 28, 1.

ARIES: March 21 - April 20  
An excellent time now to use the willingly offered co-operation of close friends-but remember to repay the debt when called on to do so. A new interest in romantic matters may be kindled. Use extra care where children are. BEST DAYS: 25, 28, 3.

TAURUS: April 21 - May 21  
Partners may not be as helpful as you want but perhaps you are too demanding-give it some thought. This is a good time to end any quarrels that may exist-give needed cheer to an old and lonely person. BEST DAYS: 22, 23, 2.

GEMINI: May 22 - June 21  
Dangers when travelling are many now so you should adopt a precautionary attitude. Excesses could be harmful to your health, pass up seconds & remember that self-discipline aids longevity. Give deep thought when making decisions. BEST DAYS: 24, 30, 1.

CANCER: June 22 - July 23  
You should begin to see a very real improvement in employment matters but remember that you have to work for it. Health proposes to be good & local travel is favoured. Be sensitive to the needs of the family. BEST DAYS: 26, 29, 2.

LEO: July 24 - August 23  
Pay a lot of attention to your dealings with kin & neighbours, short trips may be uppermost in your mind. Be prepared for minor setbacks at any time & don't get too upset about them. Willingness to listen to others may bring enlightenment. BEST DAYS: 28, 30, 1.

VIRGO: August 24 - September 23  
Partners may be unreliable with off-again-on-again spasms. You can count on their help on the 27th but must rely on your own initiative the rest of the time. Get rid of those chores that have been bugging you for a while. BEST DAYS: 22, 30, 3.

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WHATS THIS DEPT.

...seems as though a couple of male  
volley ball players have lost their  
shorts...looked like they were wear-  
ing women's...or is it a new fashion?