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CARE FOR KIDS

Twenty years ago, the United Nations unanimously adopted the Declaration of the Rights of the Child. Much of this Declaration was a restatement of the 1948 Universal Declaration of Human Rights and other earlier documents.

In 1976, the General Assembly decided to make this year, 1979, the International Year of the Child, (I.Y.C.).

The Assembly has asked member governments to look at the rights, problems and needs of their own children and then widen their concern to the problems of children throughout the world, by establishing National Commissions to begin and run programs for the benefit of children.

All countries have been asked to increase understanding of, and raise funds for the needs of children in the developing world. (Developing is a term used instead of poor.)

Over two million children in the " Third World " countries do not get enough food to keep them healthy. More live in conditions we could not tolerate; more live with the constant fear of disease; more never learn to read, write or gain a skill.

It is not only in the poor countries that children are underprivileged, or do not have equal privilege. Even in this country, with its supposed advanced social structure there are children who are not given the right to reach their full educational potential; who are not given the proper care if handicapped; who are not given adequate play and recreational opportunities regardless of where they live; who are exploited by merchants and their slick sales advertisements; who are told to listen as soon as they can talk and when it is all done are prevented from employing themselves.

We can sit back and hum along with the catchy commercial but humanity demands more of us.

Every child deserves special protection and proper opportunities and facilities to enable it to develop in a normal and healthy manner, and in conditions of

freedom, dignity and social security. All children should be able to enjoy the benefits of adequate nutrition, housing, recreation, medical services, education and wherever possible, to enjoy these benefits under the protection of the child's own parents. The child should be protected against all forms of neglect, cruelty, exploitation and practices which may foster any form of discrimination.

On the next occasion you are whistling or singing the "Care for Kids" song, give a thought on how, in any small way, you could help a kid somewhere to overcome a problem, or learn a new skill, or get enough to eat - or just find someone who cares.

Care for kids, for they hold the key to everything that will ever be in the future.

LEAVING

The Rev. G. Jarrett is leaving us. He is moving to Hobart to take up a position in the Cathedral and Hobart's gain will be our certain loss. In his short stay with this community, Fr. Jarrett has become a much loved and respected ambassador for the Christian community. He has been very active in welfare work and his going will leave a distinct gap on many committees.

We wish him all happiness and success wherever he goes and shall remember him with affection. We trust he will remember us with the same feeling.

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If your contribution is not printed immediately, dont worry. We'll get it in as soon as we get the space.

THUMBS UP

...to Lions Club for delivering gifts to hospital patients on Mothers' Day.

...to the D.M.R. men on the Esk Highway for a job being well done.

...to the paint job on Avoca Hall.

THUMBS DOWN

...to the new wreckers yard in Newman Street.

...to the uncontrolled use of fireworks by young children, and by some dim-witted older ones too.

...to the vandals who throw the bridge rails into St. Marys Rivulet.

...to the overgrown vacant blocks in St. Marys and Fingal.

Contributions to this newspaper are welcomed. What's On column is free, please use it. Classifieds are 50 cents for 25 words. Letters received warmly.

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INDOOR BOWLS

Cornwall, every Friday evening in the Cornwall Hall. All welcome.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Church of England, Cornwall, 10am. All children welcome.

R.A.F.T.

The next meeting of the Fingal Valley Branch will be held in the Fingal Uniting Hall on Tuesday, May 22 at 7.30pm. The feature of the evening will be a showing of his slides by Mr. Bruce Saunders. Everyone is welcome.

GARDEN CLUB

The Scamander Garden Club held it's Annual Meeting and Prize Giving on May 9, at the home of Mrs. Eastley.

Any Flower : E. Jamieson 15 pts.

J. Davis 9 pts.

R. Binns 7 pts.

Flower of the Month :

E. Jamieson 12 pts.

L. Eastley 7 pts.

A. Hovendon 7 pts.

E. Foley 5 pts.

Arrangements: E. Jamieson 14 pts.

E. Sasche 14 pts.

A. Hovendon 7 pts.

L. Eastley 5 pts.

Party Hat : E. Rawnsley ; A. Hovendon.

Competition: E. Rawnsley.

A gift was presented to D. Lyle, B. Turner and C. Marshall who are leaving this month for a holiday in England.

Members are sorry to hear Mrs. Powe is a patient in hospital and all hope she is home soon.

Visitors and Birthdays received posies. The meeting closed with afternoon tea.

The Birthday cake was cut by the retiring President, Mrs E. Jamieson.

The next meeting will be held on June 20 at the home of Mrs. J. Davis.

LIBRARY HOURS

Newopening hours at the Fingal and St. Marys libraries are as follows:

Monday: 1.00 - 4.30

Wednesday: 1.00 - 4.30

Friday: 1.00 - 4.00; 6.30 - 8.00

ST. MARYS BROWNIE AND GUIDE PACKS

A fund raising luncheon and games afternoon will be held at the Methodist Hall, St. Marys on Thursday, May 31 from 11am until approximately 2.00pm. A small gift for the cent game please. Bring family, friends and lots of cents for an enjoyable time.

GOLF

Members:

Stroke : M. Holmes, 13, 60 nett

C. Mitchell, 40, 61 "

B. Hulton, 32, 63 "

J. McGee, 22, 63 "

Stableford: Monthly trophy.

G. Gill, 17, 41 pts on C/B

T. Newman, 25, 41 pts.

S. Lynch, 28, 41 pts.

Nearest pin : S. Bean.

Associates:

Flag : E. Herring, 18th. Fairway

C. White, 17th. "

R. Gill, 17th. "

P. Davern 16th "

Wednesday Competition:

3rd. Round L.G.U. Bowl.

J. Cornelius, 30, 68 nett

V. Leedham, 36, 70 "

G. Blackwell, 24, 71 "

P. Davern, 23, 71 "

Putting : G. Blackwell

Eclectic: V. Leedham, 18, 28.

E. Herring, 12½, 31½.

C. White, 11, 33.

R. Gill, 12½, 34.

Miss C. White won the L.G.U. Bowl with a nett score of 68.

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Sunday May 20

Fingal	9.30am	Vincent
St. Marys	11.00am	Vincent
St. Helens	5.00pm	Vincent

Sunday May 27

Fingal	9.30am	Vincent
St. Marys	11.00am	Vincent
St. Helens	5.00pm	Vincent

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF FINGAL, AVOCA CULLENSWOOD with ST. HELENS.

Sunday May 20

8.00am	St. Helens	H.C.	Rector
9.00am	Avoca	M.P.	Deaconess
9.15am	Falmouth	M.P.	B. Legge
10.30am	Cornwall	M.P.	K. Viney
11.00am	St. Helens	H.C.	Rector
2.30pm	Pyengana	H.C.	Rector
5.00pm	Fingal	H.C.	Rector

Sunday May 27

8.00am	St. Helens	M.P.	Deaconess/Viney
9.00am	Fingal	H.C.	Rector/Mellows
10.30am	St. Marys	H.C.	Rector
11.00am	St. Helens	M.P.	Deaconess/Viney
7.00pm	Avoca	H.C.	Rector

CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. MARYS

St. Marys - St. Mary of the Assumption

Sundays May 20 & 27 9.00am

St. Helens - SS Helens & Stanislaus

Saturdays May 19 & 26 6.30pm

Fingal - St. Joseph

Sundays May 20 & 27 10.30am

Mangana - Our Lady of the Sacred Heart

May - 3rd & 5th Sundays 10.30am

Bicheno - Community Church

March to December 1st Sunday each month
4.00pm

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devotions to Our Blessed Lady, Stations
of the Cross, and Weekday Masses - as
announced at Sunday Mass.

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before Mass, and at other times as announced.
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PARISH PRIEST: Father Geoffrey Jarrett.

MEALS ON WHEELS

MAY	ST. MARYS	FINGAL	MANGANA
Sunday 20	Rod Woolley	Mr. M. Saunders	-
Monday 21	Judy Brodribb	Mrs. Sharon Hall	Mr. J. Miller
Tuesday 22	Kaye Nailer	Mrs. D. Woods	Mrs. Sweeney
Wednesday 23	Val Leedham	-	-
Thursday 24	Karlene Richards	Mr. R. McGee	Mr. R. McGee
Sunday 27	Karen Bean	Mr. P. Mills	-
Monday 28	Paula Cook	Mrs. K. Johnson	Mr. J. Miller
Tuesday 29	Dot French	Pastor Vincent	Mrs. M. Francis
Wednesday 30	Ruth McGiveron	-	-
Thursday 31	Judy Aulich	Mrs. L. Parker	Mrs. Sweeney

LETTER

Sir,
I wish to draw attention to the St. Marys rubbish tip, (excuse me, I should say heaps), as apparently half of the users of the refuse area are trying hard to build up their unwanted trash instead of helping the Council to bury it by putting or dumping their rubbish in the pit provided by the Council for public use.

It is quite a large hole and I, for one, cannot see how the **** anybody could miss it!

" Have A Go "

GUN CLUB

This Sunday, May 20, a five event programme will be shot, commencing at 10.30 a.m.

15 Target DB Handicap
5 pair Double Rise Eyeopener
10 pair Double Rise Championship
20 Target Points Score Handicap
Novelty : Annie Oakley
High Gun : over events 1, 3 & 4.

All new shooters very welcome.
Shooters under 17 years of age pay half price for nominations.

FISHING NEWS

Anglers Diary: Sunday May 20 (next Sunday) St. Helens Game Fishing Club rally day. Sunday June 17 - Scamander angling Club surf contest at Four Mile Beach. Saturday June 23 - Scamander angling Club Annual Meeting and Dinner.

Well, the Swincart championship went off like the proverbial wet squib. The total number of fish weighed only narrowly exceeded the total number of trophies and first prize went to the angler who weighed in a cod. Where have all the salmon gone?

St. Helens Game Fishing Club rally day resulted in a win to Bob Green with a nice bluefin from his mate "Bull". Later trips brought only striped tuna. A well known committee man towed his boat from Scamander to Burns Bay ramp, launched it and then discovered that he had left the ignition key at home. Another committee man failed to report on time and had to be hauled from his bed at seven o'clock in the morning.

Scamander Angling Club had a disappointing surf contest at Wrinklers Beach last Sunday. Only four fish were caught by twenty odd anglers fishing for four hours. Lindsay Sutton won his third trophy for the season with a 10½oz salmon, second was Vaughan Oldham and third was Dick Guthrie each with even smaller fish which just made the minimum length.

The expected date of the annual dinner and meeting is announced above but all financial members will be notified within the next couple of weeks, so keep the date free and reply promptly when the invitation is received as the total number which can be seated is limited.

FOOTBALL

ROUND 3 : Avoca and Swansea played a good game at Avoca where Avoca showed that it will continue to be a threat to the top sides in the Association, losing narrowly to Swansea.

St. Helens notched their first win for the year when they defeated Fingal at Fingal.

Campbelltown proved too strong for St. Marys and ran out comfortable winners over a dispirited St. Marys side.

COMBINED GAME : The Fingal District Association travelled to York Park last Saturday and acquitted themselves well against the E.T.F.A. Reserves, who had many players of senior experience in the side.

Best for the F.D.F.A. were Griffiths, Brown, Donovan, Grice and Cooke who came in as an emergency and tried hard as a rover.

ROUND 4 : The match of the day is between top sides Swansea and Campbelltown at the seaside oval at Swansea. The home ground advantage will matter in this clash and should be the edge Swansea needs for the win.

St. Marys plays Fingal at Fingal and the home team should defeat the Tigers to get it's first win.

Avoca travels to St. Helens and will return home with four points easily earned following two losses against the top teams.

ROUND 5 : St. Marys will meet Swansea at St. Marys and unless the Tigers show big improvement, Swansea will have a comfortable win.

Avoca will have an easy day against Fingal.

Campbelltown will also have an easy day at home against St. Helens.

BADMINTON

As the roster progresses, the teams are settling into position and little change should occur until the last run to the Finals.

Fingal is reported to have travelling problems and this could lose them their chance at a good finishing position. Rossarden, with just enough players for a team, cannot afford any mishaps if they want to have a serious chance at the Shield.

There will be a tournament held on Monday 11 and Monday 18 June in the St. Marys hall. There will be handicap competitions and open events. Over the past years the handicap events have been well controlled and some good games should be seen.



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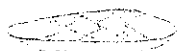
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IN THE WEST

On April 6, this newspaper featured an article on the floods of 1929. In response to this article, one of our readers has kindly supplied the following extract from the "Examiner" of April 9, 1929.

"Following the heavy rain on show day at St. Marys, the rain continued until Friday morning. Eighteen inches fell causing extensive floods.

"Members of the Midland Hunt Club were at the St. Marys show on Wednesday, intending to have their open run on Thursday, but it had to be cancelled, and the horses put on the train. Before they could get away, word came through that the railway line was unsafe, so the horses had to be unloaded and returned to stables until Sunday morning, when they left by road for Avoca.

"His Excellency the Governor, Sir James O'Grady, left by the first train on Thursday morning and got through before the flood closed the railway. Early on Thursday night all communications were cut, land-slides blocked the St. Marys Pass, the main road to Fingal was impassable and the East Coast road via Bicheno was also closed. Telephone and power lines were cut by falling trees everywhere except to Mt. Nicholas. On Friday, the rain slackened and the flood became less. Then the extent of the damage became known.

"Railway repairers got through to Fingal with a trolley and brought back mail that could be got through to St. Marys on Thursday night. It had been left in Fingal station over night and the flood water gave it such a soaking that it had to be dried out before it could be delivered. Another mail was received on Saturday afternoon, when all the newspapers were snapped up for authentic news. No mail left St. Marys from Thursday morning till Saturday morning when

some got through, though the service bus did not get beyond Avoca.

"The Pass Road was cleared sufficiently to enable cars to reach Scamander and to Upper Scamander where supplies were much needed. A few sightseers made the trip to see the wrecked Scamander bridge. All the roads that were under water have been badly damaged, many fences have been destroyed and some stock drowned.

"The coalmines have not worked since Thursday and there will not be much doing at any of the mines until trucks can be conveyed on the St. Marys - Conara railway.

"There were many visitors in the town when the storm broke and the cutting of communications caused a little anxiety. Picture patrons were not catered for as usual on Saturday as Mr. Hale's programme did not get through. A dance was held instead.

"On Saturday night, station 310 gave us news of the sad plight of a section of Launceston owing to flood waters, and the information of damage in other parts of the state.

"Sunday was bright and clear with a strong westerly breeze which was rapidly drying the roads and the river and creeks were nearly normal again."

Our reader also adds that for many months after the floods, folk wishing to cross the river depended on the use of a punt and operator, both very temperamental.

In one household in St. Marys, there was near panic when a pregnant woman was rushed hurriedly to the hospital before the nearby bridge was submerged. Fortunately, she had only the short trip to the St. Marys hospital and not the distressing journey to Launceston, as happens now, fifty years later.

CARS & KIDS

For your children's sake, follow these rules in your car.

- * Ensure that every child passenger is at all times adequately restrained by a suitable harness.

- * Baby passengers should be carried only in a bassinet covered with a net and securely anchored. A parents arms are incapable of restraining a child in a sudden stop.

- * Never permit children to stand in a moving vehicle.

- * Never leave a child unattended in a car for any length of time. If it is necessary to do so, check...

- :doors are unlocked

- :windows partly open

- :ignition key out.

- :wheels chocked.

- * Never permit children to play with any pointed objects or pointed toys when they are passengers.

- * Ensure that the doors are locked before

the vehicle moves. This should be taught as a drill.

- * Ensure that children do not have access to matches or cigarette lighters when they are in the car.

- * From the earliest possible age, teach a child to beware of the danger from passing vehicles when entering or leaving a car, or before opening a car door. Train every child to enter and leave the vehicle by the kerb-side door.

If every parent follows these rules then they will be adding to their protection of their children.

As you walk along the streets over the next weeks, look at the children in cars, and where you see a dangerous situation point it out. Your action may prevent an injury or maybe save a kid's life.

And whilst we are about safety, teach your kids the art of safe cycling. There are many in our towns who flirt with serious injury on their bikes.

R.A.F.T.

The Bicheno Branch held a successful street stall recently, raising \$128.00.

The Field Officer, Sr. Reynolds, will be visiting Bicheno and Coles Bay again early in the first week of July. The purpose of her visits is to meet people in their homes, enabling her to give individual advice as to the use of some of the aids which have been developed to make life easier for sufferers of rheumatism and arthritis. Many difficult tasks can be simplified and made less painful by using appropriate aids.

There is a correct way to turn taps on and off.

A simple aid takes the agony out of pulling on socks and stockings.

Shaped pillows make for more comfortable sleep.

These are just a few of the things that are available. Sr. Reynolds also advises on suitable exercises where necessary.

This help is offered to everybody. It is not confined to members of R.A.F.T. Anyone who would like Sr. Reynolds to call upon them, please get in touch with Mrs. C. Royle, phone 751236 or with Mrs. R. Tanner, phone 751176.

GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Singline celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on Monday, 23 April. Congratulations came from friends and relatives.

LETTER

What will happen to our beautiful Gordon River, Franklin and the Pieman? Anyone who has travelled the quiet deep waters of the Gordon and seen the magnificent scenery will deplore any destruction of such beauty.

Can any river be left wild and untamed without having to be dammed and channeled by greedy man? Do roads into unique areas of wilderness necessarily have to lead to a dam?

The recently opened Gordon River power scheme was completed after twelve years and at a cost of \$185 million. The new area is indeed a tourist attraction and very beautiful, but the fact remains that a fortune in timber is wasted beneath the waters of Lake Gordon. A unique beach and an airstrip to the South West have also been lost.

When one considers the tremendous cost of this scheme it seems a pity that quibbling over costs of a diversionary tunnel were necessary at all. One can be excused for wondering if Lake Pedder had been in New Zealand whether it would have been destroyed or kept as a tourist attraction.

Let us then see that such areas as the

Splits; the vast cave systems in the South West and the many waterfalls are never to be subjected to the same fate as Pedder - all in the name of Progress. Let us leave something for future generations that has not been subject to man's greed.

L. Shennan.

J.S.F. AND C'S. D

If you want a document signed before a Justice of the Peace, do you know who to see? Here is the latest list we could find. Perhaps if you cut it out....

In Fingal Municipality, the Justices are....

B. Barber, P.M. Doran, L. Foot, A.W. Freeman, J.K. Guy, F.C. Haas, W. Haas, A.R.G. Jackson, K.A. Johnson, R.G. Marshall, T.J. McManus, C.C. McShane, J.R. Napier, M.J. Ross, D.E.C. Scott, J. Spilsbury and R.H. Yates.

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Many documents can be declared before a Commissioner for Declarations. Many people are ex-officio Commissioners by virtue of their occupation. Some of these are...

Manager of a Bank, Matrons and Secretaries of Public hospitals, Regional Forester, Postmaster, Police Officer above Sergeant, Council Clerk, Headmaster, Union Secretary, Member of Parliament and a wide range of Public Service positions.

A Justice or Commissioner does not usually need to read the document you are signing. His or her main duty is to see the document is correct, that the person signing knows what they are signing and to oversee the proper signing of the document.

WE HAD TROUBLE

The gremlins got at our machinery during this issue's production. Some terrible things happened which were only corrected by the most appalling abuse being directed at the printing machine. We apologise for the blots; it tore our stencils. We apologise for some pages printed 'on the slant'; it twisted our stencils. If some faint pages have stolen through and you have one, blame the machine, like we did; it blew ink everywhere. We hope to get back to normal chaos next issue.

Casey

The letter from "Ratepayer" in the last issue of this paper gave a few examples of the absurdity of the present method the Council uses to raise it's finances. The examples in that letter were not unusual or uncommon, but were typical of many hundreds of cases of imbalanced rating which could be listed. Until receipt of that letter, I had wondered if anyone was reading this column, and if they were, if any notice was being taken.

I was also encouraged to have some people come to me with questions concerning the recent comments in this column. If you would like any questions answered on any matters raised in the column, write to me care of this paper. I will write to you personally, or come visit if you want, or answer in this column.

Someone asked if it was true that she paid a tax on her carpet every year, as I said last time. If so, how did it work?

It works like this....

The Assessed Annual Value, the base on which your rates are calculated, is supposed to be an approximation of the rental value of the property assessed. The amount is expressed as an annual amount and in effect is said to be.. "This is how much you could rent this property for, all things taken into account."

Now it is reasonable to say that if you had a house for rent without carpet, and then you put carpet in, you would want to put up the rent to pay for the carpet. You would be increasing the rental potential of the property and so the Valuer would say your Assessed Annual Value had risen. Because the Valuer puts up your AAV, your rates go up. Therefore, because you put in a carpet, you pay more tax, a tax on your carpet. And you keep on paying it every year thereafter.

You can extend the same logical argument to every improvement you make; to windows, doors, new fences, new paddocks, new dams, ornamental trees, gas heaters, cement paths and any other thing which improves your property. Every improvement gets taxed every year; continuously; for ever.

Sit back and think it out. The rates you are asked to pay are an accumulation of these Improvement Taxes. A collection of taxes on your floors, ceilings, grounds, fittings, cultivations and other comforts. This method of working out your share of Council's costs has got nothing to do with the services Council makes available to you. If you think of it properly, you will not be able to reconcile why your new cement path increases your water bill; or why a new carpet costs you more for streetlights.

The calculation of rates by the AAV method cannot, in any way, by any argument, be shown to have any connection whatever with the level of services Council provides to you. All it is, indefensibly, is a fine on your personal effort and comfort.

You may well ask, if AAV is seen to be such a stupid rating method that most of Australia has given it up, why is it still used here?

There is no sensible answer.

I invite any person, including Councillors, (especially Councillors), to justify any reason why we should not change our rating system to use the Land Value rather than the worn out, discredited and almost criminally unfair AAV basis.

This series of articles on the rating method of this municipality has been written to point out to my patient readers that the method of local taxing, called Rating, is far, far from being fair. There is very much more that could be written but for the moment I'll take a pause. I have pointed out that there is a proper, fairer system, used by 94% of the areas governed by Local Government, which could, and should be used here. It is now up to ratepayers to learn the differences between the methods.

In the next issue, I intend to begin another series of articles to pick on another area of administrative foolishness and to hopefully throw some light into a couple of dark corners.

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GEMINI: May 22 - June 21

You should receive co-operation from family members & your partner for all your endeavours now. Try to keep driving to a minimum due to a sharp increase in danger. You may feel a new burst of energy & a renewed interest in things. BEST DAYS: 23, 25, 27.

CANCER: June 22 - July 23

Do your best to keep the peace on the home front when family routine becomes disturbed. Postpone financial decisions until you have all the facts. Remember to be discreet in all social activities & romance. Plan an outing for the whole family soon. BEST DAYS: 21, 22, 31.

LEO: July 24 - August 23

Most things around the home should move along smoothly now. Give special attention to career associates to prevent unpleasantness. "Keep your cool" at all times & trust your own judgement in critical matters. Health is fair but take care. BEST DAYS: 20, 25, 28.

VIRGO: August 24 - September 23

Let others take the initiative - it may avoid a serious personality clash. Occupy any spare time with routine jobs and maintain a low profile. Assert yourself a little more - what you feel and think is important to others. BEST DAYS: 18, 23, 26.

LIBRA: September 24 - October 23

Students should find this a good time for planning future studies. Try to maintain a positive attitude in all you do - it's a good way to succeed. Help out with some charitable effort when asked - your efforts will be appreciated. BEST DAYS: 18, 19, 28.

SCORPIO: October 24 - November 22

Work as closely as possible with others to your mutual benefit - avoid accidents. Ensure that your physical resistance is above average now otherwise you may suffer a series of frustrating health upsets. Make the most of your days and enjoy life. BEST DAYS: 22, 26, 29.

SAGITTARIUS: November 23 - December 21

You may experience a surge of energy & a sense of well-being to go with it. Try to set yourself a goal each day & work towards it - you'll get so much more done. Travel with caution and pay close attention to finances. BEST DAYS: 18, 24, 30.

CAPRICORN: December 22 - January 20

Don't expect to earn easy money. Small problems at home may occupy most of your time - maintain a low profile. Health is very good due to your past vigilance - keep it up. Keep off the road as much as possible. BEST DAYS: 19, 27, 31.

AQUARIUS: January 21 - February 19

Pay special attention to your attitude towards workmates. Give loved ones more consideration. Take the time to review the family budget and look for ways to improve finances. Not a good time to start new projects, stick to routine jobs. BEST DAYS: 20, 26, 28.

PISCES: February 20 - March 20

Lately you may have been under a lot of pressure - this should ease soon. A good time to tackle those joint efforts. Your energy will seem endless and you have a real zest for living - enjoy it to the utmost. BEST DAYS: 24, 27, 31.

ARIES: March 21 - April 20

This could be a good time to improve your financial standing - the way to assure promotion is to "think positive". Health is good just so long as you pay attention to your diet. Plan a family outing to see a new area. BEST DAYS: 22, 26, 28.

TAURUS: April 21 - May 21

Postpone major decisions for a few days when the atmosphere should be more compatible. You have a tendency to be overly aggressive - try to keep the lid on it. A good chance that your hobby may bring financial rewards. Remember to rest often. BEST DAYS: 18, 24, 25.

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