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YOUR JOBS AND YOUR DOLLARS THE ENERGY DEBATE IN TASMANIA

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MR. G. SHAW M.L.C.

MR. CHAIRMAN,

IT IS MY INTENTION TO DWELL
LARGELY ON THE WORK OF THE SELECT
COMMITTEE. AN IMPORTANT FEATURE OF
LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL SELECT COMMITTEES
IS THAT A COMMITTEE IS EMPOWERED TO
CALL FOR PERSONS AND PAPERS (SEEK EVID-
ENCE) AND IT FOLLOWS THAT THE COMMITTEE
MUST REPORT AND RECOMMEND ON THE BASIS
OF THE EVIDENCE RECEIVED.

THE COMMITTEE CONCENTRATED ON THE
FOLLOWING IMPORTANT ASPECTS.

FIRSTLY THE ASPECT OF NEED. THE DEMAND
FOR ELECTRICAL ENERGY MUST BE DETERMINED
AND ONLY THEN CAN A PROGRAMME OF DEVEL-
OPMENT CORRESPONDING TO THAT DEMAND BE
PLANNED.

SECONDLY IN PLANNING A DEVELOPMENT PRO-
GRAMME, CONSIDERATION MUST BE GIVEN TO
ALL ALTERNATIVES HAVING REGARD TO THE
SOCIAL, ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC
EFFECTS OF EACH. THE COMMITTEE SAT FOR
51 DAYS- A RECORD FOR ANY SELECT
COMMITTEE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.
WE HEARD EVIDENCE FROM 135 WITNESSES-
MANY OF THEM EXPERT IN THEIR PARTICULAR
FIELD. WE TRAVELLED TO THE EASTERN
STATES AND INSPECTED THERMAL COAL FIRED
STATIONS AND DEVELOPMENTS.

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N.S.W.....VALES POINT.

QUEENSLAND... GLADSTONE.

THE COMMITTEE GAVE PARTICULAR ATTENTION
TO ALTERNATIVES. CONSERVATION WAS THE
ALTERNATIVE PUT BY MANY WITNESSES.
SUCH WITNESSES ARGUED THAT....CON'TD

OUR POPULATION WAS NOT INCREASING.

FUTURE INDUSTRIAL GROWTH MUST BE IN
LABOUR INTENSIVE, LOW ENERGY USAGE OPER-
ATIONS.

HYDRO INDUSTRIALISATION IS FAILING AS
AN EMPLOYER AND WEALTH GENERATOR FOR
THE PEOPLE OF TASMANIA. THEREFORE BY...
ADOPTING: NEW POLICIES ON ELECTRICITY
TARIFFS. NEW HEAT EFFICIENT BUILDING CODES.
ENCOURAGING: ENERGY AUDITS IN INDUSTRY.
COMPLIMENTARY SYSTEMS OF CO-GENERATION AND
SOLAR INPUT, IT WOULD BE QUITE FEASIBLE
THAT NO NEW SCHEME WOULD BE REQUIRED.

IT WAS CONTENDED THAT THE CHEAPEST
POWER FOR ALL WAS TO MORE EFFECTIVELY USE
THAT WHICH WE HAVE AND SAVE AN ENORMOUS
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE. THE CONSERVATION
ALTERNATIVE AS "A NO DAMS PROPOSAL" WAS
NOT UPHELD BY THE COMMITTEE--BUT AS
INDICATED IN THE INTERIM REPORT IT AGREES
WITH AND RECOMMENDS POSITIVE ACTION TO
CONSERVE AND USE ELECTRICAL ENERGY MORE
EFFICIENTLY. OTHER ALTERNATIVES INCLUDED--
COAL---BASS STRAIT CABLE---NUCLEAR---OIL---
WOOD WASTE---WOOD CHIPS---GAS TURBINES---
WIND---SOLAR---WAVE AND TIDAL.

ALL ALTERNATIVES WERE CONSIDERED ON
THEIR ABILITY TO MEET THE DEMAND--- THEIR
ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL EFFECTS AND
OVERALL ECONOMICS. THE COMMITTEE CONCLUDED
THAT IN SPITE OF ALL THE CONFLICTING
OPINIONS, THE H.E.C. FORECAST DEMAND OF
180M.W. BY THE YEAR 1990 WAS A PERFECTLY
REASONABLE CALCULATION---INDEED IT IS MOST
LIKELY CONSERVATIVE. THEREFORE THE
PARLIAMENT MUST APPROVE A PROGRAMME OF
DEVELOPMENT TO MEET THAT DEMAND. THE COM-
MITTEE CONCLUDED THAT THE GORDON BELOW
FRANKLIN WAS THE MOST ECONOMIC METHOD OF
GENERATING THE REQUIRED 180m.w. cont'd page 2

CLASSIFIEDS

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A NIGHT AT THE THEATRE.

On 3rd, 4th & 5th of September The Bicheno Players will be presenting their latest production of the suspense thriller "Intent to Murder". Which will be held at the Bicheno Hall. A bus will be running on the 5th for this exciting show departing at 7pm from the Loins Park St. Marys and returning after the show. Costs for evening are Adults \$8.50 Children \$4.00. That includes return bus fare and tickets to the show. Enjoy a cheap evening out. Don't Delay Book Today. Phone 72 2172 St. Marys or book at St. Marys Health & Beauty Centre.

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TASMANIAN PENSIONERS UNION.

Fingal - St. Marys Branch

A meeting of the above branch will be held at Fingal on Wednesday 9th September at 2pm. All pensioners invited to attend. Ladies a plate please.

P.B. Llewellyn
President.

ST. MARYS DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

Enrolments for Kindergarten, 1982

Parents of children between the age of 3 years 6 months and 4 yrs 11 months on the 1st January, 1982 are requested to enrol their children at the school now.

Please contact the school before 18th September, Phone: 72 2362.

The Education Department will give first preference to those children between 4 years and 4 years 11 mths as at 1.1.82.

I.A. Lancaster
Principal.

The Annual General Meeting of the Fingal Valley Youth Club will be held at the Police Station on Thurs 17th September, '81 at 7.30pm.

M. Webb
Publicity Officer.

BICHENO GARDEN CLUB.

On Aug. 21st the Bicheno Garden Club held their monthly meeting. Guest Speaker was Mr Davies from the Agricultural Dept. Hobart who spoke on a wide variation of subjects relating to home gardens. Mrs Stephens, made a presentation to Mr Davies. Quite a few members have had cards from Mrs Elsie Hughes, who seems to be enjoying her trip to Ireland immensely. She will know doubt have a lot to tell us on her return, Mr Widdicombe won the raffle, next month we are having Mrs Davies to demonstrate

the art of making baskets from reeds.

Mrs. L. Prett.
Secretary.

POSITION VACANT.

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FOR SALE. Gents Golf Buggy and Bag, 5 Irons, 2 Woods. NEW. (Left Hand) Also

Ladies Golf Buggy, Bag and Umbrella, 7 Irons, 3 Woods. Good Order, (Right Hand) C. ROYLE. Bicheno PH. 751236.

STALL

Annual Mother's Union Stall will be held in the Cornwell Church. September 22nd, Beginning at 2pm. All Welcome.

S O F T B A L L

STARTING - SEPT 24th
Thursday 10 - 12pm.

Come on girls be in the fun --

Let's exercise and have a laugh.

Equipment has been purchased so all

We need is the

P L A Y E R S

Thurs. Sept 24th 10am.

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CHURCH

NEWS

FINGAL-PORTLAND UNITING CHURCH

Sunday September 6

Fingal 9.30am
St. Marys 11.00am
St. Helens 7.00pm

Sunday September 13

Fingal 9.30am
St. Marys 11.00am
St. Helens 7.00pm

ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST. HELENS

St. Pauls Church

8.00am Eucharist every Sunday
11.00am 1st Sunday sung
11.00am M.P. second Sunday
11.00am 3rd, 4th, 5th Sunday

St. Michael's & All Angels

Pyengana

11.00am Eucharist 2nd Sunday
11.00am M.P. 4th Sunday
7.30pm Eucharist 2nd Sunday
7.30pm Eucharist 4th Sunday

Falmouth Church

9.15am Eucharist 1st & 3rd Sunday

CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. MARYS

St. Marys - St. Mary of the Assump-
tion Sundays Sept. 6, 13 9.00am

St. Helens - SS Helena & Stanislaus
Saturdays Sept. 5, 12 Vigil Mass

6.30pm

Fingal - St. Joseph

Sundays Sept. 6, 13 10.30am

Mangana - Our Lady of the Sacred

Heart 3rd & 5th Sundays each month
10.30am

Bichenor - Community Church

Sunday September 6 4.00pm

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

Reconciliation in the Sacrament of
Penance: You may go to Confession
in each church before Mass, and at
other times by private arrangement.

The Sacrament of Baptism is given
during the celebration of Sunday Mass.

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MEALS ON WHEELS

SEPTEMBER

ST. MARYS

FINGAL

MANGANA

Sunday 6	Gerald Aulich	L. Rubenach
Monday 7	Pat Thomas	Mrs. Y. Johnson
Tuesday 8	CYSS	S. Lowe
Wednesday 9	Cheryl Hendley	Mrs. O. Saunders
Thursday 10	Pam Lynch	Mrs. H. Williams
Sunday 13	Jeff Faulkner	M. Saunders
Monday 14	Paula Cook	Mrs. L. Parker
Tuesday 15	CYSS	Mrs. M. Mace
Wednesday 16	Shirley Britton	Miss J. Egan
Thursday 17	Mrs. Leon Cook	Mrs. P. Davenport

RETURN THANKS

We wish to thank everyone who sent us cards and letters and personal expressions of sympathy in the sad loss of our loved sister. Special thankyou to Lionel and Tania Freeman and Coral Casbault. Thankyou one and all.

Hal & Jean Freeman.

nursing staff of the St. Marys Hospital and Mr. Purton for the comforting service he conducted. Would each and all please accept this as our sincere and heartfelt thanks.

The family of the late Mrs. Ida Targett would like to thank sincerely all relatives and friends for the beautiful floral tributes, phone calls, cards, letters and personal expressions of sympathy in the recent sad loss of our loved mother, mother-in-law, nanna, and great nanna. We received much comfort in knowing so many people respected and cared for our loved one.

Special thanks to Dr. Naidoo,

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at the Doctor's Surgery - St.
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SPORT

FOOTY NOTES

by Tiger's Tail

Well the seconds bogged down in the Preliminary Final at Fingal to go down by 13 points. But it was great to see the young players of the team perform well as they will be the senior players next year. So stick by the club because our future lies with you for years ahead.

The Thirds held a very successful dinner and trophy night at the hotel thanks to Mine Host Greg and Wendy, the boys thoroughly enjoyed the night. It was great to see so many parents in attendance and a big thanks to the Senior players who presented the trophies. Also thanks to Mr. Len Miles from the Fingal Football Association who M.C. the evening. A full list of winners will be published next issue. The club would like to thank all Trophy Donors. It was great and the boys and coach Gary must have been proud of the support from the football public.

With the cancellation of the grand final till this Saturday 'weather permitting' a big effort will be asked for from all community people to help with the dinner on Friday and the grand final next day. Working Bees will be held at the ground all day Friday and early Saturday morning. Decorations to the hall will be held tonight - Thursday. Ladies for Kiosk and raffle on Saturday - as many helpers as possible please. See you all at the dinner.

CHAMPAGNE BREAKFAST

Second Annual Champagne Breakfast to be held on V.P.L. Grand Final Day at the St. Marys Hotel commencing at 8.30am. Tickets available from the secretary and Hotel Bar.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Will be held on Sunday 11 October 1981 at the Recreation Ground commencing at 2.00pm.

PROPOSED OLD PLAYERS ASSOCIATION

The Club would like to hear from all interested old players in regard to forming an old players association.

Should the club be successful in forming an old players association then it is hoped that a reunion can be held in 1982.

The Club hopes meanwhile to compile as much of the Club's history as is possible and therefore will be relying on past players and supporters of the game of football

to come forward with information, verbal and written, news clippings and photographs.

If you feel you can help or you know someone who may have information of the Club's past activities contact Les Lavelle.

ST. MARYS GOLF NOTES

Associates - Captain and Vice Captains Day. (Miss - Mrs. R. Davern Nett Mrs. H. Hayes (31) 62 Putting Mrs. E. Herring Nearest Pin 7th Mrs. M. King Most Putts Mrs. M. Nalan. Nearest Pin Mrs. N. Mitchell Highest Score Mrs. Y. Davern. Marshs' Score Mrs. R. Gill. Members Spilsbury Trophy Saturday Paul Davern (25) 59 C. Mitchell (8) 61 G. Kerrison (17) 62 J. McGee (19) 63 F. Singline (17) 63 D. Summers 63. Nearest Pin D. Viney. Sunday M. Holmes (10) 65 C. Mitchell 68 K. Spilsbury 68 S. Dawson 69 D. Holmes 69.

Michael Holmes holed out on the 11th 195m. Spilsbury Trophy Paul Davern Nearest Pin: Gros Davern

Associates - Stroke Monthly Brooch Mrs. H. Hayes on c.b. from Mrs. R. Gill 70. Mrs. M. King on c.b. from Mrs. Y. Davern 71. Final Silver Spoon Mrs. M. King. Putting Mrs. W. Davern on c.b. from Mrs. Y. Davern 31. Members Eclectic S. Dawson on c.b. from T. Viney 40½ S. Spilsbury 31½ R. Spilsbury 32½.

LADIES VOLLEYBALL NOTES

Ladies will commence the new roster 15 September.

ROUND 1

Smurfs v Kiwis Youth Club
Youth Club v Tas. Devils Smurfs
Webbs Bakery v Tobys Tas. Devils

First game commences at 7.00pm sharp, 2nd game 7.45pm and third game 8.30pm.

Subs will be \$6.00 per lady and \$3.00 for each school girl

ST. MARYS BOWLS CLUB

Official Opening Day September 20th 1981. The Green will be opened by the Patron W. Connors and Mrs. Connors. Ladies a Plate Please.

ST. MARYS GOLF CLUB

Special meeting of the St. Marys Golf Club will be held in the Club House on Sept. 14, 1981 7.30pm. Election of one committeeman and Vice-Captain.

CAREERING INTO THE 80S

A MUST FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS

" Careeing into the 80's is an exciting function to be held at the Albert Hall 23rd -25th September. It's your golden opportunity to talk to the people (over 100 of them) Who are doing the jobs. Find out what really is in store for the young person entering the workforce.

Representatives will be available to give information about a large range of occupations.

There'll also be visual displays- films, mannequin parades, computer displays etc.

This will be a colourful affair well worth seeing participating in.

Your local school will be contacting parents of grade 9 and 10 pupils with more details at a later date. Everyone is welcome.

DO YOU REMEMBER

AS I REMEMBER.

As a child many many moons ago. We lived at Cullenswood. I remember going to the Catholic church by the old cemetery and Joe Gillies lived in a house alongside of the church, in the early 20s the church was pulled down and a house was built from it in Newman St. Phillip, George & Mary Becker lived in the old house. now a ruin in front of the Caf. Frank Becker lived in Ivy Cottage up the road a bit,

I had to walk to school every day, i planned to be out on the main road in time for Mr George Burkett or Joe Brough to give me a ride as they came to St Marys every day for Bread & goods for there Cornwall shops.

My brother was born at the home of Nanna Hayes Cornwall, While there i got a toothache being no dentist, Dr Harrison pulled 3 double teeth out, my mum wouldn't let me have Cocaine as i might die, I screamed the Camp down just as the miners were coming home. Dear Uncle Ted i called him, came down to tell the Dr. off, just in time to see him drive around the corner.

I remember seeing the Goatson the ST Marys Pass as we used to go fishing a lot, I wanted my dad to catch a baby goat, they told me, they can't be caught unless you had a peice of toast, so imagine a childs good coat pocket full of buttered toast the next time we went, all i got was one good slap.

Then the great day came when World War One was over Frank & Charlie Olding Lived over near the Bear Rock they galloped there horses a firing guns every where shouting the War is over, a great Celebration was held on the Recreation ground, everyone

went, bikes, horsees Carts all decorated in Red, White, Blue, just after that General Birdwood came by train all us kids had to line up at the station for the big Welcome, School had half day off.

When my father died we lived with my Gran on a farm, I was promoted to Gray School (University) which wasn't very funny, wet, mud, floods in Winter, snakes and bush fires in summer, those were the good old days. Surprise parties, Batchelor and Spinster Balls, Druids Ball, dance New Years Eve night, then a nice social dance after the show. I remember Todds Hall full of Show Exhibits - butter made up like Wedding Cakes then a Hall was built on the Show ground. It was lovely seeing the Midlands Hunt Club and Hounds racing from G. Napier's place over the back run.

I remember we had a dope pill given to use on my horse in the unredg. Gallop and being too frightened to use it. We gave it to Les Slatter for Penny Farthing as he wanted to win the double. He won both and Les took him home before anyone knew it was doped. He put him in a loose box and came back to see the day finish. When he went home Penny kicked the slab wall out and was running mad in the paddock.

When the Depression came I worked at Brooklyn for Mr. & Mrs. E. Doyle for 5/- (50c) a week. I broke the handle of an old cup. 2/- (20c) was stopped from my pay. I had to use that cup ever after while I worked there. My brother got 4/- (40c) a week and when a heifer kicked the bucket of milk over he never got any pay for the week. No wonder some people got rich quick.

In the Depression days men used to walk around with their billy and blanket looking for work and food handouts. People called them Swaggies or Tramps. Today they'd be called Hikers. They used to camp for the night in the Grand Stand. One morning we were over giving our horse a work on the track - we always had a bottle of metho to rub on Julie's legs after a run, - behold this chap came out and asked if we had any metho (as he saw it) we gave it to him thinking he was sore from his walk and no bath, he up and drank it. We nearly run home vowing not to tell a soul about it, he he died and we would be had up for murder.

A lot of hawkers used to travel selling clothes. The Indian Kunya Khan used to stay at our place. He used to buy a fowl from Gran. My brother and I used to watch him kill it at sunset and pray to Allah. We loved Kunya, he always gave us a small present. I must congratulate the other writers of "Do You Remember", hope I didn't bore you too much but I could scribble a lot more, but enough is enough.

M. Oliver
Groom Street.

PRESS RELEASE.

HEALTH INSURANCE.

HEALTH CARE DEADLINE FIRST SEPTEMBER.

Around 12000 Tasmanians on low incomes and their families are expected to qualify for a Health Care Card under the Government's new Health Care Arrangements to commence on 1 September 1981 and they should now be making an application to the Department of Social Security. Several hundred people have made application, but many people still do not seem to realise that as from 1 September, the public hospital system will no longer be free. Everyone needs to decide on their personal arrangements to cover Health Care costs from that date.

The Acting Director of the Department of Social Security, Mr. R. Leitch said today that while people receiving unemployment and special benefits would be automatically issued with the new Health Care Card, other people on low income and migrants and refugees for their first six months in Australia, needed to complete an application form before a Health Care Card could be issued.

Income limits are \$ 96.00 p.w.gross for single people or \$ 160.00 p.w.gross for a married couple with an additional \$20.00 p.w. allowed for each dependant child. There will be no income limits for migrants and refugees for their first six months in Australia, Mr. Leitch said.

For self employed people, the income test will be based on nett taxable income.

Mr. Leitch urged people to consider their position before the 1 September and to contact the Health Care Hotline if they needed any information about the new Health Care Card. The telephone number for the Hobart area is 343627 and 008-001199 for any other area in Tasmania. The service is available for the cost of a local call each weekday 12 noon to 2.00 p.m. and each night Monday to Thursday from 6.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m.

Mr. Leitch said it was important for every person to realise that from 1 Sept. people not covered by a Pensioner Health Benefits Card or a New Health Care Card would have to consider private medical and/or hospital insurance or pay for any medical or hospital service they received, from their own pocket.

There will be no waiting periods imposed by registered Health Funds for membership to the basic Hospital and Medical tables as long as application is made between 1 September and 31 October 1981, he said.

There will also be no limitations as far as basic cover is concerned, on the grounds of a person's state of health.

Brochures and application forms for the Health Care Card are available from Social Security Offices or Post Offices.

(Mr. R. G. Leitch,)

Acting Director, Social Security, Tas.

Health care in Australia is a major cost to the Federal Government. From 1 September 1981 there will be major changes to the Health System, designed to help Australians in genuine need.

It is estimated that three million people or just under 25% of the total population will be protected by the Commonwealth Government as those in genuine need. People qualifying, including their dependants, will not have to pay for public hospital accommodation and treatment in shared rooms or out-patient service. Scheduled optometrical services and medical services where a doctor bulk bills will also be free.

People qualifying include...

1. Migrants and refugees, for the first six months of residence regardless of their income and who have been authorised to remain indefinitely in Australia.

2. People on unemployment benefit or special benefit who in the case of married couples, have an income other than benefit of less than \$68.00 per week and who in the case of single people have an income of less than \$40.00 per week other than benefit.

3. People whose average weekly income for the four weeks prior to applying for the card is below the following levels:
Married couples, \$160.00 per week (the income level rises by \$20.00 for each child)
Single parents with one child, \$160.00 a week (income rises by \$20.00 per week for each additional child)
Single people without children, \$96.00 per week.

A person in receipt of age, invalid, widow's and service pensions, supporting parent's and sickness benefits, and sheltered employment, tuberculosis and rehabilitation training allowance, is eligible for a Health Benefits Card or Pensioner Health Benefits Card.

An income limit is applicable on P.H.B. cards which is the same as for those on unemployment benefits.

The Government has decided to give a tax rebate of 32 cents in the dollar for basic medical and/or hospital insurance on the cost of insurance from July 1 1981.

If you have any queries or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact Senator Watson's Office on 314544.

YOUR JOBS AND YOUR DOLLARS.

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ON ECONOMIC GROUNDS THIS WAS SIMPLY AN OVERWHELMINGLY UNARGUABLE CONCLUSION.

ALSO IN TERMS OF CONSTRUCTION TIME, THE GORDON BELOW FRANKLIN WAS AT LEAST TWO YEARS SHORTER.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASPECTS POSED A VERY DIFFERENT AND DIFFICULT PROBLEM. DIFFERENT PEOPLE AND DIFFERENT GROUPS EMPHASISE DIFFERENT VALUES CONCERNING THE ENVIRONMENT AND PARTICULARLY WILDERNESS VALUES.

NEVERTHELESS, IT WAS CLEARLY EVIDENCED THAT ENVIRONMENTALLY, FURTHER HYDRO DEVELOPMENT WAS THE MOST ACCEPTABLE OF ALL ALTERNATIVES. IT WAS ALSO QUITE CLEAR THAT TO FULFIL THE DEMAND THAT FURTHER DEVELOPMENT MUST TAKE PLACE ON THE GORDON RIVER.

THE MATTER FOR DECISION FROM AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT VIEW CLEARLY WAS---

IS IT TO BE:.....

THE GORDON BELOW FRANKLIN?

OR

THE GORDON ABOVE OLGA PLUS
THE KING AT NEWAL,

FROM THE EVIDENCE, THE COMMITTEE CONCLUDED AFTER MUCH SERIOUS AND DEEP CONSIDERATION, THAT THE GORDON BELOW FRANKLIN WAS THE PREFERABLE PROPOSAL ENVIRONMENTALLY.

THE COMMITTEE MADE MANY OTHER MINOR BUT IMPORTANT RECOMMENDATIONS.

SUBSEQUENTLY, THE FULL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ENDORSED THE COMMITTEE'S FINDINGS, AND HAS CONSISTENTLY AND STEADFASTLY SUPPORTED THAT VIEW, WITH A 13--5 MAJORITY VOTE.

WHEN ONE CONSIDERS THAT OF THE 5, THREE MEMBERS ARE GOVERNMENT CAUCUSED--THE VOTE OF THE INDEPENDENTS WAS 13--2--A VERY CONVINCING CONSIDERATION.

MR. CHAIRMAN,

THE SUBJECT IS HEADED "YOUR JOBS AND YOUR DOLLARS".
THROUGH YOU I SUBMIT AN AXIOM.

"EFFICIENCY IS CREATIVE,
INEFFICIENCY IS DESTRUCTIVE".

THIS IS THE BASIS OF OUR FREE ENTERPRISE SYSTEM.

ON THAT BASIS EVERY BUSINESS OPERATES, AND LET US UNDERSTAND THAT THE DECISION ON TASMANIA'S NEXT POWER SCHEME IS A BUSINESS DECISION. TASMANIA IS IN A COMPETITIVE SITUATION, WITH MAINLAND STATES AND WORLD MARKETS, AND ITS SURVIVAL AND SUCCESS IN THAT SITUATION, IS DEPENDENT UPON ITS ABILITY TO BE EFFICIENT IN WHATEVER IT PRODUCES.

THE OVERALL STANDARD OF LIVING, HEALTH, EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT, WELFARE AND QUALITY OF LIFE, IS TO A LARGE DEGREE DEPENDENT UPON EFFICIENCY AND IN PARTICULAR EFFICIENT, EFFECTIVE AND RESPONSIBLE USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

OUR CHIEF NATURAL RESOURCES ARE TIMBER AGRICULTURE, MINING AND TOURIST APPEAL.

CONT'D

THE FIRST THREE REPRESENT OUR BASIC MEAL, TOURISM IS IN THE SWEETS DEPARTMENT.

IN THE PAST, TASMANIA HAS EXPORTED TOO MUCH OF ITS MAIN RESOURCES IN AN UNPROCESSED STATE. WE MUST SEEK EVERY AVENUE OF FURTHER PROCESSING OUR RAW MATERIAL THUS CREATING EMPLOYMENT AND ADDING VALUE TO THE PRODUCT BEFORE IT LEAVES TASMANIAN SOIL.

ALL SUCH DEVELOPMENT REQUIRES ENERGY. TASMANIA HAS LIMITED COAL RESERVES, NO NATURAL GAS AND NO OIL.

OUR GREATEST NATURAL RESOURCE IS WATER. A CONSTANTLY RENEWING SOURCE OF LIFE AND ENERGY.

WE TEND TO ENVY OTHER STATES RESOURCE RICH IN FOSSIL FUELS, BUT REMEMBER, THOSE SOURCES ARE LIMITED AND FINITE.

EACH TONNE, EACH BARREL, EACH CUBIC METRE, CAN BE CONSUMED BUT ONCE, AN IN THE MINING AND THE BURNING, THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT IS DEPLETED, POLLUTED AND CHANGED IRREVERSIBLY.

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MR. CHAIRMAN,

IN TERMS OF "YOUR JOBS AND YOUR DOLLARS" THE ENERGY DEBATE IN TASMANIA, THERE IS AT THIS TIME BUT ONE CONCLUSION.

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MR. C. SHAW, M.L.C.

PASSING THOUGHTS.....

Of all all home remedies,
A good wife is best.

Success is the way in which we travel,
Not the stations we arrive at.

When you feel dog-tired at night,
It may be because you grew all day.

Some have the answers to everything
and the solution to nothing.

HISTORY OF AUSTRALIAN SOCIAL SECURITY (CONTINUED)

PREPARED BY THE RESEARCH AND STATISTICS
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1950 ----- 1969

In 1950 child endowment was extended to cover the first child. It was further extended in 1964 to cover children who, after reaching the normal disqualifying age of 16, continued as full-time students but were aged under 21.

In 1951 the Pensioner Medical Service was established. In effect, it provided free medical treatment to pensioners through participating doctors who were paid a fee for treating pensioners free of direct charge. The service also made free hospital treatment available to pensioners.

In 1952 the means test on age and invalid pension eligibility was largely removed for permanently blind people. It was completely removed in 1954.

A reciprocal agreement on social security was concluded with the United Kingdom in 1953.

In 1956 pensioners with more than one child became entitled to additional pension for each child after the first. Previously, an allowance had been payable only for the first child.

Supplementary assistance was introduced in 1958 to provide additional assistance to a single pensioner paying rent, and wholly or substantially dependent on his or her pension. A married pensioner whose spouse was not a pensioner was also eligible.

A major change took place in the pension means test in 1961. The separate property and income tests, which previously had formed the means test, were combined into a composite whole called the merged means test under which means were calculated by adding personal earnings to 10 per cent of the value of property.

In 1962 there was a reduction from 20 to 10 years in the residence qualification for age pension.

A standard rate of pension was introduced in 1963. Before that the maximum rate of pension for a single person was the same as for a married person. The new standard rate gave single pensioners a higher payment in recognition of the economies available to a married couple from sharing living expenses.

Also in 1963 a payment known as mothers allowance was added to the rate of widows pension. In 1965 an equivalent payment was extended to single age and invalid pensioners with children.

Sheltered employment allowance was introduced in 1967 for persons employed in sheltered workshops and qualified to receive invalid pension. The allowance was payable as a supplement to the sheltered employee's workshop earnings in lieu of invalid pension, but was superseded by the tapered means test in 1969.

A concession, commonly called 'special

temporary allowance', was introduced in 1968 to assist pensioners on the death of a spouse. In effect, the allowance provided for the continuing payment for 12 weeks after the death of the spouse of the total pension payable to the couple if the spouse had not died.

Also in 1968 the residence qualification of 10 years for widows pension was abolished in respect of women becoming 'widows' while living in Australia. In the same year the Commonwealth agreed to subsidise the States to assist mothers with the sole care of children and not eligible for widows pension.

A major liberalisation of the pension means test took place in 1969. The rate of reduction in pension was changed from 100 per cent to 50 per cent of the amount by which a pensioner's means exceeded the maximum level not affecting the pension rate. The new arrangement became known as the 'tapered means test'. It was accompanied by a measure to restrict the availability of the Pensioner Medical Service.

Under this measure people who qualified for pension, only because of the tapered means test, did not become entitled to Pensioner Medical Service as well.

This article was omitted from the series

THE ANGLICAN PARISH OF THE FINGAL VALLEY

Sunday September 6:

9.00am	Fingal	H.C.
10.30am	St. Marys	H.C.
7.00pm	Royal George	H.C.

Sunday September 13

9.00am	Fingal	M.P.
10.30am	St. Marys	M.P.
7.00pm	Avoca	H.C.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR...

Dear Sir,

I would be interested to know who named the town St. Marys and why. Was it named after the town of the same name in Cornwall?

(Fr) J. Medwin,
St. Marys.

MEDIA STATEMENT

MR. MAX BURR

MEMBER FOR WILMOT

Nearly 3,000 families in the electorate of Wilmot would benefit from the significant rise in family allowance payments in the 1981/82 Budget, the Member for Wilmot, Mr. Max Burr said today.

This was indicated by official Government figures, he said.

The rise was not insignificant.

Of the 3,000 families in Wilmot involved, those with three or four children would receive a 50% increase in their family allowance for the third and fourth child.

This represented a \$13.00 increase a month for each of these children, he said.

A three child family would receive \$75.90 a month and a family with four children, \$114.90.

At the same time the Government had decided to lift the family allowance for the fifth and subsequent children by 50% or \$15.20 a month.

This meant that a family of five children would receive \$160.45 a month.

Mr. Burr said he personally welcomed this tangible recognition of the special problems, particularly financial, of rearing a large family.

The new increased payments would apply from January 1982.

They would be....

First child ...\$15.20 a month (no change)

Second child ...\$21.70 a month (no change)

Third child...\$39.00 (\$13.00 increase)

Fourth child ...\$39.00 (\$13.00 increase)

Fifth and subsequent

children\$45.55 a month (\$15.20 inc)

Mr. Burr said this meant a family with four children would gain \$26.00 a month, a family with five children, \$41.20 a month and a family with six children \$56.40 a month.

He said he also welcomed the decision to help the 10,000 children being cared for in institutions. The Government subsidy for their upkeep would be increased from \$21.70 to \$39.00 a month.

Altogether some 540,000 families would benefit by these new arrangements.

HELP FOR PENSIONERS.

In November 1.9 million pensioners throughout Australia will receive a pension rise.

The standard rate of single pension will be \$69.70 a week - up \$3.05 week.

Married pensioners will receive \$116.20 a week - up \$5.10 a week.

The pensioners rental allowance will rise by \$3 to \$8 a week.

- steps are being taken to ensure the maximum benefit is available to pensioners who pay higher rents.

- the rate of rent subsidy will be reduced from \$1 for each \$1 of rent paid, to 50 cents for each \$1 of rent in excess \$10 a week.

Vietnamese Refugees.

For every Vietnamese standing on our shores nine have perished on the way most by drowning. For over 48 years the Vietnamese have suffered war and privation and never wanted to leave their country. Why are they leaving now? They cannot live under a Communist regime.

There is a family in Hobart, a mother and four children. The husband is back in Vietnam. He arranged for the escape of the family. The mother and children strapped together went out in a small boat to another larger boat. The man took the door of his home and put it on drums and floated after them. He was caught and now is in gaol. He is doing sentence for six people.

When the Vietnamese arrive in Tasmania they go Mt. Canice hostel in Sandy Bay funded by the Government. There they learn to speak English and to settle into a new way of life. After six weeks they may leave and go to a flat or house if one is available.

Peter & Bev Rubenach with the help of others have built a house on their property at Gray to be used for the Vietnamese. Local people have donated furniture, household items etc for the home. Some women from St. Marys and St. Helens have helped paint inside the house.

A Vietnamese family will be coming to live in the house about the middle of September. They will need the assistance of the whole community to settle into a new way of life. Help will be required with language, customs, shopping etc. It is hoped that local organisations, church's, school will all help. When families leave the Hobart Hostel to go to a home they require everything to set up a home. They have nothing at all. To help in this matter people throughout Tasmania are asked to give something from their own household items. If each family gave something such as a set of cutlery, or cup&saucer and plate, sheets, towel or something household item they would have enough to start a home.

Depots for items for Vietnamese families are the following St Marys - D. Casboults. Newsagency. Fingal - Mrs D Egan.

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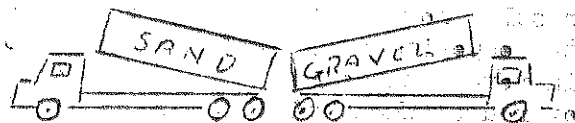
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By Grandma Moses
Fortnight beginning 4th September.

VIRGO: August 24-- September 23

Set your financial limits and then stick to them. Relatives bring joy and cause much social activity with a chance of improved finances as a result. Wait until the afternoon before accepting an offer.
BEST DAYS: 8th and 12th.

LIBRA: September 24-- October 23

You gain increased security from giving to others. A Gemini features in a romance. The rest of the world is in confusion and others may turn to you for stability so don't disappoint them. Take care with health.
BEST DAYS: 10th and 15th.

SCORPIO: October 24--November 22

Emotional power will bring good results now and they could relate to the opposite sex. Concentrate on home improvements for a time, it is long overdue. When you are confronted with opposition, try to step out of it.
BEST DAYS: 17th and 18th.

SAGITTARIUS: November 23--December 21

You may have to pay service to others for a change, so for a period it would be wise to contact your elders. You may be missing the point, so think before you act. Don't make too many commitments.
BEST DAYS: 7th and 13th.

CAPRICORN: December 22--January 20

Look to the future and prepare for a rainy day. Investments will take time to fulfil. Express your feelings and don't be afraid to destroy your 'image'. Clarify your priorities and bide your time.
BEST DAYS: 4th and 16th

AQUARIUS: January 21-- February 19

Keep to yourself as much as possible. A desire for freedom could be fulfilled through working with a charity orientated group. Love and speculation are favoured, but be careful of hidden strings.
BEST DAYS: 9th and 14th

PISCES: February 20th--March 20th

Careful planning and contact with a stranger will help you to achieve your goals. Dealings with those in authority bring benefits. Remain alert to be able to discern future needs and good results will be forthcoming.
BEST DAYS: 5th and 6th

ARIES: March 21--April 20

Control a feeling of being 'high and mighty' as you will soon fall otherwise. Avoid unnecessary travel on Wednesday. Keep to your general routine to avoid unpleasantness from others. Be careful of overspending on Saturday.
BEST DAYS: 13--17

TAURUS: April 21--May 21

An invitation should be accepted, but first make sure your time is your own. Benefits may be gained through communications of some sort. Matters concerned with hospitals will be highlighted later in the week.
BEST DAYS: 4 and 18

GEMINI: May 22--June 21

For the very best results you should entertain in your own home. Invite someone new to the area, and open your heart to them. Avoid daydreaming, it could result in some embarrassment if you are not careful.
BEST DAYS: 10--16

CANCER: June 22--July 23

Important information comes from a distance today. You have been waiting for it and the wait was worth it. Avoid haste at all times, and rely on your feelings and contacts. Tread carefully on the domestic front.
BEST DAYS: 9 and 12

LEO: July 24--August 23

Finalise future plans with loved ones today. A contact with the past proves important, attend to matters connected with future security. Be careful not to rely on hearsay, you could be caught with a red face.
BEST DAYS: 5 and 14

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