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EDITORIAL

Recent reports on road accidents and fatalities in Tasmania indicate that to date no real solution has been found to reduce this appalling modern day waste of human life.

As fast as governments and other relevant bodies come up with solutions, so are they eventually discredited by a continuing rise in the graph of road deaths.

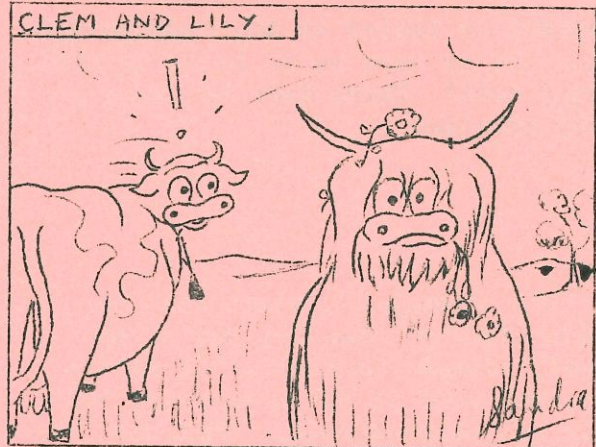
Nobody seems to see or admit they see what the real killer is.....the car! No doubt road accidents are a result of three components that make modern driving so hazardous; that is the driver, the road and the car. But let's face it, in a perfectly safe car these deaths would not occur.

It may be impossible or far too uneconomical for car manufacturers to produce the one hundred per cent safe car, but surely it is within their ability to produce one a hundred per cent safer than they have at present.

All the rigmarole on road safety these days seems bent on disguising this simple fact. Drivers are subjected to more and more restrictions and still the figures climb. How many restrictions have in the same time, been placed on the car manufacturers?

We all know the pap dished up to us from these quarters, safer radial tyres, power brakes, collapsible steering wheels etc. etc.... but in the overall picture of car safety, these items add up to nothing more than a few token gestures.

In the State Parliament, Mr. Gough (Liberal-Franklin) has made the accusation that on some cars 'the paint is thicker than the metal and they have no more protection than a kerosene can'. How very true, and yet at the other end of the stick it



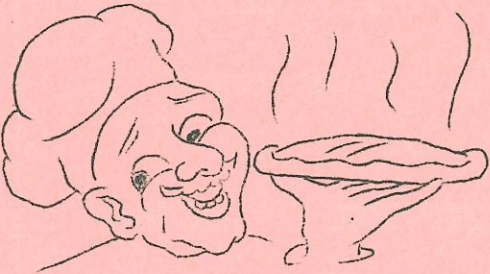
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seems there are no limitations placed on the power and speed car manufacturers can put into these tin cans.

A Car trip along any of Tasmania's major highways at the weekend, should convince anyone, to continually avoid the dangers of modern day driving is quite beyond the capabilities of the average driver. By the law of averages, sooner or later, even the best drivers will be confronted with a situation beyond his control. It is then that the safety of his car becomes paramount. But, too often this is not so. The picture of a concerted wreck is proof of the hopeless vulnerability of the car in a side or head on collision. Until the car is taken from its almost God-like pedestal and put back in its true image of functional, dependable and

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safe transport, we cannot expect any significant decline in road fatalities.

Are we prepared to insist on the deglamorization of the car or have we to learn to live with the road toll? There does not seem any half way solution .

TOUCHE!

Seen on a trip through St. Peters Pass on the Midlands Highway recently, one carefully shaped, ornamental camel. To native Tasmanians, now used to the menagerie, this is probably not very unusual. What was unusual though, was the charming young lady tourist, sitting astride its hump, complete with saddle and reins and having her photo taken.

Farmer in the district who has noted the wanton destruction of many notices, signs and public facilities, has come up with a rather novel, if macabre, idea. 'If they act like animals, why not treat 'em like animals. Lets leave the other wild life alone next year and have an open season on vandals instead.' he suggests.

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Shorty.

Dear Shorty,

Try wearing high heels and a waterproof cravat dear.

V.V.

Dear Val,

My friends have told me that I am very ugly. What do you suggest I do?

Ugly lug.

Dear Ugly Lug,

Have you tried new International Lux?

V.V.

Dear Val,

I work in an office behind a desk. I wear mini-skirts and the boss watches every move I make, especially when I bend over the filing cabinet. I have attractive legs and I like wearing mini skirts. What shall I do?

Mini Mouse.

Dear Mini Mouse,

Try a little kindness, don't bend, squat.

V. V.

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Miss Piffle

MISS DENISE BUSH, third daughter of Mr. R. Bush, Fingal is in the midst of pre-wedding parties. Mrs. P. Mills gave a Pantry Shower in her honour, the Fingal Flower Club gave a Nick Nack evening on March 17th and Mrs. Pat Bosworth and Mrs. M. Blisst gave a Utility Shower on March 18th. Denise will marry Michael Parker, third son of Mr. & Mrs. John Parker, Fingal on Saturday 21st at St. Peters Church, Fingal.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mrs. Janet Vincent who celebrated her 88th birthday last week and is Mathinna's oldest resident. A big gathering to celebrate the event included her two daughters, Mrs. R. Jarvis of St. Marys, and Mrs. J. Hall of Storeys Creek; as well as grandchildren and great-grand-children.

MRS. K. ELMER will entertain guests at her home to a Pantry Shower in honour of Miss Jillian Parry on Saturday March 21st. Jillian, the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Grif. Parry, Pyengana will marry Mr. Ian Webb, son of Mr. & Mrs. T. Webb, Fingal at the Catholic Church, Pyengana on Saturday, April 4th.

FRIENDS OF MRS. C.M. MARSHALL wish her a speedy recovery after her accident at her home at Bicheno. Mrs. Marshall is in the Launceston General Hospital.

A SUCCESSFUL barbecue was held on Saturday March 14th, at the home of Mr. & Mrs. T. Webb, Fingal. \$56.12 for the Home Nursing Unit and the Sunshine Welcome Club.

MR. & MRS. R. M cCARTY of Hobart are the proud parents of a daughter, Jodi Lee. Born March 15th. Congratulations to parents and grandparents.

CONGRATULATIONS to Christine Parker, Mark Donnellan and John Clements who have been chosen to represent the East-North East in the State Primary School Swimming Carnival this weekend in Hobart.

SORRY TO HEAR that David James of St. Helens was rushed to the Launceston General Hospital on Monday. Friends and relatives of "Rufus", wish him well.

MR. & MRS. L. WEBB of Conara spent last weekend with Mr. & Mrs. T. Webb of Fingal.

CONGRATULATIONS to Warren Johns on attaining his majority on March 17th. To celebrate there will be a party on Easter Saturday night.

MR. & MRS. GEOFF WALTON of Devonport and Mr. & Mrs. F. Taylor of Launceston will be the guests of Mr. & Mrs. Bush, Fingal at the weekend.

MRS. G. MANNING of Glenorchy has been visiting friends at Fingal.

ST. MARYS

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MR. & MRS. LEON HARDWICKE and baby daughter Michelle of Rosetta visited Mr. & Mrs. Geoff Barnes of Fingal.

CONGRATULATIONS to St. Marys Sports Teams who were successful at the recent visit to Cressy winning, Softball, Cricket and Tennis events.

MR. & MRS. ALAN MAWBY and children, Tania and Scott visited their grandparents Mr. & Mrs. G. Barnes and Mrs. Maisie Baldwin of Fingal.

MR. & MRS. C.C. Bean of Fingal are holidaying with their children and son-in-law Mr, & Mrs. Brian Baldwin of Deloraine following Brian Baldwin's visit to Fingal.

WELCOME to Sister Judith Eley who has taken up duties as Child Welfare Sister in St. Marys. Sister Eley has been attached to the Launceston Child Health Clinic and has taken an active interest in Guiding in this State.

MISSSES MARGARET & LESLEY BEAN of Fingal spent a pleasant weekend at Whitmore at the week-end.

SISTER ELAINE SALTER who leaves St. Helens this week is attending a busy round of fare-well parties. During the past three years Elaine has been an invaluable member of the St. Helens Hospital and has taken an active part in many Community efforts. Elaine will be travelling with Michelle Blunt to Japan and the highlight of this trip will be a visit to Expo 70. On returning Elaine will be studying in Melbourne for her Child Health Certificate.

MRS. G. NAPIER was hostess at a delightful Coffee Party in her home on Tuesday 17th. Many people from St. Marys and Fingal attended and a sum of \$46.00 was raised towards the Hospital Fair.

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1 pkt pineapple jelly		2	
	13	5	

We would be interested to see an earlier docket than this if any of our readers could find one.

FROM THE PULPIT

Love's quality is measured by what it will do, what it will give, what it will suffer. God so loved the world that he gave - gave His only begotten Son, gave all, withheld nothing.

That is the measure of the Divine love for us; it loves to the uttermost.

If you are Christ's, every energy of your mind, every affection of your heart, every fibre of your body, every cent of your money, is Christ's and all of these are to be used to bless your fellowmen and to make the world better and happier.

If we love, we will give, we will suffer, we will sacrifice. If we would be Christ-like, we must love to minister to others, giving our life without reserve, to service in Christ's name.

As we approach Holy Week, may I leave with you the words of Frances Havergal.

'Thy life was given for me,
Thy life was given for me,
Thy blood, O Lord, was shed
That I might ransomed be
And quickened from the dead:
Thy life was given for me;
What have I given for Thee?
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My years for Thee be spent,
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I gave myself to Thee.'

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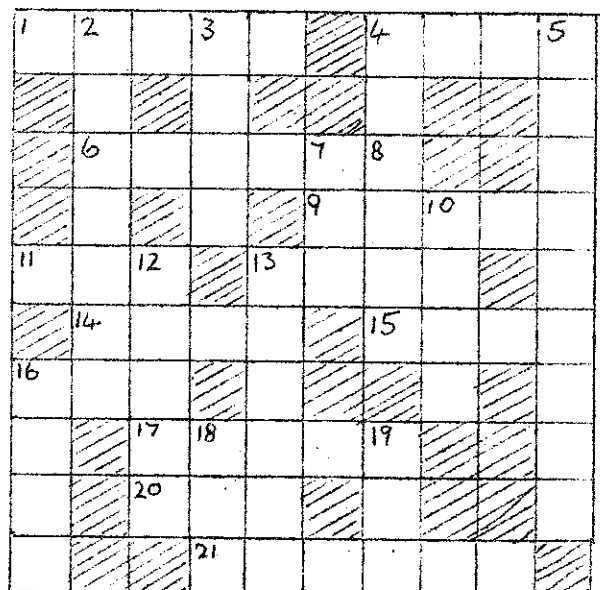
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CLUES TO THIS WEEK'S CROSSWORD.

ACROSS:

- Pious.
- Spy.
- Young one.
- Angry.
- Swamp.
- Mark.
- Range of Mountains in U.S.S.R.
- Girl's name.
- Employ.
- Each one.
- Dump.
- Make certain.

DOWN:

- Threatening.
- Attic.
- Customer.
- Pallid (two words).
- Pinch.
- Tiny particle.
- Salute.
- Dozes.
- Repulsive.
- By way of.
- The second person, grammatically speaking.

(Answers next week.)

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COMING EVENTS

B.O.D.S. Next Meeting will be held 24 March, 1970. Home Arts Room, St. Marys District High School. Eight p.m.

ST. MARYS DISTRICT HOSPITAL CARNIVAL, April 11th on the Recreation Ground. Anyone wishing to join in the fun of Float Parade, contact Matron - St. Marys 2.

ADULT EDUCATION classes in Woodwork and Typing. Persons interested please phone St. Marys 85.

ST. MARYS FOOTBALL CLUB
BEACH PICNIC

Above to be held at Reserve Beach, Scamander at 2. p.m. Saturday 21/3/70.

This is to be a family function. Consisting of: Beach Races for all age groups.

Fishing Competition

Novelty Races

FUN FOR ALL

Finishing with Beach Barbecue at 4 p.m.

METHODIST CHURCH Services Sunday March 22nd. St. Marys 11 a.m. Mr. Don Hall, St. Helens 7.30 p.m. Mr. Robert Bye.

GOOD FRIDAY service at St. Marys at 10 a.m. All welcome.

COSGROVE PARK BOWLING CLUB will be guests of the St. Helens Bowling Club this Sunday, March 22nd.

VARIETY CONCERT
ST. MARYS

Artists appearing in the concert at the Memorial Hall St. Marys arranged by the Methodist Church last week performed to a full house and a most appreciative audience.

Visitors from Launceston included Ald. C.G. Pryor and his family, Arnold Austen and Ian Reeve all rendering harmony. Local girl Christine Wright joined with Gaye Swift in most enjoyable items. Mr. Keith Cook, magician gave a competent and entertaining performance. All artists appreciated the excellent work of the compere Peter Pitts of Radio 7LA who guided the programme and kept the entertainment running.

Sketches by local dramatic groups were enjoyed by the audience and the musical group from the school led by Mr. Williams gave a very happy performance.

Monologues by Mrs. Aldred Smith lent variety to the programme.

Maree Mountney formerly of St. Helens gave a pleasing performance of musical comedy numbers.

This concert was a most successful venture and it is hoped that a similar event will be repeated in the district before too long.

AN INTERESTING POSITION IS AVAILABLE FOR PART-TIME TYPIST-CLERK AT THE ST. MARYS DISTRICT HOSPITAL. APPLICANTS MUST BE COMPETENT TYPISTS AND BE WILLING TO LEARN THE WORK INVOLVED. APPLICATIONS CLOSE WITH THE SECRETARY ON THE 4TH APRIL, 1970.

Tale End of an Oyster

An oyster lay on the ocean bed
Quietly dozing and nodding his head
As the salt waves wafted above him.
The sunny rays of the summer sun
Playfully joining the fish in their fun
Saw the oyster and tried to awake him.

The oyster could not be bothered with that,
He just wished to laze in his bed and get fat.
A diver swimming above his head
Spotted the oyster lying in bed
And thought, "This one could not be fatter
So he popped him into his fishing bag
And that evening the oyster had reason
to brag....
He was the biggest one on the platter.

LATE NEWS..... MRS. STAN SALTER is again a patient in the Launceston General Hospital. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery

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ST. MARYS FOOTBALL CLUB....Applications are hereby called by the above Club for boundary umpires during the 1970 season. Successful applicants will be suitably trained and remunerated by the Club. Applications will close with Mr. D. Wright, Box 55, St. Marys on Thursday 26th March, 1970.

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FINGAL TENNIS NOTES

The Junior Championships were played on 14th March with the following results;
Boys under 10 years;
 Gilbert Woods d. John Stingle 6 - 0
Boys up to 13 years;
 Graeme Woods d. Gregory Saunders 14 - 12
Girls up to 13 years;
 Julie Oliver d. Robyn Bean 6 - 2

The boys trophies were donated by the former President D. Carruthers, who travelled from Gowrie Park especially to watch the finals and make the presentations.

The girls trophy was donated by the Club. All runners-up received a tennis spoon. Trophies will be engraved at a later date. The next event is likely to be a mixed championship - choose own partners. This will most likely be held sometime after Easter.

The membership list now stand as follows:

Ladies	..	..	..	eleven
Gentlemen	..	..	..	twenty four
Junior Ladies	..	..	..	sixteen
Junior Gents	..	..	..	twenty three
Total	..	..	..	seventy four

The practice board still needed for taking beginners on Saturday mornings. Please contact the secretary or any committee member if you are prepared to help.

A collection is being taken up to help defray cost of trophies. Thanks to those who have contributed so far. A few cents from your change will help. You will find a collection bottle in one of the shops.

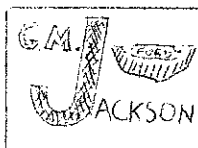
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MAJOR SUCCESSES THIS SEASON

by Frank Nott.

John commenced the 1969-70 season on a bright note and proved to be an encouraging omen of things to come. First, he won the inaugural Northern High School open Cross Country Championship at Relbia in August in effortless fashion, rather ironical because St. Marys were only competing by invitation and John showed his more favoured rivals a clean pair of heels. Secondly, at the Northern track championships for 1969 held at the Brooks High School oval, he swept all opposition aside to win clearly in race record time of 4 minutes 27 seconds for the open 1500 metres.

In his debut for the season in Launceston's interclub competition conducted at White City, John showed that he had matured greatly from the previous season and in mid-season form he slashed 28 seconds from the Northern Junior 3,000 metres steeplechase record in running 10:14.2 and qualified for coveted "A" grade in this event. In the annual North -v- South intrastate meeting in December he sliced a further 5 seconds from the record in running second to Senior Allan McCreary (South). It was at this stage that John, after conferring with North Launceston officials decided he would like to tackle the 1500 metres junior steeplechase with a view of bettering the state selection standard of 4 min. 30 seconds.

In his first attempt at the distance he recorded a somewhat disappointing 4:41 - eleven seconds outside; but at his next attempt in late January, despite running the opening lap too fast he recorded 4:27.7 - which broke the State record by 2 seconds and the State selection standard by 2.3 seconds. Since then he has gone from success to success - winning his first state title for the event and lowering his own record to an incredible 4:19.7 - well inside the state selection standard!

During this season he has also bettered past performances in other events on the track notable in the 800 metres (2:0.5) and the 1500 metres (4:8.9). In the 1500 metres the vast improvement is clearly evident: 4:27 in October and 4:8.9 in February - an improvement of 18 seconds or 120 yards in the event which is just short of a mile!

THE AUSTRALIAN TITLES AND THE FUTURE??????

John will compete in 1500 metres Junior steeplechase championship of Australia in Adelaide on Sunday 22nd March and we wish him the very best of luck.

I think it would be extremely optomistic to expect John to win the event or even gain a place in his first attempt on a cinder track against the best junior (under 19) steeplechasers in Australia - but at 17 John is eligible again next season for this event and the experience gained competing in Adelaide will prove invaluable to him for his big chance will be in March 1971 - only time will tell; for if he continues to improve as much in the next 12 months as he has done in the past 12 months, Falmouth could well have

an Australian Athletic Championship medal winner to welcome home.

A word for aspiring athletes - John has gained his success the hard way - a lot of training and with complete dedication to his task which has now paid handsome dividends for him. It is true in Athletics to say that you can only get out of the sport what you put into it!

John introduced another local boy to Launceston athletics this season in Craig Mitchell who shows promise and will prove a handy acquisition to the North Launceston Club. Should there be any others keen to compete, our club offers a warm welcome; simply contact John himself for further details.

JOHN SCAMANDER APPEAL FUND.

The response to this appeal has been overwhelming. Although John left on Thursday 19th for Adelaide, it has been decided to leave the appeal open for a further week in the hope that the full amount of \$200 may be reached.

Acknowledgements:

Mr. G. Shaw, Perth	2.50
Mrs. E.R. Crawford, Falmouth	1.00
Mr. & Mrs. J. McDonald, St. Marys	1.00
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Mr. & Mrs. L. Phillips, Falmouth	3.00
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Mr. & Mrs. B. Barwick, St. Marys	1.00
Mrs. A. Jones, Falmouth	1.00
Mr. & Mrs. C. Royle, St. Marys	2.00
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	\$135.00

A cheque for \$121.50 was forwarded to the Northern Athletic Association last Monday, 9th March and any further money will be reimbursed to John upon his return home. Donations will be received by Mr. R. Bye at the St. Marys Branch of the Launceston Bank for Savings.

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Novelty events

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★ STAR PROBE ★★

by Pegasus
(Fortnight beginning 20th March)

ARIES: (21st March - 20th April)
Guard against disruptions in the family or with your partner. Take care of your health. Avoid excesses.

TAURUS: (21st April - 21st May)
Someone may try to undermine your position at work. Care will be needed in dealing with the situation, so keep alert.

GEMINI: (22nd May - 22nd June)
Romance is still disappointing. Don't be deceived. Take care to cement your position at work.

CANCER: (22nd June - 22nd July)
Quick financial gains on the 22nd. Tensions within the family circle will need careful handling.

LEO: (23rd July - 23rd August)
Be careful to guard against accidents. A good time for romance at this week. Stability is the key this month.

VIRGO: (24th August - 23rd September)
Strive for greater harmony within the family circle. Postpone business expansion for this month.

LIBRA: (24th September - 23rd October)
Gains in partnership ventures on 22nd. Try not to force issues with your loved one or partner. Use tact.

SCORPIO: (24th October - 22nd November)
Financial interests most promising on 21st and 22nd. Take care of health at this time.

SAGITTARIUS: (23rd November - 21st December)
The 20th is a day to take a back seat in financial affairs. Start new plans on the 30th. Stay alert to avoid serious pitfalls. Romance is very promising.

CAPRICORN: (22nd December - 20th January)
Protect financial interests from loss or abuse on 25th and 27th. Money opportunities on the way.

AQUARIUS: (2st January - 19th February)
Be in the clear of tax matters by the 20th. Avoid travel 25th and 27th. A time to 'spring clean' your business.

PISCES: (20th February - 20th March)
Protect money matters on 25th and 27th and avoid going into debt. Romance before the 24th will be disappointing.

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Our Annual General Meeting was held at Tatlow's Hotel on Wednesday 11th March. Officers elected were: Chairman Mr. R. Stuart. Vice Chairman, Mr. F. Davis. Secretary, Miss M. Bean, Treasurer, Miss L. Bean, Captain, Mrs. H. Dakin.

Mr. B. Baldwin, Deloraine, was once again made auditor. The following people were nominated for our patrons. Messrs. R. Tatlow, A.J. Newman, J. Brennan, J.A.M. Brodribb, P.J. Cowie, B. Hughes and Mrs. K. Ransom.

I would like to thank on behalf of all club members those people who helped to make last season a great success. Practice commenced March 17th. Both old and new players made welcome.

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