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EDITORIAL

Various interpretations of the Senate elections have been offered by the leaders of the parties concerned. For instance Mr. Gorton (even though he admitted his party had received a rebuff later) dwelt on the fact that a senate election was not necessarily a true indication of political feeling. He suggested for instance that senate elections were sometimes used by the voters as a means to keep Governments on their toes.

Perhaps so - but previous to the election he did point out many times to the public the importance of a confidence vote for the Government and he didn't get it. On the contrary, the vote suggested a gross lack of confidence from the voters.

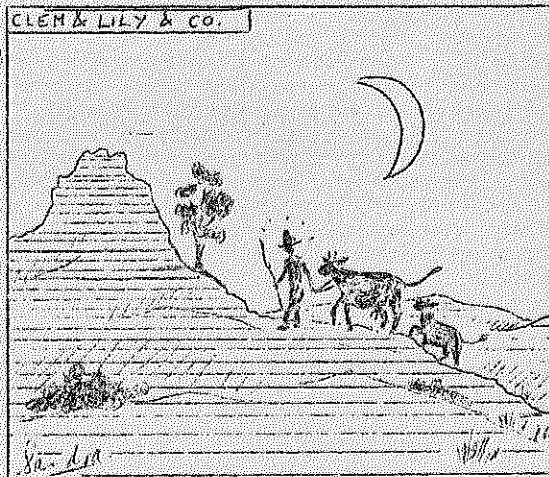
But Mr. Gorton can probably take some solace in the fact that the voters did not go for Labor either. Mr. Whitlam said of this; with great political aplomb, that Labor, unlike the Liberal-Country Party Coalition, had not lost ground - they had stood firm.

In other words they gained nothing. It was the Democratic Labor Party and the independents that really made the gains. And a jubilant Mr. Gair took the opportunity to suggest that it had begun to look as though his party with its clear-cut policies, had at last won the confidence of the people. Mr. Gair also ventured the opinion that his party would eventually take over a major roll at the expense of either Labor or Liberal. He didn't state exactly which one though.

A somewhat optimistic assumption, but one can understand optimism in the circumstances.

But whatever the reason for the anti-Government swing and the status quo vote for Labor, it could profit both parties if they consider just one simple issue only.

A great deal of the swing came from the country areas and one of the D.L.P.'s major policies was directed at decentralization of industry and populations. Neither the Government or Labor seem to be able to take decentralization seriously. Perhaps it is time they did.



"OF COURSE WE'RE NOT LOST..... WE'RE SOMEWHERE IN TASMANIA!"

TOUCHE'

A BIT OF DRAMA for a local senior citizens club last week. On their annual away - this time to Bicheno, they discovered one of their members were missing. Panic! Had she fallen out of the back of one of the cars? Where was she? But it all turned out happily. She arrived a few minutes later in a private car. A good Samaritan had offered her a lift when it was found she had been left behind in the rush.

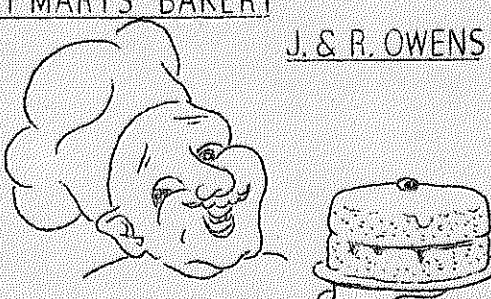
Tourists on a bus in the district recently had an excellent opportunity to savour a little local colour. Trouble was most of the local colour was verbal and it came from the proverbial Australian up a gum tree, who was busy lopping dangerous branches that overhung the road.

First he had lost his b-y axe, then his b-y wedge and after having nearly broken the handle of his second b-y axe, he was ready to give the b-y game away.

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TOUCHE! (Con't)

....ready to give the b - y game away.
It was about then that he realized the bus
load of tourists were taking in his antics
with obvious delight.
"B - y sorry about the language," he grin-
ned, as he waved them through.

From Magazine 'REALITES'
DRIVING HIGH:

Road accident prevention authorities in
France have gone too far in the eyes of a
large restaurant association.

The road accident prevention group
aimed their campaign at the man who eats
himself into a state of near coma, then
drives. They showed a man at a table in
just such a state with the caption:
'In a few minutes Monsieur will be at the
wheel of a car going at 85 miles per hour.'

The safety group pointed out that *g:s-*
tonomy and driving don't go together.

The restaurateurs were furious and
they said that people with a long drive
ahead of them don't linger over a meal,
that four or five courses are a thing of
the past (except, they added during the
hunting season), and they added that most
accidents occur not after a meal but before.

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COMING EVENTS

ST MARYS METHODIST Church services:
Nov. 29th, 11a.m. & 3p.m.

Sunday School Anniversary Preacher; Rev.
Wesley Vial.

Dec 6th, 11a.m. Girl Guide and Brownie
Church Parade. Preacher; Mr B. Mansfield
Parents especially welcome on both Sundays

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the St Marys Golf
Club will be held on 25th Nov. at 1p.m.
Nominations closed on 18th. Ladies,
afternoon Tea please.

ST MARYS GARDEN CLUB Annual Dinner, to
be held at Scamander Motel Hotel, on 5th
Dec. at 7p.m.

ST MARYS PROGRESS ASSOCIATION. Meeting
8th December at 8p.m. at the School. Mr
Ron Clarke of Tasmanian Tourist Council
will Speak. Please help to make this a
good Meeting and bring a friend.

T.F.F. MEETING. R.S.L. Institute, St
Marys, 9th December at 8.30p.m.

A MEETING of the Elderly Citizens Steer-
ing Committee will be held at the St Marys
District High School Domestic Science
Block, Monday 30th December.

A PRE- CHRISTMAS party is to be held on
Tuesday 1st Dec. by the Sunshine Welcome
Club at Fingal. Remember, all members!

HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY SCHOOL...Christmas
Evening Dec. 4th in the Institute St Marys
Church Service 7p.m. followed by a concert
and Xmas tree for the Sunday School Child-
ren. ALL WELCOME. Ladies bring a plate.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND Church Service, Sunday
29th.

8a.m. Cornwall Service Cancelled.
7p.m. Evensong St Marys followed by
Vestry meeting.

CORNWALL SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY.
Dec. 13th at 10a.m.

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT!!! December 13th
at the St Marys District Hospital.
Commences 8.30p.m.

It is not the wine which causes the acc-
idents but the apertifs and whis'y which
are drunk before the people get to the
restaurant.

Suddenly the safety people are off the
hook. And instead of attacking, the res-
taurant group is being attacked - by a
furious group of apertif manufacturers.

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MRS. KNUD CHRISTENSEN of Copenhagen, Denmark, will be flying home shortly to visit her parents at Bichenor. She will be accompanied by her son Peter (8). Mrs. Christensen will be remembered as the former Enid Nicholson of Bichenor.

SENIOR CITIZENS from St. Marys, Cornwall and Fingal enjoyed a trip to Bichenor recently. The occasion was Old People's Week. They were welcomed by the Warden of Glamorgan, who made available the use of a hall for a delightful buffet lunch. The senior citizens also visited the Fish Factory and scenic spots.

DR & MRS IAN RODDICK of St. Marys are very excited to receive a visit from Dr. Roddick's parents. Mr. & Mrs. Roddick sen. flew from England on 26th November and hope to stay for about three months. This is their first trip to Australia.

CONGRATULATIONS to Elizabeth Legge of St. Marys, Rosalie Carins of Bichenor and Josephine Fitzallen of Avoca. These girls all won Launceston Bank for Savings scholarships recently. The scholarships will help towards a secondary education.

MR. LAURANCE PENDRIGH of St. Helens has just returned from Adelaide where he has been holidaying with his son John.

MRS. RAY FITZGERALD has returned to Goulds Country after an enjoyable holiday in Perth, Western Australia.

A MOST SUCCESSFUL Church Fair was held in Fingal last week. Approximately \$180 was raised.

YESTERDAY AT FINGAL the Sunshine Welcome entertained a party of senior citizens from Launceston. The guests who were given afternoon tea had made the trip via Scottsdale and St. Helens. All enjoyed the lovely afternoon.

FRIENDS of Mr. C.C. Bean of Fingal, wish him a speedy recovery. He is at present in the Launceston General Hospital. Mrs. Bean is staying with Mrs. Brian Baldwin of Deloraine.

MRS. OLIVER of Mangana has her daughter Mrs. Seccombe home after a tour of the Snowy Mountains.

MR. & MRS. D.T. Parker, Jun. of Fingal, are to entertain 70 guests at the Town Hall tonight. It is to celebrate the occasion of their daughter Leanne's engagement to Mr. Leo Lynch.

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Last Sunday 21st November saw the dedication by Bishop Davies of the memorial window in St. Peters Church of England, Fingal. The beautiful window was gifted by the sons, daughters and grandchildren of the late Mr. & Mrs. F. Williams. The organist was Mrs. E. Barber. Visitors came from all over the State and were entertained to afternoon tea by the Guild.

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THE VALLEY VOICE

HERITAGE CORNER

Report dated May 9th 1929 - Examiner
 'Although it is a few weeks since the flood created so much destruction in many Northern and Eastern districts, the effects of its magnitude and force are still to be witnessed by a visitor to the small township of Mangana, (known as The Nook when the first gold seekers in Tasmania invaded its gullies), where trunks of trees up to 40feet in length and a girth of 10feet are to be seen criss crossed in the main street. It would be difficult to estimate the tonnage of the debris piled up in the street, paddocks and gardens. These massive bodies of timber give some idea of the force of the water required to carry them for some miles over the rough country where the original creek was only a few feet wide. Luckily for the inhabitants of U-ter Mangana the valley had naturally widened where their houses stood and thus lessened the depth of flow of the flood waters. Had this not been the case probably half of the houses in the township would have been swept away. The visitor who must have known Mangana in the past to enable him to make comparisons, cannot but feel sadness when looking on the destruction caused by the rushing waters and admiration for the sufferers who have tackled the huge task of clearing and reconstruction. It will be many years before Mangana will be its old self again.'

Thanks to Mr J Miller of Mangana for finding this item. Mrs Oliver tells how most of the residents who had to leave their own homes were billeted by friends and then after the flood there was a working bee with everyone offering to help clean up the homes. Children were paid threepence for each shovelful of silt taken from some of the houses. Most of the men of Mangana were at that time working at the Mt Nicholas Mine - they were completely cut off not knowing what was happening at home. In order to reach their families they went by spring dray and boat via Tullochgorum.

RETURN THANKS

MORRIS Nellie - The daughters, sons, inlaws and grandchildren of the late Nellie Morris wish to express their heartfelt gratitude and thanks to all kind relations and friends for the beautiful floral tributes, cards, and personal expressions of sympathy extended to them in their recent sad loss of a darling mother, mother in law, and dearest Nan. Would all including those who paid tribute at the service please accept this as our personal expression of gratitude and thanks.

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FROM THE PULPIT

"Your Heavenly Father knows:" "Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor father into barns, and yet Heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?"

(Matthew 6: 26)

Martin Luther in his autobiography says, "I have one preacher I love better than any other; it is my little tame robin, who preaches to me daily. I put his crumbs upon my window sill when he wants his supply and he takes as much as he desires to satisfy his need. From thence he always hops to a little tree close by and lifts his voice to God and sings his carol of praise and gratitude, tucks his head under his wing and goes fast to sleep, to leave tomorrow to look after itself."

"Lord, for tomorrow and it's need I do not pray;
 But keep me in Thy loving care
 Just for today."

SCAMABDEN GARDEN CLUB NOTES

At the November meeting, the President was pleased to welcome three new members. It was decided to hold a Christmas function on December 8th next. Members will be advised of details.

Mrs. Oliver from St. Marys, demonstrated the art of making crepe paper flowers. This was much appreciated.

A trade table yielded \$3.28 and a raffle \$3.10. The raffle was donated by Mrs.

Turner from St. Helens and was won by

Mrs. Oliver. The monthly competition

resulted in a win for Mrs. Peterson, equal second Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Powe; third Mrs. Mallinson.

These points count towards a trophy at the annual meeting in April and more members are urged to enter.

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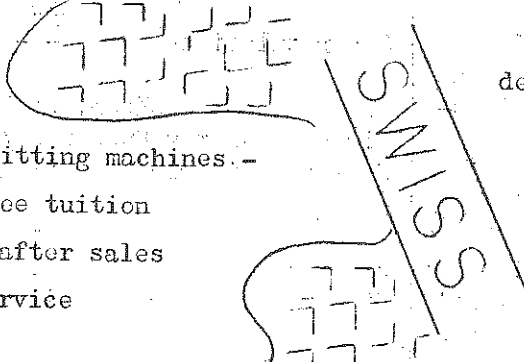
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ATHLETIC CARNIVAL

The annual athletic carnival of the St. Marys District School was held on the school sports oval last Thursday.

The house competition for the High school section of the school was won by St. Patricks House, followed by Jubilee House, St. Pauls and Esk.

In the primary school section, Esk defeated Jubilee, St. Pauls 3rd and St. Patricks 4th.

Christopher Blake was an outstanding performer and easily won the high school boys open championship. The High School girls open championship was won by Coral Bessell, the primary school boys championship by Craig Gatty and the primary school girls championship by Maree Herring.

Winners of High Schools Girls' Finals:-
100 yards under 13:- Deborah White, PT
under 15 - Christine Parker, Over 15
 Sally Abbott, PT.

220 yards, under 13:- Gabrielle Burns, PT., Under 15 - Christine Parker, PT., Over 15 - Coral Bessell, PL.

440 yards, over 15:- Coral Bessell, PL.

High Jump, Under 15:- Carol Johnson, E. Over 15 - Debbie Richards, J.

High School boys:-

100 yards under 13:- Greg Burling, J., Under 15 - Garry Hayes, PL., Over 15 - Christopher Blake, J.,

220 yards under 13 - Gerald Vincent, PT. Under 15 - Wayne Freeman, J., Over 15 - Christopher Blake, J.

440 yards under 15 - Stephen Dwyer, PL., Over 15 - Christopher Blake, J.

880 yards open:- Mark Chapman E.

1 mile - open:- Mark Chapman. E.

High Jump - under 13:- Stephen Howard, E. Under 15 - Peter Herring, PT. Over 15 - Max Franks, PT.

Primary School girls:-

50 yards under 7 - Tracy Lynch, E.

75 yards under 9 - Annabel Dean, PL.

100 yards under 11 - Toni Bellinger, E.

High Jump over 11 - Caroline Dean, PL.
100 yards over 11 - Caroline Dean, PL.
220 yards over 11 - Caroline Dean, PL.
220 yards under 11 - Toni Bellinger, E.
440 yards open - Maree Herring, PT.
High Jump under 11 - Suzanne Parker, PL.

Primary School Boys:-

50 yards under 7 - Rex Floyd, PL.
75 yards under 9 - Glen Keesing, PT.
100 yards under 11 - Stephen Saunders, J.
220 yards under 11 - Stephen Saunders, J.
440 yards open - Wayne Mitchell, E.
High Jump under 11 - Robert Schier, J.

PINGAL TENNIS NOTES

The Opening Day Tournament had to be postponed last Sunday week, owing to rain. It will now be played this Sunday (29th Nov.): To Gentlemen, bring a partner along but let us have your names by Sunday morning at 10 o'clock so that the draw may be made. Juniors start at 9.30 a.m. the same day.
 Other news; water laid on (thanks Athol) and hedge clipped. (Was it you Mr. McGee?)

L.J. SNOODGRASS

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ST. MARYS GOLF NOTES

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the St. Marys Golf Club Associates, held on 25th Nov. 1970.

Committee: President Mrs. D.K. Barnes;
 Vice President: Mrs. J. Lind;
 Captain: Mrs. J. Brennan;
 Secretary: Mrs. A.T. Macleay;
 Treasurer: Mrs. C. Dawson;
 Committee Member: Mrs. G. King.

Afternoon Tea was served and thoroughly enjoyed by all. On Saturday 28th Nov. a stroke competition will be held. Trophies donated by W.E. & H.C. Wills. All welcome.

Contributors Please Note:

All sports notices and results printed

IN THE EYE OF THE LAW

How well do you know the Traffic Code?

The safe use of the roads is based on a fairly simple set of rules, yet thousands of motorists fail to drive by the rules, many because they do not know what is required of them in certain situations.

One of the most important rules is that commonly called 'give way to the right' and as the Minister for Road Safety has intimated that it is proposed to amend the present Regulation to conform with that in use in other States, it may be as well to give some thought to the meaning of the Regulation as it now reads-

Reg.5(1)(i).. When two or more vehicles are approaching the same place in such a manner, on such a course, or at such a speed, that if those vehicles continued in that manner, on that course or at that speed, as the case may be, they might collide or create a dangerous situation, the driver of a vehicle who has any other vehicle on his right, shall slow up and allow that vehicle to proceed.

This would appear to place the full responsibility for giving right of way, on the driver who has the other on his right, but a further Regulation requires such other driver to proceed in such a manner as to be able to stop and avoid a collision, if necessary.

Reg.5(1)(j) reads - When entering and passing through a place at which any public streets meet, he shall enter and pass through that place at such a speed that he will be able to stop and avoid collision with any person, vehicle or animal;

The "Give way to the right" rule, of course, applies where there are no "Stop" or "Give Way" signs erected, but when the new rule as quoted above, will be operative.

For those who have driven on the mainland this will not be a difficult change, but for others it is suggested that you endeavour to make yourself conversant with the requirement of the new rule, in readiness for its inception.

We will be pleased to offer any useful advice on this subject, should drivers desire it.

Riddle

What is the difference between a flea and a train?

A. There is no difference, because they both run on sleepers.

STORK NEWS

Congratulations to - - -

Mr and Mrs A JACKSON, St Marys on the birth of Andrew Hudson 20/11/70 at St Marys District Hospital

Mr and Mrs Rex SMITH, Fingal on the birth of Ian Robert 18/11/70 at St Marys District Hospital

Mr and Mrs N QUIN, Bicheno a new son born 21/11/70. Gregory John - 10lb 1oz, a brother for Derek and Anthony. At St Marys District Hospital

Mr and Mrs T McMANUS of Falmouth on the arrival of Stephanie Emma - born 23/11/70 at Queen Victoria Hospital.

Mr and Mrs OXLEY of St Helens on the arrival of a son at St Helens District Hospital.

Mr and Mrs Derek CHAPPLE of St Helens - a daughter, born at St Helens District Hospital



A Few Words of Wisdom from the Miners Federation Paper - COMMON CAUSE

The lion sprang upon the bull and devoured him. After he had feasted, he felt so good that he roared and roared. The noise attracted hunters and they killed the lion. The moral of which is that when you are full of bull keep your mouth shut.

Riddle.....

What are there more of in Mexico than anything else?

A. Mexicans.

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The story so far... The three Robinson children BILL, SUZY and JOEY run away to find their father after their mother's death. They find a delightful place to camp but while Suzy and Joey are swimming, Bill sees two policemen on motor cycles close to the beach. Now read on...

CHAPTER 5. MORE TROUBLE

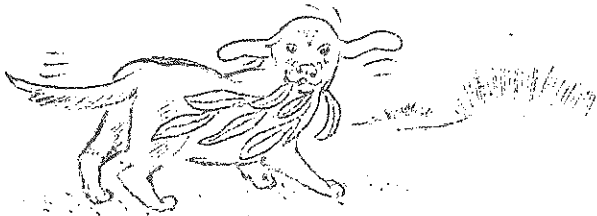
While Bill crouched under the bushes, trying not to breathe too loudly, one of the policemen took a packet of cigarettes from his pocket and casually lit one.

"Looks like them Syd," he said to his companion. The registration's the same anyway. It's about time we made an example of these blokes. They think they can get away with anything. Taking game out of season and now they've got nets set everywhere. Look at them will you, bold as brass."

"Well, we'd better go and get them," the other policeman said wearily. "Crikey, I'm sick of these petty little offences. I wish we could have a decent crime to solve."

As Bill watched, the two men walked to the beach and along towards the unsuspecting fishermen. Bill crept out of the bushes and raced down to the sea, beckoning urgently to Suzy and Joey. Skipper barked happily at the sight of Bill but neither of the other two children noticed their big brother for some time.

"Come along quickly," Bill said crossly as they left the water eventually, pushing each other and throwing seaweed for Skipper to chase.



"There are two policemen along there, talking to those fishermen; I think they are being booked for netting. We don't want them asking us any questions so look lively you two and get back to camp."

Back at the camp Joey and Suzy dressed without speaking while Bill watched the policemen escorting the fishermen back towards their car.

"We'd better wait until they leave, but mind, no noise," he cautioned.

"I can't help feeling a bit sorry for those men," Joey said. "After all, they did give us some fish."

"I feel sorrier for us and you would too if you got sent to the Welfare people," Bill said. "We'll wait awhile and then be off. I suppose we'd better keep to the road."

It was hot and dusty on the road and even Skipper gave up chasing rabbits and walked soberly beside the children. They had walked for some time in silence when Joey burst out,

"I'm sick of this and I'm tired and thirsty. Can't we rest and have something to drink Bill?"

Bill looked horrorstruck.

"We forgot to bring any water," he said.

Suzy said, "That water was a bit brackish anyway and we probably shouldn't drink it without boiling it, so it's just as well."

"I want a drink and a rest," Joey wailed, tears beginning to roll down his cheeks. "I wish we never come. Our father should never have left us."

"Shut up, you little baby," Bill said angrily. "We'll find Dad soon but it certainly won't help if you start bawling every time things get a bit tough."

"I think we should have a plan," Suzy said. "We don't really know where we are going. We should be asking someone where the big shearing sheds are."

As she spoke a large, dusty American car came swishing down the road towards them and pulled up with a scream of high, powered brakes. A friendly voice called,

"Want a lift kids?"

"Yes please," Joey said, half way to the car before Bill could stop him.

"Come and get in," said the big, red faced man behind the wheel. "I bet you kids are off to the carnival up the river. I'm going there too, so I'll take you. Did you wag school?" He chuckled and said. "Often did that myself when I was your age. Nice dog you've got there."

"It's very kind of you," Suzy said settling herself comfortably. "We're going to meet our dad."

"What's your dad do?" asked their new friend.

"He's a shearer," Bill said uneasily.

"Oh, I see; then he'll probably be competing in the championships, will he? Lot of good shearers come from up north each year for the carnival. What's your dad's name?"

Bill was suddenly taken with a violent fit of coughing and even Suzy's back thumping didn't cure it.

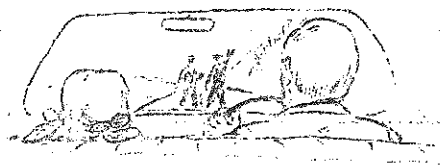
"It's the dust," she said with great presence of mind. "I suppose you haven't got a drink mister?"

"What the devil," said their driver, putting on his brakes. "There's a couple of cops up the road, waving at us."

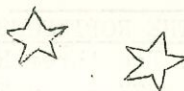
He pulled over to the side of the road and called jovially,

"Can I help you officer?"

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STARPROBE



ARIES: March 21 - April 20

Everything is very quiet...but some-thing is about to break! You will be called on to make a big decision. You may have trouble at work on the 2nd.

TAURUS: April 21 - May 20

Take care, your judgement is faulty at the end of this month. Postpone decisions until early December. You have the chance of a very good bargain.

GEMINI: May 21 - June 20

A joint enterprise is still your best bet until the end of the month when you will come into your own. The beginning of December promises a good financial run.

CANCER: June 21 - July 21

In romance you may find your heart may not be leading you to the right person. Think well before making any promises. Make good use of good opportunities at the beginning of next month.

LEO: July 22 - August 21

Keep well within your budget, especially from that long awaited holiday. Some-thing will crop up, but will not be the important set-back it may at first seem. Good luck ahead.

VIRGO: August 22 - September 21

Your judgement still remains good, but prepare to tackle a sticky situation. Social activities are the key-note for next month but especially on the 3rd.

LIBRA: Sept 22 - October 22

Work-wise you must press for advantages on the 3rd, 8th and 23rd. Make the most of opportunity to demonstrate your skills. A financial reward may come from an unexpected quarter.

SCORPIO: October 23 - November 22

There is still a pleasant surprise for you is it has not occurred already. Give a wide berth to friends whowould have you spend more than you ought on holiday gifts. Concentrate best efforts in business on 5th, 9th and 16th.

SAGITTARIUS: Nov 23 - December 22

Keep away from that irresistible bargain at the beginning of December. Keep spending to a minimum. A special project will be a great success.

CAPRICORN: Dec 23 - January 19

Take extra health precautions at the beginning of the month. The rest of the month promises a good time for you.

AQUARIUS: January 20 - February 19

Restrict over-spending, especially in the home. At work, best results from behind the scenes. Your social life promises to be a riot!

PISCES: February 20 - March 20

After 28th, romance becomes glamorous and may even become serious. Money matters are more than favoured on the 1st and 16th. But it will take a lot of hard work to make things really pay off.

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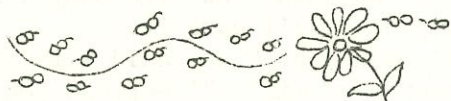
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