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MING EVENTS

SANTA CLAUS will arrive on Christmas Eve at St. Marys and will be on the lawn at the corner block near the Main Street and Storey Street at 2.30p.m. He is sponsored by the business people of this area.

ST. MARYS METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES: Dec. 20th IIa.m. Childrens' Christmas Service. Christmas Day, II a.m. Mrs. Keddie. Dec. 27th, IIa.m. Mrs. S. Keddie. Jan. 3rd, IIa.m. Rev. J. Beatman. ST. HELENS: Christmas Day and every Sunday, 7.30p.m.

CATECLIC CHURCH SERVICES: Christmas Day;;; Fingal- I2 Midnight. St. Helens - 8a.m. St. Marys - IOa.m.

TOURISTS AND RESIDENTS - Don't FORGET: S. ORTS MEETING and CARNIVAL - BICHENO Monday December 28th; commencing IIa.m. Registered chopping and Sawing events. Men and Ladies Field evemts Claybird showting Miss East Coast Holiday Girl Competition FOR SALE ... 2 Arm chairs, I fireside Ample refreshments available. Grand Dance at night - come and join in the fun.

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MOTHERS PLEASE NOTE: CHILD REALTH CLINIC RCLIDAY arrangements. Fingal clinic - Closed Wed. Dec. 23rd; Wed. 30th. Reopen Jan. 6th. St. Marys Clinic - Closed Frid. Dec. 25th; Jan. Ist. Reopen on Friday Jan. A HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR TO ALL

MOTHERS FROM SISTER ELEY.

FINGAL TENNIS NOTES: A committee meeting was held on the 8th December last at the home of the secretary. It was decided to hold a working bee on December 14th to complete the preparationof boards for the practise board. The committee felt that a tornament should be held early in the new year for financial members. So if you haven't joined yet, please make an effort to come along on 10th January (date to be confirmed). The next committee meeting will be held on 4th January. L.J. Snodgrass (Hon. sec.)

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WANTED ... Lady Teacher requires board in the Fingal area. Reply Miss. E. Antel, 25 West Tamar Road, Launceston.

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FROM THE PULPIT T "Once again we remember the glory That blazed from the heavens long ago, And the Star that once guided the Wise Men To the Babe in the manger below.

But the world has forgotten the story Of the Babe who was born to be King, And the peace that was promised for all Has been spurned as an unwanted king.

But those who, by faith, see the glory, And whose hearts thrill with wonder anew, Hail the King once the Babe of the story, And rejoice that the story is true." A HAPPY AND HOLY CHRISTMAS TO YOU ALL.

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FOR ESTRY RESHUFFLE - Welcome to St Marys, Mr and Mrs R. Costain from Fingal and Mr and Mrs G. Williams from Mathinna Mr and Mrs D. Dean have moved from St Marys to Fingal. Mr and Mrs J. Cunningham have been transferred from Mole Creek to Mathinna.

The CHURCH OF ENGLAND at MANGANA Sunday School Anniversary and picnic which was held last Sunday was a great success. Special prizes for attendance were won by Tony Ward and Janine Cox.

Gavin Ward and Karmen Cox won the award for Bible Stories. A presentation was made to the Sunday School Teacher, Mrs. Upton.

Afternoon Tea and races were held in the Sunday School room and enjoyed by all. Visitors were present from Tower Hill, Fingal and Upper Esk.

Sorry to hear MR RAT BARNES of Mangana is a patient in the Campbelltown Hospital. All his friends hope he will soon be well again.

Mangana residents are pleased to see MRS BARNES about again after her recent operation.

MR AND MRS GORDON HOARE of Cornwall are off to Sydney for the Christmas Holidays They will be staying with Gordon's parents and expect to be away for nearly a month.

Members of the CHILD HEALTH CONTITTEE attended an enjoyable Christmas Dinner at the Child Health Centre at St Marys last Monday evening. Members came from Fingal, Scamander and St Marys. Mrs Judy Spilsbury, the President, welcomed guests. She wore an attractive white frock patterned in red. Mrs Jessie Bushing, who made a delightful Christmas pudding for the occasion, was presented with a small gift. Father Christmas made an appearance later in the evening and distributed gifts to all.

Mrs A Ryan of Queensland is spending a few days with her brother Mr Eric Eberhardt of Mangana.

MR RAY MILLS of Mangana has returned to work after being home for several months on account of an accident.

ST MARYS BROWNIES had an enjoyable outing to Campbelltown last Saturday. Brownies from Swansea and Campbelltown also joined in an afternoon of games followed by a delicious afternoon tea. Each Brownie received a gift and each Pack received a Brownie Annual as a memento of their visit.

At the final meeting for the year a presentation was made to Tawny Owl, Miss M Poxon who is leaving the district. BEST WISHES FOR CHRISTMAS TO ALL THE BROWNIE PARENTS AND FRIENDS.

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The 14 members of B Class at St Marys High School were all successful in the recent Mothercraft Examinations. Congratulations to all students.

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Certificates for each student are at St Marys High School and Examination marks are on the door of St Marys Climic.

IN THE EYE OF THE LAW

It is with a good deal of satisfaction that we offer again a small contribution to the Christmas issue of this paper, in the form of a sincere appeal to all road users to display a little more care, in an effort to maintain the ressonably satisfactory accident free standard that we have enjoyed since last Christmas -New Year holidays.

It is our sincere wish that all drivers continue to give some thought to their own welfare, as well as that of others, and continue to enjoy their motoring. particularly during the festive season, We have been made very much aware during recent weeks, of the ever increasing road toll, and the mear has proved one of the worst on record in this state. While we are pleased to be able to teport that not one fatal accident has occurred during the year in this district, it is still a cause of concern that some people continue to take unecessary risks, and at the time display irresponsibility when at the wheel of a motor vehicle. Motorists can expect additional Police activity on all roads over the holiday period. It is probable that unmarked cars, breathalysers and amphometers will be in

We take this opportunity to extend seasonal greetings and seek your co-operation in keeping the roads safe; in so doing you will be playing your important part in the promotion of "goodwill to all".

- Congratulations to STORK NEWS Mr and Mrs B Aulich of St Marys on the arrival of a son - Paul, born 11.12.70 at St Marys District Hospital Mr ahd Mrs John Knight of Rossarden on the arrival of their daughter - Lucy. Born 14.12.70 at St Marys District Hosp.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

TO ALL OUR CTOMERS AND FRIENDS,

From

GEOFF : RUTH GILL



CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS

HOLLY was in token of the Crown of Thorns placed on Christ's head at the Crucifiction, the red berries being symbolic of His blood. But long before Christianity there was a tradition of bring evergreens into the house in winter. The gods and godesses were believed to take refuge in evergreens in the cold weather, when all the leaves had left the other trees, and to bring them into the house was kind to them and of course brought good luck to the household.

MISTLETOE was held sacred by the Druids the priests of a very old religion which was widespread in the British Isles But it, has its own story that explains why it must always hang in the centre of a room and never against a wall. This story comes from Norse Mythology. Baldur, a very handsome, young and very popular god, woke one morning after a very bad dream. Even when he woke up he was not free of it and felt a very heavy pain on his heart. He went to his nother, Frigga, the Queen of the gods and told herabout it. She was greatly distressed, for she knew it meant that Baldur would be badly hurt by something, but she found a way of avoiding this. She called everything to her... metal, stones, lightening, fire, water, anything that could possibly harm her son and made them promise not to hurt him. Then she and Baldur ceased to worry. The other gods invented a new game, hurling stones, spears, sticks and everything they could find at Baldur and shouting with glee as all the weapons swerred to avoid him. But an evil god, Loki who was jealous ofBaldur, went to Frigga disguised as an old woman and asked if everything there had promised to spare her son. Frigga said that everything had promised except



for little plant which grew on an old oak tree and she had not asked it as it was too small to do any harm. Loki went and cut off a sprig of mistletoe. Then going to where the young gods were playing, he spied Baldur's twin brother wistfully standing to one side, unable to join in because was blind. Loki ask -ed if he would not like to throw something too, and he told him he had a little stick and would guide his aim. The young god agreed and took the mistletoe shot through the air and struck Baldur and killed him. And today, although the story maybe forgotten the evilthat may lurk in the mistletoe is not forgotten and must be hung in the middle of the room where it is not harmful. '

SANTA CLAUS is a corruption of Saint Nicholas, a good and kind saint, who is the patron saint of children, sailors, merchants and bakers. He is reported to have helped many people and one legend is that three girls could not get married as they were too poor to have dowries; he threw purses of gold through their windows. This may account for the belief that he comes down chimneys. But this tradition does not hold good in Germany and Scandinavia. There his feast is the celebration held on the 6th December, when he comes armed with a list of child - ren who have been good or naughty. The good ones are given sweets and nuts and the bad ones are whipped.



BEST WISHES

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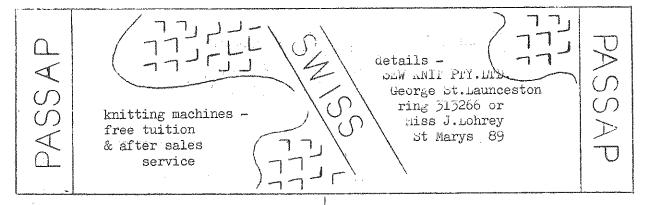
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SPEECE NIGHT - ST. MARYS DISTRICT SCHOOL

On Friday last, the Headmaster, Lr. Densil Williams gave his summing up of the year. For. Williams told the audience he was extremely pleased with his school buildings and for the first time in his teaching career, he was in a school that has adequate class rooms. This reflected Packs and Guide Companies of the Divisthe governments attitude of increased spending for schools.

He congratulated local residents on their generosity and the Parents and Friends for their efforts inpurchasing the new swimming pool. This pool cost \$3,200 and its aquisition is a triumph to those responsible; the work has been done without any real assistance from the Education Department.

Fir. Williams also thanked the ladies who gave their time in running the can-

On the subject of staff he expressed confidence for the future. The strength of any school is entirely due to the strength of its staff. We are a good school and a strong school because our staff is very been and they work well together. This is also evident in the attitude of the children; the school being small and compact, each child gets individual attention. Fr. Williams said, it is too often the case in larg- | Mr C. Strochnetter gave several items which er schools that it is only the very good were much appreciated. and the very bad who get the attention. In the coming year it is hoped to expand this attention with the addition of a music teacher and a physical education teacher.

Mr. Williams reiterated the remarks the meed for a school hostel. If we are position. going to bring in children from farther Mr Zzyzz is being displaced in the Miami afield we will need a hostel, he said. Sports activities for the year had also been very successful, as had a conference to rhyme with 'kid' and Zzyzz rhymes attended by some of the senior pupils and activities had been enjoyed by the children. In conclusion, hr. Williams emphasised to the parents present, the importance of parental control. It is after all the parents who permit in the contined next column /

FAREWELL TO GUIDE COMPISSIONER Mrs F. K. Lohrey of Falmouth has completed her term of office as Divisional Commissioner of the Middle East Division. On Wednesday December 16th following the Guide Xmas Concert, the girls thanked ...Its physical environment is excellent, Guide Xmas Concert, the girls thanked he said, both the surroundings and in the Lohrey for all the help she has given the Company and the Pack. Mrs Lohrey has worked tirelessly for the Brownie ion and has proved a very real friend to all the children.

> On behalf of the St Marys Brownie Pack. St Marys Guide Company and the Local Association, Kerry Mawson and Felicity Spilsbury presented Mrs Lohrey with a pottery platter.

Mrs Lohrey was farewelled by the St Helens Brownies at a barbecue last Saturday evening.

HELENS SENIOR CITIZENS XMAS DINNER.

The Hostess of the evening, Mrs A.Adams, welcomed guests to the Annual Xmas Dinner wearing a ming blue crepe dress with beaded trim. Guests included Mr and Mrs C.Fysh. Mr and Mrs K. Brown and Mr C. Strochnetter of Pyengana.

It was a wonderful evening of fun and friendship and the participants warmly congratulated the hostess and her coworkers for the wonderful spread.

And from 'Around America' comes this Gem MR ZZYZZ IS PIPPED FOR LAST PLACE Zero Zzyzz, who understandably felt his right to occupy the cherished final listing in a telephone directory unassailable, of previous headmasters when he outlined learned yesterday he had been moved up a

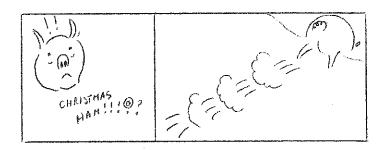
> telephone directory by Vladimir Zzzyd. Both names are Russian, Zzzyd is pronounced with 'fizz'.

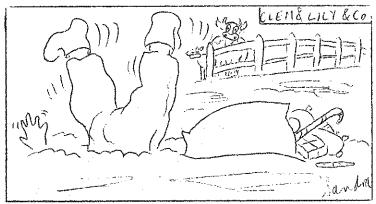
permissive society. Religion has less influence on the young than it had in the past and because of this the need for direction was infinitely greater. When parents take charge again, today's troubles with problem children will be removed, he said.

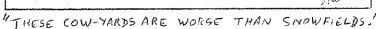
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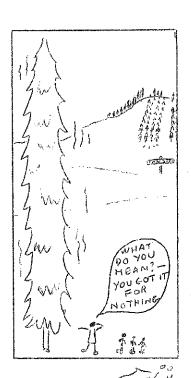
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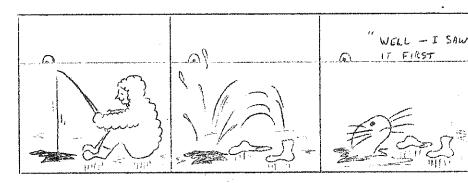


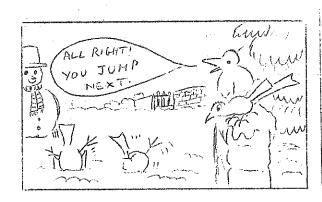


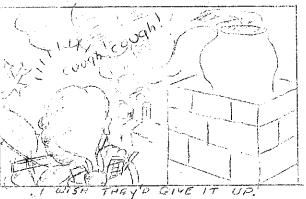












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The story so far ... The three Robinson children Bill, Suzy and Joey run away to find their father after their mother's death. They are befriended by two youths, Dan and Spider boy, who offer to take them on the paddle steamer at the carnival. Bill's unease is justified when Suzy recognises the number plate on their car as being the number of a stolen car. Now read on ...

CHAPTER 7.DAN AND SPIDER BOY TAKE OVAR. Bill seized Joey by the arm and whispered fiercely, "Come on, we're going."
"I don't want to go, I want to go on the steamer," Joey began, but Bill yanked him almost off the ground in his hurry to be

"I'll explain later, quick, we're going to the shearing pavilion," he said, "Come on,

The three children ran swiftly through the parked cars, dodging and bumping into people as they went.

"I've got a stitch," Suzy said, clutching her side, "Let's slow down." Bill who was still holding Joey in an iron grip, said, " We seem to be well hidden in the crowd now anyway. I wonder where the shearing pavilion is?" "Why couldn't we go on the steamer? I wanted to and so did you," Joey said, locking

at Bill plaintively. "That car was stolen and those two boys are wanted by the police. Don't you remember the road block and the police asking if we'd seen the car?" Bill said. " It was certainly a bit of luck seeing that number

plate Suzy." "There's the shearing thing," Suzy said,

pointing to a large sign.

"We'll ask if anyone knows Dad, "Bill said. There was a tremendous hum of machines and the familiar smell of sheep, intersper with loud calls of encouragement from the bystanders and the bleating of sheep waiting to be shorn, in the shearing pavilion. The children stood quietly to one side and watched a large, brawny man in a navy blue singlet. They were quite used to shearing, mostly from listening to their father's talk. Bill had been taken once or twice to to see a ringer perform at local shows and he immediately felt at home.



As the large man finished and straightened his back, he was greeted with a burst of cheering. " You cut five seconds off your record Jack," a man with a stopwatch near

The shearer grinned and said, "Well, you've got to keep trying, haven't you sonny," and he patted Joey's head as he spoke. "My dad's a shearer," Joey said proudly. "Do you know him? His name is Dave Robinson

Bill said quickly.

"Dave Robinson, 'cause I know him, ha ven't you heard him talk of Jack Dooley," the big man said. " Funny thing, it's a wonder he's not here today. He usually turns up at these shows. He could have cleaned me up easy. Where son?"

The man with the stop watch said, "Didn't you hear Jack, his wife died? Last I heard, they were still trying to catch up with him to go back to the kids. Still, seeing as how these here are Dave's kids, they must know where their old man is, ch kids?"

"Here's your sheep Jack," said another man, pushing a relucant sheep towards

Jack." Get ready now." "See you later kids," Jack called, taking the shearing handpiece in his hand and waiting already bent double,

for the bell. Bill turned to Suzy and Joey, " Come outside for a moment, I want to talk to you," he said.

Outside the pavilion the carnival was in full swing. Children walked by them, carrying sticks covered with pink fairy floss and swinging idiotic monkeys on sticks. Bill drew the other two over towards a hot dog stand.

"Buy a lovely hot dog, or perhaps I can temp yous young people with a nice fresh doughnut," the raucuous voice of the hot dog man yelled.

"No thanks," muttered Bill, but Joey

"Can't we Bill?" I'm awfully hungry." "We got more important things to do and discuss," Bill said, " That bloke, Jack Dooley, he knows Dad. Perhaps we ought to tell him about the stolen Mini and those two, Dan and Spider boy. What do you think Suzy?"

I don't know," Suzy said worriedly, "It's going to be a bit hard to talk to him while he's shearing anyway. Perhaps we should wait for a while till . ? he's finished," Suzy pushed her untidy hair away from her face. "Anyway, we don't really know if he'd help us. He might simply hand us over to the police Grownups are funny."

"Spiderboy and Dan will probably be fun ny too if they catch up with us," Bill said. "They must realise something's up for us to run off like that."

"Well, well, well, look who's here Spider boy," and turning at the sound of the drawling voice, the children beheld Dan and Spider boy smiling lazily at them. "Thought you wanted to come on the paddle; seemed keen didn't they Dan?" Spider boy said and put his dirty hands on Suzy's shoulders. "Come along quick and no tricks, mind, "Dan said, his drawling voice suddenly sharp.



ARTEC: March 21 - April 20 Fire sign Impetuous - spontaneous in all decisions. An ardem wooder - Good Leaders. Impatient - intolerant unable to accept criticism.

TAURUS: April 21 - May 21 Earth sign Strength of character-sincere and enduring artistic appreciation. Stubborn-slow to anger but when aroused, furious.

GEMINI: May 22nd - June 21 Air sign
Normally highly intelligent and versatile.
Methodical and reliable when confidence
is placed on them. Lacks initiative can be very unpredictable and overconfident.

CANCER: June 22 - July 22 ater sign Home-loving. Practical in thinking and actions. Charitable minded. Occult nervous tension. Over protective.

LEC: July 23 - August 23 Fire sign Energetic. Kind and wellmeaning character. Good conversationalist, make excellent lecturers. Single minded. Overboisterous. Put on a hard untouchable facade.

VILGO: August 24 - Sept. 23 Earth sign Meat organised mim's. Usually have a definite goal in life. Moralistic to a point, though their earthiness makes demands on them. Affections often demand materialistic rewards. Over-fastidious, especially with food.



LIERA: Sept. 24 - Oct. 23 Air sign Even-tempered, uncritical, pleasant people. Good mixers. Usually artistic either in the art or poetic fields. Dislike of their own company. Weak and easily influenced.

SCORPIO: Oct. 24 - Nov. 22 Earth sign Intelligent, passionate, and artistic. Undoubtedly make goodfriends, but beware if an enemy. Unpredicted sarcasm.

SAGGITARIUS: Nov. 23 - Dec. 21 Fire sign Self confident, intelligent and humane. Rather concerned over the path of humanity rather than individuals. Overbearing and dogmatic with their energetic enthusiasm.

CAPRICORN: Dec. 22 - Jan 20 Water sign Rather sophisticated and correct. Neat appearance, with good taste in dress and decorating. Excellent and versatile hostesses. Rather prim and egoistic. Inclined to be very careful over money matters.

AQUARTUS: Jan 21 - Feb. 19 Air sign Romantic, rather inventive in the artistic field. Feminine. Modern minds with old-fashioned morals. Loyal to those that matter to them. Over sensitive, resenting authority. Much too independent for the affection they obviously need.

PISCES: Feb. 20th - Lar. 20 Water sign A comfortable, rather easy-going sign. Sense of humour with a great capacity for loving beneath the shell of reserve. An unassuming intelligence. Lack diplomacy-liable to bend over backwards, shelving even common sense if crossed or criticised.

