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EDITORIAL

RURAL RECONSTRUCTION - A FLOP?

The Rural Reconstruction Scheme now before the Tasmanian House of Assembly has reached the final stages of debate without much criticism from either sides of the house. It is expected that this scheme, as did the Dairy Reconstruction Plan, will pass through legislation relatively smoothly.

The reason it will do this is because most parliamentarians and farmers have accepted it at face value. Farmers, especially many of the smaller wool producers are desperate to find a solution to their problems and believe that this scheme will solve them.

Unfortunately they are quite wrong. As this paper predicted earlier in the year, The Dairy Reconstruction Plan is a complete failure (at the time of writing and ten months after its acceptance, no applicants have been accepted in the entire state.)

There is little reason to think that the more general Rural Reconstruction Scheme will fare any better. Federal planners have hoodwinked farmers and politicians alike that these schemes are a genuine effort to help overcome the instability in the rural industry. Facts from the above dairy scheme, and from the mainland, where both schemes are now in operation, show this is not so.

Even accepting that reconstruction of farms is the answer (this is doubted in many quarters), the sloppy manner in which they have been drawn up will for the most part nullify any good they might have done.

This is especially so in Tasmania where dairy reconstruction was accepted with no true insight into whether or not it would work.

The bulk of the blame for this situation must lie squarely at the feet of Mr. Beattie, the Tasmanian Minister for Agriculture, and to a lesser degree with the two farmer representative bodies, the T.F.F. and the T.F.S. & O. Surely Mr. Beattie and these two representative groups must be aware of the facts and if they are not they



"IF THERE'S ONE THING I HATE IT'S FROGS IN MY DINNER!"

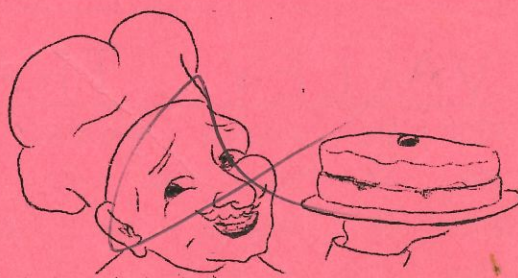
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should be.

From the start, both these schemes were doomed to failure by the stringent terms of reference placed on the eligibility of a farmer to participate. (This is especially so in the Tasmanian dairy scheme where extra hazards have been added so that it is now possible for the authority to prove that no dairy farmer is eligible.)

It is the advice of this paper that our representatives in parliament do some real homework by gathering facts about the worth of rural reconstruction rather than merely pay lip service to farming problems by voting them through as fast as possible.



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WHOLESALE

RETAIL

TOUCHE !

On a similar subject to the Editorial this week and just to show we don't restrict criticism to one government department, we offer this information. Rural retraining for displaced farm employees and farmers who are forced off the land has been much in the news lately. Several times it has been announced that application forms will be available from the Department of Social Services from October 1st 1971.

We tried to get more information by contacting that department on October 5th. Nobody there had ever heard of it.

ADVERTISEMENT seen in well-known newspaper...
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LETTERS

Sir,

I would like to register a public protest towards the filthy people who consistently dump rubbish on the side (and often all over the road) on any road that is not sealed. Both German town and Irishtown roads seem to be the favourite spot for this disgusting practice.

Quite often, this rubbish could be easily burnt as most of it seems to be old papers, cartons and even letters. Any cleared area, such as the spot at the top of the St Marys Pass, appears to attract these people.

There is a public tip in the town and although rather a revolting spot, this is the place for rubbish, not public roads.

DISGUSTED
(St Marys)

I wish to sincerely thank all relatives and friends for visits, cards, flowers and gifts which I received while I was in hospital and since I came home. I would also like to thank everyone at the L.G.H. for their kindness.

(Mrs) Linda Mitchell
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Friend of Mr ERIC FURLEY and Mr DICK FARREY from Avoca are sorry to hear they are in the Loughmuck General Hospital and wish them a speedy recovery.

Successful entrants at the Avoca Footballer's Ball were - Belle of the Ball, Mrs Francis Fingal Matron, Mrs A W Freeman Avoca After 5, Mrs Pam Kent

Sister Daphne Kingston of St Helens Hospital and Mrs P Eddington of St Helens are holidaying in Western Australia and looking forward to seeing all the wildflowers.

St Marys Hospital Auxiliary held its Annual Meeting last week and the President reported a most successful year. The Auxiliary are to donate a second ripple bed and a copying machine to the hospital and as soon as it is available a Demonstration Doll for the Auxiliary Nursing School. During the evening members were privileged to see the first public showing of the Break of Day Camera Club's slides of Lake Pedar.

To SANDRA from Glen, Lily and Co. a Happy Birthday.

Mrs Lydia Faulkner has returned to St Marys District Hospital and friends and relatives are pleased to have her in St Marys again.

Miss Bobbie Bean who has been a patient at St Marys District Hospital was transferred to the Royal Hobart Hospital today. We all wish her a speedy recovery.

COMING EVENTS

VISITORS DAY ST MARYS BOWLING CLUB. Sat. 9th Oct. 1.45pm. All visitors welcome.

ST MARYS GARDEN CLUB . . . Mr Dowse will be showing slides and speaking on Wed 13th Oct. at 8pm. Everyone welcome, PLEASE NOTE CHANGE of PLACE This meeting will now be held in the PARISH HALL, St Marys and not the Institute as previously advertised.

SUNDAY 17th October ST LUKE'S DAY 10 am Family Service will be held at the St Marys District Hospital. Please bring collapsable chairs (if you have one)

SWINEES - R. J. SWINEES - Local Association MEETING

Come with your friends to the next meeting which will be held at the RSL Institute - Friday 15th October 7.30pm

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It is because of words like these that the book of Isaiah has been called the "fifth Gospel". Of all the prophetic words, it is the most evangelical, being packed with verses that point with inspired clarity to the Saviour. God used this verse for the conversion of a young Englishman, C.H. Spurgeon, who became the greatest preacher of modern times. Incidentally, he is known to have preached in Tasmania at the invitation of the late Henry Reed who paid his fare for the visit

It was an uneducated layman, substituting for the absent preacher, who was preaching on the above text when young Spurgeon visited the church.

"Look unto me and be saved", cried the preacher.

And Spurgeon looked and was saved, and continued looking all the rest of his life.

Have YOU ever really looked at Jesus Christ ? Have you ever beheld HIM unto your soul's salvation ? How simple it all is! Christ does not say - "Serve Me and be saved." He does not demand - "Understand Me and be saved." Nor does He even say in the first instance - "Follow Me and be saved."

He only cries out from the depth of His redeeming love - "LOOK unto Me, and be ye saved."

The other things follow on from there, but first, we must LOOK.

BOWLING

Last Saturday, 2 nd October, bowling was opened at the St Marys Club by the Warden (Cr. C. Haas). Visitors from St Helens attended and apologies were received from the Licheno Club. Although the inclement weather made it impossible to play, the afternoon was most successful.

On the 5th of October, the Associates (women) held their opening. Mrs G. Smythe from St Helens, opened and this too, was a most successful afternoon. Don't forget Visitors Day on 9th October.

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FISHING NEWS

St Helens Surf Angling Club thrashed Scamander Angling Club in the first Inter-club competition held last Saturday, due in no small measure to an outstanding effort by Jack Midson.

Jack landed over forty fish in the six hours with a total weight of almost 46 lbs. Just to rub salt in the wounds, Jack cleaned about half of his catch before weighing them in. In addition, he won the individual trophy with a nice black-back weighing 4 lbs 1 oz.

Although over 20 entries were received, only 10 members finished the day, the rest being defeated by the heavy rain. St Helens weighed in a total of 80 lbs of fish, while Scamander could only manage 23 lb.

Next competition will be for bream in the Scamander River on Sunday 31st October, starting at noon. Entries will be accepted at the boat ramp by the bridge and all visitors are welcome. Next surf competition will be at King Rock on Saturday 13th November from 4 p.m. till 10 p.m.

AUSTCARE - FREEDOM FROM HUNGER APPEAL.

The recent Austcare - Freedom from Hunger Appeal was very successful in the Fingal and St. Marys districts. In the St. Marys area \$264.87 was collected. Our sincere thanks go to all who gave up their time to collect in the rain and also to the many people who gave so generously. E. Dean, (Area Secretary).

SPRING SCOWING ? ? ?

FOR

ALL

YOUR

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FIRST



BRANCHES THROUGHOUT TAS.

Just yarnin'

Continuing our yarn to Jim and Bill Curran of Irishtown.

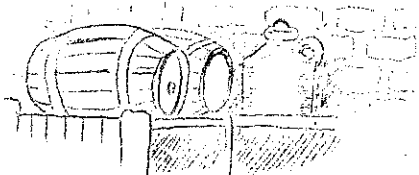
They have lived up in the valley for over 70 years. The original house was a bit further up the hill, but it was burnt out when a candle was knocked over and set alight one of the pollinases which they used to sleep on in those days. Nothing was left, even the old dairy was burnt to the ground. All the locals rallied round and soon a new house, finer than the old one was built.

Their $\frac{1}{4}$ acre vegetable garden kept them in all types of food and they made their own butter and cheese. The cheese was made in wooden tubs and the press was made out of a tin full of heavy stones. Cheese sold at 6d per lb., potatoes at 50/- per ton.

"Sometimes we would work until 10 or 11 at night, other times we would go visiting other families in the area. "I went to work at 13 years" said Bill "I cut sleepers and four of us cut 60,000 sleepers for the railway line. There were 20 to 25 sleepers to a load and the first load had to be up at the rail head by 7am.. Each sleeper was cut with an axe and wedges and later they got us a cross cut saw. In those days sleepers cost $\frac{1}{4}$ each but now they are \$1.15 each."

"We made our own wine in those days, apple cider, gooseberry, red and black currant and honeysuckle. The hotels used to buy it and a pot of wine cost 4d a glass. We used proper brewing casks and then it was corked down and the longer we kept it the better it was.

"You can't beat the home made wine - this bought stuff, you don't know what's in it. The beer was lovely then too, now it is not half as good.



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END OF SEASON

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MEETING DIARY - St Marys

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- 11th Oct. Sen. Citizens Welfare Committee 7.30pm Matron's Office
- 12th Oct. Progress Association 3pm Matron's Office
- 13th Oct. St Marys Farmer's Discussion Gr. 8pm The Institute
- 15th Oct. St Marys Local Association 3pm The Institute

Fingal

- 18th Oct. Fingal Garden Club Presbyterian Hall
- 21st Oct. C.W.A. Town Hall, Fingal
- 22nd Oct. Garden Club 2pm
- Mr Dowse Will speak & show slides

St Marys

- 13th Oct. Garden Club - Parish Hall 8pm
- Mr Bowse will speak & show slides

MEALS ON WHEELS ROSTER

- Sun. Oct. 10th - Yvonne Johnson
- Mon. Oct. 11th - Percy Llewellyn
- Tues. Oct. 12th - Mrs Mita Brown
- Wed. Oct. 13th - Father Buckley
- Thurs. Oct. 14th - Mrs Allan Legro
- Sun. Oct. 17th - Arch Miller
- Mon. Oct. 18th - Geoff Gill
- Tues. Oct. 19th - Thelma Jones
- Wed. Oct. 20th - Maisie Boyle
- Thurs. Oct. 21st - Nery Bean

CHURCH NOTICES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

- 16th October
- 8.30am St Mary of the Assumption
- 10.30am St Helens
- 6.30pm St Joseph's
- 17th October
- 8am St Helens
- 10am St Mary of the Assumption
- 4pm Mathinna

Avoca 9.45 am 16th & 17th Oct.

METHODIST CHURCH

- 16th Oct. St Marys 11am
- Mr G Shaw, MLC
- St Helens 7.30pm
- Mr G Shaw, MLC
- 17th Oct. St Marys 11am
- Invermay Youth Fellowship
- St Helens 7.30pm
- Mr L Denney

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A large pen of sheep sold for one cent each at the Albury Sheep Sales last month.

More than 300 sheep in the pen changed hands for little more than \$3.

Agents at the sale said it was the lowest price they could recall for sheep.

The "cheap" sheep were shorn Merino weaners.

The agent who handled the sale of the pen said the price had only been a token one.

Attempts to get a bid of two cents per head failed, and the 300 sheep were knocked down for \$3.

The sheep were sold to Mr. A. Murray who was the only one of 50 buyers to bid for the sheep.

The auctioneer who sold the sheep, Mr. K. Skeen, of Albury, said he had never sold sheep at such a low price.

He said the sheep were too light to be sold successfully to a meat company and costs of return transport would have prevented the owner from considering stopping the sale.

The sheep were in lightweight condition and had recently been shorn.

TEA BREAK SHUDDERS

In an office one morning, the typists were still talking over their tea, although the tea trolley had passed by a considerable time earlier. Suddenly the floor heaved, telephones danced on jiggling desks, pictures clattered against vibrating walls.

Conversation ceased abruptly.

The tremor passed and the building settled down. Only a terrified silence remained. It was broken by the booming voice of the manager as he shouted from his office, "And if you girls don't get right back to work, I'll do it again!"

THERE'S a new French perfume in honour of the Vietnam peace talks. It's called "Eternity in Paris".

BID TO SAVE "OLD HADSPEN"

The General Manager of the Tourist Council and Tourism Development Authority member, Mr. Ron Clarke, has embarked upon a plan to preserve a typical village block of the 1840's.

An old hotel, originally known as the "Red Feather Inn" at Hadsphen has been purchased by Mr. Clarke who will restore it and the outbuildings in the block had a great deal of charm, and the row also contained the old Hadsphen "lock-up".

The land on which the inn stands - almost one acre - has been doubled by the purchase of an adjoining block, which Mr. Clarke hopes to eventually plant out as gardens and small park.

Restoration work will commence immediately and the Clarke family hope to move in early in the New Year. Some of the ceilings and fittings from the old Launceston Public Library, now being demolished, will be used in the "Red Feather".

Mr. Clarke said that the history of the inn was obscure and he would be grateful if anyone who has documents or information relating to the building could contact him.

Although the project eventually would be of interest to passing visitors, Mr. Clarke said he has no plans at this stage to create a tourist attraction.

LATE LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

When will something be done about St. Marys putrid water supply? The stuff which we are supposed to drink and wash in, is revolting - in colour, flavour, and odour!!! Its rare flavour is a combination of dead fish, rotten eggs, and cucumber peel.

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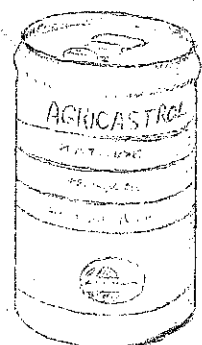
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TAURUS: April 21 - May 20

A very mistaken older person may try to take over part of your life and cause you much trouble. Do not probe about another's money circumstances.

GEMINI: May 21 - June 20

This is a time to speak out. A good day for outdoors, friendship, community interests. If you make a promise connected with civic matters, you'll win praise.

CANCER: June 21 - July 22

Be reasonable with every one, even though you suspect some are making too much of a little physical trouble. Say something pleasant to a person who needs cheering from you.

LEO: July 23 - August 22

Keep responsibilities firmly in mind. Someone very intelligent may single you out for companionship. Be considerate of others especially when it comes to noise.

VIRGO: August 23 - September 22

A distressing situation in the family may take time and attention. Someone may try to interfere and advise when least wanted. Try to be gracious.

LIBRA: September 23 - October 22

Don't expect anyone else to fall for your persuasive speech now. You could be feeling just a bit too strong of personality now. Give credit where it is due. A big chance may come about suddenly.

SCORPIO: October 23 - November 22

A surprise telephone call can make a big change in your plans. You may be in touch with someone who has great love for you later.

SAGITTARIUS: November 22 - December 21

Make sure that everything you do is done right. There may be something strange in the atmosphere and a big surprise may be coming your way. Get out in the air awhile.

CAPRICORN: December 22 - January 19

Things go your way only so long as you are serene, agreeable, trusting. A chance may come to enter a new social group. Don't be timid about accepting an invitation.

AQUARIUS: Jan 20 - February 18

You may have to make a big decision in connection with a business matter. Be sure you don't make an error in financial calculations, or an error in filling out special paper.

PISCES: February 19 - March 20

Spending may occur to you as a way of alleviating troubles but you'll only build up more if you go in for shopping. An older person may give you a good steer.

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