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EDITORIAL

The recent confrontation between the Tasmanian Teacher's Federation and the Education Department over the lack of a teacher at St. Marys District School points out some significant facts about the roles of the two bodies involved.

The Tasmanian Teacher's Federation, or in this case the headmaster of St. Marys School who was acting under its constitutional ruling, has shown it is prepared to make a stand on a major issue.

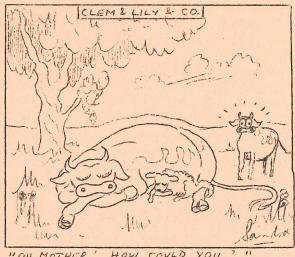
A teacher has now, after many weeks of other teachers filling in, been appointed to take up the vacant position. The fact that to fill this position took a confrontation is nothing less than deplorable. It gives one the impression that country schools such as St. Marys, are at the bottom of the list when it comes to teacher allocations. It also makes one wonder just how many teachers this school could have lost without replacements if the headmaster had not acted on the T.T.F. ruling of rostering children when consistently understaffed.

The fact that this confrontation and the adverse publicity caused was the incentive for the Education Dept. to appoint a teacher in a day or two shows very poor motive and is also to be condemned.

The school headmaster expressed his views at the special Parents and Friends meeting last Monday in which he told the me ting that his main aim in rostering children was that he believed ultimately it would be for the good.

On the other hand the Education Dept. has indulged in a continuing round of procrastination and buckpassing which show up grave weaknessess in its structure.

Porhaps it is time the Minister, Mr. Mather, took a long hard look at the department he heads, especially with regard to rural schools, such as ours, which often suffer from second class status in his department's considerations.

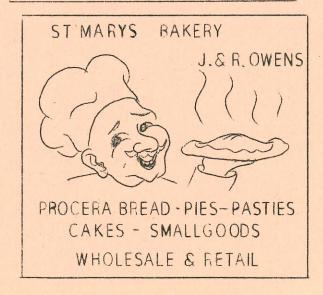


HOW COULD " OH MOTHER!

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Now that woodchips are going to put value on even the most doubtful tree, both the Hydro and the P.M.G. will have to review their past policies or pole lines and cable laying. Once the most economical route was the main consideration. In the future this may not be so. At the least it will have to be a two-way agroement between the land holder and the body concerned to utilize fully any trees fallen. Compensation will also have to be considered for the loss of production of many acres of permanently cleared tracks.

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LETTERS

Dear Sir,

May I, through your pages, draw attention to the Meals on Wheels? I write as a committee member and I have undertaken to help enlist voluntary drivers in the Fingal area. Many people have volunteered and others have been approached personally. The response has been very gratifying. At the time of writing over forty drivers have volunteered from Fingal. The total number of drivers in the whole valley is about one hundred so far. More drivers are still needed. I know that drivers can be readily found in a door to door canvas, but this is a very slow process.

If anyone would like to offer their car and services for a few hours on two days a year, their names will gladly be take at Mrs. Kath Ransoms' shop, Fingal. How about the young men of the town? Would they help?

L.J. SNODGRASS, Fingal.

RETURN THANKS

The sisters and brothers of the late MRS. MOLLY REEVE wish to thank relatives and friends for cards and expressions of sympathy neceived in the recent sad loss of their dear sister.

We would like to sincerely thank all the people who contributed to the "Pakistani Appeal" Dance. Also all the shops in St. Marys and a St. Helens store supported us very generously. Thanks to all these people the dance was a success, and a total of \$11.00 was raised.

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Congratulations to RICHARD LAWRANCE who was successful at the Deloraine Drama Festival last weekend. Richard gained Best Actor in the Open Section for his role of Tom in the play "The Glass Menagerid and the Justin Treffry trophy for the best performance.

CONGRATULATIONS TO CHRISTINE RYAN of Upper Scanander who is Twenty One today. Christine will be celebrating tomorrow night with family and friends at the St. Holens Hotel.

St. Poters Women's Guild held their Annual Meeting at the home of Mr. & Mrs. R.H. Yatos, Fingal. The newly elected officers were:-

Mrs. R.H. Yates, President.

Mrs. L.G. Bailey, Vice-President.

Mrs. H. Legro, Secretary.

Mrs. A.J. French, Treasurer.

Mrs. Legro presented the Annual Report and the Balance Shect presented by Mrs. French showed a substantial bank balance. The Guild will hold a Stall at Fingal on August 13th.

Fingal Elderly Citizens held their meeting at the Presbyterian Hall last Tuesday. The hestesses were Mrs. C.C. Bean and Mrs. M. Woods. club will celebrate its 2nd birthday on August 3rd.

Mrs. J. Tagget of Avoca is at present holidaying with her daughter Mrs. L. Squires at Launceston.

Friends of Mrs. J. Freeman of 'Hanleth' Congratulations to MR. & MRS. J. SMIT Llewellyn, will be pleased to hear she of Mangana whose daughter Fátricia time in St. Lukes Hospital, Launceston.

New from Mr. & Mrs. Jim Owens tells they are having a wonderful time abroad and were enjoying sitting in the sun in Hyde Park.

The St. Marys Brownie Pack gave an afternoon tea to their parents and enrolled two new members last Tuesday. The Pack now has eighteen members. If anyone has any 8ply wool to spare, the Pack would be pleased to receive it, as members are knitting squares for a rug.

EVENTS C O'M I'N G

The St. Johns Ambulance Brigade have arranged a showing of six short First Aid Films of excellent quality on August 5th. It is hoped as many people in the Valley as possible will take the opportunity of sceing these films

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St. Marys.

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For further information contact Matron, St. Marys 2.

The next Parish meeting of St. Thomas Church will be held on the 28th July at the Parish Hall.

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STORK NEWS

Congratulations to MR. & MRS. T. CLARKE of Avoca whose bab son was born at Queen Victoria Hespital Launceston on July 9th.

has returned home after spending some was born at the Queen Victoria H. pital.

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If you like, you can group together cacti of various shapes in a large bowl without drainage holes. Put in a layer of broken pot crocks at least l inch deep and fill with as deep a layer of soil as the bowl will allow. Be careful when watering. In this way, you can make quite an attractive group — much nicer than a lot of separate pots which need saucers or drip trays.

FROM THE PULPIT

"There hath not failed one word of all His good promise." (1 Kings 8:56)

I have found that in times of disappointment of any kind there is great help in these words. There is this fact. Feelings may say what they will, but they cannot touch the eternal fact.

One of his good promises is "Whatsoever is right, I will give you." Another is this: "The Lord will not with-hold good things from them that walk rightly." No good thing will He man-hold. So that the thing that is not given, could not have been good for us. He knows what is best for us.

It is just here that faith is tested, sometimes very sharply, and we begin perhaps to distress ourselves over the condition attatched to the promise. Is it because of something in me that this good thing — as I believe it to be — is not given? God, who searcheth the hearts, alone knows our need of His cleansing blood for motive in prayer, but if by His enabling, we will to desire His will, then we may leave all torturing thoughts and rest our hearts in Him. No good thing will He with-hold. There hath not failed — nor ever can fail — one word of all His good promise.

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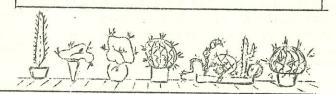
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WINTER WEAR

AVOCA BRIDGE

Following representation by the liberal member for Wilmot, Mr Ian Braid M.H.A. to the minister for lands and works, (Mr Barker) seeking that consideration be given to the contraction of a high level bridge over the South Esk River at Avoca:

Mr Braid has been advised that the minister expects shortly to receive a comprehensive report on this matter from the P.W.D. following which, the Govt. will give further consideration to the provision of a high level bridge at Avoca.



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This week to Mr. Herbert Smith of Seymour.

I was born at Campbelltown - my mother says it was the first of August but my birth certificate shows 31st July 1888. I was born in the good old times, they were very hard times, but they were good times. There were eleven in our family and I only had about one weeks school. As a boy I would go out and gather a bundle of bark for 3d. and with this I would buy a loaf of bread. At 14 I worked at Eggleston on the Shearing Board for Mr. Headlam for 2/6d. and after one month I had 10/which I spent on a pair of Blucher boots and a pair of dungarees.

I was married at 23 and I reared 5 sons on 30/- per week and I never got into debt. My wife was a wonderful woman and a wonderful manager.

Campbelltown Hospital was very small when I was a boy and I can remember when four of us had the measles and we were bundled up on some straw in a pony cart and taken to the hospital. Dr. Toft the doctor did his rounds in a horse and cart and then he bought a Ford motor car, the first motor car in Campbelltown.

He would travel as far as Fingal and There was a doctor at Oat-Swansea. lands and one at Evandale.

I can remember when there was only one car in Avoca - a steam car belonging to Mr. O'Connor.

When we lived at Avoca near the bridge I can remember one day - August 28th 1914 - during the floods. I was in bed with the 'flu and two pack carts coming from Storeys Creek collided sending one of the carts with the man into the swirling flood waters. My wife called for me and I was able to save him although it was quite a job he was wearing two heavy overcoats and the flood waters were full of gorse -I was remembering the prickles for some time after. I was a strong swimmer and for this act I was awarded a medal and a certificate from the Royal Humane Society which I have now given to one of my grandchildren.

I then settled at Seymour and for 22 years I worked for the Public Works Department. When I first went to Seymour it was all bush and now it is cleared with a highway running through.



MEETING DIARY 17/7/71 - 30/7/71

ST. MARYS

20/7/71 C of E Women's Guild 2.30 p.m. Parish Hall.

20/7/71 Garden Club 8 p.m. at the Institute.

Child Health Assoc. Annual Meeting &DinnerScamander Motel.

Annual Meeting "t. Marys Parish 7.30pm, the Institute. 26/7/71

27/7/71 B.O.D.S. 8pm in the Hospital Recreation Room.

28/7/71 Camera Club 8pm at High School Club Competition "OPEN" excluding Close Up.

29/7/71 Bread & Cheese Luncheon at the home of Mrs. Keith Bullock.

2/8/71 St. Marys Hospital Auxiliary Meeting at the Hospital.

5/8/71 1st Aid Films to be shown by St. Johns Ambulance Brigade see details under coming events.

FINGAL

25/7/71 Fingal Parish Meeting after 7 pm Service.

AVOCA

28/7/71 Avoca Parish Meeting 8pm Parish Hall.

SCAMA NDER

27/7/71 Scamander Garden Club 2.30 p.m.

CHURCH NOTICES

Church of England 18/7/71 8am - St. Peters Fingal, Holy Communion. 9.30am - Holy Trinity, St. Marys, Family Service.

2.30pm Rossarden & Storeys Creek at Church of Ascenscion, Storeys

7 pm St. Thomas Avoca, Holy Communion.

25/7/71

8 am St. Thomas Avoca, H.C.

10 am St. Mark's Cornwall, Family Service. 2.30pm Church of Holy Cross, Mangana, HC. 7 pm St. Peters Fingal.

18/7/71 CATHOLIC CHURCH

8 am St. Helens

9.45 am Avoca

10am St. Marys of the Assumption, St. Marys.

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8.30 am St. Joseph's Fingal

9.45am Avoca

10am St. Marys of the Assumption,

St. Marys.

6.30pm St. Helens

METHODIST

July 18th - St Marys llam. Rev B. Wise

St Helens 7.30pm. ".

July 25th - St Marys llam, Mr C Johnson St Helens 7.30pm, Mrs S. Keddie

NEW TEACHER FOR DISTRICT SCHOOL

At the St. Marys District School Parents and Friends meeting last Monday night the Headmaster, Mr. Williams, outlined his reasons for the drastic action of rostering some of the high school classes to a four day week.

Mr. Williams told parents he took the action in the belief it would ultimately benefit the children. The fact that a teacher had then been appointed with great alacrity by the Education Dept. was the result he hoped to achieve.

President of the P. & F., Mr. Legge, also gave his version of the situation by discribing his efforts to contact some person in the Education Department who would take responsibility for the appointment of a replacement teacher for St. Marys School. Mr. Legge said he had been astonished and appalled at the amount of buck passing he had encountered. In one session, he had spent nearly 30 minutes at the phone and had been advised to contact five different people. "I eventually contacted the man who does the hiring and firing" Mr. Legge said, "and he wasn't any help either".

But the most amazing thing about the whole business was that during all the weeks it had taken to arrange a replacement teacher no official from the Dept. had been made to Ar. Williams - certainly not to myself, he added.

PAKISTANI REFUGEE FUND TOPS \$50,000

Recent visitor to this district is Mr Andrew Lohrey, Tasmanian Director for Austeare and Freedom from Hunger. In a press statement for this paper he reports of a very satisfactory response throughout the State in fund reising for the Pakistani refugees.

Already the amount received totals over \$50,000. The fund is to be closed at the end of this month. Mr Lohrey said that perhaps the most gratifying result of the appeal was the generousity displayed by children. Children often gave all they had at the moment and gave it willingly. I hope this shows a newer and greater awareness in Australia for the plight of the less fortunate people in the world, Mr Lohrey said.

BANK OF NEW SOUTH WALES

C.R.&O.J. DAVIS SHOP, ST MARYS wish to advise all residents of this area that they have been appointed as AGENTS for the above Bank.

Anyone wishing further information is cordially invited to enquire at the shop.

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LOCAL BOY IN STATE TEAM

St Marys High School boy Wayne Freeman has gained selection in the Tasmanian Schoolboys Football Team. The team will play against other states later in the year. The school is organizing functions to help with Wayne's expenses. Anyone wishing to make a donation towards expenses could send it to the school.

MMEN THE CHEMIST handed her the pills prescribed for her collie, she was astonished to see on the label: "Miss Morrison (Bitch) - ONE TABLET AS NECESSARY."

NEXT ISSUE: SPECIAL FEATURE.

MALAHIDE GOLF COURSE - a dream that became a reality.

By a Special Correspondent.

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SWANSEA DEFEATS ST. HELENS

Last Saturday Swansea won their second game this season and defeated the Bay by 4 points at Swansea.

This years unlucky side, the Bulldogs, are proving their worth with McConnon and Amos back. B. Cusick is living up to his reputation and these players are likely to be a snag to all sides for the remainder of the season.

st. Helens were not disgraced as D. Riley, Salter, Krushka, Berwick and Derek Chapple were all in form and will not let other teams forget they were premiers last season.

ST. MARYS defeated AVOCA by 33 points in a most interesting and hard game. For some reason, St. Marys always shows their best form against Avoca. Les Nowman on the wing for St. Marys was outstanding. It would be hard to name others as the whole side contributed to a great win.

Avoca, although without G. White, had the return of a great player in David Williams, who should press all sides for the remainder of the season. Youd, Stagg, Glover, Brown and Anderson were avoca's best players. Before leaving this game, I would like to express my opinion of the umpires not taking action about deliberate knocks behind play. This attitude will lead to players getting seriously hurt and this is one thing no club wants at this stage of the season.

The umpires must be aware of this because they take to trouble to give the kick up field and warn to player concerned, but is this enough?

FINGAL defeated ROSSARDEN by 21 points in another good game with Greg Sulzberger outstanding on the ball for the "Blues". The other best layers were Marshall, Smith, G. Parker, Barnes, Hall and Hogan. For Rossarden, Matthews, Lowe (2), Sheehan and Housego were possibly their best players, although the whole team played well against the leading team.

NEXT WEEK St. Holens will travel to St. Marys to play the main game of the day. The Tigers are full of confidence and with the return of Wike Curry, they should be able to send the Bay home, once more defeated.

The St. Helens mays will be flat out to ensure their place in the four and are bound to give the Tigers a hard fought game.

SWANSEA travels to Fingal and again, I am going for the outsiders to down Fingal as I feel Fingal are going through a mid-season slump and are due to be beaten in a close game at Fingal.

AVOCA will play Rossarden at Avoca and with the return of White, should prove toostrong for the Rossarden side, who are still improving. At this stage, they will probably have to wait another year to become a force.

SELECTIONS IN CAPITALS:

St. Helens v FINGAL Rossarden v ST. MARYS SWANSEA v Avoca

P.S. All football fans will join with us and congratulate Wayne Fraeman of St. Marys and Stagg of Avoca in gaining selection in the TASMANIAN side for the forthcoming Schoolboys Carnival.

LOCAL T.F.F. TO FOLD

Due to the lack of financial members it seems likely that St. Marys branch of the Tasmanian Farmer's Federation will collapse. Raised fees for T.F.F. membership was the main cause of the branch disbandment.

Farmers, however, are adament that monthly farmer meetings will not close down. At last Wednesday's meeting farmers present agreed that most likely the group would continue as a discussion group financed by local farmers themselves. In this way it is envisaged that individual members of the T.F.F. could still attend as could any interested non members.

At the next meeting it was intended to invite the district Agriculture Officer to talk about other discussion groups activities and the merits or demerits of Sulphate of Ammonia application to pastures. Later in the year the group intends to invite guest speakers and arrange a series of discussions on farming methods.

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TAURUS: April 21 - May 20 Avoid all discussion of romance and mar tal matters. Someone might be after you to perform a special legal favour. Do not let yourself in for much physical activity.

GEMINI: May 21 - June 20 Tides are turning in your favour romantically. Results of a former contact will bring an exciting message. Be prepared for desirable changes.

CANCER: June 21 - July 22 Excuse faults in friends just as you would in beloved relatives. This is the way the world grows better and better you know. Make social arrangements.

LEO: July 23 - August 22 You may have to come to a firm decision about a finance matter. Be concise in speech and show you mean what you say. A friend from long ago may return.

VIRGO: August 23 - Sept. 22 Looks as though a pot of gold may turn up for you. A big surprise in the way of a logacy can put you on top of the world,

LIBRA: Sept. 23 - Oct. 22 A good time to watch diet, take very little stimulant Your ability to muster self-discipline may be highly admired now. A very desirable new acquaintance may be made.

SCORPIO: Oct. 23 - Nov 22 Do something generous for a friend who deserves it. Thought for others is the big source of happiness for your personal life. A time to expect the unexpected!

SAGITTARIUS: Nov. 23 - Dec. 21 Money is stressed for the good and your interest in a new form of investment can bring in some of the real money in near future.

CAPRICORN: Dec. 22 - Jan. 19 Giving your time freely to social matters is beneficial. Any talent you can use in helping a friend will be remembered. Take anot er look at your financial situation.

AQUARIUS: Jan. 20 - Feb. 18 Professional matters can be very important. Keep your eyes wide open for opportunities concerning money. You may receive an unexpected phone call.

PISCES: Feb. 19 - March 20 You may make a fantastic discovery and wonder what has heldup such a revelation. A good time to adapt yourself to a new temp of accomplishment.

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