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## EDITORIAL

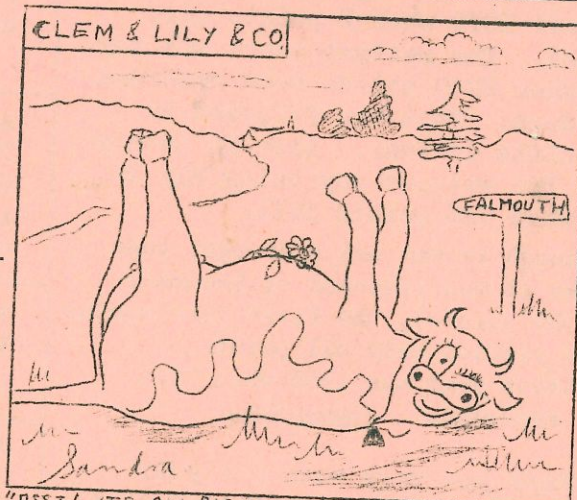
### WANTED - A LITTLE INITIATIVE

Last month we printed an excerpt from the Tasmanian Tourist Council's news sheet 'Let's Talk Tourism'. Since then we have received a copy of their recently conducted tourist opinion poll. The news sheet received runs to twenty pages of information on what tourists think of our state and the districts they visited during their stay. There are also comments and accorded gradings of tourist facilities including restaurants, hotels, beauty spots and points of historic interest.

For us, the most significant and perplexing point to emerge from the entire survey is the fact that not once was any part of the entire Fingal Valley even given a mention. It could be considered that tourists last year drove through this valley either at night or blind folded. Yet surely this is not so. Anyone in St. Marys on any day of the summer could not have failed to notice the great number of interstate cars, tourist buses and hitch-hikers passing through the town.

Yet not one of them apparently, commented or was asked about any single item of interest in the Fingal Valley - not officially anyway. The reason we eventually found, lay in the amount of information available in brochures and literature which was available to these tourists. To date there is no literature printed about this valley which especially applies to tourists. Thus it seems, they merely pass through as quickly as possible to seek places that are mentioned and consequently seem to have more importance and interest.

Anybody who knows this valley knows this is unfair. There is as much to interest tourists here as anywhere else. Fortunately however, something can be done about it for the following tourist seasons. The Tasmanian Tourist Council at the moment is contemplating a 'Let's Talk About the Esk Valley' brochure but it is being held up by lack of funds, i.e. available sponsors from this valley, including hotel keepers, cafe proprietors, shop keepers, service station managers and not least



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of all, the local council.


If business people and the council (which to our knowledge, has never shown any real interest in tourism for the district) want to share in the benefits of tourism in Tasmania they will just have to take a more personal interest instead of leaving it up to the State Government and voluntary bodies such as progress associations.

And it is the latter which has been taking the lead in the past. Already the St. Marys District Progress Association has offered financial support for this local tourist brochure.

It is now up to the council and business people concerned to do their bit.



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# LETTERS

Dear Sir,

A few weather notes:-

Five months, Jan - May inclusive:-

1967 - 439 pts. -- Years total 3236  
 1968 - 731 " " " 1767  
 1972 - 1064 "

1972 was the driest May since these records were started in 1938. The wettest month in any year since 1938 was April 1972 when 2 points were recorded. The wettest month was May 1956, when 2249 points were recorded in 20 days. That was followed by 1301 points in June. Also in twenty days. The wettest day being May 24, 1956, when 786 points fell.

Even though it was not a drought year (because it was preceded by December with 1009 points), the first five months in 1948 yielded only 621 points. The wettest year was 1956 when 7565 points recorded. (OBSERVER)

Sir,

Thank you very much for your informative letter. We regret that the paragraph on weather last issue was wrong. We stated a five month period when it should have been four months. January was an above average total of nearly four inches. With January's rain excluded from the total quite a different picture emerges - but we agree, NOT as bad as 1967 or 1948.

Editors.

## TOUCHE'

'AID ACCORDING TO GREED' was the term Mr. Kennedy (Lab. Vic) used last month when describing the \$9 million handout to the old schools of nine Federal Cabinet ministers. But it even seemed more than that. After close scrutiny it seems possible to establish a pecking order in the amounts granted. For instance the Prime Minister's old school Sydney Grammar got \$1.5 million as did Melbourne Grammar, The Minister for (you guessed it!) Education and Science. There after the other old schools of the ministers declined almost according to the importance of the ministers concerned down to Xavier College the old school of the Minister for Labour, which only managed \$750,000.

The doubtful placements in the pecking order were Country Party Leader Mr. Anthony's old school, King's School which got \$1.1 million and Minister Sinclair's school, Knox Grammar, which got \$1.2 million. Perhaps it's an omen of a shift of leadership, but this time in the Country Party.

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THE FAMILIES OF THE LATE LEON HALL AND ROBERT HUGHES AND THE FINGAL FOOTBALL CLUB WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS THEIR DEEPEST THANKS TO THE CAMPBELLTOWN FOOTBALL CLUB FOR THE THOUGHTFULNESS THEY SHOWED IN POSTPONING THE MATCH WHICH WAS TO HAVE BEEN PLAYED LAST MONDAY. THIS WONDERFUL EXAMPLE OF TRUE SPORTSMANSHIP WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED.

Mr. & Mrs. B. Hughes  
 Mr. & Mrs. J. Hall  
 Mr. & Mrs. K. Wise

UNDERHAYES EMILY.....  
 MRS. C. BRITTON AND FAMILY, ST.MARYS, WISH TO THANK THE MANY KIND FRIENDS FOR CARDS AND PERSONAL EXPRESSIONS OF SYMPATHY RECEIVED IN THE SAD LOSS OF THEIR DEAR SISTER AND AUNT. WILL EACH ONE PLEASE ACCEPT THIS AS OUR SINCERE THANKS.

MRS. BOBBY MASON OF UPPER SCALANDER WOULD LIKE TO SCINCERELY THANK DR. CHEUNG, THE NURSING STAFF & THE DOMESTIC STAFF AT THE ST.HELENS HOSPITAL FOR THE KINDNESS & ATTENTION THEY GAVE HER DURING HER RECENT STAY IN HOSPITAL.



## News Piple

On Sunday last the Church of England Fingal held its Sunday school anniversary. Everyone was pleased to hear Sister Jean Malthouse who was guest singer. Luncheon was given to the children in the rectory after the service.

MR. & MRS. CHRIS MAWBY of Staberton visited Chris' mother Mrs. Lima Mawby and Audrey's parents Mr. & Mrs. G. Barnes of Fingal over the holiday period.

Christopher Mawby and his fiancée Dianne McCarty of Launceston visited Chris' grandparents Mr. & Mrs. G. Barnes, Fingal last weekend.

Mr. E.D. Smith of Fingal spent the weekend at Evandale with her daughter and son-in-law Mr. & Mrs. Noel McGee and her grandchildren Mandy and Tina.

FRIENDS were glad to hear that Mr. Pat Cowie of Fingal who is in St. Marys District Hospital, is improving.

AT FINGAL 80 guests helped Mrs. Alice Mariah Jane Street to celebrate her eightieth birthday last Saturday. The Church of England Guild catered extremely well for the function and looked after everyone. Mrs. Noel Sutton entertained the party with some lovely singing. The Rector served as master of ceremonies. Amongst the guests were Mr. & Mrs. Wyn Egan and friends and relatives from all over the State. Mrs. Street's twin brother and sister Olive and Les lit the cake with her and her grand-child Stephen Webb. Jane Yates blew the candles out to save any argument. Mrs. Street had a lovely waltz with Inspector Rothwell of Launceston, who at one time cautioned her for not having a light on her bicycle.

MR. BARNEY FORD of Cornwall is now in St. Marys District Hospital. He was transferred from Launceston General this week.

NICE TO SEE ADA GERRIE back in St. Marys. Ada is on a week's holiday from her studies at the College of Nursing Australia in Melbourne. She will be returning to Melbourne this Saturday.

FRIENDS AND NEIGHBOURS wish Mrs. Elaine Oliver of Fingal a speedy recovery and hope to see her home again soon, from the Royal Hobart Hospital.

CAROL SPENCER is at present in Sydney to attend the wedding of her friend and spend a few days with her family.

## COMING EVENTS

LOCAL ASSOCIATION of St. Marys Girl Guides and Brownies will be held TONIGHT (Friday) in the Recreation Room of the hospital.

ANY ONE INTERESTED in climbing Paddy's Head is welcome to join the Progress Association walk on Sunday leaving Recreation Park at 12 midday. Remember!!! Sensible clothes, sensible shoes and a small 1st aid kit.

ST. MARYS GIRL GUIDES - Any girls wishing to go to the meeting at St. Helens on Monday 19th please contact Matron. Parents could you please assist with transport for this meeting.

HOBBYTEX PARTY at the home of Mrs. B. Aulich on June 20th at 8p.m.

TUESDAY JUNE 20th at 10.30 a.m. Coffee Party and Trade Table at Mrs. Jackie Mitchells in aid of the St. Marys Football Club.

FRIDAY JULY 7th a Progressive Dinner will be held at St. Marys commencing 7.30p.m. Please book with Mrs. Yates or R. J. Kinds at St. Marys by July 4th in aid of the St. Marys Football Club.

MONSTER RAFFLE drawn at Cabaret at St. Marys Hotel on Saturday July 8th.

THE TIGERS NEED YOUR SUPPORT!!

ACTION FOR WORLD DEVELOPMENT film evening and address organized by the Combined Churches in the St. Marys School projection room. WEDNESDAY 20th JUNE, 7.30 p.m. ALL WELCOME. Ladies a plate please.

SALVATION ARMY Red Shield doorknock SUNDAY 2nd July. If you could act as a collector please contact one of the following: Pastor Clarke, St. Marys. Mrs. Scales, Cornwall. Mrs. Helen Gamble, Bicheno.

BREAD & CHEESE in the Presbyterian Hall, Fingal, 29th June, ALL WELCOME. Donation and Stall.

COFFEE PARTY Wednesday 21st June 10.30 a.m. at the Child Health Centre, St. Marys. Members a plate for morning tea and cake for stall. Large parcel of material for sale. Plus knitting books (new) 5 cents each. ALL WELCOME.

### GRAND CONCERT:

Will be held in the St. Marys School Assembly hall at 7.30 p.m. on Friday, 30th June. A number of local people are practising hard so that you may enjoy an evening of good and varied entertainment. Admission Charge: Adults 50c Children 20c.

FROM THE PULPIT

The Vision of Christ

Longfellow has put into beautiful poetry the story of the monk who from his boyhood has prayed that he might see the Christ, and on and on through visionless years he kept praying for this great boon, and suddenly one day, as he prayed, the light began to brighten in his dark cell, and brighten and brighten, until he knew it could mean nothing else than the long delayed answer to his prayer; the vision was drawing near.

Then the monastery bell struck the hour of vespers, when it was his duty to take a basket of loaves and feed the poor at the gate. But how could he leave his cell at such a moment? The vision might be gone when he came back from his ministry. But he remembered the words of his master, "I was hungry, and ye did not give me to eat"; and, turning his back upon the vision, he hastened to minister to the Christ, in the persons of hungry men and women. When he came back to his cell, look! the Christ! radiant and smiling, and with his hand extended to bless. He said only these words: "Hadst thou stayed, I must have fled! "

MEELS ON WHEELS ROSTER;

June:

Sunday 18th	Mr. Harry Camplin
Monday 19th	Mrs. Colleen Barnes
Tuesday 20th	Mrs. Henry Aulich
Wednesday 21st	Mrs. Claude Parker
Thursday 22nd	Mrs. Jim Owens

Sunday 25th	Mr. Rupert McGee
Monday 26th	Mrs. Ruth Saunders
Tuesday 27th	Mrs. J. Brodribb
Wednesday 28th	Mrs. Cecil Johns
Thursday 29th	Mrs. Madge French

HEALTH NOTES:

BRUISES

Bruises are caused by a heavy blow or fall. Blood flows into the surrounding soft tissues and forms a swelling. If the blood flows into the skin then a blue - black discoloration occurs. The swelling and colour disappear as the bruise heals. Complete recovery will take from several days to several weeks depending on the severity of the bruise.

TREATMENT

A cold compress helps reduce the pain and swelling of a bruise. A severe bruise should also be rested, and elevated if possible.

For a cold compress soak a clean cloth in cold water, squeezing out the excess. Bleeding into the soft tissues may cause a large swelling or Hematoma. A firm bandage is recommended. If the pain persists with a bruise you should consult your doctor.

CHURCH NOTICES

Methodist:

June 18th

St.Marys	Paster Clarke	11 a.m.
St.Helens	" "	7.30 p.m.

Tuesday 20th

Bible Class		7.30 p.m.
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June 25th

St.Marys	Church Union	11 a.m.
St.Helens	Vote	7.30 p.m.

Church of England:

June 18th

Avoca	Holy Communion	8 a.m.
Mathinna	Holy Communion	10 a.m.
Cornwall	Family Service	3.p.m.
Fingal	Holy Communion	7.p.m.

June 20th

Storeys Creek		7.p.m.
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June 21st

Rossarden School	Commencement	3.45p.m.
United Sunday School	of Discoverers	

June 25th

Cornwall	Holy Communion	8 a.m.
St.Marys	Morning Prayer	11 a.m.
Royal George	Holy Communion	5. p.m.
Avoca	Evening Prayer	7.p.m.

Catholic

June 18th

St.Helens		8 a.m.
Avoca		9.45 a.m.
St.Marys		10 a.m.
Mathinna		4 p.m.

June 25th

Fingal		8.30 a.m.
Avoca		9.45 a.m.
St.Marys		10 a.m.
St.Helens		6.30 p.m.

COMING EVENTS cont.

B.C.D.S. CHANGEOVER DINNER at the St.Marys Hotel on Friday 23rd June. Assemble at 7 p.m. for drinks. Sit down to dinner at 7.30 p.m. Guest speakers Mrs. Anne Lohrey and Mr. C. H. Johnson, members will entertain guests with Tall Stories. Please remember to book with the Secretary or President by 16th June.

AS I HAVE NOW CLOSED MY BUSINESS I WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE WHO SO GENEROUSLY PATRONIZED US DURING THE PAST FIVE MONTHS

THANK YOU  
TERRY A D MARLEE TARGETT

The outlet from Scamander to the sea was originally situated about a mile farther North-East than at present. The accumulation of sand has now cut this outlet out, and placed the exit within a very short distance from where the first bridge was erected by the late Richard Terry, in the year 1865.

This structure was of a very frail nature, the piles being no bigger than ordinary telegraph poles, and all the other timber - which was obtained locally - was of a similar nature. It took 12 months to erect the bridge, and it served a useful life, eventually collapsing under the weight of a mob of cattle. It, however, stood all the floods of the period, and finally collapsed as the result of natural decay. It was the longest wooden structure of them all, having no approaches.

No. 2 Bridge was constructed by Messrs Wise, Tilly and Apted, and was approached by a causeway, in about the same place as at present. It was piled throughout with locally grown piles in iron bark and blue gum. This structure stood till the flood of November 27th, 1899, then known as The Big Flood, as hitherto there were no records - during the white man's advent - of there having ever been one to equal it. The culmination came in one shower about 11 a.m., and which was of a torrential nature. George Avery, driving the mail coach with a four-in-hand team, was the last to cross it, and from this "Bulletin" drew a cartoon of him and his turn-out, with the bridge intact, being washed out to sea.

Thus these two bridges had a joint life of 24 years.

No. 3 Bridge proved to be the champion of them all, and defied the elements for 22 years. This was erected by Grubb Bros. upon contract for the sum of £4,500. All the timber and piles were produced locally by Thomas Berwick upon sub-contract, the piles being specified for iron bark. These were all stripped, all the sap burnt off, charred and dressed with boiling tar while they were already made hot to receive the dressing. As a result of this, it was never recorded that any submarine insects had in any way attacked them. However, after a life of 22 years, it fell a victim to the pressure of accumulated timber in a flood in 1911. Obviously it had survived its allotted span.

Then came a series of bridges and the arrival of the toredo. Apparently this pest was not indigenous to the river, but probably was brought there through the medium of new boats arriving. They have, however, thoroughly proved their destructive instincts, as any timber, especially green timber, falling into the river is immediately attacked and dealt destruction

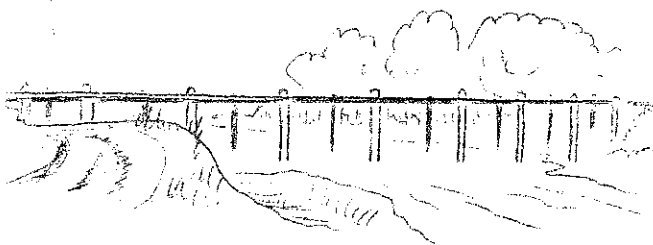
in a very short time. Upon one occasion an experiment was made with turpentine piles from the Mainland, at a cost of £40 each at the railway station, St. Marys. These were locally condemned, as they would not stand being driven, and as they were sheathed with copper, there does not appear any reason why local piles under the same conditions would not have sufficed. The Bridge so constructed upon this occasion cost £6,000. There were 7 tons of copper and 1 ton of copper rivets used in its construction.

Iron and concrete piles were also used upon once occasion. However, all these failures go to emphatically prove: That high level bridges towering up to 10 feet above the highest recorded flood, will not under any circumstances, survive the flood conditions, as such a structure merely lends itself to destruction by virtue of the fact that it is merely a catchment for accumulated timber.

The hope seems to lie in a low level bridge permitting the weight of timber to pass out when the waters are at their height. As evidence of this contention upon the occasion of the late biggest flood of all, throughout the whole district only the low-level bridges survived the deluge.

There are many factors which, acting in conjunction, bring about the most disastrous effects upon these bridges at flood time. Nearly all the occasions are marked by abnormally high seas, especially when the weather is from off the sea, and which usually prevails upon these occasions. The high tides hold the flood water, creating inundations upon the shores with the surroundings and covering of much strewn timber in logs and debris. With the turn of tide a terrific draft to the sea sets in. Thus there is acting in conjunction the weight of waters coming down the river armed with debris, together with a terrifically enhanced tide returning to the sea. With these two forces acting in unity and a wooden structure of a bridge towering in the air above the highest water line, and with thousands of tons of debris stacked against her piles, is it any wonder as to the result?

Now it is quite reasonable to assume that the last flood - the greatest of them all - cleared the banks of the river from timber to such a distance and extent hitherto unknown. Thus, for at least a decade, the timber which had previously been anticipated from this source need not now be seriously reckoned with.





SCAMANDER BRIDGE cont.

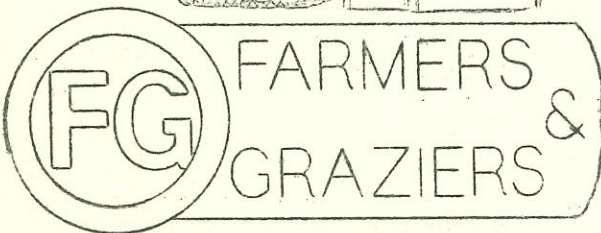
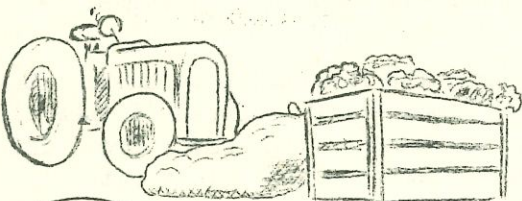
As to the future: Neither the Government nor the people are likely to reconcile themselves to the continuous inconvenience of a "punt transit." Our predecessors of the sixties, and who through force of circumstances had to resign themselves to many inconveniences, even they determined at this early period that a bridge was imperative to the then traffic - now enhanced a thousandfold. Having proved the practicability of such an undertaking, surely in this enlightened age we are going to throw down the gauntlet to those obstacles which seemingly to some persons bar the way.

The opinion of an authority (and this is submitted without presumption) and who is thoroughly conversant with all the circumstances both structural and climatic, is that the secret of success lies in the establishment of a low level bridge, built about 18 inches higher than the present used causeway, which should be extended say a chain further out into the river, thus shortening and giving added strength to the structure, which should be similar in design to the bridge at "Jason's Gates" at St. Helens. This bridge, semicircular in shape, up stream, has resisted strain equal to that obtaining at Scamander.

Compiled by order of the Portland Municipal Council.

P.W. STEEL, Warden.

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F U N N I E S !

Two friends motored home from a fishing trip in Maine. On a lonely country road they encountered engine trouble. Who answered their knock at the nearest farmhouse? Right! The farmers beautiful daughter.

She gave them dinner and let them stay overnight. Six months later one of the friends received an ominous - looking legal document. A frown disappeared as he read it, and then he phoned the fishing companion.

"I say, Tom", he said. "Did you by any chance spend a little time with that beautiful farm girl the night our car broke down?"

"Why, yes," answered Tom sheepishly.

"And did you, in a moment of Machiavellian cunning, give her my name and address?"

"Now, don't get sore about that," broke in Tom. "Where's your sense of humor?"

"Oh, I'm not a bit sore," his friend assured him. "I just thought you'd like to know I heard from her lawyer. She died last week and left me the farm and \$12,000 in cash."

WHAT THE PAPERS SAY

From the Press: "Studies of male - type baldness indicate that one fourth of all men will show some baldness at age 25 and about 50 per cent of them will exhibit some boldness by the age of 50."

Fashion Ad. "This blazer ensemble becomes a wardrobe to mix or match. Doff the jacket and the shell and the skirt and you're ready to go."

From the Times: "On one wall hangs an embroidered homily that seems to sum up Mrs. Grancell's attitude towards her life: 'Home is where the heat is.'"

Food Note "For the unusual part of the meal serve barbecued creamed potatoes. This is a dish that can be made well in advance and hated."

From Telegraph and News: "Open House will be held at the museum next Sunday to introduce Sam Hutto and the opening of a two - weeks art show featuring his most decent works."

Item in the Women of the Church News: "'Spiritual Growth' will be postponed untill September."

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## BLUES AND TIGERS TO MEET

Fingal - St. Marys clash at Fingal and Avoca - Rossarden at Avoca to decide the top two places in the four. All four teams are on 20 points each with St. Marys the bigger percentage.

St. Marys will be without Bye, Viney, McCarter and possibly Barnes, but to help offset this, Wardlaw and Bean will possibly be back in the side. Fingal will be nearly at full strength except for Wayne McGee so it should be, as usual, a good clash. The 'Tigers' centre line, Freeman and Newman (2) should fire this week and have a big bearing on the game. Tapp at full back could have a battle with the Fingal forwards, Singline and McKenzie but he has been playing well lately and should be able to hold his own. Lawrence and Salter should have a great tussle in the rucks with Smith and Pendlebury deciding the outcome of these duels. Kenyon is a great player for the "Blues" and will cause the St. Marys boys some worry. However to decide the winner, I had to resort to tossing a coin. It came up Fingal.

Avoca, full of confidence after last week's victory over St. Marys, will be out to defeat Rossarden and with this continued form and a will to win they should do it easily.

Dennis Williams, Ransom, Ellis, Caurdo and Wilson are in great form and will be hard for the Parish boys to get over. Rossarden had a forfeit last week after Swansea got cold and pulled out at half time. This was a bad thing for Rossarden as percentages could mean a lot in deciding this year's final four.

The Turner brothers and the Lowe brothers, if they can find form together, could prove me wrong for they are all capable players and can turn a game when they strike form.

Campbelltown travel to Swansea and should be able to get the points, even though Swansea might have former V.F.L. and Tasmanian player, Geoff Whitton in this week, they still will not be good enough for the improving Robins who are settling into a good brand of football.

**SELECTIONS:** FINGAL v St. Marys  
AVOCA v Rossarden  
Swansea v CAMPBELLTOWN  
St. Helens - bye

**NEXT WEEK:** Campbelltown v AVOCA  
ST. HELENS v Swansea  
Rossarden v FINGAL  
St. Marys - bye

**POINTS:** St. Marys 20  
Fingal 20  
Rossarden 20  
Avoca 20  
St. Helens 16  
Campbelltown 12  
Swansea —

**FOOTNOTE:** I would like to join with the players and supporters of the F.D.F.A. in expressing their sympathy to the families of the late Leon Hall and Robert Hughes.

## FISHING NEWS

The Scamander Angling Club held a successful contest at Wrinklers Beach last Sunday, attracting 42 entries. Heaviest scale fish was beached by Bill Cane - a blackback of 3lb 2 oz. Wayne Richards weighed in a 32lb 15 oz skate and K. Fleming caught a 14lb 13 oz shark. This event was the last for the season.



All members are reminded that the Annual General Meeting will be held at the Scamander Hotel-Motel at 8 p.m. on Friday 30th June next. All office bearers will retire but are eligible for re-election. After the business has been disposed of, there will be the presentation of special trophies for heaviest fish caught since the Club was revived. Any intending members will be welcome.

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## ARIES: March 21 - April 20

Cultivate a romance that is just getting under way. Social life has something to teach you that will stimulate your mind and improve it permanently. Best dates: 16th, 20th.

## TAURUS: April 21 - May 20

Seek your usual serenity and do not let deadlines rush you unmercifully. Your home can be a haven of peace of happiness. Do not let minor annoyances throw you into an emotional state. Best days 20th, 25th.

## GEMINI: May 21 - June 22

If you drive make sure your car is in tip-top condition. An older relative may do much for you; pay many of your expenses. Because of this, you may tend to spend more money. Spend less and learn to save. Best days, 18th, 22nd.

## CANCER: June 21 - July 22

Although this month is not especially good for you where holidays are concerned, you may have to take one now or do without until after next summer. The last half of the month is better than the first. Best days: 18th, 22nd, 29th.

## LEO: July 23 - August 22

Keep as serene as possible, do not worry about children and do not mix with people who are rash and irresponsible. Seek companions who will add to your knowledge. Best days 21st, 25th and 29th.

## VIRGO: August 23 - September 22

This is an unfavourable month for a holiday. Work is piled high and those in charge would not like your suggestion for a holiday at this time - you are needed and must bury personal wishes temporarily. Best days 20th and 30th.

## LIBRA: September 23 - October 22

Your reputation must be guarded in all ways. Pay bills promptly. Don't let credit rating sag. Planning can be fun and anticipation double your pleasure. Best days 22nd and 28th.

## SCORPIO: October 23 - November 22

Ask no favours because you could be embarrassed by rejections. If you have to travel, make it an inexpensive trip, but do not sponge on relatives. Best days 22nd and 29th.

## SAGITTARIUS: November 23 - December 21

You will see things in a new way when illuminated by the intelligence of another. Do not hesitate to put trust and confidence in this person. Do not dwell upon financial emergency or show bitterness about it. Be mature and adult in money matters. Best days 25, 29.

## CAPRICORN: December 22 - January 19

You may put on a little weight, but don't worry as you will soon lose it. If you have a duty towards a relative, perform it without procrastination. Do not become unreasonable but maintain personal discipline. Best days 22nd, 27th and 29th.

## AQUARIUS: January 20 - February 18

See last fortnights' message. You could become a bit more radical than usual as a form of protest you may do some things that are very daring and show courage but seem foolhardy to another. When you come through victorious and unscathed, don't gloat too much.

## PISCES: February 19 - March 20

Your intelligence will be working overtime and what you do will be done most efficiently. You will make a fine impression on new associates at work and be very helpful to those who need your type of wisdom in their approach to life. Best days 23rd, 28th.

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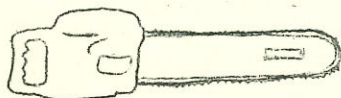
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