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EDITORIAL

Valley Voice recently received two interesting letters not intended for publication. The first was a letter of encouragement from a reader who holds a high office in the State Parliament. Its content encourages us to "keep the good work going as a worthwhile community service".

The other was both encouraging and highly critical and the reason for this editorial is the hope that our readers may have the opportunity to write in and say what they think of the points raised. Our correspondent is critical of the following:-

STARPROBE:, which he sees as being 12½% of our paper wasted and we are advised "to be rid of the nonsense".

PAGE FOUR: (the religious page) for it is "of interest only to a minority of readers and in the 'ratings' it must be low".

MISS PIFFLE: ("the Mangana Social Scene") because "erstwhile travellers and people of interest they are not....let the Examiner report the latest jet-setting trends".

NEWS: The lack of local, sporting and Council news is criticized. He is pleased to see that "the sad saga of Lily has vanished".

We have graciously received the critical comments of our friend's letter which we believe were made with the intention of being helpful.

This gives us the opportunity to make some comments on the criticisms above:

STARPROBE: is probably nonsense, but if so it is nonsense which many seem to read and out of which they get a lot of fun. "Pegasus" is an enthusiastic and reliable contributor whose articles we never have to "chase up".

PAGE FOUR: We doubt that we can consider dispensing with the church notices. The churches are entitled to have their services advertised and they are consistent with their information. "From the Pulpit" is seen to be related to the Editor's profession, in the eyes of our critic. This is unfair in that this column has existed since the early days of the paper. The articles are chosen to suit all denominations and are generally suitable in providing moral aids for those who are not "religiously" inclined.

MISS PIFFLE: We suggest that our correspondent take a trip to Mangana and see how enthusiastic our readers are there. The Mangana Social news is of interest to THEM and consequently the Valley Voice sells better there than in most places.

NEWS: Despite repeated requests for local news, many clubs and organisations have failed to send in regular reports and do not seem to realize that this would benefit their group as well as the Valley Voice.

Earlier this year, in response to our request, the Fingal Council advised that it would be necessary for us to attend meetings for news, as is the case with other newspapers. With a small staff of four, each member a busy person, this remains an impossibility.

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6TH. BIRTHDAY EDITION

FLOOD REPORTS

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VALLEY VOICE WEATHER FORECAST:

IF THE PRESENT WEATHER CONTINUES
THERE WILL BE NO CHANGE !!

ST MARYS BAKERY

J. & R. OWENS

BUNS, SPONGES,
SWISS ROLLS



WHOLESALE

RETAIL

EDITORIAL CONTINUED

CLEM LILY & CO. Poor Lily was not axed by us. Her creator has gone to Scotland or some worse place. At least that is our conclusion after several attempts to contact her.

The above should prove to be a starter for some helpful discussion and comment. But whatever the outcome of this may be, let our correspondent and all readers bear in mind that this little paper is produced by a small group of honorary workers as a community service and that there is always enough room in its production for any person who is prepared to put his actions where his mouth his.

(The second letter referred to was used as a basis for this editorial with its writers consent). Ed.

RETURN
THANKS

On behalf of the Tasmanian Youth Brass Band I would like to thank the following people for billeting members of the band and making it possible to have a band on Anzac Day.

Mr. & Mrs. M. Britton, Mr. & Mrs. Lieth Gatty, Mr. & Mrs. Graham, Fingal, Mr. & Mrs. M. Herring, Mr. & Mrs. R. Hinds, Mr. & Mrs. C. Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. G. King, Mr. & Mrs. J. McGee, Mr. & Mrs. G. Oliver, Mr. & Mrs. G. Schier, Mr. & Mrs. B. Spilsbury, Mr. & Mrs. P. Spilsbury, Mr. & Mrs. T. Yates of St. Marys Hotel. Also thankyou to the R.S.L. Ladies Auxiliary for supplying a lovely afternoon tea on their arrival from Hobart.

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St. Marys Methodist Ladies W.A.O.M. Birthday in the Methodist hall on Wednesday 8th May commencing 2.30 p.m. Speaker and competitions, Stalls and afternoon tea. All ladies welcome.

Fingal Valley Meals on Wheels Association Annual General meeting in the Hospital Dining room on Tuesday 14th May at 7.30. Election of Officers. This meeting is open to the Public and all interested persons will be welcome.

St. Marys Youth Club, Friday week, 10th May, 7.00 - 9.00 p.m. in the High School Hall.

Junior Youth Club, Friday week, 10th May 7.00 - 8.30 p.m. in St. Marys Methodist Hall.

Annual General Meeting, to be held in St. Marys Golf Club, on Wed. 15th May at 2.00 p.m.

Business being the election of Office Bearers and Committees for St. Marys Bowls Associates, for the 1974 - 1975, Bowls Season. Please get your nominations in and attend the Meeting. All Club Associates welcome.

Grades 5 and 6 children were tense during weekend floods that their trip to the Physical Education Camp in Hobart would be cancelled. Then they had real concern for their Scamander, Falmouth classmates fearing it was impossible for them to get through. But their concern changed to joy when the enthusiastic children hiked up ready for their departure from St. Marys.

RED CROSS SOCIETY:

The May meeting of the Society will be held in the Institute on Monday, 6th May 1974. All interested in Red Cross or the St. Marys Ambulance are cordially invited to attend.

RESULT OF R.S.L. RAFFLE:

1st Meg Keogh C/- Coats Paton.
2nd T. W. Squires Cornwall.
3rd J. McGee St. Marys.
4th A. Pearton C/- P.W.D. Eardley St. Launceston.

Tuesday May 14th 2.30 p.m. American Tea in St. Pauls Church of England hall, St. Helens. This is in place of the monthly meeting of the Guild.

A.L.P. FINGAL BRANCH DINNER:

Fingal Hotel, Thursday, May 9th at 6.30. Guest Speaker: Hon. E. E. Reece M.H.A. Gil. Duthie M.H.R. & A.L.P. Senator O'Bryne Don Grimes and Senate Team members to attend.

For Reservations Contact: Arch Miller at Fingal 742110 Admission \$4.00 Branch Meeting follows at 8.00 p.m.

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FOR SALE

FROM THE PULPIT

CHURCH NOTICES

THE KEY-NOTE OF HARMONY

A stringed orchestra was once performing in a private home. Dinner was announced, and while the musicians were at dinner the children tampered with the strings.

When the musicians took up their instruments after dinner there was a horrible discord. The keynote was sounded, and all the instruments were brought back into harmony, and sweet music was possible again.

There was a time in the happy days of Eden when man loved God, and there was music everywhere; but Satan touched the harp strings of the human soul and threw it out of harmony with the world and with God, and sin's discord was sounded. Man was separated from his God, and the discords of sin have filled the earth in all ages. But Jesus Christ came to the earth, went up on Calvary, and struck the keynote. "LOVE ONE ANOTHER, EVEN AS I HAVE LOVED YOU."

The world is full of music when the heart is full of love.

MEALS ON WHEELS

- ST. MARYS:
- | | | |
|-----------|----|------------------|
| Sunday | 5 | Jan Mawson |
| Monday | 6 | Tom Hall |
| Tuesday | 7 | Robert Legge |
| Wednesday | 8 | Vicki Barr |
| Thursday | 9 | Keith Bullock |
| Sunday | 12 | Gerald Aulich |
| Monday | 13 | Brian Birrell |
| Tuesday | 14 | Father Aarden |
| Wednesday | 15 | Jenny Muggeridge |
| Thursday | 16 | Elaine Williams |

- FINGAL:
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| Sunday | 5 | Mr. Les Rubenach |
| Monday | 6 | Mrs. Ruth Saunders |
| Tuesday | 7 | Mrs. H. Williams |
| Wednesday | 8 | Mrs. E. Barnes |
| Thursday | 9 | Mrs. K.I. McKenzie |
| Sunday | 12 | Mrs. A. Oliver |
| Monday | 13 | Mrs. J. Hall |
| Tuesday | 14 | Mrs. J. Francis |
| Wednesday | 15 | Mrs. A. Woods |
| Thursday | 16 | Mrs. B. Death |

- PORTLAND:
- | | | |
|-----------|----|-----------------|
| Monday | 6 | J. Barber |
| Tuesday | 7 | G. Clarke |
| Wednesday | 8 | L. Johnston |
| Thursday | 9 | D. Hutchison |
| Friday | 10 | G. Breadmore |
| Monday | 13 | Brownrigg/Blunt |
| Tuesday | 14 | D. Symmons |
| Wednesday | 15 | K. Burt |
| Thursday | 16 | E. Fysh |
| Friday | 17 | P.F.W.A. |

ANGLICAN PARISH OF ST. HELENS:

- May 5th
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| Falmouth | 9.15 am | M.P. |
| St. Helens | 11.00 am | M.P. |
| St. Helens | 7.00 pm | H.C. |
- (Rev. T. Henricks)

- May 12th Mothers Day
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| St. Helens | 11.00 am | M.P. |
| St. Helens | 7.00 pm | H.C. |
- (Rev. T. Henricks)

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST. MARYS:

- May 5th
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| St. Helens | 8.00 am |
| St. Marys | 9.30 am |
| Mangana | 11.00 am |

- May 12th Mothers Day
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|------------|----------|
| St. Marys | 8.00 am |
| St. Helens | 9.30 am |
| Fingal | 11.00 am |

METHODIST CIRCUIT OF ST. MARYS-ST. HELENS:

- May 5th
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| St. Marys | 11.00 am |
| St. Helens | 7.30 pm |

- May 12th Mothers Day
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|------------|----------|
| St. Marys | 11.00 am |
| St. Helens | 7.30 pm |

ANGLICAN PARISH OF FINGAL/AVOCA/CULLENSWOOD:

- May 5th
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| Fingal | 8.00 am | H.C. |
| Avoca | 10.00 am | F.S. |
| Mathinna | 2.30 pm | H.C.& H.F. |
| Mangana | 5.00 pm | H.C. |
| St. Marys | 7.00 pm | E.P. |
| St. Helens | 7.00 pm | H.C. |

- May 12th Mothers Day
- | | | |
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| Avoca | 8.00 am | H.C. |
| Cornwall | 10.00 am | F.S.& Bapt. |
| St. Marys | 10.00 am | F.S. |
| Fingal | 7.00 pm | E.P. |
| St. Helens | 7.00 pm | H.C. |

IN LIGHTER VEIN: A friendly historian reminds us that the British Isles are made up of four nations: the Scots, who keep the Sabbath and anything else they can get their hands on; the Welsh, who pray on their knees and their neighbours; the Irish, who don't know what the devil they want but are willing to fight for it; and the English, who consider themselves a race of self-made men, thus relieving the Almighty of a terrific responsibility.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Sir,

The recent letter in the Valley Voice painting an unflattering picture of the morals and behaviour of local high school children warrants a reply.

We are not incensed by the accusations, because they are far from the truth as most decent minded people know. Not do we doubt the care our parents have for us. What does make us sad is the fact that our local community harbours a person of such unbalanced mind to write such rubbish.

Whilst the writer chose to generalise, we do feel able to reply on behalf of local youth.

We deny the assertions. The writer testifies to a lack of truthfulness and to a lack of courage by hiding behind a non-de - plume.

Ricky Ward (Pres.)

Karon Bean (Sec.)

on behalf of members of St. Marys Senior Youth Club.

Dear Sir,

Since 1969 the Fingal A.L.P. Branch have concerned itself with a number of issues which have been of public importance to residents of the Fingal Valley.

In July 1970 the branch made personal representation to the then leader of the Opposition, Mr. E. E. Reece, M.H.A., regarding the growing unemployment in the Fingal Valley caused through men being retrenched from timber mills in the area. Shortly afterwards five more men were employed by the Forestry Commission.

On June 15th 1973, the branch was responsible for the Premier, Hon E. E. Reece M.H.A. visiting Fingal for a meeting. At the meeting the matter of employment of men retrenched from the mining industry in the area was raised. In reply, in a letter forwarded, on June 21st, the Premier said, "That following his attendance at the Branch meeting he had become more aware of the employment problem subsequently 24 men were employed on a casual basis. Following that decision the branch took-up the matter of having the men employed much longer than was first anticipated and on a weekly basis. This whole question was also referred to the Minister for Primary Industry, during October by the branch.

The branch has also been active since 1969 in bringing to the attention of the relevant Minister housing problems in the area. Recently, the Minister for Housing, Hon D. Lowe M.H.A., informed the Branch, that two houses are programmed for construction during 1974-1975. A survey will be completed by the end of May to determine whether more homes will be erected during 1974-1975

For a number of years the Branch has actively campaigned for the appointment of a resident medical officer at Fingal. A petition containing 445 signatures has been presented to the Fingal Council urgently requiring the council to take steps to have

a medical officer appointed. The Council have agreed to meet Executive Officers of the Branch to discuss the problems associated with such a proposal.

Other issues taken-up by the branch include the construction of a broadcasting directional aerial to provide a better radio reception in the area; matters concerning education in rural areas; adequate sealing of roads in the Fingal Valley; the safety of children travelling on buses; the development of Ben Lomond, as a tourist attraction, along similar lines to the Dandenong Ranges in Victoria - The Minister for Tourism was written to in June 1972 regarding the economic viability of such a project. Other issues which are considered to be in the best interests of the Fingal Valley have also been taken-up from time to time.

The Fingal A.L.P. Branch is a voluntary organisation that tries to present many aspects of ALP policies etc. to people of the Fingal Valley, it also has a very important role in making the government of the day aware of inadequate facilities etc. in the area. Much of the foundation work on a number of issues have probably gone unnoticed because the branch has never actually tried to receive too much publicity. The branch has usually received its reward by knowing that it has played its part in achieving part of an objective in the Valley. However, since a number of people have approached members with the question, "Just what has the Branch done?" The Branch thought it time to set out some of its achievements.

J. Macrostitie.

(Hon. Sec.)

Dear Sir,

"And Where is the News"

It is appreciated that the Valley Voice is the result of voluntary labour and practical assistance would be more acceptable than criticism, however constructive it may be, but the recent lack of reporting on items of local interest warrants some comment particularly as the editor had time to give unnecessary denial to rumours regarding "Letters to the Editor", last edition, surely this time would be better spent in reporting on local activities such as the opening of the new Police Station, who performed the opening, who attended, even the ladies fashions.

The absence of local football news must be disappointing to a large number of readers over 400 players and officials are involved with running the F.D.F.A. each week during the crazy season, to say nothing of hundreds of urgers. Something else that has seldom, if ever, been mentioned in the Valley Voice is the success of a number of horses trained in and around St. Marys possibly the most recent successes have been those of Chamo Girl, trained by Mr. Trevor Peters and Valiant Ayr owned by

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BADMINTON

The opening round of matches saw St. Marys defeat St. Helens and Rossarden defeat Fingal.

The matches scheduled for last Monday night were postponed until a less diluvian date.

With only four teams playing reports of matches must become repetitive and will usually only report winners and pennant points.

The interest in badminton is still down, but in Fingal and St. Marys the enthusiasm of the younger people is encouraging and it is hoped these players will help build the sport into a strong and popular position again.

For those interested, practise at Fingal is held Wednesday nights at the public hall; at St. Marys it is held Thursdays in the school hall.

FISHING NEWS

In this column, no news is bad news and the news is bad again thanks to the continuous Easterly weather. The 4th Tasmanian Open Game Fishing Contest was finally abandoned last weekend after being postponed at Easter.

We feel sorry for those anglers who had to two their boats back to Launceston and Burnie via Scottsdale. We hope that next weekend will be fine enough for the St. Helens Surf Angling Club to conduct the Tasmanian Open Surf Angling Championship at Swinport beach. This starts at 12 noon on Saturday and ends at 12 noon on Sunday. The beach is reported to be good with deep water close in shore and one party got a good bag of blackback early this week.

Next event to be run by Seamander Angling Club will be on Sunday 19th May at Wrinklers from 1pm to 7pm.

We hope that this report will reach the editor in time as the means of transport will be either by carrier pigeon or mountain goat.

ST. MARYS PASS

Valley Voice has been advised that following discussion with the Minister for Lands and Works (Mr. Barnard), on the evening of April 30th, Mr. Shaw M.L.C. put a proposition to him regarding the development of the Hydro road over the top of the Pass.

Some laymen of this district are advising this alternative as a means of avoiding recurring landslips with their inherent danger to life. We trust that the decision made will be for the best in the long term.

STOP PRESS:

THE ST. MARYS PASS IS NOW OPEN TO LIGHT TRAFFIC, BUT USE CAUTION

WELL DONE MICK

Mr. Roy (Mick) Gatty of St. Marys was presented with life membership of the Fingal District Football Association at St. Marys oval following the St. Marys St. Helens thirds match.

Association president Mr. Bill Coleman, presented the 1973 thirds pennant to St. Marys Captain, Shane Brooks and then called on F.D.F.A. patron, Mr. Gordon Salter to make the life membership presentation to Mr. Gatty. Mr. Salter spoke of Mr. Gatt's early sporting achievements and of his dedicated efforts in establishing and maintaining sporting facilities in general, not only football. In thanking Mr. Salter, Mr. Gatty voiced his opinion that sportsmen should strive to do their best, at the same time play fairly and be unspiteful.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR CONTINUED from page 5

Mr. Gladstone Cooper and trained by Mr. Norm Dawson, these gentlemen could no doubt testify to the effort and time needed to gain a victory at this most competitive sport.

Please Mr. Editor try and get a little co-operation from the local Social and Sporting bodies that we seldom hear about in your essential paper and with a bit of luck they could come up to the standard of those stalwart contributors, "Gardening Notes", "Health Notes", "From the Pulpit" and "Fishing News" who no doubt gain from their efforts by helping to maintain interest in their own particular activity.

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CABARET - ST. MARYS HOTEL

Tonight, Friday, at 8.p.m. and hear recording Star, Mr. Curly Rivers who is here to promote his recordings. THE PROCEEDS WILL BE FOR LOCAL FLOOD RELIEF/CHARITY. All welcome

MRS. MAY OLIVER resident of Mangana fo 60 years, celebrated her 80th birthday yesterday. Her daughter gave a luncheon for all her friends. Telegrams, visitors and cards came from all parts of Tas. A bouquet was presented by Mrs Upton on behalf of all present.

REX PARKER AND KARYN CHANNING.

All Mangana friends wish them well at the recent announcement of their engagement.

W A L K A T H O N

To be held on Saturday 4th May at 9.00 a.m. In aid of Nurses Tennis Court. From Hospital to Frodsley. Saus and cordials for sale. Prizes will be awarded.

AMENDED CATHOLIC MASS TIMES

4th May	St. Helens	7.30 p.m.
5th May	St. Marys	9.30 a.m.
	Mangana	11.a.m.
	Bicheno	4.00 p.m.
11th May	St. Helens	7.30 p.m.
12th May	St. Marys	9.30 a.m.
	Fingal	11.a.m.

FLOOD REPORT

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"WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE, AND NOT A DROP TO DRINK" - WELL, ALMOST.

It is difficult to add anything new to the that has been written and stated about last weekend's floods by the news media. Many facts (3 fallacies) have been noted. From Anzac Day to Monday morning (29th), 16 inches (400 mm.) of rain fell in St. Marys; more or less in other areas. In that time approximately 1,600 tons of rain fell on every acre and when stated in these terms the mind truly boggles! St. Marys rainfall for April was 23.40 inches (595 mm.) and the total so far this year to the end of April is 40.83 inches (1,020 mm)

That's a lot of rain in anyone's language, and the resultant damage to private and public property was widespread and very distressing. There is cause for thankfulness that there were no significant stock losses and more importantly, no loss of human life. At certain stages of the crisis some individuals took real risks as they waded through deep, swift flowing waters in the darkness in order to render assistance.

The story of the floods is a real-life drama blending the milk of human kindness with the murky destructiveness of flood-waters. Mother nature sometimes coldly slaps man in the face, only to find that he smilingly rises to turn the other cheek and sometimes has that slapped also. Locals were not an exception in this matter and somehow the recent crisis brought out the best in people.

Some acts of kindness noted were: a gentleman walking to Lower German Town to visit one of our senior citizens; Sunday's Meals on Wheels being delivered around St. Marys, some of which were delivered through deep waters in a truck; a citizen pulling a young man off an electrified down pipe, and many more too numerous to include here. As we said, it was a drama in real life and each character involved has a story to tell. The most notable thing concerning the floods was that residents could still laugh and smile in spite of it and the sentiments of many could be summed up in this little verse:-

Don't fume, nor fuss,
Nor fret, nor cuss,
For bad as 'tis,
It might be wuss!

SOME FACTS, FALLACIES? AND HUMOROUS TIT-BITS sent in by readers.

Carrots: hung in shrubbery and trees of Mrs. Maney's like fruit.

Lady: making stew plucked carrot from flood waters gushing by front steps.

Mrs. Rachael Smith: prayed as water reached top step. It receded. Something in the biblical name?

Farmers turnip crop at bottom of Elephant Pass found on beach at Bicheno.

CROS Davern: Delivering milk found himself driving the slowest milk cart in the East.

Fish: Were being caught on the roads by hand with lumps of wood being used as mallets. Hope those who kept trout has a licence.

Drinking Water: Because St. Marys town supply was off, residents were forced to drink clean water.

Ray White: Sitting in a chair with his feet resting on the hearth. As the waters rose he put his feet on the hobs. As it rose further he rested them even higher. Nothing like taking it easy.

St. Marys Pass: Many and varied solutions.

1. Cut into bank and re-make road behind the holes.
2. Span with Army-type bridges.
3. Build a brand new road following H.B.C. line.

Bakery: A commendable effort to get back into production in such a short time.

Animals: No dogs known drowned this time, but many ducks and fowls.

George Shaw: The first to get into action.

Michael Barnard: Arrived Wednesday afternoon without gumboots (?)

Orchids to: St. Marys Police (especially to Sen. Cost. Doug Cornelius) St. Marys telephonists, Authorities controlling essential service assisted by many helpful residents.

FALMOUTH FLOOD REPORT

Falmouth rain for three days was 11.84 pts., this has really made things wet. Looking across to Scamander road was a large lake with bits of fence here and there. Every culvert was running a banker and rubbish was in long streamers across the roads. Fern Tree Gully Creek looked like a wide river. Timber had piled up against the bridge and the water could not get through so it made a new bed for itself. This was disastrous for the road as it peeled the bitumen off and dug large holes. Watched by visitors and locals, a truck went over very carefully, lurching and dropping into holes. One shuddered to think how a small car would fare. Visitors at Falmouth decided they would stay longer thinking the rain might stop.

A dispatch rider appeared on a trail bike and took messages to phone through to families.

We are really cut off as the Pass is blocked and there are washouts on the road to St. Helens at Fern Tree Gully Creek, the Wrinklers and Surfside.

The road to Four Mile Creek is very slippery and also there's a washout.

The dispatch rider used the Hydro track; he said it was pretty rough and boggy.

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STARPROBE

By Pegasus

Fortnight beginning May 3rd 1974

ARIES March 21 - April 20

Make up your mind to overcome the foolish impulse to indulge in a luxury. A friend may offer you a part-time job or extra work. Accept.

Best days 3rd, 11th & 16th

TAURUS April 21 - May 20

An evening you have been waiting for also awaits you. This is the night for fun and games. Attend to income matters such as budget.

Best days 7th, 8th & 14th

GEMINI May 21 - June 20

Be active while you work. You may be observed by an authority. Avoid overeating, and overdoing anything you realize might make you feel bad.

Best days 4th, 10th & 15th

CANCER June 21 - July 22

Take part in a local activity. Find friends; keep busy. Progress in your work favored, so keep your hand in. Beware of gossip.

Best days 5th, 9th & 12th

LEO July 23 - August 22

Talk over a way to add to your income with someone in a position to help you. Follow the impulse coming from a psychic flash.

Best days 6th, 13th & 15th

VIRGO August 23 - Sept. 22

A troublesome person is best handled by being ignored. Rise above petty people. Purchase articles you need for the house.

Best days 3rd, 8th & 12th

LIBRA Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

You may be asked for help or a loan. It would be wiser at this time not to extend credit to anyone. Visit the home of a friend where you can relax and be yourself.

Best days 8th, 10th & 16th

SCORPIO Oct. 23 - Nov. 22

Get the chores out of the way so you can enjoy an evening which promises social gaiety. A long lost friend might make an unexpected appearance soon.

Best days 12th, 15th & 16th

SAGITTARIUS Nov. 23 - Dec 21

Taking an interest in a neighborhood project will also bring new social relationships. A good time to start a new project, vocation or study.

Best days 10th, 13th & 14th

6APRICORN Dec. 22 - Jan 19

A favorable time for improving your financial status in connection with employment. The advice of others can be disregarded. Follow your own ideas.

Best days 9th, 13th & 16th

AQUARIUS Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

Look your best as you may make a very interesting contact during an evening outing. Get in touch with friends you have not seen lately. Make a date. Have fun.

Best days 7th, 10th & 14th

PISCES Feb. 19 - March 20

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