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## EDITORIAL

### Does more money breed better politicians?

Current discussion on parliamentary salaries once again leads to considerable comment from those for and against. The main criticism of those against simply state that because politicians don't necessarily have to have any recognized qualifications they are, in fact being paid adequately or more than they are worth already.

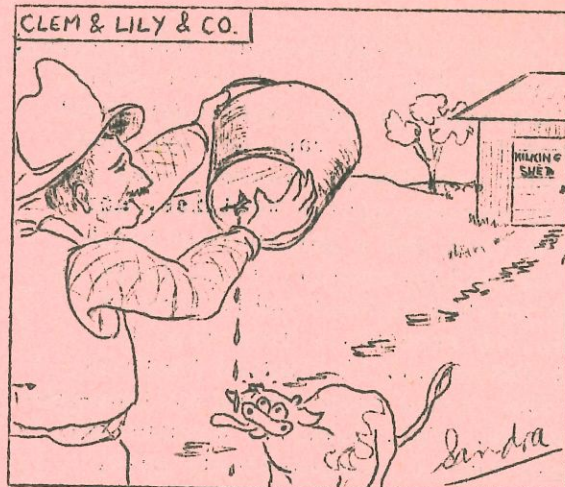
This also applies when the amount of hours politicians are required to work, is compared with other professions of similar value.

All of which is, to say the least, a very vague sizing up of the situation. To start with, there is no really valid comparative profession nor is there any real way the worth of a politician can be measured. And again, the number of hours can, because of the essence of politics, vary dramatically, depending on the individual's dedication to his job.

Nor can one dispute the talents a good politician has to develop to remain a politician; talents that are equal to the qualifications of any profession. On the other hand, the main reason for increasing salaries seems to be that this is necessary to insure a continuing or increasing standard of politician. This also is a very vague and doubtful standard. One could just as easily say it might further entice the opportunist to seek a good, cushy, well-paid bludge. Perhaps it is time we looked at something more exact in an endeavour to upgrade the standard of the candidate for election. For instance, the scrapping of the alphabetical system of listing candidates names that gives not so good Abel an unfair advantage over zealous Zorba. Again the completely irrational set-up of our own Wilmot electorate that stretches through half an island, gives distinct advantage to the candidate with the most time and money, but not necessarily the best candidate.

There are also many other anomalies in our electoral system, often publicised and too complex to go into here.

But it is surely necessary to say that



"OH, NO! HOW DID THAT HOLE GET IN MY BUCKET ??"

### Editorial cont.

before we do start elevating politicians salaries into the higher income group, let us first be sure we have made every other effort to insure ourselves of the best available representation.

### TOUCHE'

St. Helens resident was recently quoted in The Examiner. He said 'If it pays the Japanese to come all the way from Japan to fish the Tuna off our East Coast and then take them all the way back to Japan for processing, surely we can fish for them and make a profit'. WHY NOT?

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### LETTERS

Dear Sir,

The great long-awaited day had arrived! Tension was in the air.... I arose early, full of anticipation and excitement about the things to come. I cast one eye upon the icy-grey, windswept heavens, clad myself in my warmest winter woolies, and armed with food and a hot thermos flask of tea, to fortify myself, I set forth on the long journey to that noble town of St. Marys. My reason?... To attend the event of the year...The Ladies Football Match. Ah! I had been saving my lung-power for weeks. But...alas... ominous sky, icy blasts from a south-westerly gale, and a shower of rain. An empty Football field, not a player in sight... What a shock to me. However an informant on the area told me the match had been postponed due to unforeseen circumstances (what circumstances). I was so disappointed. I vowed that I would write this letter in the hope that you would be kind enough to print it, and so produce an explanation from the organisers of the said entertainment that wasn't.

Yours etc.

"Disgruntled onlooker".

Dear D.O.,

The organisers of the Ladies Football match regret any inconvenience that was caused to the above writer and to anyone else that was disappointed.

The decision to postpone the match until the following Sunday was made early in the morning, at which time a very cold, wet day seemed evident. This early decision was necessary because the two men who were to patronise the match had to leave Hobart about that time.

As it turned out the weather improved greatly after nine O'clock but unfortunately too late to reverse the decision. And I should add, this decision was made only after due consideration and taking into account that both children and women were to play, not seasoned footballers. Also every endeavour was made to notify the cancellation as widely as possible and two of the organisers spent two hours at the ground gates to explain the position to anyone who did turn up.

I am sorry 'Disgruntled Onlooker' was disappointed and I assure her/him there will be plenty of reason to use her/his lung power this coming Sunday when the match will be played. Geoff Dean.  
(President St Marys Progress Ass'n.)

IN REGARD to some recent remarks in your paper about POLLUTION. Somebiologists believe the human race will only survive till the end of this century -- that ten year olds of today will only live to the age of forty. The biologists believe that the pollution of sea, soil, and the atmosphere will lead to a crisis in about thirty years time from which there will be no escape. Newspapers throughout the world are carrying increased volumes of material on pollution problems. New York and Tokyo drew world news space last week due to smog blankets. The seriousness of world problems can usually be gauged by the amount of coverage they are given in the press. Let's hope that the governments have the strength to deal with the problem because sheer strength to fight vested interests which cause the problem is needed.

Observer.

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Dear  
Valerie  
Voice

Dear Val,

Can you tell me, do you like men who make things?

Curious Kitty.

Dear C.K.,

Yes dear; Preferably a man who makes about \$10,000 a year.

Val.

Dear Val,

I love to stay at your place for my holidays. Can you give me a room and a bath.

The Wanderer.

Dear Wanderer,

Certainly I can give you a room darling, but you'll have to take a bath yourself.

Val.

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# STARPROBE

by Pegasus.

(Fortnight beginning 21st August)

**ARIES (March 21 - April 20)**  
Businesswise keep to the sidelines. A long range improvement in your work or professional ambitions is in the wind and is dependant on a decision on the 23rd.

**TAURUS (April 21 - May 21)**  
Continue to be on your guard against accident or trouble. Co-operation with partners on the 29th will pay-off. Put your affairs in good order before the end of the month.

**GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)**  
Take care when travelling. Avoid conflicts that lie ahead. Modernisation is the key word for next month. There is good fortune in the future for you.

**CANCER (June 22 - July 23)**  
Avoid risky business ventures. Romance is out for the time being. You have a hectic social period ahead. Avoid travelling unnecessarily.

**LEO (July 24 - August 23)**  
Be conservative. You may let your head go financially only on the 23rd. Then chance is out...calculate to gain. Next month is more promising financially.

**VIRGO (August 24 - September 23)**  
You are called on to handle a difficult situation try to be fair but firm. Romance is not on easy ground yet! Prospects for next month are good - financially.

**LIBRA (September 24th - October 23)**  
There may still be conflict at home. All will be well with a special effort from you. Opportunities for advancement are extremely favourable for next month.

**SCORPIO (October 24 - November 22)**  
The 31st is a bad day for financial or business decision. Plans need to be rethought and consider well the opinions of others. Period for action later.

**SAGITTARIUS (November 23 - December 21)**  
Avoid travel. Get set for some changes in your business or budget management. September calls on you to pull up your socks in all fields of activity!

**CAPRICORN (December 22 - January 20)**  
The 22nd is disappointing romantically. Avoid unnecessary travel. Love plays a big role next month. All quiet otherwise.

**AQUARIUS (January 21 - February 19)**  
Partnership enterprise booms on the 24th. Risk no new ventury on the 31st. Restrict expenditure on the 2nd September.

**PISCES (February 20 - March 20)**  
You must use your own initiative to gain from chances on the 24th and 28th. You can chalk up gains early next month without much trouble.

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From our carriage window we saw some of the many rice fields of Japan. At Osaka we were met by a camp official who drove us through many narrow backstreets, - some lush green countryside and miles up into the hills around Osaka to the camp. Some 2 hours later we were sitting down to our first Japanese meal in a strange land miles from home.

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Red Cross **FIRST AID CLASSES** will be commencing on Mon. 7th Sept. There will be 10 sessions of 2 hours, 8 - 10 p.m. Please contact Dr. Roddick early as class will be limited. It is hoped to hold another course later.

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# HERITAGE CORNER

From the Mercury 13/7/35  
"Come Outside" - Fingal Thrills

Who says that all the thrills and mystery are found in "shilling shockers"? By the way I never meet these shilling books, I am always stung for 7s 6d. except when it is 10s. I must interview the gentlemen who talk so glibly about primage, tariffs, freight, and condition of the moon, which latter may have a subtle allusion to the easiness with which I disburse the 7s 6d. or 10s. However you have led me a bit astray from my subject. Let me see! Oh yes thrills. The proper place to find them is not in a novel with a lurid picture on the cover. "Not by no manner of means, "as Sam Weller would say. If you want thrills, shocks mystery and excitement, go to a municipal council meeting. Its no use going to one in Hobart. Bless you, our Aldermen are such dears they would never dream of saying naughty things to one another. Even Alderman Gilmore, at the height of his weekly indignation and hate seldom gets beyond a simple "Well, well, now." But if you want an honest-to-goodness thrill go to Fingal, where they know something about these things. You can have a guaranteed first-class shock within five minutes of the minutes being read. If you are really lucky, you may hear the Warden with mysterious nods, invite Mr. So-in-So to "come outside after the meeting". This apparently, is a cryptic message, and a silence falls as its full meaning is understood by the initiated. Although watch has been kept so far, these mysterious meetings after council have not been reported. Whether there is a secret cave at Fingal or some underground hiding-place where solemn rites are performed, we may never know.

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## IN THE EYE OF THE LAW

Readers will no doubt have noticed a number of references recently to the pending retirement of the Deputy-Commissioner of Police Mr. J.A.R. Gallahar, and the appointment of his successor, Inspector E.V. Knowles, of Hobart.

Although Mr. Gallahar did not actually serve in the area in which this paper circulates, during his career of almost 40 years, he did serve in numerous parts of the State, and wherever stationed became highly regarded for his forthrightness and efficiency in the discharge of his duties. He progressed through the ranks, and was appointed to his present rank in 1965. It can be truthfully said that he has filled this office with a great sense of responsibility, and in doing so has earned the respect of his subordinates, as well as that of the public.


At a farewell function at Hobart this week, The Honourable, the Attorney-General and Minister for Police, Mr. E.M. Bingham, expressed the appreciation of the Government of Tasmania to Mr. Gallahar for the outstanding service he has given to the people of this State.

Mr. Gallahar, accompanied by his wife, visited this area recently and met personnel stationed here, to express his appreciation of the loyalty and service rendered during his term as Deputy-Commissioner.

The Government has again indicated its confidence in the Police Force of this State, by appointing Inspector E.V. Knowles to succeed Mr. Gallahar, and this confidence in the appointee is shared by members of the Force.

Mr. Knowles has progressed through the ranks with distinction, and the people of this State may well have confidence in the administration of law and order, when the Government entrust such responsibility to men with the ability and dedication of such a person, as this.

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At the August meeting, Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Smythe from St. Helens were welcomed as guest speakers. Mr. Smythe spoke on the culture and presentation of daffodils for show purposes. Mrs. Smythe spoke on the requirements of Show schedules. Mrs. Sadie Hodgman was judged the winner of a floral art competition, with an entry of orchids. The judges complimented members on their home made containers. After a short business meeting, Mrs. Any White served afternoon tea and a floral token was presented to Mrs. J. Powe for her birthday.

A raffle, won by Mrs. K. Jenkins brought in \$2.60 and the trade table made \$3.25. The next meeting will be at 2 p.m. September 8th at Pelican Sands, per favour Mrs. E. Richardson.

## FROM THE PULPIT

We have just celebrated Red Cross Sunday and one of the principles of the Society states that Red Cross endeavours to prevent and alleviate human suffering wherever it may be found irrespective of the class, creed, or colour of the folk needing help.

To me, the work of Red Cross can be summed up in one word - COMPASSION

Love and compassion are the greatest forces for good in the world. Where hate and greed break down and destroy, love and compassion build up. What a dreadful existence we would have if it were not for love; love between family and friends, love for little children especially those whose special needs tug at our heart strings. Life would not be worth living without love for LOVE IS LIFE. In other words love puts zest into living. Real love seeks no return or reward but brings its own joy and happiness simply in the giving. So when we see and read of the great need at home and abroad for our aid, our compassion, our love for those less fortunate than ourselves, let us give fullest expression of our own gratitude to God for His love and bountiful mercy to us, by loving and giving until it hurts.

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# FOOTBALL

by One Eye

## TIGERS GO INTO PRE-FINAL

St. Marys defeated Avoca by 25 points, in a hard, fast game last Saturday. With St. Marys 10 points in front at half time and only 9 points at three quarter time, there was very little between them all afternoon. However, Avoca at the eight minute mark of the final quarter were three points in front and had the Tigers worried until Bobby Bye suddenly kicked two good goals while McCarter and Wardlaw dominated the rucks and virtually took over. Avoca appeared to be run off their legs. For St. Marys the win was a team effort with a good display by the entire team, with perhaps Bye and his five goals being outstanding, the rucks, Wardlaw and McCarter on top all day; Greg Tapp, after receiving a couple of heavy blows, being a great player on the backline with Dean, Leedham and Targett. For Avoca, Richardson, Williams, Youd and White were their best players.

In the seconds semi-final, Fingal managed to snatch victory in the last few seconds from Rossarden. There was a great goal kicked by Ricky Cowie when the pressure was on.

On Saturday St. Helens and Fingal meet at Fingal. It should be a good, fast game with perhaps the home ground being an advantage to Fingal, who are my selection to win a close game. The Bay are very confident and it will be interesting to see how they score.

The seconds match between St. Marys and St. Helens should also be a thriller with St. Marys maybe having the edge.

In the thirds, also between St. Marys and St. Helens, I'll predict a Bay win, as they appear to have had the edge all the season.

The pre-final between St. Marys and the losers next Saturday should be a good game with probably the home ground advantage. The week's spell should do the Tigers good, although they have played well at the right end of the season.

WORTH NOTING: The item in Miss Piffle about Michael Barnes winning the best and fairest player for the Association before the votes had been counted!

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## BADMINTON

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by Goodminton

The Fingal Green side once again won the premiership when they defeated Rossarden last Monday night. They played very well for a good win. St. Marys won the G.H. THOMAS memorial shield for the first time.

## THE INTERNATIONAL GUIDE CAMP

by Sue Herring.

The 24th July saw the start of an unforgettable journey. After saying my farewells at the runway gate I crossed the tarmac to the T.A.A. plane that was taking me to Melbourne. Our takeoff at 12 m.d. was a smooth one and the journey to Melbourne short. After changing planes at Melbourne it was up up and away to Sydney. I arrived safely at Sydney at 2.15 on one of Sydney's finest days for quite some time. I stayed with friends in Sydney overnight and during that time I went on a tour of the city by night and sightseeing before take-off the next day. 10.15 saw my arrival at the International Airport. It was here I met Eileen Lawson the Guider from South Aust. who was to travel with me. The next hour was a hectic one, passing through immigration, passport inspection and health. At 11.15 we taxied along the runway in a Pan Am Boeing 707 and a few minutes later we were airborne. The flight direct to Hong Kong took 9 hours. We arrived in Hong Kong at night and our first glimpse of H.K. was just miriads of tiny lights. Our first surprise was when we disembarked and felt intense heat. We were taken from the airport by taxi to the Ambassador Hotel where we were to stay the night. Later we went souvenir hunting and on returning to the hotel we went to the 16th floor for dinner. The view from there was magnificent. We could see the harbour and its ferries and the lights of the city. After a good nights rest at this luxurious hotel we were ready for another days adventure. First to the Airport for Customs, health etc. and then on board on one of the largest aircraft in the world the Boeing 747 "Jumbo". This gigantic plane carries 960 passengers and a crew of 19 and cruises at a speed of over 600 m.p.h. Our flight lasted 3½ hours. At Tokyo we were met by a Japanese Guider. From this Airport we took a taxi to the railway station. Here we caught the new "Bullet Train" to Osaka. The time to Osaka was 3 hours and we travelled at a speed of 126 m.p.h. — cont. Page 8

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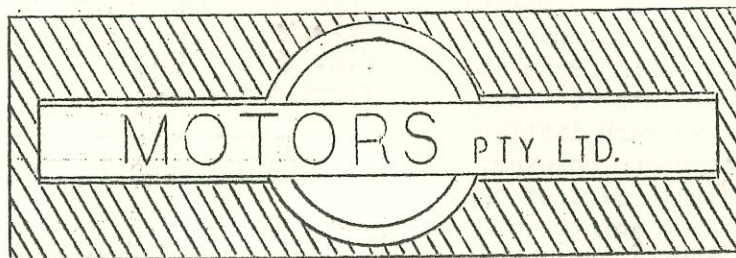


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