

POINTS OF LABOUR POLICY IN "FLYING SAUCER CLASS"

SOME OF THE Labour policy proposals were in the flying saucer class—"they will not be seen in your time," the Liberal Leader (Mr. Townley) said in Launceston last night.

TWO such proposals, he said, were the importation of 4000 pre-fabricated homes and the setting up of a state savings bank to provide cheap money for home building.

Mr. Townley said the Labour Party had thought up many bright ideas in the last six weeks—after 16 years.

"But in fairness to the Premier," he continued, "I want to say that the rumour he proposes to replace the Launceston Cup with a flying saucer is not true."

Mr. Townley said Liberal policy for development was something with which Labour had nothing to compare.

Industries Fail

Promising a tie-up with the Commonwealth Department of National Development, Mr. Townley said many of the industries selected by the Labour Government for assistance had not been favourably chosen.

"In fact," he said, "six or eight of them have either failed or are in grave financial difficulties."

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"The main weakness in the planning has been that there has never been any proper co-ordination between primary and secondary industries."

He said Liberal policy was for all the people, and added: "I believe the best of Tasmania's unionists will be with the Liberal Party after they see what we will do for them after this election."

Smear Campaign

Referring to what he called an organised smear campaign against himself and Liberal candidates, Mr. Townley said:

"Tasmanian politics must have sunk to a pretty low ebb when any candidate for election is likely to have to put up with that sort of thing. If it were only an occasional rat-bag it would not matter.

"It is time the standard of politics was raised so that decent men could feel they could

enter politics without facing such abuse.

"We don't mind the cheerleaders, but we find their smearleaders a bit hard to take."

Mr. Townley was speaking at a meeting at St. John's Hall in support of Bass candidates.

During yesterday he addressed workers at Modern Transport Industries Ltd. and at King's

WORKERS at ROYAL TRANSPORT IN-
dustries Ltd. and at King's
Wharf, and visited the Home for
Invalids, Mulgrave St.

REFUSED TO LISTEN

Because a group of waterside workers at the Launceston wharves yesterday refused to listen to his address, Mr. Townley left the platform and walked among the men, who were standing about 50 yards off.

Except for five of the Liberal candidates for Bass, Messrs. Marriott, Orchard, Guy, Steer and McGowen, the area around the platform was empty.

However, about 20 yards from the microphone a number of wharf labourers were being paid at a cashier's window, and, after receiving their money, they walked to the side of one of the packing sheds and listened to Mr. Townley from a distance.

Mr. Townley spoke for only three minutes, after which he asked for questions.

After waiting several minutes and receiving no questions, Mr. Townley said, "Well, if you chaps won't come up here and listen or ask any questions, the best thing for me to do is to come and walk among you and try to answer any questions you

try to answer any questions you might like to ask."

When outlining the aims of the Liberal Party, Mr. Townley said the party had selected a team which could be justly claimed as a good cross-section of the community.