



## PRIME MINISTER

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### VICTORIAN ELECTIONS

Clyde Holding fought a good clean campaign and increased Labor's share of the vote since the 1970 election.

Labor's candidates polled more votes than the Liberals, but the boundaries in Victoria have ensured that the Liberals have won more than twice the number of seats as the Labor Party.

The real losers in this election have been the DLP and the Country Party. The DLP vote has fallen catastrophically. The public have shown what they think of the reactionary and obstructionist policies of these parties - particularly their efforts to frustrate the proceedings of the Senate.

Mr. Hamer is the only small "l" Liberal leading the Liberal Party in any house of parliament in Australia. I congratulate him, and trust that his Government and mine will work closely together to give the people of Victoria a better deal.

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