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MARRYING AND UNEMPLOYED

There has been lack of employment in Great Britain during the past year, chiefly owing to the after-war dullness in the coal, steel and ship-building trades, and the poverty of old world nations, who up to 1914 were good customers of the Motherland, but were financially ruined by the ravages of the terrible conflict. Moreover, the granting of the dole to the unemployed has made hundreds of thousands of workers content to remain at home awaiting better times, who would in all probability have emigrated to Canada, where good prospects of a future awaited them. It must not be imagined, however, that Great Britain has been at a standstill. She has been progressing, and holding her own, as no one of the other European nations has been. But annually, through an improved death rate, she adds to her population hundreds of thousands, necessitating the provision of employment for many additional hands, and until such times as her customers abroad increase, there will be shortage of employment. There is no lack of courage in the old land however, for we learn that everywhere the young are marrying and being given in marriage, and setting up house as did their forefathers. Their chief trouble has been the lack of houses. During the war, the building trades were almost at a standstill, and though the government and municipal authorities have given bonuses to encourage the erection of houses, there is still a great dearth of homes. In Manchester, for example, which is stated to be the city to experience a genuine revival of the industry, the number of applications for 1,000 of available huoses numbered 6,000, and so keen was the desire of the houseless people to obtain the required application form that many waited in a queue all night. The motherland certainly does not lack courage.

SPEED LIMITS

The board of Directors of the Ontario Motor League have made recommendation to have the speed limit set at thirty-five miles per hour in the country and 25 in the cities. There are times when a speed of even fifteen miles per hour is dangerous and it is up to the driver of the vehicle to differentiate in the speeds. On a clear road in the country, the speed of thirty-five miles an hour is not too fast, but if a man attempts to speed on a crowded country road, he can be arrested for reckless driving. There have been cases in this vicinity where drivers were caught exceeding the speed limit, and a fine imposed, even though the speed was not excessive. If a higher speed limit will stop the indiscriminate practice of arresting a motorist simply on the mere technicality of whether he was exceeding the prescribed speed limit would be favorable to us.

A strong case could be made out for the abolition of the speed limit entirely, and in its stead making it compulsory upon all motorists at all times to exercise care and prudence in driving.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Frohpecies are being made that the coming winter will be one of the coldest in history. Somebody is wrong, as Prophet Bowes says the winter will be quite mild with intermittent cold snaps

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Last year there was a lively tussle for the Chief Magistrate's chair, and keen interest in the town and municipal elections. This year, municipal politics are very quiet. There is still time, however, to put life into the consideration of public affairs.

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They tell of an Owen Sound man who kept his wife in bed a full month after she was able to be up in order that kind hearted neighbors might continue to send in good things to eat. This one ungrateful and unscrupulous man does an injury to all who are in need of aid.

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Advance readers should see to it that their Christmas presents are bought and mailed early. No use of blaming the post-office for the late arrival of packages if they are not mailed until December 24th. The post-office is a great institution and its officials are painstaking and prompt in action, but they cannot do impossibilities.

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Merchants' announcements in our columns are the most interesting reading in these pre-Christmas days. The live dealer knows the value of printer's ink, and the wide-awake buyer knows where to look for aid to the best possible use of his money.

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Let us say to our correspondent "Agnes" that though 1926 is not a leap year, there will be no harm in proposing anyway.

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Shop early and avoid the Christmas eve rush.

Shipping Assoc. Meeting

The Artemesia and Osprey Live Stock Shipping Association will hold a public meeting in the town hall, Flesherton, on Friday, December 18, 1925, at 1.30 p.m.

Messrs. Chas. Zeogman of the Live Stock Department and H. B. Clemes of the grain and produce Department of the United Farmers Co-Operative Co., Toronto, will be present and address the meeting. Mr. Harold Spofford, shipping agent, will give his report of the live stock business and the Secretary-Treasurer his report of the annual meeting and of the financial standing of the committee for each four months of the year. This should be an interesting and profitable meeting to all who are interested in the co-operative marketing of graded farm products, and they are invited to attend and receive first-hand knowledge of how your own local and central organizations are trying to carry on.

—ALEX. CAMERON, Sec.-Treas.

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KIMBERLEY

The Young People of the United church are busy practising for the Christmas tree to be held in the Community hall on Dec. 22nd.

Miss Annie Burritt has returned home after visiting friends in Thornbury and Loree.

Mr. Ellison and Mr. Donald Wallace spent the week end in Owen Sound.

Mrs. Chas. Wickens of Flesherton visited a few days with his sister Mrs. Plewes.

Master Donald Graham of Vandeleur is holidaying with his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. .S S. Burritt.

We are pleased to see Squire Stuart on the street again aftr his recent illness.

The W. M. S. had a succesful birthday party in the Community hall on Friday night.

The Misses Edna and Annie Burrit visited Owen Sound one day last week

We are sorry to have Mrs. H. R. Hammond and family leave us. The Hammond family have had the post office here for over forty years. Miss Wilda Weber is the new post mistress.

Misses Almeda Weber, Denelda Stuart, and Rhoda Soule of Meaford spent the week end at their homes here.

Misses Tena Hutchinson and Lillian Abercrombie were home from their school for the week-end.

Mr. Harold Kerr of Rocklyn made a business trip to town one day this week.

Roses are gone, and violets too and we'll be soon for the coal bill's due.

Christmas Gifts

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A family tangle led to a man becoming his own grandfather. According to his story as told by himself: "I married a widow who had a grown daughter. My father visited our house very often, fell in love with my stepdaughter and married her. My father thus became my son-in-law and my stepdaughter my mother, because she was my father's wife. Sometime afterwards my wife had a son—he was my father's brother-in-law, and my uncle, for he was brother of my stepmother. My father's wife—namely, my stepdaughter—also had a son; he was of course my brother, at the same time my grandchild, for he was the son of my daughter. My wife was mygrandmother, because she was my mother's mother. I was my wife's husband and grandchild at the same time, and as the husband of a person's grandmother is his grandfather, I was my own grandfather."

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