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Merry Christmas

In these days when those who should be spend- to remove those faults. ing Christmas together are widely separated; when all it stands for we lose that for which we fight.

We know that there will be a note of sadness for the missing ones at many a Christmas table. That feeling will be doubly so when during the year loved ones have been reported lost. But we know too that those absent ones in their Christmas messages say "Chins up and we'll soon be home." They left homes in the spirit that you needed their protection. They are willing to sacrifice that you may keep Christmas and live in a land where the spirit of Christmas may abound not only at the Christmastide but spread throughout the whole year.

They who serve in far fields want the Christmas well another year. of those who are left at home to be merry. Those who are fortunate enough to have home ties una broken at this Christmas tide may couple with their morrow will be good old Santa Claus and prospects Merry Christmas the wish that another Chrstmas are he won't miss a home. will see a re-union of these broken homes.

And in this spirit we wish atl a Merry Christmas and the far greater wish that before another Christmas rolls around there will be cause for all to have a merrier one. .

The Answers Are Given

housewives how they could maintain prices and assist in stopping inflation. The machinery is in opcration and the successful operation of that machinery depends on the buyers themselves. But remem- by the wartime regulations but all are endeavoring which permit the few to do less for enjoy it. ber the ceiling price is not necessarily the price you to meet the adjustment and making no complaint. paid. It is the highest price at which the store sold the particular item between September 15 and October 11th.

Don't guess at the prices you paid. Be sure of the items before you make a complaint about the price. The merchant is just as anxious to obey the law in most cases as you are. We doubt very much if any instances will be found where a higher you were asked to make a list of most-purchased articles and the price paid at the store at which you | unfair accusations of price raising.

save you many dollars. You should know the an- 1940. swers it gives.

Boxing Day-Friday

Britain it was the custom on that day to give news correspondent in Japan. Christmas boxes to servants, policemen, postmen, etc. Lately observance of the day as a holiday has spread to Canada, but not with the same purpose in mind. Here it is seemingly observed so that shop keepers and those employed in stores have an extra holiday after Christmas to make up for the long hours given previous to the holiday. In that respect it resembles a Christmas box:

shop keepers are entitled to this extra holiday, attempted to obtain repeal votes in 87 municipalities. It will be observed in Acton this year. Remember They have won only 16 of them. In the same period, ployees, he makes himself liable for money earned in the days worked, last chapter and the epilogue deto lay in supplies sufficient for two days at Christ- 8 other municipalities where beverage rooms were both his own and the workers' back should be placed in the insurance book scribes what the chapter should have

The Community Sale

That community sale last week did just a little more than raise a substantial fund for Red Cross and Acton and vicinity War Service League. It proved an offportunity for townsfolk and those of the farming section adjacent to work together. It brought the community closer together. It showed townsfolk that farmers have a real amount of produce and they are willing to give freely of that plenty, but there are limitations to the purchasing power of wage earners too.

But it was that community spirit that was so commendible. The piles of good saleable material that required two nights of selling meant the work, and giving of many. And it was given freely. Canvassers tell us more could have been secured if it could have been brought to the sale centre.

We liked, too, the spirit of the auctioneers who conducted the sale. Everyone of them was out to help the other fellow. In these days of regulation. restriction and conscivation we may lose some of this community spirit. If we do we lose one of the finest things of our democratic way of life. Perhaps we can retain it and expand it to a wider field in our war effort. Perhaps we can broaden our community; perhaps it will take in a world community spirit. That should be the ultimate aim. -- Working together for a common good does bring out the best and the community sale was another example of this truth.

Running Down the Home Town

Some people seem to find a queer kind of satisfaction in speaking disparagingly of the community where they live. There does not seem any adequate motive for such talk. Of course, if they are trying earnestly to correct defects in the home town life, it is legitimate for them to point out faults in a constructive way, suggesting at the same time the remedies for these defects and working themselves

Sometimes people will talk about what the home who let others db their thinking, that of what has happened to the whole home ties are broken because part of the family town lacks when it seemed as if their only motive was must be on guard in far-off lands, it is a bit diffi- to show that they have higher standards than those of were smart enough. Unfortunately, of some. cult to have the Merry Christmas that should be. their townspeople. Such talk is an obstacle to pro- it is too often good politics to foster Most Canadians, on the farms, in War is directly opposite to the spirit of a Merry gress, and it creates a hopeless kind of feeling that Christmas and yet if we lose sight of Christmas and the home town is way behind so badly that it is useless to try to correct those faults.-Peel Gazette.

EDITORIAL NOTES

Merry Christmas from this corner too.

And once again the Post Office Staff came smil ing through the deluge of Christmas mail.

v . . . — - Don't make light of any of the Christmas pres- where the advances of science and in- as much for many other occupations. Drink Masales Milk-Your Assurents you receive this year. Maybe you won't do as

And the most welcome visitor in every home to- duce somehow enough for somebody. No question of health, leisure or

"If it isn't the sheriff, it's the finance company I've got more attachments on me than a vacuum cleaner."-John Barrymore.

"I am old, deaf and dotty. Go ahead with you An advertisement in last week's Free Press told plans, but leave me alone."—George Bernard Shaw, could be secured at will, could, in the value of short-hour goods is so to officers of the newly-formed Shaw Society.

Some of Acton's industries have been badly hit

Newsprint production in Canada in October, 1941, totalled 318,878 tons compared with 309,957 tons in October, 1940, and 298,276 tons in September, 1941.

Don't spoil Christmas for yourself or for anyone else. Make it a special point to drive carefully durprice is asked. In the advertisement last week ing the holiday season and don't drive if you have been drinking intoxicating liquor.

trade. This will tend to eliminate guess work and . Central electric stations in Canada produced local Employment and Claims office. 27,040,578,000 kilowatt hours of electrical energy in If you missed that ad last week, get your copy the first ten months of 1941 as against 24,971,047,and read it. It's not lengthy and it will perhaps 000 kilowatt hours in the corresponding period of

"Japan is no threat. She is a nuisance and a pest. As a brut in the backyard, we must pin her lings be followed in every case where Acts. But the equitibution would LONDON, (CP). Twenty year-old The first week-day, after Christmas is known cars down, so we can dispose of the Nazi thug in as Boxing Day. Observed for many years in Great, our front yard."-James R. Young, for 14 years a

> Not only the American isolationists who to a man changed their war sentiments, but also those strategists who told us that Japan had fatally expanded players who had erroneously excepted tribution purposes may be calculated herself and would fold immediately, will have a busy time arranging alibis .- Financial Post,

At any rate most fair minded folk will agree that. Since 1927 those opposed to local option have contributions may be deducted from tute their regular working day F r General of Canada, has wriften an mas time. Boxing Day is a holiday for Acton stores established, have voted them out. - Bowmanville



"This idea of saving electricity is swell with me . . . !"

OUR FOOD SUPPLY

WRITTEN SPECIALLY FOR C.W.N.A. NEWSPAPERS By JOHN ATKINS, Farmer-Journalist

No. 11-FARM CUSTOMERS

partial remedy for post-war ills.

tem that relieves everyone of the onough to buy the goods and services pain of thinking and eases the pain produced by those who work shorter of whatever effort is required.

and invention have led figure-minded the many. All who work longer hours economists to conclude that it would would welcome the nation-wide applibe very simple to produce all that cation of the 48 hour week, the 4 men require with very little work in hour week, the 40 hour week, all of a very short time. The great ma- which exist in Canada for some jority of us have been too busy to workers. Everyone would be delightconsider what this idea may mean to ed with the 30 hour week.

vention have been applied to pro- But it would raise the cost of living strations of the manufacture of needs would reduce production to the point the view that somebody could pro- than abate suffering. But Canada and the United States recreation is involved in the eight

different in that regard. work-week of thirty hours or less.

The belief is growing, among those more, it would be wise to take stock most of us could get by with very people as a result of our efforts to little work, if any, if our politicians unduly shorten the hours of labor

that belief. . It is being mooted as a the forests, in fishing boats, in small business, in the professions, and in Some see coming an economic sys- the homes, work long hours to earn hours. The short hours of the few .The amazing advances of science must be paid for by the long hours of

The 30 hour week would cut the In Canada and the United States, farm work-week in half. It would do duction, there have been demon- in Canada to an impossible figure. It and wants that impressively support of poverty. It would increase rather

have never yet produced and dis-, hour day, or in the forty-eight hour tributed enough of everything for week that provides a half-holiday on everybody. President Roosevelt says, Saturday and a day of rest each that at the peak of U. S. prosperity week, The production of Canada · one-third of the people were ill-hous- with an average work-week of fortyed, ill-clad and ill-fed. Canada is little eight hours would not provide an adequate national income. Reduced hours There is no doubt that a physically of work increases costs; costs that can fit, highly intelligent, well educated only be met by those who work people, living in an ideal world from longer or harder; costs that rise which any and every raw material every few years to the point where the course of fifty years, produce its out of line with long-hour goods that needs and most of its wants in a exchange breaks down and we have depression. Why not have a national Canadians are not such a people. minimum work week of forty-eight Before we get too far in policies hours until everyone in Canada can

If In Doubt Best to Consult Local Officer

local Employment and Claims Officer on a full weekly basis. In certain is insurable was emphasized to-day day week may also represent a full the three days are theref re \$5.60 and by Mr. H. G. Suffield, manager of the | week's work. According to Mr. Suffield, some however, should be made on a daily ings in Class 3. Three sixths of a employers are making their own de- hasis. For example, if a worker 43c weekly stamp should be affixed

have been made already by the Commission in a large-number of special earned \$30.00 for a full six-day week i insurable.

instance, later tried to correct the earnings for the period by six. error by deducting contributions from The same rule applies to employe si

many special instances where the on Monday, eight hours on Tuesday in England soon.

Commission's rulings were not tained, Mr. Suffield asserted. It is in connection with the collection of contributions for "broken periods." should be understood that either five or six days may represent a full week's work for an employee. De-The importance of consulting your ductions in such cases should be made

cisions as to the insurability of their earns an average of \$5 00 a day for and nine cents deducted from the three days' work in insurable em- man's earnings Mr. Suffield stated that rulings ployment, his class of contribution will be the same as a worker who cases. It is essential that these rul; (Class 7 of the 2nd schedule of the two-sixths, *respectively.

Further, it is important that such! In cases where the employee works Girl Guides. special cases should be determined for less than a week and is not paid with the least possible delay. Mr. on the same hasis for each day he Sufficial revealed that certain em- works, his weekly earnings for consome of their employees in the first by multiplying his average daily

wages retroactively. This again is working fees than the ordinary num-

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when there is doubt as to whether or special cases, where employer and and four hours on Wednesday, and is not any worker or group of workers employee are in agreement, a four- paid 40c an hour. His earnings for his average daily earnings \$1.87. Mul-Contributions for less than a week, tiplying \$1.87 by six, places his earn-

GALLANT GIBL GUIDE

they apply, because benefit, is not be only three-styths of the contribus Heather Barnes, killed in an air raid Daily, except Sunday payable if contributions have been tion for a full week and not six-sixth, after rescuing an injured nur e from Saturday only made in behalf of a worker when en- Similarly for one or two days, the the bottom of a bomb crater, was Flyer, at Guelph gaged in an employment which is not contribution would be one-sixth, or awarded posthumously the Bronze Daily, except Sunday Cross, highest Igaliantry award for

Lady Tweedsmuir Finishes Volume

LONDON, of Pr. Lady Tweeds- a5 51 am, 901 am, 1131 am; 206 contrary to the Act. Only current ber of hours which normally constitution, widow of the former Governor a worker's wages. If an employer there, a daily stamp, the class of epilogue to "children of Canada," the neglects to register insurable, em- which is determined by the hetual book was complete except for the for each day on which work is done. been. Changed in title to "The Last a daily except Sunday; b-Saturday. Still another error has arisen in For example, a man works two hours Traverse," the book will be published Sunday and holidays; c-daily except

Business Directory.

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Flyer, at Georgetown Flyer, at Guelph

9 49 a.m. 1 29 p.m. 6 46 p.m. 7.00 p.m. 11.43 pm

9.15 p.m.

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C10.53 p.m.; b11.53 p.m.

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