Of Interest to Women

Hello Homemakers! With everyone talking about the shortage of power, we are taking this opportunity to list suggestions which we strongly recommend putting into practice. Because of the inability to proceed with the development of sufficient new power sites during the war to meet the present high demands for Hydro, a critical power shortage now exists in Southern Ontario.

There are numerous ways home makers can save electricity. By employing each and every means of conservation, we shall keep every home appliance and industrial machine in operation.

Home Lighting

1. Reduce the number of lamps burning in a room which is in use to the minimum necessary for good vision.

2. Do not burn lamps in unused rooms; do not forget to turn out attic basement garage lamps and outdoor lighting.

3. Keep lamp shades and fixtures clean; dirty fixtures absorb as much as one quarter of the light.

Electric Range

1. Use kettles which fit the electric element so that the entire cooking surface is heated quickly.

2. Cook all vegetables in a small amount of rapidly boiling salted water. When the vegetable is added cover with a tight fitting lid and turn the element from High to Medium or Low.

3. When you roast meat, plan an oven dinner which can be cooked at the same time.

4. Use your pressure cooker when ever you can.

Refrigerator

1. Defrost refrigerator regularly every week or 10 days.

2. When storing food, or preparing meals make one "loading" or "unloading" do.

3. Do not use the refrigerator to store foods which should be in the pantry. Take out jams pickles and canned foods.

4. Be sure and cool hot foods before putting them in the refrigerator.

Water Heating

1. Use hot water sparingly when bathing doing dishes or laundry, do not use running hot water.

2. Do not leave hot water taps dripping, replace worn out washers.

Washing Machines

1. Soak soiled clothes in cold water.

2. Fill washing machine with hot water only to the water line.

3. Use warm water for only one rinse, a second and third rinse can be made in cold water.

Other Appliances

1. Do not leave the radio on when no one is listening.

2. Turn iron off before the ironing is completed, it will retain enough heat to finish several articles.

Pressure Cooker Meat Loaf

1½ lbs round steak, ½ lb of sausage meat, 2 eggs beaten, 2 tbsps of tomato sauce, 1 tsp salt, 1 onion, 2 carrots, 1 stalk celery, ½ cup bread crumbs, 1 tbsp fat. Grind meat twice. Add eggs and tomato sauce and salt. Chop onion, carrots and celery and add along with crumbs. Heat fat in cooker and browning forcemeat into a meatball, brown it for 2 minutes. Add 3 tbsps water. Cook 15 minutes at pressure.

Fuel Saving Oven Meal

Fish Souffle, Browned Potatoes, Beans au Gratin and Meringue Cake. Servings for 6. Temperature 325 deg. Time 1 hour 15 mins.

Time Saving Oven Meal

3 lbs Rump Beef, Spaghetti with Tomatoes, Baked Potatoes and Coconut Apple Betty. Servings for 6. Time 1 hour 40 mins. Temperature 350 degrees.

Triplicate Saucepan Set

Boiled Potatoes, Mashed Turnips and Fruit Dumplings with cold meat for entree.

For Perpetual Butter Shortage

At Winnipeg three weeks ago, the Minister of Finance was quoted as saying that price control would continue on those goods in short supply until such time as they became plentiful. This may be just another way of saying that the advisers of the present government intend, if they can, to keep price control forever. For it has become increasingly evident that price ceilings below economic level are the principal and perhaps the only deterrent to increased production.

There is no other way of getting enough butter than by lifting the price to the point where the dairy farmers again can afford to keep their cows and milk them. If there is any other way, the brainy people who advise Mr. Ilsley should long since have brought forth the idea. The same applies to domestic production of sugar, although in that commodity, the fact that we import from 50 to 80 per cent of our needs means that we haven't the control of the situation.

Even though he travels to and from his ivory tower by street car, Canada's Minister of Finance is not always aware of what goes on. For one thing it is evident to the casual observer that there has been an amazing growth in black markets within the last six months.

Consider the nail shortage. Mr. Howe says it's a mystery. Maybe Mr. St. Laurent suspects the communists of cornering the market. But the fact remains that the only substantial source of nails, perhaps also soft tin nails, is the black market. Even if the Mounties were allowed out of barracks, there aren't enough of them to enforce this and other price controls. It is still possible to buy an occasional quart of household paint, but the man who wants 40 or 50 gallons sometimes pays cash and asks no questions. The Printed Word.

THE FRIENDLY FOLKS

Many folk seem to be just overflowing with friendliness. They perform many acts which show this warm and genial number. They are sympathetic and helpful to those who have had misfortune. They greet the world with smiles and the world enjoys them and they make a great many friends.

They are very cordial to newcomers to the town and make them feel at home. They often get out of their way to show courtesy to new people, to invite them to join local organizations and take an active part in the community life. They seem naturally to want to be friends to everyone. The possession of many such folks gives a town the reputation of being a warm hearted place.

RECOLLECTIONS OF ACTON

BACK IN 1896

Taken from the Edition of The Free Press of December 24th, 1896

Rev. Father Haley will officiate at the midnight Christmas Mass.

Messrs. Cheyne & Cheyne have their new skating rink completed. The rink is 85x190' and will give ample room for a skate or game of hockey. This is the opening night.

Considerable interest was manifest in nomination meetings in the different divisions forgoed by the new County Council Act. In Division 4, D. Hutcheson, George Havill and Dr. Robertson were nominated.

Messrs. W. H. Storey & Son put in a fine new safe last week of immense proportions to accommodate their constantly extending business.

The new residences of Messrs. Alex. Earnhart and H. P. Moore are nearing completion. They will likely be occupied early in January.

MARRIED

SOMERVILLE - WILLIAMS. In Georgetown on Christmas Day, December 25, by Rev. Johnson Scott, Mr. Richard Somerville, son of Mr. Elias Somerville, to Annie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Williams.

COLLIER-CAMPBELL. At the residence of the bride's father, on Thursday, December 12th, by the Rev. D. L. Campbell, B.A., Lizzie Life, eldest daughter of Mr. George Campbell, to Mr. Wm. Collier, of Erin Village.

BACK IN 1926

From the Issue of The Free Press, of Thursday, December 30th, 1926.

Happy New Year.

Mr. J. C. Leslie and his two sons from Calgary have been guests at the home of Mr. Alex. Bell, Knox Avenue. On Christmas Day a family gathering at the home of his father, George Leslie, Treasurer of Esquesing Township, had all members of the family present for the first time in twenty years.

A disastrous fire wiped out the frame delivery barn of Councillor Atkinson early Monday morning. It was marvellous that the fire was confined to the one building. The origin is unknown and Mr. Atkinson's loss is heavy.

BORN

DUBOURNE. At Limehouse, on Sunday, December 19th, 1926, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Frederick Shelbourne, a daughter.

DIED

ARTHURS. At Norval, Man., on Monday, December 27th, 1926, Thomas Arthurs, formerly of Acton, aged 82 years.

DREDGE. On Christmas Day, 1926, at her home at Eden Mills, Rachel Wheeler, widow of the late George Dredge, in her 95th year.

BEAUTY OF THE BELLS

Many lands will hear the Christmas message rung on bells which owe their tunefulness and beauty to a "lost art." Ancient craftsmen knew the secret of true harmonic tuning, but for a long period the formula was lost, knowledge of it had died with the craftsmen. Much experiment was made to rediscover the skill of accurate tuning but not until about 30 years ago was the lost art finally found again in the bell foundries of Britain. This explains the supremacy which bells from Britain have gained throughout the world. One foundry alone in London has made bells for Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Union of South Africa, Palestine, Argentine, the West Indies, Egypt, Persia, Holland, Belgium and Malta. Old bells have been sent to Britain from many lands to be retuned according to the rediscovered formula, which has been improved upon since first it yielded up its ancient secret. The casting of bells has not changed basically since medieval days though it has advanced technically. Tuning is still the most important process in bell making.

Amateurs Build Sturdy Tugboat

Five Youths Beat Shortages To Launch 42 Foot Craft

VANCOUVER (CP). Five young amateur builders who disregarded the advice of experts today have a sturdy 42-foot tugboat launched and ready for use, despite shortages of materials and tools.

Armed with little more than a power handsaw and their own perseverance, the young men started last December to build the vessel on the beach at Hopkins Landing, B. C., on the shore of Howe Sound, about 25 miles north of Vancouver.

The hull of the vessel is made from fir logs sawn on the spot. Her ribs are of yellow cedar, and cabin fittings of mahogany. Practically all of the ship's candlery is hand made.

The tug, named the Big Horn, was built in an open cradle and launched with the aid of a tractor.

Builders and owners of the tugboat, valued at $20,000, are Ted, Dick, Don and Joe Pool and George Walsh. None of the young men is a professional shipwright, although Walsh worked in shipyards in Toronto. All came to Vancouver about three years ago from Eastern Canada.

To wish you . . just a wonderful Christmas and all Happiness in the New Year.

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