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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

THIS GUIDE-ADVOCATE welcomes all items of interest for this column. Call Phone 11, send by mail or drop them in GUIDE-ADVOCATE Letter Box.

The bargain hunters millenium has arrived.

See our bargain table of shoes.—P. Dodds & Son.

A directory just published gives Toronto a population of 597,386.

Easter Early, get in your order for Tailor made Suits.

A short essay on "Girls" dropped into our letter box Saturday was unsigned consequently went into the waste paper basket.

Saturday and Sunday were the mildest February days for some years, the lowest temperature being 25 and the highest 45.

There will be considerable work ahead of assessors this year, in view of the enrolment of women on part three of the voters list.

Elsewhere in this issue the Post Office Inspector advertises for tenders for carrying Watford Rural Mail Route No. 4. Tenders must be in by March 11th.

In West Peterboro Federal by-election held on Monday the Liberal candidate, G. N. Gordon, won by about 1200 or 1300 majority. There were five candidates in the field.

Mothers' allowances in Ontario are already lifting the shadow that has darkened many homes. No better benefaction has ever been undertaken by the province.

The Rev. Mr. McIntosh of Napier will conduct service in the Presbyterian church on Sunday morning and evening and at Knox church, Warwick in the afternoon.

Our stock of Wall Paper for this year is complete; some pretty patterns.—P. Dodds & Son.

You will not even be able to guess what values Watford dealers are offering these times unless you make it your business to read the advertisements in The Guide-Advocate.

If you have any interesting news in your neighborhood send it in to the Guide-Advocate. It may interest others. A one-cent stamp will pay the postage if marked "Printer's Copy."

A number of men and boys will have a hearing in the police court this (Thursday) afternoon for breaches of the O. T. A. George Shirley and Paul Kingston, J. P.'s will preside.

On Thursday evening, Feb. 17th, Rev. J. W. J. Andrew, rector of Trinity church, St. Thomas, will be the special preacher at the mid-week Lenten service in Trinity Church, Watford.

Sarnia defeated Glencoe 4-0 in the final intermediate O.H.A. game for group 10, on Sarnia ice Monday evening. A large crowd witnessed the game. A special train having been run from Glencoe.

There was a young man from the city who met what he thought was a kitty. He gave it a pat.

And said, "Nice little cat!"

And they buried his clothes out of pity.

Ladies if you wish your Tailor made Suit for Easter get in your order.—Swift's.

"There are two types of husbands," said my philosophic friend. "In one type the man is ruled by his wife without knowing it and in the other he knows that he is ruled."

On Sunday evenings during Lent the Rector of Trinity church will preach a series of sermons on "Life in Christ." The first of this series will be given next Sunday evening. All are invited to attend these services.

If the "awful" penalties attached to the income taxations this year are ever imposed, or even but one-tenth of them, the chances are the jails will be full or the purses of thousands will be robbed of the last penny. In any case it will be well to study the law and make a "try" at living up to it, difficult as it will be found.

The new Gingham at Swift's.

See the Counter Bargains at Swift's. Stock taking clean ups.

Hockey fans had to come home on a hand car Monday night after the Sarnia-Glencoe game.

The bottom has dropped out of the diamond market. Well, we'll try to recover from the shock.

Subscribers in the U.S. will please remember that the subscription to that country is now \$2.50 a year.

If Germs come from Germany, parasites from Paris, pain from Spain, what comes from Ireland? Mike Crobes.

Big Masquerade Carnival at the Rink next Thursday evening, Feb. 17th. Good prizes given for costumes, and a good time for everyone. See bills for the list of prizes.

The birthday party given on Thursday by the Ladies of the W. M. S. met with great success, a very tasty lunch was served and a birthday cake with its forty candles representing our fortieth anniversary of the W. M. S. of the Methodist church in Canada.

Why not paper those rooms now? Our stock is complete; all new paper is in stock. We can supply you with paper and a man to hang it.—P. Dodds & Son.

The Official Board of the Methodist church at its regular meeting this week gave a unanimous invitation to their pastor Rev. A. C. Tiffin to return for the fifth year. Very kind and complimentary references were made to the splendid services of the past. Mr. Tiffin expressed his appreciation of the kindness and hearty co-operation of the Board and congregations and his pleasure in ministering to such a splendid people.

It will pay to get our prices on storage batteries when you need a new one. We have Prest-O-Lite, Willard and Exide, and carry new ones of the most common sizes in stock that you will have no delay. We have a large number of rental batteries to fit any make of car in this vicinity, our repair equipment is complete and our prices are right.—R. Morningstar.

A project is on foot to erect a new skating rink in Watford. A meeting was held in the Progress Club on Friday night last and a list started to form a joint stock company to build a rink suitable for all purposes at a cost of about \$8000. The site for the rink has not definitely been selected. The stock is being rapidly subscribed for as a good rink would prove a profitably business venture. Another meeting will be held on Friday evening at 8 o'clock in the Progress Club rooms. All interested are invited to attend.

There will be considerable work ahead of assessors this year, in view of the enrolment of women on part three of the voters list. One township clerk is asking the assessor to make two lists, the usual and regular one, and an extra one with the names of women resident in the municipality duly qualified for enrolment. The township pays the assessor a fixed salary for his regular work and a bonus of so much a name for entering up the names of women. This assessor has an attractive incentive to procure the name of every eligible woman.

The annual congregational meeting of the Watford Presbyterian church was held on the afternoon of Friday, Feb. 4th, when reports were received from the various church organizations. The work of the women of the congregation received special commendation. The Ladies' Aid Society reported a revenue of \$596.48, most of which was expended on improvements at the Manse, where a fine porch has lately been erected. The Women's Missionary Auxiliary raised \$240.50 during the year. This included a Life Membership presented by Miss E. Minnelly, one by the Rev. E. H. Sawers and Mrs. Sawers, one by the members of the Auxiliary to Miss Spalding as one of its earliest members, and an In Memoriam presented by Dr. Sawers.

The new Prints at Swift's.

Women's Institute intend holding a St. Patrick's Tea, March 17. Particulars later.

Mrs. Ellen Thomas has sold her house and lot here on the south side of Huron street to Mrs. George Routley.

The new Galateas at Swift's.

A meeting of the Council will be held in the Council Chamber on Monday evening, Feb. 21st, at 8 o'clock to discuss Waterworks and the best means of raising additional money for completing the same. All ratepayers who are interested are requested to attend.

New Linen Towelling at Swift's.

Rev. Geo. A. MacKenzie, of Stratford, will preach in the Cong'l church on Sunday at both services. (See special announcement on this page.) You are cordially invited to attend these special services, they are intended for the whole community. Come and share in the blessing.

An organization meeting of the citizens for the coming Referendum was held in the Cong'l church on Jan. 31, and the following officers elected. Chairman, S. Stapleford; 1st vice-pres., Wm. Marwick; 2nd vice-pres., W. Raynor; secretary, G. Ballantyne; treasurer, W. H. Shrapnel. Committee—Revs. Sawers, Rayner, Steadman, Tiffin and Mr. Louks. Captain of polling division No. 1—W. H. Harper. Captain of polling division No. 2—Col. Kenward. Committee on finance—W. Marwick, Robt. Taylor, B. H. Parker, M. Thompson. The two delegates for Toronto convention will be named later.

The Rockfast Drills at Swift's.

The meeting of Tecumseh Chapter L.O.D.E. was held on Monday evening at the home of the Regent, Mrs. Fitzgerald, eleven members present. The Secretary read a letter from Nurse Reid thanking the Chapter for their kind remembrance of her, the many tokens of kindness received from the friends in the old home town have given her much joy and make it easier for her to carry on. A letter was also read from Pearson Hall acknowledging two barrels received at Christmas for the blind soldiers. After all business was disposed of a dainty lunch was served by the hostess and the members enjoyed a very pleasant social hour.

Holeproof Hosiery at Swift's.

PERSONAL

Mrs. C. R. Hudgins, Toronto, visited Watford relatives this week.

Mrs. H. Thomas spent the week end with her son and daughter at Sarnia.

Mrs. A. G. Shay, Detroit, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Nash.

Mrs. Armstrong, Toronto, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. N. Bennett, returned to her home on Monday.

Miss Rae McCormick left Tuesday for Almonte to visit her sister who is Supt. of the R. M. Hospital of that place, also will visit friends in Ottawa, North Bay and Toronto.

DEATH OF FORMER WATFORD BOY

A very sad death occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williamson, 157 Euphemia street Sarnia when their eldest son, Harold L., was called to his last reward. Deceased who was in his eleventh year was a bright and cheerful little fellow, who won a place in the hearts of all with whom he came in contact which was testified by the many and beautiful floral offerings.

Harold leaves to mourn his demise his parents and little brother Kenneth, who have the sincere sympathy of a host of friends. The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Canon Davis.

Among those who attended the funeral were friends from Toronto, London and Watford.

The pallbearers were six little classmates, James Campbell, George Willoughby, Earl Miner, Jas. Couse, M. Roberts and G. Gowrie. Interment took place at Lakeview cemetery.

SALE REGISTER

Thursday, Feb. 17, farm stock, of E. E. Showler, Brooke. See ad.

Saturday, Feb. 12, buggies, cutters, harness, etc. The property of J. F. Elliot. See ad.

CHOP STUFF

The Alvinston smallpox epidemic is about over.

St. Thomas will tax male dogs five dollars and female dogs fifteen dollars per year.

Dr. McDonald of Theford broke two ribs by falling down cellar through a trap door in his drug store.

L. W. Oke, M. P. P. for East Lambton, has been added to the public accounts committee of the Ontario Legislature.

Aldborough township council at its next meeting will deal with the proposition to abolish statute labor in that municipality.

The County Council accepted the tender of the Canadian Printing Co. Sarnia, for the county printing at \$692 for the year 1921.

Charles McCurdy, salesman at the U. F. O. stock yards in Toronto, advises the farmers not to sell their stock now but to hold it over until April when better prices would prevail.

A farmer was in St. Thomas last week looking for men to cut cordwood in his woods, and offered a whole winter's employment at the rate of over \$6 per day. He couldn't get a man.

The death occurred Monday of James Bowlby, one of Stratroy's oldest and most esteemed residents, aged 93 years. He was an Englishman by birth and for many years did business as a builder and contractor. He was in the town council for 20 years.

Miss Aggie McKeller, of Port Huron, passed away last Saturday evening after a long illness. She formerly lived in Plympton and was a sister of Mrs. James Dodge. Her brother, Dan McKellar, died last summer. She has made her home in Port Huron for many years.

Thomas Pike, a young married man living on a side street running from Alberta west, gashed his throat with a razor Monday night. Although the gash was over four inches in length, hopes are entertained for his recovery. He was removed to the hospital. Dr. McDougall and McCabe attended him. Mr. Pike married a London girl about three years ago.—Strathroy Dispatch.

While walking along the roadway driving a horse on Tuesday morning Emerson Orr, of Thamesville, received very painful injuries when the animal suddenly reared and kicked the young man in the face, fracturing the bone and causing deep lacerations. He also received several cuts over the eye. The wounds were attended to by a local physician who found it necessary to put in several stitches to close the wounds.

Sarnia ranks well, in fact better than many cities of similar size and also many larger cities throughout the Dominion of Canada in a recent summary of trade conditions published by Bradstreets Limited. The wholesale and jobbing trade is reported as fair; retail trade, good, manufacturing and industry and collections, good. The remarks column of the report states that business men are hopeful. Compared with report of the twelve other cities listed the Imperial City trade conditions as a whole rank highest.

Nearly four hundred Masons representing many lodges throughout the district and cities and towns of other jurisdictions attended the dedication of the Masonic Hall, Sarnia, on Wednesday night of last week. The impressiveness of the beautiful ceremony and the occasion will ever be remembered by those who attended. The dedication of their new home is one of the most important events in the history of Masonry which had its inception in Sarnia in 1854, since that time its growth has been marvellous, and from a membership of fifteen which represented the total of that year has grown until at the present time there are some eight hundred members. The first W. M. was W. P. Vidal.

WEEK OF SPECIAL SERVICES

In the Congregational Church, Watford, commencing Sunday, Feb. 13th, Rev. Geo. A. MacKenzie, of Stratford, will conduct a week of Special Services. He will preach on Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. and conduct two services each day from Monday to Friday (inclusive). Each afternoon at 3 p.m. there will be "Talks on The Lord's Return," and each evening at 8 p.m. "God's Glorious Evangel." Mr. MacKenzie is a splendid preacher and a sound Bible Teacher. You should hear his messages. Bright Song Service each evening. Come and "Get Right With God."

ST. VALENTINE SUPPER

The ladies of the Watford Presbyterian church will serve a hot supper at the home of Mrs. R. E. Prentis on St. Valentine's Day, Monday, February 14th, from 5 to 7.30 p.m. Admission 35 cents.

SEE "UNCLE TOM"

ON VALENTINE NIGHT

Watford is to have a rare treat on Monday night the 14th, when Stetson's Big Uncle Tom's Cabin Co. appears at the Lyceum. This is an extraordinary company of 25 artists—Band, Orchestra, Etc. It is the original of all Uncle Tom Companies the one that plays the big cities of the States year after year. This season is the first four through Canada they have just finished playing the Trans Canada Circuit of theatres and are filling in a week in the smaller towns before going back to the States. Patrons of the Lyceum next Monday can feel assured they will see Uncle Tom produced as they have never seen it before—a full and complete cast is carried as is a complete set of scenery and mechanical effects. Many new specialties are introduced and the colored quartette is a feature. The Lyceum should be crowded Monday to see this grand old play. A street parade is given at the noon hour.

COMING TO WATFORD

The Bert Johnston big magic and fun show that for the past two seasons have been delighting and mystifying the public throughout Ontario will pay us a visit on Friday and Saturday night, February 11 and 12. This company has one of the best shows on the road and comes to us endorsed by press and public from every city and town visited both last season and this. Bert Johnston, who is one of the Master Magicians, has devoted twenty-five years of his life to his mysterious work and startling and mysterious are the many tricks and illusions performed by him. The company carry all their own stage scenery and setting and have a company of world renowned artists. Amongst them is to be found Muriel the Great White Mahatma, a woman that can see into the great beyond and talks to the spirits of spirits. Muriel, for years a big feature attraction over the Keith vaudeville circuits has been secured by Mr. Johnston as a feature attraction at a great expense. Salvail, known the world over as the Card King, was for years with the great Barnum circus and other acts is ventriloquism. A family of Blockheads with their funny sayings keep one roaring with laughter while the hand cuff king box mystery illusions and the music by the company's own orchestra furnish a night's amusement seldom we have the good fortune to behold. There will be a complete change of show on Saturday night.

Report. of S. S. No. 9, Brooke, for January, 1921. Class IV Sr.—Alma Johnston, Gladys Zavitz, Orville Shugg, Class IV Jr.—Edna Dolbear, Kathleen Annett, Clayton Chittick, Clifford Edgar (absent). Class III Jr.—Cecil Dolbear. Class II—Vera Johnston, Harold Annett. Primor—Ralph Annett, Chas. Annett.—A. M. COWAN, Teacher.

DIED

In Sarnia, on Saturday, Feb. 5th, 1921, Harold L. son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williamson, in his 11th year.