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## LOCAL HAPPENINGS

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

Pay your account for 1920 at Swift's this week.

The boys are happy now. Charlie Chaplin was here Wednesday.

The dealer who has confidence in his goods and prices will advertise them.

Next Wednesday, Feb. 9th, will be Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.

It is cheaper to buy a license than pay costs because the law will be enforced.

License Inspector Culvert was here Wednesday looking for booze runners.

Don't advertise on fences. Cows don't spend any money, and motorists go too fast to read.

It is not always a sign that a man is henpecked when his wife calls him pet names in public.

No more half holidays until the good old summer time. Stores open Wednesday afternoons.

No sleighing—autos are as plentiful on the roads as they have been during the past two months.

The steel supports for the waterworks standpipe are erected and the material on the ground for its completion.

If there happens to be a bear anywhere in this district it would have been unable to see its shadow on Wednesday.

Women may be growing taller, but you have to handle them very carefully in the mornings, or else they get very short.

The only paper that has The Guide-Advocate beaten for popularity is the green kind printed by the bank note people.

2 gal. Oil Cans \$1.35. 5 gal. Oil Cans \$2.25. No. 1 Tub \$1.75. No. 2 \$2.00. No. 3 \$2.25, all best galvanized.—N. B. Howden Est.

Calra Kimball Young in "Eyes of Youth" and Charlie Chaplin in "The Rink" amused a large audience in the Lyceum Wednesday evening.

There will be morning service in Trinity church next Sunday and a celebration of the holy communion. Sermon for young people.

The four commodities out of the list of 76 which have not come down in price are newsprint paper, wood pulp, pulp wood and bananas.

Young Wife—Are my doughnuts like those your mother used to make? Hub (sampling them)—Well—er—the holes are just the same.

Buy made-in-Canada goods and buy them in Watford. This will help to right the exchange situation and give employment to Canadian workmen.

Special price on Cane Mola. In order to make room in our mill we have reduced the price to 42 cents per gallon. Order now.—Trenouth & Co.

So long as you have brains enough not to fall out with your neighbor over politics or religion, you will probably get by if you are willing to work.

Rural Canada says: "Price advertising by local merchants in local papers is the 'hook' that lands the customers and moves the goods off the shelves."

O'Cedar Mops \$1.25 to \$1.75. Vacuum Cleaners and Sweepers combined \$7.50. O'Cedar Oil and Liquid Veneer still 25 and 50 cents.—At Howden's.

If you owe Tom an account, pay him. Then Tom can pay Dick, Dick can pay Harry, and Harry can pay somebody he happens to owe. Don't put it off. Do it now.

Mrs. H. Durstan received a message from His Majesty King George this week on behalf of her son Pte. Charles Lawrence who was killed in action Sept. 29, 1918.

A Northern hockey league game will be played on the Watford rink this (Thursday) evening between Sarnia and Watford. Puck faced at 8 p.m. sharp. Admission 50 and 25 cents.

Rev. Father Gnam of Wyoming, has been appointed to take charge of the parish of Aylmer and has assumed his new duties.

No reader should get the idea that because some project is given prominence in the news columns, it follows that the paper approves of it. In fact the reverse is often the case.

A woman walking along Broadway in New York, suddenly stopped and shrieked, "Oh, you vile man. Officer arrest that man!" Immediately every man within hearing began to run.

An exchange says:—"Have you noticed the little joker on your late telephone bill?" In effect it says "We'll take this now and if we can get away with it we'll be back for more later."

The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered in connection with the morning service next Sunday in the Methodist church. A large attendance is looked for. The pastor is in charge.

The Petrolia public school board appointed Mr. Mahon, principal of the Watford public school, on the Entrance Board, provided the Watford B. of E. appointed Mr. Kelly of Petrolia their representative.

The regular meeting of Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. J. McKeher, Wednesday evening, February 9th. Roll call will be answered by a verse on Valentine. Members will please remember the date.

There will be a meeting of the Watford Horticultural Society in the Library basement next Tuesday evening, Feb. 8th, at eight o'clock at which matters of importance will be taken up. A large attendance is requested.

Col. and Mrs. Kenward, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McLaren, Mr. and Mrs. John McCormick, Mrs. Joshua Thomas, Mrs. A. J. Hagle, J. F. Elliot and Miss Ella McLeay went to Alvinston last Saturday to attend the funeral of the late Mrs. P. A. McDiarmid.

Mrs. Bender, who is living with Mrs. Clark of St. Clair street, is one of the claimants for a share of the celebrated Baker millions. The original Baker of Philadelphia, was a brother of the husband of Mrs. Bender's grandmother, and Mrs. Bender has documents to prove her direct descent.

If an editor put in his paper all the items some of his readers wish inserted he would not be long out of jail, and if he suppressed all the items that others of his readers would like to see suppressed the rest of the people would not read the paper. So there you are. What's the poor man going to do?

Preparatory service will be held in the Presbyterian church, Watford, on Friday of this week commencing at 2 o'clock. At the close of the service the annual meeting of the congregation will be held. On Sabbath morning the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed at the usual hour of service.

Rev. W. J. Knox, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, London, well known throughout Ontario died on Thursday night of last week. He was one of the most energetic workers in the London Presbytery, a forceful speaker and particularly interested in young peoples' work. He was born near St. Marys.

Don't forget that that storage battery of yours needs first class attention through the winter months.

We have every thing necessary to give first class service on all makes of batteries. We use Canadian made material and so can give you the highest grade material at a saving of duty and exchange. Let us store your battery this winter.—Ray Morningstar.

'Twas Whittier who wrote: "When I am dead, if men can say 'He helped the world upon its way,' If they can say—if they but can—'He did his best; he played the man; His way was straight; his soul was clean; His failings not unkind, nor mean; He loved his fellow-men, and tried To help them,' I'll be satisfied."

Don't delay paying your past due account at Swift's.

The regular annual meeting of Lambton's 149 I.O.D.E. will be held at the home of Miss Allie McCormick on Tuesday next February 8th at 3 p.m.

February 9th is Fisherman's Day—National Fish Day, designed to commemorate the thousands of brave fishermen who daily risk their lives to furnish us with food, and also to develop greater respect for the nutritive and economic value of fish as an item in one's diet. Let everyone whether in the habit of eating fish or not, give it the premier place in the National Fish Day meals.

There is considerable complaint from our Toronto subscribers that they often do not receive their copy of the Guide-Advocate until the Saturday and sometimes Monday after publication. The papers are mailed here on Thursday afternoon and go east on the 5.45 p.m. train and should be in Toronto the next day. The delay must occur in the Toronto postoffice and the inspector of the district should look into the matter.

In the Cong'l church on Sunday the pastor, Rev. T. DeCoursey Rayner, is continuing his series of messages on Real Religion, leading up to the week of special services commencing Sunday, Feb. 13th, (see other announcement in this issue). The topics for Sunday are 11 a.m. "The Fire of God," a message to Christians. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper follows this service, 7 p.m. "The Best Religion". Come and learn what this is. You are cordially invited to each of the services.

Last Wednesday, Jan. 26th, the flower lovers of Watford enjoyed a treat. Dr. Bennet, President of the St. Thomas Horticultural Society, gave a lecture entitled "Cook's Tour of St. Thomas," accompanied by many fine lantern slides. The lecture showed progress made by St. Thomas Society in beautifying their city and should act as an incentive to the local society. The membership roll was increased by about forty members but there is still room for many more. All are requested to attend the meeting next week.

## PERSONAL

Mr. Richard Moore Jr., was in London and Toronto this week on business.

Mr. John Stange, of Claresholm, Alta., is a visitor at the home of Mr. John Stumpf.

Mrs. N. B. Howden is spending the balance of the winter with relatives in London.

Mrs. A. C. Tiffin has been quite sick with tonsillitis but she is recovering nicely.

Mrs. John Sedwick, Sarnia, visited at the home of Mr. Charles Manning, Front street, last week.

Dr. Norman Roche, Chicago, passed through Watford Monday on his way to Toronto to see his father, Mr. David Roche.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Brison, of Vancouver, called on relatives and friends in Arkona and Watford this week.

Miss Diana Dodds, Detroit, and Mr. Samuel Dodds, Toronto, are here to see their father, Mr. Geo. Dodds, who is confined to the house by severe illness.

Mr. T. Roche went to Toronto last Sunday to see his brother, David who is seriously ill. While in the city he called on Mr. Frank Hillis, Mr. John Restorick and other well-remembered Watford old boys, and reports them all well and happy with a warm spot still in their hearts for the old town.

## WARWICK

James Coughlin of Warwick Village, died at Sarnia last week.

Dr. R. J. Seymour of Philadelphia, Pa., is spending a few days at his old home near Arkona.

Miss Sadie Barnes of London Normal spent the week end at her home on the Main road.

## CHOP STUFF

John Leckie succeeds the late John B. Woodhall as County Treasurer. Alton Ryckman, reeve of Delaware, is the new warden of Middlesex.

J. M. Morris has been appointed Assessor of Petrolia at a salary of \$450 a year.

The county council fixed the salary of the superintendent of highways at \$1500 a year and up to \$50 a month for expenses. Also supply an auto.

Mrs. Rachel Mussell died at her home in Merrickville, Ont., last week. She was a sister to J. George Ormrod, of Biggar, Sask., formerly of Sarnia.

At the request of the Civil Service Commission it is expected that the Legislature will pass a bill raising the legal age for marriage of male 21 instead of 18.

Walter C. Nichol who was recently made lieutenant-governor of British Columbia, is the youngest son of the late Robert Nichol, who some years ago resided at Wardsville.

Nelson Baker, of Fullarton, was cutting wood in the bush when his axe caught in a limb over his head and in coming down struck him on the instep, making a nasty gash, which required several stitches in order to close the wound.

Alvin Brooks, a Petrolia oil operator recently returned from foreign fields, died suddenly Saturday of heart failure. He had just completed arrangements to go to Trinidad to follow up oil developments in that island. He was unmarried.

The contract for the construction of the new hotel in London at a cost of about \$800,000 has been awarded to the Frid Construction Company of Toronto. The building will be ten storeys high. Work has already commenced on the raising of the old building on the site.

Mary Ann Perry, a former resident of Forest, died in Vancouver, B.C., on January 18th, aged 67 years, after a few days' illness. The remains were brought to Forest for interment. Mrs. W. Evans, Warwick, was a sister and Ben. McCordie, Bosanquet townline, is a brother. Her husband died 25 years ago.

The funeral of the late Peter Salisbury took place from his home, Egremont Road, Plympton, on Wednesday afternoon, January 19th. Deceased was aged 67 years and leaves a widow and three daughters, Mrs. R. Spooth, Mrs. T. Jones and Miss Eva, all of Detroit; also five sons, Ephraim of Detroit; Henry, Richard's Landing; Merkel of Brigiden; Alvin of Sarnia, and Fred of Camlachie.

Kenneth, the 14-year-old son of Mrs. Ellen Symington, of the eighth line of Plympton, was found dead in the barn Thursday at noon, hanging by a rope attached to a ladder. The boy was of a cheerful disposition and the theory of suicide is not generally believed. It is thought that the boy had been playing or experimenting with the rope and had met with an accident or carried his experiment too far. Mrs. Symington is a widow.

According to the latest Ontario government report issued November, 1920, there are six schools with an average attendance of one; fourteen schools with an average attendance of two; twenty-seven schools with an average attendance of three; fifty-three schools with an average attendance of four; ninety schools with an average attendance of five, and 942 schools with an average attendance of ten or under.

Official notice is given by the Department of Agriculture of a quarantine of "corn fodder or corn stalks—including broom corn, whether used for packing or for other purposes, green sweet corn, roasting ears, corn on the cob, or corn cobs," grown in certain townships of Welland, Haldimand, Oxford, Huron, Elgin, Middlesex and Kent Counties in Ontario, because of the prevalence of the European corn borer in those townships and the danger of its introduction into other portions of the Province by reason of the shipment of the corn and corn products.

Mrs. Albert Spearman is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Robert Campbell Warwick, this week. She will also visit in Watford before returning home.—Forest Standard.

In Zion Cong'l Church the sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed at the close of the regular afternoon service. The pastor, Rev. T. DeC. Rayner, will preach. Everybody welcome.

Mr. Frank Waller died on Wednesday, Feb. 2nd, in his 35th year. The funeral will take place from his residence, Warwick Village, on Friday at 2 p.m. to St. Mary's cemetery.

Preparatory service will be held in Knox church, Warwick, on Friday, at 8 p.m. and on Sabbath afternoon the Lord's Supper will be observed. Rev. John Moore will conduct the services on Friday and Sabbath at both places.

Every owner of a dog who neglects to have a license on their dog are liable to a fine of not less than \$10 and not more than \$25. Tags can be secured from the assessor when he calls.

Russell, the seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Harper, 9th side road, had the ends of three fingers of his left hand taken off in a cutting box last Saturday. The unfortunate little lad and his sister were playing with the machine, and it is thought he put his hand in the knife while his sister turned the handle of the box.

The Zion Methodist Women's Missionary Auxiliary held their January meeting at the home of Mrs. James Wynne. There were 12 members and three visitors present. The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. T. A. Gault on Thursday, Feb. 10th, at 2.30 p.m. A bale of warm clothing will be packed and any articles of clothing will be gratefully received.

On January 25th a very interesting address was given at the home of Mrs. John McCormick, Kingscourt, by Miss Flora Foster, of Toronto, Sec.-Treas. of the Zenana Bible and Medical Mission. A large number were present. A dainty lunch was served by the hostess and the meeting was brought to a close by singing and prayer. The regular meeting of the Kingscourt Missionary Society will be held at the home of Mrs. Fred Bryce on Feb. 3rd.

WEEK OF SPECIAL SERVICES

On Sunday, Feb. 13th, the Rev. Geo. A. MacKenzie, pastor of the Congregational Church, Stratford, Ont., is commencing a week of special services in the Congregational Church, Watford. Mr. MacKenzie will preach at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. on the Sunday (Feb. 13th) and will conduct two meetings each day from Monday, Feb. 14th to Friday Feb. 18. Each afternoon at 3 p.m. there will be "Talks on the Lord's Return" and each evening at 8 p.m. an Evangelist service. Keep these dates free.

Mr. MacKenzie is a good preacher and a sound Bible Teacher. You should hear him.

## THE GYPSY MAID

The audience at the Lyceum on Saturday night was delighted with the musical operetta "The Gypsy Maid," by a Toronto company brought to town by Lambton chapter 149, I.O.D.E. The program from first to last was delightful and varied, and there was not a dull moment during the performance. In their fascinating costumes the dainty dancers charmed their audience, while Miss Pearl O'Neil's brilliant readings brought hearty applause.

In the choruses their voices blended in harmony and the operatic numbers from "The Mikado," "Bohemian Girl," "Ziegfeld Follies" and "The Chocolate Soldier" were a rare treat to a Watford audience, and proved that just as good music can be furnished by Canadian artists as that rendered by those imported from the U. S. and the money spent kept in our own country. On Sunday evening a quartette of the company gave a sacred concert in the Lyceum when the audience enjoyed singing rarely heard in a small town.