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East Lambton Fall Fair

WATFORD

WEDNESDAY and THURSDAY
OCTOBER 2nd and 3rd

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.

SEE THE NEW FORDSON TRACTOR and Plow at R. MORNINGSTAR'S. a23f

THANKSGIVING DAY was being fixed for Monday, Oct. 14th.

SMART STYLES in young men's and boys' clothing.—SWIFT'S.

The U. S. will go dry on July 1st. Manufacture of beer prohibited after Dec. 1st.

THE MERCHANTS BANK people intend opening the new building to the public next Tuesday, Sept. 17th.

The cool atmosphere on Tuesday morning reminded one of the frost that occurred a year ago on that date.

THERE is almost as much daylight after six o'clock now as there was in the middle of July under the old time.

THRIFT EXHIBIT and School Fair in the Armory to-day, Friday. An attractive list of prizes is offered. Don't fail to attend.

TOWN MERCHANTS should prepare to make a display of their goods at the Watford Fair and thereby advance its attractiveness.

CHI-NAMHI is still to be had for refinishing floors, woodwork and furniture, let us explain its merits or ask a neighbor who has used it.—T. DODDS & SON.

THE CAUTION to use little sugar in preserving is easy to comply with. One can't get the sugar to use unless the brown grade is used.

THE EAST LAMBTON Teachers' Association will meet in Petrolia, Oct. 9 and 10. Addresses will be delivered by Mr. White of London Normal.

"DO YOUR BIT" for the Watford Fair. If it is only a big pumpkin or squash, bring it in. It will interest someone and help to make the fair a success.

THE RAILWAY wreck at Kerwood attracted a large number of Watford people on Sunday. The devastation wrought was a surprise to many.

ECONOMIZE by using one of our Food Choppers. Quality high, price low. Two makes, two sizes, old stock.—T. DODDS & SON.

HAVELOCK LODGE will hold a Past Masters' night next regular meeting, Sept. 17th, when the resident past masters of the lodge will confer the third degree.

Grocers have been notified that proprietors of boarding houses and restaurants feeding 15 people or more, must present cards at the grocery store for delivery of sugar.

A PLATOON of the Salvation Army from Stratford gave an open air service from the band stand on Monday night. They had a good crowd of hearers and the kiddies were delighted with the band, not having heard one for some time.

SEE the fall fairs and buy your clothing at SWIFT'S.

THERE are only two things that are sold in Watford at the same price now as four years ago. They are telephone service and advertising space in the Guide-Advocate. And the Bell Telephone Company is applying for permission to raise its rates.

SOME TOWN people are getting more brown sugar on hand than they know what to do with. This may be the means of teaching them to use the inferior grade in many ways not hitherto thought of. Economy is the watchword and the food control board regulations may bring good results in more ways than the immediate conservation of granulated sugar.

U. S. PUBLISHERS have been ordered to cut down on the use of paper, and a similar order will likely be issued to publishers of Canada dailies. If the colored fool pages were cut out of the Sunday editions it would not only effect a big saving of paper but would be a welcome change for most people.

EXPEL the chill and dampness with a Perfection Oil Heater. Nothing better made, in three styles and two sizes to choose from.—T. DODDS & SON.

THE QUARTERLY CONFERENCE of the Baptist Ministers of Middlesex and Lambton will meet in the Baptist Church Tuesday afternoon and evening and Wednesday morning of next week. Interesting papers on important subjects will be discussed. Rev. P. G. Buck will preach Tuesday evening. The public is cordially invited to the three sessions.

TRINITY CHURCH Sunday School picnic announced for Tuesday of last week and postponed on account of unfavorable weather was held on Friday and some 60 children and their friends enjoyed an afternoon in Gavigan's woods, near the Elarton Salt Works. The afternoon was largely enjoyed by the little folks who indulged in races, ball playing, fishing, bathing, etc. The spot selected proved an ideal place for picnicking.

THRIFT EXHIBIT in the Armory Friday afternoon and evening.

THANKSGIVING DAY is the only legal holiday between now and Christmas.

OUR Work Shirts and Overalls are the best values in the county.—SWIFT'S.

PUPILS and teachers of rural schools are invited to attend the School Fair in the Armory, Watford, on Friday.

"LET'S GO FOR A LITTLE DRIVE," is a suggestion that no longer meets with enthusiasm in the Teutonic mind.

ON ACCOUNT of the Thrift Exhibit the Epworth League of the Methodist Church will be withdrawn this week.

THE LADIES' AID of the Watford Methodist Church intends to serve lunch in Mrs. White's store on the afternoon of the day of the Watford Fair.

POLARINE CUP GREASE. Cylinder Oil, etc. at the old prices. The new prices will surprise you.—T. DODDS & SON.

HARVEST Thanksgiving services will be held in Trinity Church on Sunday, Sept. 22nd. The Rev. Prof. Wright, M.A., of London, will preach.

Mrs. H. DURSTON has received word that her son, Pte. George Lawrence, has been wounded, having been shot in the head, and is now in a French hospital. This is the second time he has been wounded.

THE SALE of the house and effects of the late Thomas Norris on Saturday afternoon was well attended and fair prices realized. The house, barn and lot were knocked down to John McIntosh for \$430.00.

THE MERCHANTS BANK OF CANADA will open up for business in their new premises on Tuesday, the 17th inst., and invite the general public to give them a call whether they have business to transact or not.

MAIL CARRIERS have again been cautioned that they must not take money placed in mail boxes for the purpose of purchasing stamps or lift letters having no stamps thereon. Senders of letters must purchase the stamps and affix them to the letters.

CANDY manufacturers in Canada have used, in the past, eleven percent of all the sugar consumed in Canada. This has been reduced to a maximum of 5 1/2 percent by the Canada Food Board, owing to the sugar situation.

Relatives in Canada who advertise for the whereabouts of missing soldiers, are warned by the British war department to beware of impostors who have been supplying fictitious particulars and swindling people. Relatives are asked to refer to the war office for confirmation of the information in all cases.

GET your Hats and Caps for the fall fairs at SWIFT'S.

MAKE a few entries at our local fair. The prizes are not the real reason for the fair. The real reason is to compare work, produce and to show what this section of the county is doing. Place your work alongside that of your neighbor's at the fair and you will receive an incentive to do better next year. It is only by comparison that we can judge our own work.

THE WATFORD PATRIOTIC LEAGUE met on Thursday afternoon in the Library basement. All the new work was finished and a bale packed containing quilts, pillows, new and old clothing. The bale was valued at \$120 and was sent to the Belgian Relief. There were 45 pairs of socks sent to Mrs. Reed, of Toronto. Miss Mildred Fulcher kindly donated \$1.00, which she made by selling little silk bags. We appreciate her gift very much.—SEC.

IN ENGLAND the servant girl question is not less serious than it is here. Such is the difficulty of inducing girls to enter domestic service that a new name has been invented for such service in the hope of making it more acceptable to young women. Domestic servants are now called "household orderlies." The name has a military flavor, in keeping with the times.

SOMETHING drastic in sugar regulations for those who have to dine out in restaurants and hotels is announced by the Canada Food Board. The circular says that no more than two pounds of sugar must be used for each 90 meals, and restaurants figure that this means one teaspoonful for each meal. If a man or woman now orders coffee and a cereal for breakfast, the person must make the one teaspoonful do for both.

ALEX. MAVITY, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Mavity, of Vancouver, B.C., and nephew of Mrs. Carl A. Class of Watford, has enlisted in the "Snowball Unit" at Vancouver for service with the Siberian Corps. Cadet Walter Strangway, of Windsor, another nephew of Mrs. Class, is now on leave preparatory to going overseas with a detachment of the Royal Air Force. Each of these young men have a brother in France on active service.

THE PRIZE LISTS of East Lambton Fall Fair are ready for distribution. Get one from the Secretary, Col. Kenward, look over the prizes offered and make preparations to exhibit some article or animal at the fair on October 2 and 3. The prizes in some cases are more liberal than last year and some extra ones will be found in the list. The list of special prizes will be published later and no doubt many of them will be worth trying for. The exhibition is for the people and the success of the fair depends largely on the efforts of the people in the way of making exhibits. Do your part and the success of the fair is assured.

R. J. FOSTER, of Kerwood, is reported "gassed."

OUR Ladies' Coats are the finest looking and closest priced in Ontario.—SWIFT'S.

MISS MINNELLY has received her first shipment of hats. She will gladly show them to anyone wanting a hat at once.

QUITE a few of the Wednesday half-holidays have been wet ones this year, but not the kind of wet prevalent a few years ago.

WATFORD'S contribution to the Navy League averaged nearly one dollar per capita, the largest average we have yet seen reported.

SECRETARIES of all Societies will please remember that notices of their meetings published in these columns are charged for at five cents per line, minimum 25 cents.

THERE being no quorum at the regular meeting of the Council the first Monday in the month the tax rate for 1918 was not struck. Rumor says that the rate will be about 38 1/2 mills on the dollar.

THE WESTERN FAIR drew a large number of people from this section this week. Most of them travelled by auto, the number going by railway being about one-third of what it was some years ago.

THE FUEL CONTROLLER'S ORDER requesting auto owners not to use their cars on Sundays should save a lot of gasoline for the boys overseas and also enhance the church attendance. Hitch up the old grey mare and go to church.

REV. S. P. IRWIN was in London last Monday and Tuesday attending the annual meeting of Huron College Alumni Association. On Monday the principal address was given by Rev. Canon Smith rector of Saskatoon, on "The Outlook of Colleges in the West," and on Tuesday Rev. Captain Appleyard and Rev. H. Herbert spoke on "Experiences of a Chaplain at the Front." Rev. S. P. Irwin, rector of Watford, president of the Alumni, presided at all the sessions.

THE AMHERSTBURG Echo of last week says: "Miss Brison, P. S. teacher, arrived in Amherstburg from Watford Monday not knowing that the opening of school had been postponed a week. She has placed her resignation in the hands of the trustees, and as soon as they secure a substitute will leave for Toronto to enter the Deaconesses Training School to complete her course. Miss Evelyn McLachlan, another of the staff, has also resigned her position, and expects to remain in her home town, Glencoe, this coming term."

GEORGE HAYHURST, son of Fred H. Hayhurst, of Toronto, and grandson of the late Rev. Hayhurst, a former pastor of the Watford Methodist Church, is making good as a soldier of the King. The young man who is just nineteen years old was attending Toronto University and enlisted with the University unit. He left Toronto on May 1st for Halifax and in three and a half months after enlisting as a private he has been taken from the ranks to be prepared for a commission in the artillery, the branch that requires the highest standard of efficiency of any arm of the service.

PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Wishart, Montreal, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. R. G. Kelly.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mitchell and son Jack, of Prince Albert, Sask., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Angus Mitchell.

Mrs. A. G. Brown returned on Friday from Saskatoon, where she spent a couple of months with her son, Arthur.

Mr. Wm. Dougherty, Hagersville, spent a couple of days this week with his mother here.

Mrs. Swanson and Miss Swanson, of Detroit are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Pritchett.

Mr. Guy Strangway and Cadet Walter Strangway, Windsor, are visiting their aunt Mrs. Carl Class.

J. J. Cox, proprietor of the Dominion House, London, was a Watford visitor on Friday.

Mr. John Cowan, K. C. has returned from an extensive trip through the West, and was at his Watford office on Saturday last.

Mr. James Salter, Palmerston, is spending a few days the guest of his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Willoughby, Front St.

Mrs. T. B. Taylor returned last week from Saskatoon where she spent the summer with her daughter, Mrs. T. W. Hansford.

Mr. Ben Craig left on Tuesday for Strathclair, Man., where he has accepted a position with the Grain Growers' Association.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harper visited relatives in Chatham last week and also visited their daughter, Miss Alena, trained nurse in the Children's Free Hospital, Detroit.

Major R. Gibson, M. D., Moose Jaw, who was down in Lobo to see his mother, called on old Watford friends this week. The Major is President of the Standing Medical Board of Moose Jaw Military District, and as always, is deeply interested in all military matters.

Forest has been allotted 2175 tons of coal.

Strathroy council will appoint a fuel controller. The town will get 67 cars of coal.

THRIFT EXHIBIT AND SCHOOL FAIR

Watford Armory, Friday, Sept. 13th
Afternoon and Evening
Slogan: "Hoe to Beat the Kaiser."

Afternoon parade will leave the Armory corner at 2 o'clock.

On short notice some members of the Watford Band have kindly consented to help in the procession. Irene Anderson and Roy McAllister, London pipers and dancers, will be in the parade and afterwards take part in the program both afternoon and evening at the Armory.

Tecumseh Chapter, I. O. D. E., and other patriotic societies in town will be represented. The Red Cross float will be worth while. Boys and girls are making entries on their vegetables, etc., freely, but the character costumes will come as a surprise.

Neil McDougall, East Lambton Inspector, W. P. McDonald, Agricultural representative, and John Farrell, fall fair expert, have all accepted invitations to be present. Miss Gormley will judge the art.

It will be considered an honor if all the boys in khaki from Watford and vicinity will be present. A cordial invitation is extended to them.

Names of winners of prizes for gardens will be announced by the judges in the afternoon and the baby show will also be held.

Ice cream cones, pop corn, etc., at the booth, also a cup of tea and cake.

Musical program both afternoon and evening. Patriotic songs and recitations judged in the evening.

The Armory will be open to receive exhibits from 4 to 6 and 7.30 to 9 p.m. on Thursday and until 10 a.m. Friday. Get your exhibits in early and facilitate the work of the committees. No entry fee charged.

Admission—afternoon 10c, evening 15c
Everyone invited. Prize list is between \$95 and \$100 and we need your dimes to make expenses. Don't wait for a special invitation. Everybody help.—SEC.

Railway Wreck Near Kerwood

One of the most disastrous wrecks on this section of the Grand Trunk occurred Saturday night about 9.25 o'clock, one and a half miles west of Kerwood, when twenty-four cars of a train of 42 cars jumped the track, completely demoralizing traffic. The roadbed and rails on both east and westbound tracks were torn up for more than sixty rods, the rails being twisted like ribbons, and one rail thrown over the fence into the adjoining field. The cars, which were filled with corn, oats, coal and tobacco, were thrown in all directions, and their contents strewn over the ground.

The train was castbound and in charge of Conductor Pinkney, of Sarnia. The auxiliaries from London, Hamilton and Sarnia worked all Saturday night and

Sunday.
The damage to rolling stock will amount to between thirty and forty thousand dollars. A race horse which was being shipped to London Fair was in the car immediately next to the car that first left the rails and was uninjured.

ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS FOR THE NAVY LEAGUE

Watford's Objective Doubled and a Little More May Yet Come In.

The committee appointed to canvass Watford for contributions to the Navy League met with good success, the sum of one thousand dollars being collected in a few hours. The object being such a worthy one seemed to meet with a ready response from all.

The objective of the committee was \$500 but that amount was in sight before the canvassers had been an hour on the job. The appeal touched the hearts of the people and the result mentioned was attained without any special effort on the part of the canvassers, who merely stated their business and left the matter to the liberality of the citizens. The money goes to the dependents of merchant seamen who lost their lives when their ships were sunk by German torpedoes. Fifteen thousand of them have paid the great sacrifice since the war began, while many are prisoners of war in Germany.

The committee in charge of the canvass will give a financial statement next week.

No More Sunday Joy Riding

Ottawa, Sept. 10.—Mr. C. W. Peterson, Assistant Fuel Controller, has issued the following appeal to the public to assist in the conservation of the gasoline supply:

"The public is particularly requested to discontinue the use of motor-driven vehicles on Sundays with the following exceptions: Tractors and motor trucks employed on actual transportation of freight, vehicles of physicians used in performance of professional duties, ambulances, fire equipment, police wagons, undertakers wagons and conveyances used for funerals, railway equipment using gasoline, repair outfits employed by telephone and public serving companies and motor vehicles on errands of necessity in rural communities where transportation by steam or electricity is not available."

"The Fuel Controller has decided to observe the effect of this appeal for voluntary conservation. Should this not be found sufficiently or quickly effective, he will, of course, have no other option than to embody the necessary restrictions in formal regulations and to provide for their enforcement."

THE FRENCH FARMERS SAVED THE DAY

The saving farmer is a national asset. Canadian progress to-day in all lines attests magnificently to the splendid qualities of thrift that have marked the farmers in all the provinces. The total returns from field crops and animal produce have been only possible because of the disposition to make use in an economical way of all the wonderful gifts of Providence in this good land of ours.

The same was abundantly true after 1870 in France when the frugal, thrifty farmers of that fair land made it possible for the Republic to pay off that hated German war indemnity of two billion francs levied against them. The same spirit of national thrift built up France for the extreme test to-day—a test that is being tried by fire.

Thanks be, French heroism is proving true. The line is holding. The blood of the farmers is flowing equally as well through the veins of France's daughters of the soil and so the national strength bends but does not break.

Canada is reaping her harvests of increased returns and money is being made as never before. Our farmers are earning the gratitude of all in their splendid efforts at production. That they will carry into their savings an equal foresight in conserving their surpluses against the future days of darkness and lower prices will be equally praiseworthy. He is well advised who saves his extra dollar until he sees which way the winds of to-morrow will blow. Adversity blows a chill blast where there is no dollar in the savings.