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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.

NEXT SUNDAY IS MOTHER'S DAY.

THE New Collars, Ties and Shirts for 24th May.—SWIFT'S.

RAY MORNINGSTAR delivered thirteen new Ford cars to waiting customers this week.

TO MEET the rush the time for filing income tax papers has been extended to May 31st.

Now if all those men that have donept overalls will please go to work some good will be derived from the innovation.

DURING the summer, and beginning next week, the Public Library will be closed on Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

LET us take care of your battery troubles. We guarantee satisfaction.—R. MORNINGSTAR.

THE Court of Revision on the Watford assessment roll will be held in the Council Chamber at 11 a.m. on Thursday, May 27th.

THERE was a good turn out to the baseball meeting called for Monday evening and the prospects are good for a live local team this season.

GET READY for 24th May. We have your togery.—SWIFT'S.

THE regular monthly meeting of Lambton's I.O.D.E., will be held at the home of Mrs. Kelly, on Tuesday, May the 11th.—R. M. BROWN, Sec.

MR. AND MRS. RICHARD MOORE, of Watford, have moved to Strathroy and taken up their residence on Queen street, on the property purchased from Martin Brothers.—Age.

THE LEAF YEAR party given in the Armory on Tuesday evening by the Beaver Baseball Club was a very enjoyable affair, about 60 young people being present. Proceeds \$14.00.

IN the Assessment Roll of the village just returned the population of Watford is given as 1033, total assessment \$375,189.00, number of dogs 37, births during the year 10, deaths 8.

SMART COATS AND SUITS for ladies.—SWIFT'S.

MOTHER'S DAY will be observed in the Cong'l Church on Sunday at 7 p.m., the topic being "Jesus and His Mother." Special music. Topic at morning service will be, "An Antidote For Fear."

NEXT Sunday is Mother's Day. It will be duly observed with special and appropriate services in the Methodist church. The floral decorations will be attractive. All are welcome.

CHICKEN OWNERS are again warned to keep their fowl closed up or prosecution will follow. One old hen can scratch up more garden seed in ten minutes than a man can plant in ten hours.

DURING the month of January, 1920, there were seven fires in the County of Lambton with a loss of \$6,546, according to the fire marshal's statement. \$3,346 was the amount of insurance carried on their loss.

W. C. PEACOCK, of High River, Alberta, writes:—"We are nearing the end of the seventh month of winter and very little sign of spring. The ground is still covered with snow, which is falling nearly every day."

CYR FLOWERS for Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9th—White Flowers in memory of Mother, Colored Flowers for Presentation to Mother—Leave your order early, supplies are very limited.—J. W. McLaren.

NEWSPAPERS have been notified that the Postmaster General has decided to raise the rate of postage from one quarter of a cent per pound, to one cent. The financial burdens of the country publisher are increasing.

Leo Sedwick and William Godley of Port Huron, have purchased the Brown candy store on Water street, Port Huron. Mr. Sedwick formerly resided in Watford and his many friends here will wish him every success in his undertaking.

A SPECIAL MEETING of the Board of Education was held on Friday evening to consider the resignation of Mr. A. B. Steer, principal of the High School. A motion was carried to accept the resignation, to take effect at the end of the school term.

I AM now able to deliver a good number of Ford cars but the supply is still short. Better get your order in at once as the New Ford is in great demand this year. First come, first served.—R. MORNINGSTAR.

DR. MATTHEW K. WILSON, K. C., of Chatham died Saturday after an illness of two months' duration. The late doctor was a noted lawyer. He was a lay reader in the Anglican church and an orator. On several occasions he has conducted the service in Trinity church, Watford.

AT the meeting of the Lambton Deaneery held at Petrolia this week the Rev. W. Murton Shore, rector of Warwick, was appointed to the office of Rural Dean of the county. His many friends and admirers congratulate the reverend gentleman on his appointment to this honorable and important position.

OPEN this week, Men's Suits ready-to-wear navy blue worsteds in sizes 36 to 40. Neat pattern worsteds \$35 to \$40. Special value, smart styles.—SWIFT, SONS & Co.

NEW HATS for 24th May, open this week for young men.—SWIFT'S.

THE SUBSCRIPTION to a large number of weekly papers will be advanced to \$2.00 a year on July 1st.

NO. 14 field ambulance of the Canadian Army Medical Corps will become No. 11 with headquarters at Windsor.

DOMINION TIRES have proven their superiority. We have a complete stock all the time.—R. MORNINGSTAR.

THE newly organized baseball club will give a game in the Armory on Wednesday night, May 12th. Tickets \$1.50. Kineto orchestra. You are invited.

Young men take warning before the "Cop" catches you. The town by-law with reference to riding bicycles on the sidewalk is to be strictly enforced.

An interim dividend of 30 per cent. has been declared in the Cash and Carry Stores Company at Sarnia. It is expected a further dividend of 20 per cent. will be paid later.

MISS RUSSELL, Zenana missionary from Bombay, India, gave a very entertaining talk in the Lyceum Thursday evening on her work there. Twenty local girls were on the stage assisting Miss Russell in showing the costumes of the natives and their peculiar customs, the most interesting of which was the marriage ceremony. A liberal collection was received.

AN UNUSUAL total eclipse of the moon was witnessed by almost everyone on Sunday evening. Church goes en route for their homes after the evening service remained on the streets later than usual watching the eclipse. It was not until nearly 10 o'clock that the moon's surface was again clear. The night was cloudless and the eclipse exceedingly vivid.

THE ink called the blotter an old soak, then the fight started. The ruler got her foot into it, inch by inch, and instead of helping her out, the stamps stuck to the envelopes and let the pen holder. The keys were in a bunch as the pencil lead them away and let the paper weight. At this stage of the battle the paper knife stepped in, cut out the fight, and silence reigned supreme.

ONE of the 24th of May attractions this year will be the horse races in Bay View Park, Sarnia, under the auspices of the Sarnia Turf Club, when \$1400 in purses will be offered. The events include 2.10, 2.20 and 2.30 classes. These races will attract a fine field of entries from Michigan as well as some of the fastest horses in Western Ontario. A good day's sport is expected.

THERE was a special meeting of the Strathroy District held in the Methodist church here on Tuesday of this week. The matter under discussion was the report of the Co-operative Committee of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches as touching that territory lying within the bounds of the territory covered by the London Presbytery which touches part of the Strathroy District. There was a good attendance and a splendid spirit prevailed.

THERE has been a good deal of sentiment expressed in the press of late over the celebration of "Mother's Day," but it would be very much pleasanter for thousands of good mothers, and very much more to the credit of the children, if the latter would celebrate "mother's day" every day in the year by obedience, courtesy and affectionate attention and consideration toward the said mothers. It is very well to wear a bouquet for Mother on May 9th, but very much better is it to hand Mother a bouquet every day in the form of some little attention and thoughtful act. "Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord Thy God hath given thee."

THE annual meetings of the W. M. S. and Ladies Aid Society of the Methodist church was held last week at the home of Mrs. A. J. Hagle, Main street, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—W. M. S.—Pres.—Mrs. D. A. Maxwell; 1st Vice—Mrs. White; 2nd Vice—Mrs. Tiffin; Rec.—Mrs. W. H. Harper; Cor.—Mrs. W. J. Thompson; Treas.—Miss Kerr; Supt. of Christian Stewardship—Mrs. M. J. Mitchell; Strangers Sec.—Mrs. Letherland; Ladies Aid—Pres.—Mrs. A. J. Hagle; 1st Vice—Mrs. W. H. Harper; 2nd Vice—Mrs. White; Sec.—Mrs. Gillies; Treas.—Mrs. Maxwell. The same Collectors and Parsonage Committee as last year were re-elected. The reports showed both organizations to be in a very flourishing condition with a handsome balance on hand in each case.

ANOTHER highly-respected resident of Adelaide passed away on April 22, in the person of Mr. John Graves. He came from Watford about 30 years ago; and lived with the late Mr. and Mrs. T. Hay, taking tender care of them in their declining years. After the death of Mr. Hay about thirteen years ago, Mrs. Potter, daughter of the late Mr. Hay, wished to take Mr. Graves to Detroit to be taken care of there, but he preferred to spend the rest of his life on the farm he loved so well, lot 5, con. 4, Adelaide.

Mr. Graves was a quiet, inoffensive man, who made no enemies and was a faithful friend. He was a member of the Methodist Church. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. G. B. Ratcliffe, of Arkona, and interment made in the Hay family plot in Arkona Cemetery. The pallbearers were Robert Riggs, Fred Glover, Albert and John Murray, Andrew Hoffner and Alex. Watson. The friends from a distance were Mr. and Mrs. Potter and James Hay, all of Detroit.

CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS

A meeting will be held in Watford on evening of Wednesday, May 12th, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of discussing consolidated schools. Dr. Sinclair of the Department of Education, will be the principal speaker. All school sections and parties interested in the new educational system are requested to attend.

Mr. M. J. Roche, Forest, visited his brothers here on Friday.

Mr. Fred Smith, Port Huron, spent Saturday with Colonel Kenward.

Miss Kathleen Tanner, Toronto, is the guest of Miss Marjorie Swift this week.

Mrs. Vera Fuller and son, Clayton Edward, spent Sunday at her home here.

Miss Alice Johnstone, of Acton, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. F. A. MacLean.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Keller leave Watford on Monday for their new home in Sarnia.

Misses M. and B. Curtis, London, spent the week end with Misses E. and L. Dodds.

Mr. W. A. Thompson has been engaged as farmer at the House of Refuge, Sarnia.

Mr. James Williamson, Toronto, called on a number of old friends in Watford on Saturday.

Misses F. M. and L. J. McRae, Sarnia, spent Saturday in Watford with their sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wakefield, Strathroy, spent the week end at L. H. Aylesworth's.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Reid, Petrolia, spent the week end at Mr. S. J. Saunders, John street.

Mrs. C. R. Hudgins and children, Toronto, are visiting her father, Mr. Geo. Dodds.

Col. Charles E. H. Fisher, Postoffice Inspector for this district, was in Watford on Monday.

Dr. G. N. Howden attended the annual meeting of the Ontario Dental Association at Toronto this week.

Rev. S. P. Irwin and Colonel Kenward attended the meeting of the Lambton Deaneery at Petrolia on Tuesday.

Mrs. J. F. Elliot and Miss Liddy spent the week end with the Misses Elliot, Niagara-on-the-Lake. Miss Liddy visited Toronto and Hamilton before returning.

Dr. R. F. Foster, Detroit, Mich., spent Tuesday with his mother, Mrs. J. Foster, Watford. Dr. Foster has spent the last month in New York, taking a special course in surgery.

Tecumseh Chapter I. O. D. E.

Sixteen members and two visitors were present at the May meeting of Tecumseh Chapter held at the hospitable home of Mrs. O. Jackson, on Tuesday afternoon.

The Treasurer reported a collection of \$17.60 from the tea held at the home of Mrs. Prentiss also the gift of \$2 from a friend for Armenian Relief.

The sum of \$292.00 in all has been given to this fund, \$125.00 of this was raised at a Union Concert given by the Lambton 149 Chapter and Tecumseh Chapter. The remaining \$167.00 has gone as personal donations from friends.

Amendments to Constitution to be submitted to the National Convention at Calgary were read and voted on by the members. Mrs. Graham, Secretary of the Municipal Chapter of London, will vote by proxy for Tecumseh Chapter at this Convention. Miss McCaw, Educational Secretary, addressed the members and was asked to suggest at the next meeting prizes to be competed for in the Public School. Mrs. T. G. Mitchell and Mrs. R. E. Prentiss gave reports of the Provincial Convention which they attended at London. Reports were instructive and amusing.

The 20th anniversary of the organization of Tecumseh Chapter will be observed on June 15th at the Regent. A pleasant and busy meeting closed in the usual manner. June meeting to be held at the home Mr. Wm. Thompson.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes of a special meeting of the Watford Board of Education, called for business as specified, held in the Library Board room on Friday, April 30th, at 7.30 p.m.

Present—Wm. Harper, chairman; Dr. Howden, W. E. Fitzgerald, J. D. Brown, Dr. Newell, J. W. McLaren, Dr. McGillicuddy, E. D. Swift, John McKechercher and Dr. Siddall.

A communication from Principal Steer was read, resigning his position as principal of the Watford High School.

Fitzgerald—McKechercher, and carried, that we accept the resignation of our High School Principal, Mr. Steer, to take effect June 30th, 1920.

Brown—Newell, and carried, that we adjourn. D. WATT, Sec.

Minutes of a special meeting of the Watford Board of Education held in the Library Board room on Wednesday, May 5th, 1920, at 7.30 p.m.

Present—Wm. Harper, chairman; John McKechercher, W. E. Fitzgerald, E. D. Swift, J. W. McLaren, J. D. Brown, Dr. Newell, Dr. McGillicuddy and Dr. Siddall.

A communication was read from J. N. McKendrick, chairman of the Galt Collegiate Institute committee on legislation. Swift—McLaren, and carried, that we approve of the letter from Galt Collegiate re change in laws and that we send a delegate if possible from this board to attend the meeting.

Principal Steer was present and on request made an explanation regarding a case of discipline in here school and later on some other matters.

Swift—Fitzgerald, and carried, that we take Mr. Steer at his word and that the Board back him up until June 30th.

McKechercher—Newell, and carried, that we adjourn. D. WATT, Sec.

DEATH OF MRS. JOHN CAUGHLIN

Sarah Cox, relict of the late John Coughlin, was called to her eternal reward fortified by the last rites of the Church, of which she was a consistent member, and surrounded during her illness by a devoted family. She peacefully breathed her last on Tuesday morning, April 27th. Her death was due to pneumonia contracted some ten weeks ago.

Mrs. Coughlin was born in Warwick May 6th, 1849, and was of a kindly disposition always ready to lend a helping hand to those in need. She is survived by ten children, six daughters and four sons, viz.:—Edward, Frank, Charles and John, Mrs. G. Cundick, Mrs. A. Mason, Mrs. W. Gavigan, Mrs. W. C. Walsh and Sarah and Lena, also two sisters, Mrs. K. Guerns, Muskegon, Mich., and Mrs. Mary Radigan, Bay City. Her brother, James Cox, predeceased her some four weeks ago. Her husband predeceased her four years ago.

The funeral took place from the family residence on Friday morning, April 30th, to the R. C. church, where requiem high mass was sung by Rev. Father Quinlan. The remains were interred in the R. C. cemetery, Watford. The pallbearers were T. Roche, D. Baron, J. J. Cox, P. Gavigan, A. Blain and P. Fleming.

THE LATE FRED L. KINGSTON

The death occurred on Thursday, April 29th, at St. Joseph's Hospital, London, of the only and well-beloved son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kingston, "Deer Lick Farm," 4th line, S.E.R., Warwick.

Fred Laurier Kingston was born Sept. 12th, 1892, on his father's farm in Warwick, where he lived until his marriage in 1913, when he removed to Walkerton. After four years residence there he returned, since which time he made his home in Watford or vicinity. Fred was a young man of kindly disposition and clean habits, and always seemed of strong physical constitution. However, when suddenly attacked some two months ago, by a complication of diseases, he slowly but progressively grew weaker, until after eight weary weeks of suffering he quietly and peacefully passed away.

His friends have the comforting assurance that all that medical skill could do was done for him and they appreciate very greatly the faithfulness and kindness of the nurses, Misses McDonnell, Robertson and McVicar, who had him in charge. Besides the parents he leaves behind a young wife and a little son five years of age.

The very large funeral took place on Sunday to the Watford cemetery, Rev. J. C. Forster officiating, and Elwood Jones, Cecil McNaughton, Russell Duncan, T. Gavigan, Fred McManus and M. Cunningham acting as pallbearers. Havelock Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of which he was a member, assisted by brethren from Alvinston, Arkona, Forest and Sarnia conducted the usual Masonic services at the grave.

W. H. S. MEMORIAL

The following circular has been sent out by the Watford High School literary and athletic societies to ex-students of the school. If you are a former student and have not received a copy it is probably because your address is unknown to the committee. Contributions from friends of the High School will be gratefully received.

Watford, Ont., May 1st, 1920. Dear Sir or Madam:

The Literary and Athletic societies of the Watford High School intend to place in the High School building a brass tablet in memory of those students who fell in the late war. For this purpose a committee has been formed representing the staff, students, ex-students, and the Board of Education. It was felt that all former students would be interested in the plan and might like an opportunity to contribute to the fund. Consequently the committee in charge decided to write to all ex-students whose addresses could be secured. It was thought best not to ask for subscriptions above one dollar, as the idea was that a large number of ex-students might be represented on the subscription lists, rather than to secure a few large individual amounts. Subscriptions should be sent before June 15th to the Treasurer.

MISS B. MITCHELL, Box 27, Watford, Ont.

The committee in charge of the work is composed of Mr. G. A. Ballantyne, Chairman; Mr. A. B. Steer, Miss H. B. Mitchell, Treasurer; Miss Hester McCaw, Secretary; Miss Marjorie Swift, Miss Bessie Forster, Mr. Lon Jackson, Mr. W. E. Fitzgerald, Mr. W. H. Harper, Mr. E. A. Harper, Capt. R. H. Stapleford, Lieut. R. D. Swift, Signaller B. Trenouth, Mr. Stanley Trenouth.

BROOKE

LET us take care of your battery troubles. We guarantee satisfaction.—R. MORNINGSTAR.

The re-opening of the Walnut church will take place Sunday, May 9th. The Rev. Dr. Knowles, of Sarnia, will preach at both services 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Special singing and music will be provided. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

A Grand Concert will be given on Monday evening, May 10th, in the Walnut Methodist church. A very excellent program has been provided. Some of those taking part are Mr. Chris. Pink, tenor soloist of London; Miss Bovington, soprano soloist and elocutionist, of Bridgen; Mrs. E. Dickison, soprano soloist of Arkona, also Miss Romelia Clark and Miss Elv. Weed, soloists. Refreshments will be served. Admission, adults 50c.

CHOP STUFF

Potatoes now are a luxury, and comparatively few families can really afford to buy them. Use beans.

The tax rate for Amherstburg for the year will be 50 mills, the highest of any municipality in Ontario.

Postmaster Selkirk of Leamington has resigned his position claiming the remuneration is insufficient.

Mrs. M. J. Roche of Forest is confined to her bed with injuries caused by falling down the basement stairs.

Hair cut and shave in Sarnia now costs 75 cents, and some of the Johnnies now wish they had been born girls.

There are forty prisoners in the Essex county jail and most of them are here for breaches of the Ontario Temperance Act.

Capt. Steinhoff of Wallaceburg, has presented that town with a park and athletic grounds of ten acres within the town's limits.

Albert Hare has sold his fifty-acre farm in Warwick, adjoining Forest to Frederick Hansen, who recently arrived from England, for \$7,500.

The Listowel Police Majistrate has tendered his resignation. He does not think the ten cents per hour he receives for the work sufficient.

The congregation of St. John's church, Alvinston, have placed a new pulpit in the church as a memorial to its members who fell overseas. The pulpit was dedicated on Sunday last.

John Andrew, of Bridgen, met with a serious accident on Saturday. While at work under a tractor, making repairs, by some means the engine started up and drove the heavy machine over his leg, crushing it badly.

Bell Telephone Company employees in Stratford have formed a club, pledging themselves to wear old clothes, and only necessary articles of clothing, until prices come down. Both men and girls are in on the agreement.

Lambton friends of Mr. S. E. Todd, of Toronto, the first district representative in Lambton County, will regret to learn that his ten year old son was killed on Sunday by train while playing on the railway track near the family home in Toronto.

A telegram from Ottawa on Sunday, received by Mrs. Margaret Gunne, Wyoming, informed her that Mr. McTavish had died that morning. Mrs. McTavish was formerly Mrs. (Rev.) John M. Gunne, of Wyoming. Since 1912 she has lost two husbands and two sons.

Sarnia women of the various local societies are up in arms over a resolution passed in London by the I. O. D. E. provincial chapter, which favored compulsory military training, and the local women announce that opposition will be offered here, as many members think it would tend to develop militarism such as existed in Germany.

The death occurred in Adelaide Township Wednesday, April 28, of Mrs. James McKinney, whose maiden name was Margaret McInnes, in her 80th year. The funeral took place from the family residence, lot 3, con. 4, S.E.R., Adelaide, on Saturday morning, leaving at 9.00 o'clock for All Saints' Church, Strathroy, where mass was celebrated, after which interment took place at the R. C. cemetery.

Standing in the doorway of a freight car at the local Grand Trunk station Tuesday noon Mr. John Campbell, of Dresden, who was shipping a horse from Markham to Wallaceburg received very severe injuries about the head. When the cars were being shunted the door of the car was banged closed, catching Mr. Campbell between it and the side of the car. He was rendered unconscious by the accident.

Petrolia Topic:—It is said the Hon. Manning Doherty plans a "shaking up" of County agricultural representatives. There may be need of a shaking up in other counties but Lambton has been singularly fortunate in the appointment to the position of high-class men. Messrs. Todd, Bramhill and Porter each won the confidence of the farmers throughout the county and are now holding good positions elsewhere. The present representative, Mr. W. P. MacDonald, has proved himself a tireless worker and has directed his energy with an intelligence that has been of invaluable assistance to our agricultural interests. The only question that can be raised in connection with the local office is that of salary. Is it large enough?