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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 them in GUIDE-ADVOCATE Letterbox.

THE new Coats and Blouses at SWIFT'S SHE the Sailor's Week ad on another page. Give liberally.

THERE are now 175,000 Canadians in Belgium and France.

SEE THE NEW FORDSON TRACTOR and Flow at R. MORNINGSTAR'S, a23rd

SEE THE ACCOUNT of Public meeting held Wed. Eve. Page four of this issue.

THE next big event will be the Watford Fair, October 2nd and 3rd. Get ready for it.

PRESIDENT WILSON has named \$2.20 a bushel as the minimum price for the 1919 wheat crop.

WATFORD BLACKSMITH SHOPS will be closed next Wednesday to allow the smiths to attend London Fair.

REV. MR. RATCLIFFER, B.A., of Arkona, will preach both morning and evening in the Presbyterian Church next Sabbath.

CHICAGO barbers propose raising the price of a hair cut to \$1. If they do there will be many flowing locks seen on the streets.

THE C. P. R. will run an additional excursion to the West, for farm laborers, on Tuesday, Sept. 10th. Fare to Winnipeg \$12.00. For particulars see J. H. Haime, local agent.

SMART STYLES in Shirts, Collars and Neckwear.—SWIFT'S.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOLS have had hard luck with their picnics this year. The Methodist and English Church picnics were both called off or postponed on account of damp weather.

THERE is not much daylight to save now and in less than two months we will be switched back to the old time. The experiment has been successful in shortening the light bills if for nothing else.

HAY FEVER seems to be of a more violent form this season owing to the long spell of dry weather. There are many cases in this district, and some residents have gone to Northern Ontario to seek relief.

BE READY with your Contributions for the Sailors when the Canvasers call Friday.

THE CHAUTAQUA at Strathroy last week was well patronized by people from the surrounding towns. Between 40 and 50 from Watford went there Friday night to hear the Ben Greet players in the "Comedy of Errors."

A LARGE list of special prizes is being prepared for the East Lambton Fair to be held at Watford, on Oct. 2 and 3. The prize list will be issued shortly. Identifying exhibitors should begin to get their produce ready so that the show may be the usual success.

THE NEW MINISTER OF EDUCATION has announced that beginning with September of next year, Spanish will be authorized as an optional course in Ontario Collegiate Institutes and High Schools, and that German will not hereafter be required as a compulsory subject for specialist certificates.

NOTWITHSTANDING the continued dry spell in July and August the apple crop is going to be good in this vicinity. On Saturday Mr. John Holbrook, con. 13, Brooke, placed on the editor's table six Red Beattie Glimmer apples each of them measuring over 12 inches, one of them 12 1/2 inches. The six weigh over four pounds. Can anyone beat this?

Buy your Silks now. Finest stock in Western Ontario. Prices have advanced 30 per cent. since we bought.—SWIFT, SONS & CO.

IT MAY NOT be generally known that the Public Health Act of Ontario makes it imperative on municipal councils and local boards of health to see that all wells furnishing a supply of drinking water are cleaned out once a year. Particularly in this season of drought, when the sources of water supply are low, the danger of an epidemic of typhoid or some other disease is very great.

IT IS NOT DIFFICULT to distinguish a green driver or one that has had very little experience with an automobile. Each day or evening as he drives up street he has his "cut out" working overtime, and creating such a noise as to make his car rattle from end to end. In many places the "cut-out" is forbidden. In reality it is an unnecessary plaything to amuse amateur drivers.

AMENDMENT has been made to the military service regulations by order-in-council. They now provide that any person who knowingly employs, harbors or conceals, or in any way assists a deserter or a man absent without leave from the C.E.F., is liable to imprisonment not exceeding six months or a fine of not less than \$100 and not more than \$500.

THE new Sweater Coats in combed and brushed wool.—SWIFT'S.

MANY a man finds it is no walk-over to keep up with his running expenses.

WHEN a girl says she doesn't think herself pretty, she is pretty sure that she is.

WOMAN'S fondness for change prevents many a husband from leaving any in his pockets.

THE FRENCH POODLE is putting it all over the German dauch-hound in the European dog days.

"TANK FRIGHT" is the latest German malady, and it's likely several degrees worse than starvation.

HOW MUCH have the Sailors of the Merchant Marine done for you, what will you do for them when the Canvasers call Friday. Be Generous.

IN RENEWING his subscription Mr. Harvey Ansley of Medicine Hat says:—"We have had a very dry, hot summer here and the crops are almost a failure."

"YOUR money or your life," said the highwayman. "Mister," said the facetious victim, "you've got the wrong slogan. What you ought to say is 'Work or Fight.'"

REMEMBER the auction sale of village property and household goods of the late Thomas Norris on the premises, Ontario street, on Saturday afternoon, Sept. 7th, at 4 o'clock.

READ the advertising announcements in the Guide-Advocate carefully this week and every week. The merchants who advertise are those who value your custom highly enough to ask for it.

A SNEEZING DRILL for the prevention of adenoids is being employed at the Children's Hospital in London, Eng. A powder is shaken in front of the children's noses and the resulting sneeze does wonders, say the physicians.

WHILE WALKING to his nephew's recently Mr. John Bryson was given a lift by an American tourist, who at some inconvenience fixed a cushion on the door of the car to make a seat for him.

When thanking him for the ride the American said, "It is our duty as Americans never to allow anyone to walk who will accept a ride." This is the right spirit and should be emulated by others.

THAMESVILLE HERALD:—In some instances according to the Voters' List there are several people assessed on one property. While all may have complied with the law in these cases, we might point out that such proceedings are illegal, unless said parties are registered on the deed of the property as part owners. There is a heavy fine for giving wrong information to the assessor.

DON'T SAY you were not asked to contribute to the Sailors' Fund. If for any reason you are not canvassed, leave your contribution with the Sec.-Treas.

DEFINITE information received by the Board of Railway Commissioners states that Canada will suspend daylight saving on Sunday, October 27th. In the United States it will cease for the year on the same date. There is much difference of opinion as to the advantage of the measure.

Residents of cities and towns think the movement excellent, while farmers, whose work is regulated largely by the sun, are not in favor of the Act. Most of the farmers in this district kept the old time all summer.

IS A TOMATO a fruit or a vegetable? The problem has been up many a time for discussion, with no decisive result. Some people claim that the distinction is that fruits contain their own seed, while vegetables do not. This would make the tomato a fruit; it would also make fruits of peas, beans and even of corn. A safer distinction is that nearly all vegetables are annuals, while fruits are not. This would place the tomato among the vegetable kind, where it seems most at home.

THE ONTARIO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE is introducing a new fall wheat seed. Dr. Zavitz, of the Ontario Agricultural College, has been searching for a suitable seed and has selected a variety known as New York No. 6. From experiments over a series of years at the College and over the Province, this variety has proven practically the same as Dawson's Golden Chaff in yield and quality. The Department are supplying millers at \$2.50 per bushel in bulk, in car loads, and millers will supply the farmers at the same price.

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THRIFT EXHIBIT in the Armory next Friday, Sept. 13th.

Mrs. McClynn received word this week that her son James had been wounded.

A NUMBER of Watford people are attending the Toronto Exhibition this week.

REV. W. MERTON SHORE, Warwick, will preach in Trinity church next Sunday evening.

THE collection for the Navy League at the union church service at Strathroy Sunday amounted to \$1000.

OWING to the work of placing new furnaces in the High School not being completed, the Board had to postpone the opening of the school for a few days.

THERE WILL BE a special train to the Western Fair on Tuesday and Thursday, Sept. 10 and 12. Going it will leave Watford at 9.30 a. m., returning leave London at 11 p. m.

THOS. COLLINS received word on Wednesday that his brother Pte. Fred Collins 18th Canadian Batt. was wounded on Aug. 8th in the right knee and is now in hospital in France.

THE FUEL ADMINISTRATOR writes to Petrolia Labor Day to participate in the Ritzger of under the Aug. 23, that all orders for coal must be placed with the local Fuel Commissioner, W. H. Harper, instead of with the dealers.

FOUR RINKS of Watford bowlers went to Petrolia Labor Day to participate in the tournament. The rinks were skipped by Geo. Harper, F. Lovell, S. Stapleford and J. McKecher. They report a good day's sport and fair success.

MISS DIANA D. DODDS American Red Cross nurse, was called to report for duty at Camp Custer, Battle Creek, on Tuesday, Sept. 2nd. Miss Dodds is the fifth member of her family to be called into service, three of whom are in active service.

MR. E. D. SWIFT received on Thursday of last week a telegram from the Record Department at Ottawa confirming the report of the weekend received by Lieut. Bury Binks. He is now in the Daughters of the Empire Hospital, has had one leg amputated and received gunshot wounds in both arms. Mr. Swift received a letter from Lieut. Binks on Tuesday stating that he is improving nicely.

MAIN STREET has had a thorough tidying up and now presents a very much improved appearance. There are a number of places on the side streets where the sidewalks need repairing.

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## PERSONAL

Miss Beatrice Cooke visited in Hamilton.

Chief Elliot returned from Manitoba on Sunday.

Miss Isabel Lucas, Sarnia, is visiting Mrs. E. D. Swift.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Cares, Sarnia, are holidaying in Watford.

Miss Evelyn Dodds is taking a course at Petrolia Business College.

Miss Flossie Willoughby is visiting her sister, Mrs. Irons, Chicago.

Miss Theresa Logan is attending the Central Business College at Stratford.

Mr. Geo. LeWarne, Mt. Forest, was a guest at Mrs. Cambridge's Labor Day.

Mr. B. McFadden, Windsor, spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. S. P. Irwin.

Cadet D. V. Auld, of the Royal Air Force, Toronto, was home over Sunday.

Mrs. R. G. Kelly returned home Friday from a two months' holiday in Montreal.

Mr. George Dodds spent Labor Day, in Toronto, visiting his daughter Mrs. C. R. Hudgin.

Mrs. Walter Cooke, Sr. and son Roy, spent two weeks' vacation in Hamilton and Toronto.

Mr. S. B. White and Mr. Geo. Nash, London, spent the week end with Watford relatives.

Miss Leliah Butler, who has been visiting her brother C. H. Butler left for Toronto on Saturday.

W. E. Fitzgerald attended court at Osgoode Hall, Toronto, Tuesday and Wednesday of this week.

Mrs. W. H. McMahon, Wyoming, spent the week end at Spruce Crescent, the guest of Mrs. Fitzgerald.

Mrs. (Dr.) Mathews returned home Saturday and is doing well. The operation was very successful.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Scott and son, Detroit, motored here last week to spend a few days at the old home.

Mrs. Bolton and daughter, St. Thomas, returned home on Monday. They were guests at Mrs. S. J. Saunderson's.

Mrs. Lowry went to Ailsa Craig on Wednesday to attend the funeral of her cousin, the late Wm. McClung.

Miss Clara Mitchell has returned to Toronto after spending the week end with her brother, S. H. Mitchell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Price motored from Toledo and spent Labor Day with relative in Watford and vicinity.

Miss Mary Holmes, Petrolia, milliner for A. Brown & Co., is here preparing for the fall and winter hat trade.

Mrs. Ray Gilbertson and Miss N. Mavity, Sarnia, spent a few days with their aunt, Mrs. Carl A. Class.

Miss Sarah Mavity and Miss Helen Mavity returned to Ypsilanti Sunday after spending a month with Mr. and Mrs. Carl A. Class.

Mr. and Mrs. Mills and Miss Mills, of Woodham, motored over to Watford and were the guests of S. H. Mitchell on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Orme and Mr. Wallace Fowler motored from Hamilton to Watford and spent the week end at Mr. W. Cooke's, Sr.

Nursing Sister Rose F. Reed, Guelph Military Hospital, spent Sunday with Watford relatives and friends. She may possibly go overseas again shortly.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thomas, who have been visiting relatives and old friends in this district for some weeks, returned to their home in Winnipeg on Wednesday.

Rev. A. C. and Mrs. Tiffin returned from vacation on Saturday last and Mr. Tiffin occupied his own pulpit on Sunday preaching to good congregations.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Joiner and two daughters, Eva and Elva, motored from St. Thomas and spent Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Butler, Erie street.

Dr. and Mrs. T. J. Foster, Detroit, spent the week end with the doctor's mother and sister, Mrs. Jane Foster and Mrs. W. A. Thompson, who returned with them to Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. D. Munro and daughter Alice and Mrs. Wm. A. Fraser, of Detroit, motored to Watford Saturday and spent the week end with their cousin, Miss Louise M. Aiken, Mrs. Fraser remaining for the rest of the week.

Lieut. J. B. Tiffin, who recently finished his course of training in the Royal Air Force and received his commission, is on his last leave and is at present visiting with his parents at the Methodist parsonage here. He is to report in Toronto on Friday, when it is expected he will proceed overseas. His friends wish him safety and kind protection and a safe and speedy return to the land of his birth.

The following teachers left for their respective schools on Monday to resume their duties:—

Miss G. Davidson, to Mt. Bydges  
Miss Mansfield, Warwick  
Miss Bambridge, Brooke  
Miss Jean McKecher, Fonthill  
Miss Stella Williamson, Sombra  
Miss L. Harper, Sombra  
Miss Mains, Petrolia  
Miss J. Hume, Galt  
Miss G. Shrapnell, Ingersoll  
Miss E. L. Harris, Welland  
Miss Stella McManus, Toronto  
Miss Vera Bryson, Amherstburg.

## School Fair Next Friday

The Thrift Exhibit and School Fair will be held in the Armory, Watford, Friday, Sept. 13th. Prize lists will be distributed this week. Last year \$2 prizes were given amounting to \$61.25. This year between 80 and 90 prizes are offered at an outlay of about \$90.

The Fair is not given to make money, but to encourage production and thrift. Every citizen of Watford is invited to help make this a happy day and one to be remembered by the children of our town, who will have enough sad memories of a war-darkened childhood. Take part in the procession in some way. There are small prizes offered for floats and character costumes. Read the list and do your bit.

The procession and the baby show will be in the afternoon and all the vegetables etc., will be on exhibition. In the evening the patriotic songs, speeches and recitations will be judged and there will be other music, etc.

Tecumseh Chapter will sell war-time refreshments at a booth.

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## Lambton Casualties

The following are reported since last issue:—

KILLED IN ACTION—Urban Noel, Sarnia.

WOUNDED—Ed. M. Hunter, Forest; J. E. Crawford, Arkona; E. N. Johnston and Capt. Dudley Parsons, Sarnia; Wm. Ritchie, and Reg. Savage, Petrolia; and James McClung, Watford.

GASSED—W. Edwards, Glen Rae; J. S. Conlin, Sarnia; W. T. Willard and J. W. Northwood, Theford.

PRISONER OF WAR—Flight-Lieut. E. Bullen, Petrolia.

CHOP STUFF

Twelve head of cattle belonging to Benj. Hurst, near Alvinston, were killed by lightning.

More good oil strikes are reported in the Mosa oil field during the week, including a well on the McAlpine farm at Shields that produced fifty barrels of high-grade oil in four hours.

The unique spectacle of a portion of an apple tree being in bloom, while the fruit is ripening on another part of it, may be seen just now on the farm of Fraser & Ross, Fraserville.

A Saskatchewan man is said to have successfully operated an auto engine with gas obtained from straw. A ton of straw, it is estimated, will furnish enough gas to run an auto 20 miles.

After a lingering and painful illness during the past two years Mrs. George Morrison, London Road, entered into rest on Saturday, the 17th, in her 49th year. She leaves a sorrowing husband and one daughter, Mildred, to mourn the loss of a kind and affectionate wife and mother. She is also survived by two sisters Mrs. Wilson, of Pomona, Ill., and Miss Maggie Rush of Bothwell, also two brothers, Wellington of Zome township, and Isaac, of Inwood. The funeral was held on Tuesday Aug. 20th. Services were conducted at the home, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Wyoming cemetery.