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Local Happenings

Hatchway no-button Underwear for men and boys.—A. Brown & Co. Jack Hastings, of Windsor, is visiting his brother, Isaac Hastings, Wall st.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Smith, Watford, spent Sunday with Mrs. Wellington Smith, Ontario st.

Ernest McKercher returned home from Queen's last week, having completed his first year in medicine.

In every known language, "Potash and Perlmuter" mean to laugh. See it at the Lyceum next Thursday.

W. H. Brown, the local plumbing and heating engineer, has erected a very creditable electric sign on the top of his building.

Persyth's Shirts—a new stock in many varied styles.—The Watford Dry Goods Co., Ltd.

Mrs. George Routly, who has been suffering from blood poisoning, has returned from Strathroy hospital and is slowly improving.

Dr. Verne Newell and little son, Jim, of Detroit, spent the weekend with his father, Dr. James Newell, who is confined to his bed.

Monday next is a legal holiday; Victoria Day falling on Sunday, will be observed the day following, when all places of business will be closed.

Men's New Straws for the 24th.—A. Brown & Co.

Sunday school and Bible school will meet as usual in the Methodist church at ten a.m., on Sunday next. The evening service will be withdrawn.

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Miss Anne M. Tanner, of Sault Ste Marie Technical School, has been appointed physical instructor to the new High School of Commerce, Toronto, which is to be opened this fall.

The Public School pupils will hold their annual picnic at Rock Glen on Wednesday afternoon, June 3rd. All citizens who will volunteer to supply their cars for that day, kindly communicate with Principal Allan Doolittle as early as possible.

A meeting to organize a Soft Ball League in Watford will be held in the Roche House on Friday evening at eight. As there will be no organized baseball here this summer, a soft ball league should provide an interesting summer's schedule. All interested are invited to attend.

The 24th—see the up-to-date styles in new straws for men.—The Watford Dry Goods Co., Ltd.

The Spring meeting of the weekly newspaper publishers of the Lake Erie and St. Clair District, will be held in Leamington on Friday next, May 29th. About thirty newspapers comprise the membership in this district.

Mr. H. W. Nixon, manager Standard Bank, undergoes a tonsil and antrium operation in London hospital on Tuesday and is now making a very satisfactory recovery. Mr. Nixon has suffered considerably this spring from rheumatism, etc., and it is hoped that the necessary operation will permit the return of his usual good health. He is being relieved as manager for a few weeks by Mr. G. N. Dinwoodie, of Hamilton, a member of the Standard Bank relieving staff.

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At the annual meeting of District No. 6, I.O.O.F. held in Strathroy, E. C. Reyrcraft of Peabody Lodge, Watford, was elected D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year by acclamation and T. Elliott of Strathroy was elected D.D.G.W. by a majority of one over Bro. McDougal of Melbourne.

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25 Trimmed Hats at \$2.95 for Friday and Saturday.—A. Brown & Co. Alvinston celebrates Victoria Day next Monday. See ad elsewhere.

Decoration Day at Bethel Cemetery, Watford on Monday, June 1st. A very interesting meeting was held by Peabody Lodge, I.O.O.F., on Monday evening when the local degree team conferred the Third Degree for the benefit of Arkona Lodge. Visiting brethren were present from Arkona, London and Strathroy, and after the ritual ceremonies were completed, a most enjoyable social program retained the brethren until a late hour.

Owing to the absence of Rev. T. DeCourcy Rayner, preaching at the 51st Anniversary services at his former charge in Kingston, the Congregational and Presbyterian churches will hold union services on Sunday, the morning service being held in the Presbyterian church and the evening in the Congregational church. Rev. H. V. Workman will preach at both services.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the L.F.M. Fire Ins. Co., held in the Co.'s offices, Main st., on Tuesday, the following claims for fire losses were passed: Albert Danby, Sarnia, barn burnt, \$1600; Trustees S. S. No. 17, Watford, school house burnt, \$850; Eli Allison, Enniskillen, barn burnt, \$2896.75; Amos Evans, Dawn, house burnt, \$1160.00; Joseph Jarvis, Sombra, stable burnt, \$662; Frank Pousenouev, Sombra, barn burnt, \$1300; E. & E. Peters, Enniskillen, house damaged, \$370.25; W. G. Loosemore, Brooke, house damaged, \$179.45. The company also had a visit last week from one of the Government Insurance Inspectors, who found the affairs of the Company in a most satisfactory condition, and all the books and records the account of neatness and legibility, comparison of which would put to shame many a younger book-keeper than the venerable secretary-treasurer, Mr. W. G. Willoughby.

WATFORD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE ELECT NEW OFFICERS

Display of 'Grandmothers' Treasures' an Interesting Feature

The annual meeting of the Women's Institute was held on Tuesday evening, May 19th, at the home of Mrs. Wes. Willoughby.

The following officers were elected for the coming year: Hon. pres.—Mrs. Jno. McKercher. President.—Mrs. J. D. Brown. 1st Vice.—Mrs. T. G. Mitchell. 2nd Vice.—Mrs. W. Willoughby. Secretary.—Mrs. Delmage. Treasurer.—Mrs. L. Millar. Auditors.—Mrs. Kinnell, Mrs. Hay. Pianist.—Mrs. (Dr.) Hicks. Dis. Director.—Mrs. R.A. McIntosh. Dis. Representatives.—Mrs. H. Humphries, Mrs. Delmage, Mrs. Willoughby, and Mrs. J. D. Brown. Program Committee.—Mrs. Hawes, Mrs. S. Lucas, Mrs. P.J. Dadds, Mrs. Edgar and Miss Morgan.

The meeting was opened in the usual formal manner, Mrs. J. D. Brown, vice-president, taking charge of the meeting, with Mrs. Hicks as pianist. Reports were given by the treasurer on Baking Sale held recently, also the financial standing showing a balance of \$34.01 remaining. Mrs. McKay and Mrs. Willoughby gave very satisfactory reports regarding their interview with the school board about water being obtained in the Public School.

The Institute hope to have a speaker from the Department to address them in the early part of June. Roll call was answered in a most unique and enjoyable manner. A display of "Something of my Grandmother's" was shown, each member contributing, among which was to be seen a most beautiful Paisley shawl; a hand-worked darned net scarf, a wonderful work of art; hand-embroidered cuff and collar set; (all made by Grandmothers many years gone by); a beautiful scarf of filet crochet made a grandmother who the same day was celebrating her eighty-eighth birthday; glasses worn by some years ago; hymn-book of Wesley hymns printed in 1779; candlesticks, plates, aprons, water glasses, cups and saucers, glass dishes, a beautiful locket and chain and many other precious articles handed down and highly prized, all in the name of Grandmother.

Following this a most amusing hat parade was staged, bringing out the ingenuity of the ones who remodeled the hats. The members regretted that they were unable to accept the invitation sent by G. G. Clegg M.B., Supt. Victoria Hospital, and authorized by the London Rotary Club to attend the meeting in the Auditorium of the Medical School, addressed by Mr. Edgar F. Allen, or most commonly known as "Daddy Allen" who has given practically all his time to the crippled children. Following the lecture was a visit to the War Memorial Children's Hospital where tea was served.

WARWICK

Decoration Day at Bethel Cemetery, Watford, on Monday, June 1st.

The regular meeting of the Kingscourt D.O.B. Club was held on Wednesday afternoon, May 13th, at the home of Miss Mabel Manders. There were eleven members and two visitors present. The shower for the hospital in India was a great success. Many useful articles were contributed. The meeting closed in the usual way. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Fred Collins, June 10th.

Sunday, May 24th, services at Calvary Baptist church in the afternoon at 3 p.m., subject: "Perseverance"; evening at 7.30 p.m., subject: "Christian Imperialism."

WATFORD CADETS

SHOW UP WELL

Make Creditable Showing at Annual Inspection

An interesting ceremony took place at the Park on Monday afternoon, when the Cadet Corps of the Watford High School had its annual inspection by Col. Ware of headquarters staff, London.

The cadets paraded at full strength under the command of Capt. A. A. Heaton, the other officers being Lieut. Orville Shugg, Lieut. Gordon Kelly, Sergt. Major Wilson Howden, and Sergts. C. Miller, Richard Rogers DeCourcy Rayner and Harold Howden. The bugle band of the cadets, under Bugle Leader Roy Cook, and with Buglers G. Tait, B. Oakes and P. Kersey, and Drummers C. A. Class and D. Prentiss, led the march.

The cadets went through the various movements, marching, rifle drill, open field tactics, physical drill and squad drill with smartness and precision, which called forth commendation from Col. Ware, who complimented the cadets on their appearance and work.

A number of citizens gathered to witness the ceremony and short speeches were given by the following: Col. Ware, Principal Cameron, Major W. G. Connolly, O.C. of the Watford company of the Lambton Regiment; Dr. G. N. Howden of the Board of Education; Mrs. R. P. Brown, representing Lambton's 149 Chapter, I.O.D.E.; Mrs. R. A. McIntosh, representing the Women's Institute; W. O. Erb, drill master of the cadets, and Capt. A. A. Heaton.

EAST LAMBTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTES DISTRICT MEETINGS

Speaker—Miss Esther Slicter, Kitchener

Florence, Town Hall, June 1
Shetland, Church, June 2
Aughrim, June 3
Inwood, S.S. Room of Presbyterian Church, June 4
Brooke, Home of Mrs. Morley Zavitz, June 5
Watford, Methodist church, June 8
Theford, Jr. and Sr., private residence, June 9
Forest, evening June 9
Aberarder, Home of Mrs. D. A. McKinnell, June 10

Miss Slicter, as a rural school teacher, took a keen interest in the work of local Women's Institutes. Later she took a course at Macdonald Institute, and last winter had charge of one of the three months' courses in Home Economics, with the Ontario Department of Agriculture. Her personal knowledge of farm life, her love of country, and her natural resourcefulness make her work of very practical value, particularly to the Institutes in rural communities.

Subjects: "Avenues of Work for our Institutes," "Nutrition Problems," "Training our Youth for Citizenship," "Saving Strength in the Household," "Recreation in the Country."

BORN

In Brooke, on Wednesday, April 29th, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Lucas, a son.

In Brooke, on Thursday, May 1st, 1925, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Hick, a daughter—Marion Ethel.

DIED

In Watford, on Monday, May 18th, 1925, Donald McLachlan, aged 67 years.

In Watford, on Saturday, May 16th, 1925, Charles Chambers, beloved husband of Frances Moffatt, aged 78 years, 2 months, 18 days.

At the home of her sister, Mrs. John Logan, 298 Wellington st., Sarnia, on Sunday, May 17th, 1925, Sarah Ann Shirley, in her 75th year.

Dr. J. Alexander Bell was appointed medical officer of health in Sarnia to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. W. A. Logie.

BROOKE

The annual garden party of Chalmers Church, Brooke, will be held on the church grounds on Friday, June 19th. A good program is being provided.

St. James' Church Strawberry Social will be held on Friday evening, June 12th, on the lawn of R. J. Lucas, 12 sideroad.

Mrs. Alvin Missetbrook underwent an operation for appendicitis in Sarnia general hospital on Monday, and is now making excellent recovery.

ONE DAY EARLIER

Correspondents, advertisers, and subscribers sending news items, are requested to send in all "copy" one day earlier. While the Guide-Advocate is pleased to accept short items, etc., until Thursday morning, we cannot possibly handle the volume of copy that is being turned in on Wednesdays. Such a deluge invariably delays publication. Send in your copy on Monday if possible, Tuesday if necessary, and help us to reserve Thursday mornings for last minute news.

SCHOOL FAIR DATES

After several weeks of hard work in arranging dates for the school fairs, W. P. Macdonald, agricultural representative and D. J. Matheson, have finally announced the dates chosen for the various school fairs throughout the country:

They are as follows:
Wilkesport, Sept. 4
Dawn, Sept. 8
Cambridge, Sept. 9
Petrolia, Sept. 10
Oil Springs, Sept. 11
Uttoxeter, Sept. 12
Sarnia, Sept. 14
Moble Centre, Sept. 15
Jericho, Sept. 18
Arkona, Sept. 23
Watford Village, Sept. 29
Cairo, Sept. 30
Brooke, Oct. 6 and 7

MISS SARAH GIBNEY

TRAINING LOCAL CAST IN "PEG O' MY HEART"

Professional Artist of Many Stage Successes Will Take Title Role in Beautiful Irish Comedy, Supported by All-Local Cast

Tennis Club will sponsor the Play in Lyceum for Two Evenings

Watford Tennis Club have been indeed fortunate in securing the services of Miss Sarah Gibney to direct the production by local talent of that fine old Irish comedy, "Peg O' My Heart," which will be presented in the Lyceum on two evenings, Friday and Saturday, May 29th and 30th.

Miss Gibney will also take the title role of "Peg," which carries with it all the wit, beauty, charm and captivating personality of the Irish girl. Rehearsals are now being held, the supporting members of the cast having been selected from Watford's amateur talent, with sufficient new members to bring surprise and delight to any audience.

Miss Gibney, as a professional artist, needs no introduction to theatre-goers of Ontario, having won fame for herself throughout Canada and United States in various stage successes. With her own stock company, which she made famous for its abundant repertoire and beautiful stage settings, she toured all Ontario cities a few years ago, and many Watford citizens will remember seeing her, while in Sarnia, in such fine old-time plays as "East Lynne," "Way Down East," "Pollyanna," "Smilin' Through," etc. etc.

The plan of hall will open at Cook's Drug Store this week, and patrons are urged to secure their seats early for either evening.

"Peg O' My Heart" promises to be one of the most beautiful productions ever attempted by local players.

DONALD McLACHLAN

Donald McLachlan, one of the well known and esteemed residents of Watford, died at his home, 2nd line, N.E.R., on Monday morning, aged 67 years. His health had been failing for some time, and on Tuesday, the 12th, while at work in the gravel pit, he was taken with a severe hemorrhage of the stomach, from which he never rallied. He is survived by three brothers, Duncan, in Montreal; John in Winnipeg, and Allan on the homestead. The funeral took place Wednesday afternoon, to St. Mary's cemetery, Watford Village, with a very large attendance of relatives and friends.

Thieves stripped the pews of a Los Angeles church of 150 hymn books, valued at \$225. When they are committed to prison the warden may ask them to join in singing "Abide With Me."

OBITUARY

ROBERT JAMES JACKSON

The funeral of Robert James Jackson, (record of whose death on Thursday-morning at the home of his son, John, on Huron st., was made in last week's issue) was conducted on Saturday afternoon by Rev. J. H. Hosford, rector of Trinity church. The pallbearers were Thomas Roche, I. Campbell, Jos. Campbell, John Saunders, Harry Pearce and James Phair.

Mr. Jackson, who was in his 68th year, was born in Belleville, Ont., and came to Lambton county when he was 21 years of age, residing in this vicinity for almost half a century. He married Miss Mattie Cable, who survives him. Besides his widow he is survived by two sons, John of Watford, and Joseph of Sault Ste Marie, Mich., and by three daughters, Mrs. Olive Quackenbush, of Baltimore, Mrs. Annie Holmes, London, and Charlotte of Sault Ste Marie, Mich. He is also survived by 29 grand children and two great grandchildren.

CHARLES CHAMBERS

One of the oldest and best known residents of the Township of Watford, who died Tuesday afternoon, in the person of Charles Chambers, who died very suddenly at the family residence, on con. 4, on Saturday evening. Deceased had been in failing health for some time, but the end came quite suddenly. Mr. Chambers, who was in his 79th year, was born in the Township of Adelaide, and lived his life in this district of Western Ontario. He came to his present farm 18 years ago.

He married Miss Frances Moffatt, who survives him. Besides his widow he is survived by one son, Charles, at home, and one daughter, Mrs. James H. Bryce of Watford Township, also several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

The funeral was largely attended. The services at the house and the grave were conducted by Rev. J. H. Hosford, rector of Trinity church, Watford, assisted by Rev. T. D. Kayner, of the Congl church. Interment took place in Watford cemetery, six old friends and neighbors acting as pallbearers: Stephen Morris, John Williamson, Daniel Duncan, William Smith, Thomas Roche and Jas. Jones.

MISS SARAH ANN SHIRLEY

The death of Miss Sarah Ann Shirley occurred after a brief illness, at the home of her sister, Mrs. John R. Logan, 298 Wellington St., Sarnia, on Sunday, May 17th, 1925. Deceased, who was in her seventy-fifth year, was the eldest daughter of the late George Shirley, and had spent her entire life in this community.

On Monday, after a short service at the home of her sister, Mrs. Logan, conducted by Rev. F. G. Newton, the body was brought to Trinity church, Watford. The service, which was largely attended by relatives and friends was very ably conducted by Rev. J. H. Hosford, assisted by the choir.

Miss Shirley won for herself many true friends by her sterling character and integrity. She leaves to mourn her loss two sisters, Mrs. John R. Logan, Sarnia, and Mrs. Paul Kingston, Watford, also two brothers, George of Watford and Edward Jas. of Oshawa.

Interment was made in St. James' cemetery, Brooke. The pallbearers were Messrs. John R. Logan, W. E. Fitzgerald, John Carroll, Roland King, George F. Kingston and Paul S. Kingston.

Friends from Oshawa, Sarnia, and Brantford attended the funeral.

SCARLET FEVER FATAL TO SASKATOON YOUTH

Allan D. Coristine, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. John Coristine, Saskatoon, died in the general hospital, on Wednesday, May 6th, after an illness of eight days from scarlet fever. Born in Brandon, Man., he moved to Elstow, Sask., with his parents in 1906. He is survived by his parents, two brothers, Fred and Clare and one sister, Loreita. The funeral was held on Thursday from Wesley Church to Woodland cemetery, Saskatoon. Revs. H. Heathfield and F. A. Harry conducting the services. The funeral was largely attended and the many floral tributes showed the high esteem in which the young man was held by a wide circle of friends.

Mrs. D. C. Thom of Regina, attended the funeral.—Regina Daily Leader.

Carlos Maitland, the young Enniskillen farmer, who was found guilty of criminal negligence by driving his car into a group of seven young people on the road near Sarnia, was fined \$50 and \$19 costs by Magistrate Woodrow on Monday. He also paid all claims made by the injured parties.