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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.

THE new hats at SWIFTS'. NEXT Thursday is Ascension Day. GIVE the Allies an inch and they'll take the Dardanelles.

THE trouble with most of us is that we want the rest before we've earned it. THERE is quite a slump in the picture post card business since the war tax came into vogue.

TAYLOR is special agent for Reach baseball goods.

THE rake, the shovel and the hoe will soon contribute to bringing down the high cost of living.

A Portland man fell six stories and landed in a hotel kitchen. Just dropped in for dinner, as it were.

THIS week's rain is worth considerable to the farmers in this vicinity. It is the first good rain this spring.

MADR in CANADA, not enough; made in Watford, that's the stuff. Your clothing at SWIFTS'.

DIED OF WOUNDS—Word was received Wednesday night that Col. Sergt. L. Gunn Newell died of wounds.

PRESENT prospects point to a splendid year in so far as fruit crops in the Niagara Peninsula are concerned.

A man can get just about what he wants in this world if he only wants it hard enough and is willing to pay the price.

THE Germans are making a desperate effort to reach the English channel, according to a despatch. "Desperate" is correct.

GOLD FISH, large size, 20 and 25 cents each. Ornaments, fish plant and shells now on sale at McLAREN'S.

WHEN you go fishing you never know what you will get. But when you raise a garden you are sure of visits from the neighbors' hens.

"Yes," said the dispenser of liquid refreshments, "since the war taxes were put on our prices have been going up, but our goods are still going down."

NEWS matter mailed to The Guide-Advocate in unsealed envelopes does not come under the postal classification of "letters" and will not require the special war stamp.

LADIES' gingham dresses for a Dollar, worth more.—SWIFTS'.

THE improvements on Mr. Ed. Clark's cottage on Victoria street are nearing completion. When finished the house will be one of the most attractive in that part of the town.

A MEETING of Watford Conservatives will be held in Barrister Fitzgerald's office this (Friday) evening at 8 o'clock, to appoint delegates to attend the convention at Alvington on May 12th.

THERE is an important feature in favor of oilseed roads which no one yet seems to have mentioned, and that is with regard to flies. Oilseed roads, it is claimed, prevent the breeding of flies in the road manure, which promotes the pleasure and health of a community.

TAYLORS' have made up new lot of wall paper remnants, 1c per roll up.

THE ladies of the Welsh choir certainly attended to their knitting. They were at it all the time—on the streets and in the hotel. It is rumored that the concert was delayed a spell until Madam had "turned the heel" of the sock she was engaged on.

If you want to lessen the amount of uric acid in your body refrain from eating liver, kidney, sweetbreads, the skin of any meat and "very tasty" meat of any kind. For instance, boiled beef and meat which has been used for soup are better than juicy steak.

SPECIAL sale of bathroom towels from 25c. pair to 50c. each.—SWIFTS'.

AS nearly as can be estimated, the new Methodist hymn book may be ready for public sale by about midsummer of 1916, or at all events by the end of that year. It will number approximately 650 or 660 hymns and 600 tunes. The book at present in use has 936 hymns and 338 tunes.

SECRETARY KENWARD of the East Lambton Agricultural Society has received notice from J. Lockie Wilson, Supt. of agricultural societies, that the government grants to the different societies will be paid in full, and also that Departmental Judges for fairs will be sent to those societies making application for same.

YOU'RE sure of finding the latest magazines at TAYLORS'.

LAMBTON boys were in the finest charge the war has seen or will see no matter what may be done in future. They helped to save the situation and the Empire. Hats off to our brave representatives at the front. Fight or Pay! They have fought. Are we doing our share?

AMONG those of the 1st Batt. reported wounded at the battle of Langemarck are Corp. Mathew Cunningham and Sergt. Thos. C. Ward (Oil Springs) members of the Watford company, Lance-Corp. Robt. Sterling Saunders Tobias, (Sutorville), Pte. Arch McLean (Corunna) and Pte. A. W. Stone (Petrolia), all of 27th Regt.

FRED HASKETT is home from Toronto. SEE the counter bargains at SWIFTS'. SUNDAY next is Mother's Day. Wear a flower for mother.

MRS F. K. MATTHEWS is visiting her parents at Mitchell.

THE light shower Friday evening laid the dust nicely for Saturday's big trade.

MRS. HARROWER has had her house on Erie street raised and moved a few feet back.

\$3.00 Hercules express wagons for \$2.50 at TAYLOR'S.

THE first appearance of the buds bursting into leaf last year was on May 8th, over two weeks later than this year.

OWING to the increase in my chopping and out rolling department, I have secured the services of Mr. G. Potter, who is an expert miller.—G. GHAMBERS.

THE Assessor has completed the assessment of the village and returned the roll. From it we find that the total assessment of Watford is \$371,720.00, and the population 1217.

STRAWBERRY plants are in bloom, and if nothing unforeseen happens it is expected that the berries will be on the market the first of June, the earliest in the history of the district.

CHILDREN'S hats, special prices, at SWIFTS', 45c. to 75c.

MRS. BARTINDALE, Hamilton, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Dougherty, and sister, Mrs. S. B. Howden. Mrs. Dougherty, who is now some better, enters her 90th year on Saturday.

SPRING stock of boots and shoes now complete, comprises ladies' and children's fine shoes of every description. New styles, well made and durable, reasonable in price. Call and see them.—S. B. HOWDEN.

THE educational anniversary services will be held in the Methodist church next Sunday at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., and at Zion church, 2nd line, when Rev. S. V. R. Pentland will preach. Rev. F. G. Robinson will conduct similar services on the Brooke circuit.

PINK tailored suits at SWIFTS'.

WE are pleased to notice that Arthur M. Wynne, son of the late J. B. Wynne, formerly of Watford, has successfully passed his examination for Master of Arts at Queens University, Kingston. He also took the gold medal in the chemistry class. Congratulations.

THE Rev. J. A. Shirley, rector of Oaklake, Man., who is visiting his parents here, took part in conducting the evening service in Trinity Church last Sunday evening, and preached very acceptably from Matt. 16:24. Many of his old friends were pleased to embrace the opportunity to hear him.

SMART ready-to-wear pants for young men, \$2.00 to \$3.50.—SWIFTS'.

THE regular meeting of the Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. C. Wilson on Wednesday evening, May 12th. A paper will be given on "Prosperity of Canada and memories of our Queen," also election of officers for the year, and renewal of membership. Members requested to be present.—SEC'Y.

In reply to the town subscriber who wished information as to the responsibility of the Council regarding a town dump, the Reeve authorizes us to state that the Corporation is not required to furnish such a place. The law says that cities and towns may furnish one but are not under compulsion to do so. Villages are not mentioned in that part of the act regulating the removal of rubbish.

CUT flowers for Mother's Day, Sunday, May 9th. White flowers in memory of mother, colored flowers for presentation to mother. White and colored carnations, sweet peas and roses on sale Saturday morning at McLAREN'S.

MANY parents seem to think it makes little difference whether their children are prompt in their attendance at school or not. They think that five minutes off the end of a half day now and then will be little hindrance to their child's progress. Well, the pupil will not lose much real information by being occasionally a few minutes late. But he will lose that which is more important—he will lose interest in school.

A RAINCOAT that keeps out the rain at SWIFTS'.

MONDAY'S London Free Press says: Upwards of 250 men are immediately required to complete the establishment of the 33rd Battalion. C. E. F., here, replacing those who have been drafted to go forward as reinforcements to the 1st Division, now at the front. The recruits will be taken on daily at the headquarters of the battalion in the art building at Queen's Park. Authority to enlist these men came from Ottawa to-day. A similar number is to be taken on by the 34th Battalion at Guelph, under identical circumstances.

RAILWAYS announce that when a ticket is bought from them and later returned unused, the war tax, which went along with the cost price of the ticket, will not be refunded with the original cost of the ticket. It would require a special act of Parliament in order to do this, the railway managements, who have taken the matter up with the Government, have announced. When the war tax has been paid, it is regarded as having been safely locked up in the vaults of the Dominion treasury, and there is no chance of its recovery.

THE fit of our \$12.50 ready-to-wear suit is fine.—SWIFTS'.

Now watch the garden truck grow, also the weeds.

WATFORD Court of Revision will be held on June 1st.

PERCY MITCHELL, of the 33rd Batt., was home for Sunday.

R. H. WILSON shipped a car of horses to Montreal this week.

MRS. BARR, Hamilton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. G. Brown.

MR. GEO. VICARY, St. Thomas, spent the week end with his aunt, Mrs. T. Harris.

BATHROOM towels, made in Canada.—SWIFTS'.

NINETEEN divorces were granted at the recent session of Parliament, twenty less than last year.

MISS LULU G. CLARK is spending a couple of weeks with her sister, Miss Laura E. Clark, London.

THE services in the Presbyterian Church next Sunday will be conducted morning and evening by Rev. J. Moore, B.A., of Springbank.

THE war is costing Great Britain \$10,500,000 per day. At that rate of expenditure Canada's little drabble would last about nine and one-half days.

THE "National" bicycle has Dunlop tires, Hercules coaster brake, roller chain, mud guards and a good spring saddle. TAYLOR sells it for \$30.00.

COLLINGWOOD BULLETIN—A Chicago woman has been fined \$50 because she told a judge to "go to the devil." When will women learn that they cannot talk to judges like they talk to their own husbands?

THERE are 173 public school teachers in Lambton County. Of these only 28 are males. The highest salary paid to male teachers is \$900 while the highest salary paid to a female is \$800. The average male salary is \$619 and the average female salary is \$570.

BEST dollar overalls in Canada, Snagproof.—SWIFTS'.

THE next regular meeting of the Watford Council of Chosen Friends will be held in their hall here on Tuesday evening next, May 11th. A full attendance is requested. Proposed amendments to constitution of order and other important business is to be considered.

MOTHER'S DAY is to be observed throughout Canada and the United States on Sunday May 9. Miss Jarvis of Philadelphia, who started the movement for such an observance several years ago, has again selected a white carnation symbol of mother's devotion, as the flower for that day.

THE G.T.R. will issue excursion tickets for the Victoria Day holiday as follows:—Single fare, good going and returning Monday, May 24th, only. Fare one and one-third good going May 22nd, 23rd and 24th, return limit May 25th. Tickets good between all stations in Canada. Minimum fare 25c.

A REMOR that a former well-known resident of Watford had taken the water route to the far-off land got well circulated in the forepart of the week, but a letter was received from him on Wednesday, stating that he hoped to go to the front and send a few Germans to the happy hunting ground before going there himself.

COPIES of the by-law for an extensive drain through the north part of Watford, Arkona and Bosanquet are being served on the interested parties this week. The drain passes through 77 lots in Watford, 173 in Arkona and 20 in Bosanquet. The by-law was printed this week at the Guide-Advocate office and makes a pamphlet of fifteen pages. It is probably the lengthiest by-law ever gotten out in this district.

It is rumored that radical changes are about to be made in the G.T.R. timetable that will cause much inconvenience to the travelling public and seriously injure the business of Watford. Would it not be better to prevent the changes being made than to have the matter rectified after the time-table is adopted and printed.

PETROLIA ADVERTISER—"An outside firm conducting a sale in town paid \$100 license fee under the Transient Traders' Act to Town Clerk McHattie on Saturday morning. This fee although high, should be made prohibitive. Our town merchants can take care of all trade in this locality." The above will also apply to Watford. Transient traders are of no benefit to any community and should be made to understand that they are not wanted. If a firm has reliable goods to sell it is not necessary to go from town to town every few days to sell them.

JUSTICE RIDDELL had some stinging things to say to the laggards who make excuses for staying at home when they might be nobly employed at the front, in the course of his address to the graduating class of the Ontario Veterinary College in Convocation hall. "I was told by a young man recently," said the Judge, "that it required more courage to stay at home than to go to the front." What brave young men we have in Canada at the present time! Most of them are to be found on the baseball field or in the bar room. There was a time when the men of Great Britain shed their blood for us; now the tables are turned, and we must be ready to do the same for them."

MR. GEORGE POTTER, late with the Petrolia Grist Mill Co., has been engaged at Chambers factory, and is moving his family and household effects back to Watford.

SPRATHROY AGE—The town fathers now have under consideration a proposition from Geo. Rivers of Arkona, for the establishment of a berry box factory in this town. Mr. Rivers, who has had much experience in this line of business, is not asking for a bonus or a loan from the corporation, preferring to use his own capital and build up a business gradually. He expects the corporation, however, to extend him the usual concessions of free water and light and exemption from taxation. He will employ at least ten men the first year. The conditions of the agreement have not yet been decided upon but we hope that the parties will come to a satisfactory understanding and that before long the proposed factory building will be under way.

SHAN TUNG blouses at SWIFTS'.

THE WELSH CHOIR sang to a full house at the Armory on Thursday evening. The concert was an excellent one and every number was well received. The choir has a repertoire that embraces all classes of music from grand opera. Every member of the company is an artist and their voices range from baritone to high soprano. They are as much at home in a plantation melody as an operatic selection. The program, which comprised solos, duets, trios, quartets and choruses, had sufficient variety to please everyone. It was given with remarkable smoothness and was a feast of melody and harmony from start to finish. The proceeds amounted to about \$85, and the 27th Regt. got a nice percentage of this amount. Come again, ladies, and bring your knitting.

MRS. JAMES O'ROURKE, an old and much esteemed resident of Watford for many years, died at the home of her daughter in Detroit on Saturday, May 1st, in her 79th year. Mrs. O'Rourke was the daughter of the late Dan and Ann Raney. She was born in Longford, Ireland, and was brought to this country in the arms of her parents. The family settled in the township of Warwick. Some 53 years ago she married James O'Rourke, of Warwick, who predeceased her about 36 years ago. They spent many years of their married life on the second line, moved into Watford about 39 years ago, purchasing property on Ontario street west of the public school, where her husband died some three years later. Several years ago she gave up housekeeping and went to spend her declining days with her daughter in Detroit. She leaves three children to mourn her demise, Dan R., of New York city; Frank C., of Buffalo, N. Y. and Mrs. Frank Darvoux, of Detroit, all of whom attended the funeral. Charles Raney, of Warwick, is a brother. The funeral took place on Monday, high mass being said at 8 o'clock in Detroit. The remains were then brought to Watford and were committed to the grave in the R. C. Cemetery by the Rev. Fr. Quinlan. The pallbearers were D. Roche, Jas. McManus, J. S. Williams, W. Scott, A. McDonald and S. W. Louks.

Daughters of the Empire

The regular monthly meeting of the I.O.D.E. was held at the home of Mrs. Tye on March 4th, Mrs. Thompson assisting hostess, the Regent in the chair. After opening prayer roll call was responded to by quotations in keeping with "Mother's Day," and expressed many beautiful thoughts. There were 20 members and 6 visitors present. The members spent the time sewing and knitting. The program opened with the singing of "The Maple Leaf" by the Chapter; solo by Miss Richardson, "Come to me love at Twilight"; Mrs. Thompson reading Japanese program; instrumental by Miss Swift (Liszt), Miss McCaw, humorous reading; solo by Mrs. Kelly, "Time's Roses"; reading by Miss Mitchell, "The Japanese Renaissance," written by Mrs. Thompson Connolly for Christian Endeavor World; reading by Mrs. Swift, "England's Patron Saint"; Mrs. T. G. Mitchell, humorous reading, "Little Mary on Nerves." This concluded a well-rendered programme, which was enjoyed by all present. Tea was served on small tables, which looked very attractive and inviting with beautiful cut flowers. The singing of the National Anthem brought a most pleasant meeting to a close.

Next place of meeting at Mrs. T. Woods'. We acknowledge a bale sent by the women of Kingscourt, through Mrs. John McCormick, to be forwarded with our shipment to the Belgians.

BROOKE

The May meeting of the Brooke Women's Institute will be held on Thursday afternoon, May 13th, at the home of Miss Nettie McEachern. This being the annual meeting every member is expected to be present. After the business meeting Mrs. Dan McDonald will give a paper on "Training of young girls for womanhood." Roll call—renew your membership. Visitors welcome.

A man always feels contemptible when he lets a girl kiss him against his will.

"In union there is strength"—so a meek and lowly man with a strenuous wife says.

WARWICK.

Dr. J. Elmer Thompson is home from Toronto, for the holidays.

Rev. J. Moore, B. A., of Springbank, will preach at 2:30 on Sunday afternoon at Knox Presbyterian church.

Word has been received that Mrs. Wm. Bryce, of Wainright, Sask., formerly of the 4th line, is suffering from a paralytic stroke and little hope is held for her recovery.

The yearly business meeting of the Women's Institute will be held in the Foresters' hall on Thursday afternoon, May 13th. The box for the Belgian Relief fund will be packed. Any contributions for this fund will be gladly received. Roll call response, the renewal of membership.

An item in the London Free Press last Saturday says that Private Gordon Patterson, a Watford recruit with the 33rd Battalion, is suffering from a serious attack of spinal meningitis. When he was first taken to Victoria Hospital, Private Patterson was in 'bad shape, and his chances for recovery were said to be small.

Russell Hayward, a farmer of the Plympton-Euniskillen-Warwick town line, died at his home on Sunday morning. While attending the funeral of his father-in-law, James Squires, on Friday, he was stricken with pain, which physicians pronounced appendicitis. An examination on Saturday showed that the disease had made too great headway to allow an operation and he gradually sank until Sunday morning, when death put an end to his suffering. He was 31 years old and leaves a wife and infant child. The funeral was held on Wednesday at the Wyoming cemetery, the Rev. T. M. Mead, of the Watford Baptist church, officiating.

The annual meeting of the Bethel Sunday school, for reorganization, was held in the church on Wednesday evening, April 28th. The pastor, Rev. H. J. Fair, occupied the chair. The secretary, John Cable, recorded the minutes of the meeting. After receiving the reports of the secretary and treasurer, the superintendent, J. F. Smith, gave a brief account of the year's work, which showed the school to be in a very satisfactory condition, the missionary offerings this year amounting to \$63.38, a good increase over preceding years. The election of officers was as follows:—J. F. Smith, superintendent; Wm. Vance, assistant; Fred Graham, secretary; W. Cable, assistant; John Cable, treasurer; Mrs. Goodhand, organist; Vera Richardson, Monty Coffin and Jean Smith, assistant organists; T. S. Smith and Wm. Cates, librarians; Mr. Goodhand, teacher class 1; J. T. Smith, teacher class 2; Miss Vance, teacher class 3; Mrs. H. Vance, teacher class 4; Mrs. H. Clark, teacher class 5; Mrs. J. T. Smith, teacher class 6; Mrs. George Brent, teacher class 7; John Coffin, H. Cable, Harvey Vance and Mrs. Will Vance, assistant teachers; Will Vance, superintendent of H. D.; Mrs. Will Vance, superintendent of cradle roll, Miss Myrtle Goodhand president of organized A. B. C. class; Miss Jean Smith president of girls' secondary division organized class; Fred Graham president of boys' secondary division organized class. The officers of this school extend a hearty invitation to all who may become members during the coming year. Visitors will also receive a cordial welcome.

From Old Subscribers

James McClure, Hartshorn, Alta., writes: Please find enclosed \$1.00 for your much valued paper. It comes weekly and answers for many a letter. The seedling has started and the weather is very favorable and dry; hardly ever have any spring rains here in Alberta. Wishing you a prosperous year.

Smith—Long

London May 4, 1915.—A quite but pretty wedding took place in St. Paul's Cathedral at high noon on Tuesday, May 4th, when Mr. John George Smith, London, and Miss Elizabeth Long, formerly of Glencoe, were united in marriage by Rev. Canon Tucker. Miss Mable McIntyre and Mr. Lawrence Long supported the bride and groom. The young couple left on the 1.40 train for points west, and on their return will reside at 573 Elizabeth St., London.

ARKONA

Report of primary room, Arkona public school, for April. Class II. Percentage given.—Joyce Fuller 98, Sara Hostetter 94, Iva Johnston 93, Queenie Kemp 92, Ida Eastman 89, Kathleen Copeland 85, Florence Austin 79, Lois Baldwin 73, Nellie Langan 71, Thelma George 71, Elma Augustine 70, Peter McNaughton 63, Elsie Weedmark 47, Kenneth Herrington 33, Pt. II.—Harold Wilson, Vera Stephenson, Harry Richter, Mary Connolly, Clara Smith, Ena Smith, Florence White, Arnold Lucas, Nina Watt, Charles Johnston, Charlie Baynes, Willie Johnston, Jack Thoman, Sr. I.—Howard Meadows, Willie Baldwin, Franklin Martin, Everett Herrington, Marvin Eastman, Jr. I.—(Doris Huffman, Doris Kent) equal, Anna Morningstar, George Holmes, Marion Wilson, Leatha Smith, Wilton Connolly, Rheta Wilcocks, Paul Hostetter, Jack Herrington, Carl Wilson. Average attendance 41.—R. M. BROWN, Teacher.

in place of Mr. Swift, casualties are about 22% in this battalion. He got orders to charge and so eager for the fray, were not required, so I in the time comes the good account of them to be, yours truly, A. OWENS.

16TH IN THE SPRING s Aid in Making h-Giving Blood

ie system needs a tonic. i must have new blood, i Nature demands is new blood you will guide. You may have natism or the sharp neuralgia. Often there mples or eruptions on er cases there is merely less and a variable apese are signs that the order—that the indoor lessened your vitality. a spring is a tonic med- right, and in all the there is no tonic can is' Pink Pills. These e new rich, red blood— d in spring. This new e seeds of disease and ed men, women and clive and strong. Miss Savona, B. C., says:— a ghost, suffered from e palpitation of the trest exertion. I had lite and seemed to be cline. I was attending 'ancover at the time, ument me to stop. I did estment for some time, p me in the least. Up- i friend I began taking k Pills, and in a very ave me back complete led me to resume my enjoyed the best of owe it all to Dr. Wil-

sold by all medicine hing by mail at 50 cents s for \$2.50 from The dicine Co., Brockville,

of Tilbury, in giving a hing to the Belgian plunged his hand into at he had not worn for r, and discovered a ters which contained es to the value of \$400.

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