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## LOCAL HAPPENINGS

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### WISE WIVES WASTE NOT.

FOR USED CARS SEE RAY MORNING-STAR. a29H

IT SEEMS THAT THE U-boats are on the sink.

THIS IS VICTORIA DAY, the first and best of the summer holidays.

WATFORD MARKETS—Eggs 37c, butter 40c, oats 75c, wool 60c to 85c.

MEN'S ODD SUMMER TROUSERS, smart styles for young men.—SWIFT'S.

WATFORD COURT OF REVISION next Monday at 10 a.m. in the Council Chamber.

"THAT which you sow you shall reap" does not always apply to the backyard garden.

MRS. G. J. PHILLIPS has the editor's thanks for late Berkeley, California, newspapers.

JUDGING from the profusion of blossoms early apples will be plentiful in this district.

THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL will visit Sarnia June 8th, arriving there at 8 p.m. the previous day.

ORDERS-IN-COUNCIL are coming in so thick and fast these days that it is impossible to know what is the law from day to day.

A BUNCH of 22 cows, Durhams and Holsteins, sold by auction here last week, averaged \$135.50 a head. One sold for \$196.00.

DID YOU SAY PANAMA HATS? We have them. Best value in Ontario.—SWIFT'S.

YOU MUST GO TO WORK in your Sunday clothes in Germany. When a man has two suits the Kaiser seizes one of them for his war workmen.

THOSE who persist in defying the law by riding their bicycles on the sidewalks, especially at night, will land up against a good stiff fine before long if they do not get wise.

THE THREE-YEAR-TERM of soldiers' insurance paid for by the county council has expired. In order to keep this insurance in force relatives of enlisted men are required to pay the premiums.

A DISPATCH from Petrolia states that Mr. Lee, of Alvinston, late manager of the Alvinston Canning Company, has been appointed to take the census of the man and woman power of East Lambton.

BUY YOUR BOY'S SUITS, Odd Coats or Odd Pants at SWIFT'S.

THE CRUEL SPORT of robbing birds' nests and making rival collections of birds' eggs is now officially put on the list of national crimes. The sport is banned, according to an order-in-council just passed.

A PARTIAL ECLIPSE of the sun will be visible in Canada on June 8th. It will take place shortly after one o'clock in the afternoon. The last eclipse of the sun visible in Canada took place in 1900 and the next will be in 1923.

BANKS are pretty much pressed for help when they refuse to accept money because of shortage of hands to handle it, but such is the case in most towns in Ontario. After July 1st the banks will not receive gas, water and light bills.

SNOW in Quebec and Alberta on Sunday, according to reports, while here in Ontario the thermometer registered 83 and the most beautiful weather was experienced. Ontario seems to stand an all-year-round test as well as most places.

HOSIERY, GLOVES, WHITEWEAR.—SWIFT'S.

JUNE IS COMING—the time to put out plants. We have now ready all kinds of vegetable and bedding plants and others will be ready from now on during the planting season. Good healthy plants only supplied. Order now.—PHILIP AUSTIN, Arkska. 17-2

THE FUEL CONTROLLER is anxious that every one get coal in for next winter as early as possible, in fact, would like to see as much eagerness to get bins stocked as was shown by some households last winter in fortifying themselves against dryness!

TEN ALVINSTON MERCHANTS have agreed to deliver no goods whatever, as they find it necessary to curtail expenses in every possible way. In the local paper they ask their customers to cooperate with them in their endeavor to keep down the high cost of living.

OWING TO THE ADVANCE in the cost of living, all the solicitors in the County of Lambton have found it necessary to increase their charges for conveyancing and work of that nature, and have adopted a tariff of charges to be made by them respectively, which will be kept posted up in their offices.

REV. A. C. TIFFIN and W. H. Harper, also Rev. J. S. T. Fortner and John Zavitz, of Brooke, represent the Methodist Church at the annual district meeting of the Strathroy Dist. this week at Alvinston. At this meeting the different circuits of the district report and tabulate the work of the year and make ready for the meeting of the London Conference, which this year convenes in Walkerville early in June.

### NEXT SUNDAY IS TRINITY SUNDAY.

FOOD TIRES at \$15.00 and up.—R. MORNINGSTAR. mrs-41

A LITTLE FISHING now and then is medicine for run-down men.

LIKE the rape of Belgium, the pillaging of Roumania will be revenged before the Allies are through.

A PLYMPTON man was fined \$5 by Reeve Fitzgerald on Monday for driving his car without a 1918 marker.

SPEAKING GENERALLY, the lawns and backyards in town never presented as tidy an appearance as they do now.

THE MANY FRIENDS of Mrs. Lowry will be pleased to learn she is improving in St. Joseph's Hospital, London, after her operation three weeks ago.

MARY had a little limp, and furrows in her brow.

She couldn't wear a number two, but tried it anyhow.

MR. and MRS. JOHN THOMAS of Winnipeg are visiting relatives in this vicinity. It is over eight years since they left Watford and they are being warmly welcomed by their numerous friends.

BUY YOUR WASH DRESS GOODS at SWIFT'S.

S. P. MORRIS, of Lacombe, Alta., in renewing his subscription says:—"I am always pleased to get the Guide and can always find time to read it. We are having a nice spring here, nothing suffering yet for rain and most of the seeding done."

HAROLD SMITH appeared before Judge MacWatt at Sarnia on Tuesday on a charge of non-support of his family. After a well-merited lecture the judge let him go on suspended sentence, the understanding being that he go to work and support his family. Failing to do he will be committed to jail.

THE hours of the local banks have been changed. They will now open every day at 9:30 and remain open until 2:30 except on Wednesdays when they will close at 12 o'clock during the summer months. After July 1st banks will not receive payment for electric light bills or other public service.

At the regular prayer meeting in the Presbyterian Church Mr. and Mrs. John Miller were called to the front and Mrs. Miller presented with a handsome bible and Mr. Miller with three beautiful books. Although taken aback by the surprise Mr. Miller made a very suitable reply, thanking the people for their kindness.

NEW MIDDLES, samples, much less than regular price.—SWIFT'S.

THE RECENT SUGAR RESTRICTIONS passed by the Canada Food Board will have the effect of saving about 100,000 tons, approximately 25 per cent. of our normal consumption. These restrictions are rendered absolutely necessary by the shipping and rail transportation situation. There is sugar in Cuba but we cannot get it into Canada. What we can get we must conserve for preserving time. Sugar will continue to be scarce in Canada for many months to come but there will be plenty to go around with careful conservation.

"A COUNTRY GIRL" of London Township, discussing the drafting of her brother for service in the army, quotes these lines: "Oh, call my brother back to me, I cannot live alone; The summer comes with bees and flowers, Where is my brother gone?" If that thin line of khaki gives way for want of reinforcements, we shall amend these pathetic lines and make them read: "Where is my sister gone?" That is the way they say it in Belgium and the northern part of France.—Parkhill Gazette.

THERE ARE PERSISTENT RUMORS that some persons are going about representing themselves as inspectors looking for stocks of sugar and flour. So far it has not been possible for the authorities to definitely trace the rumors to their source or to find places where the alleged inspectors have called. A warning has been issued that no person should allow a stranger to enter the house without positive proof that they have authority. Last year some men visited places in the country and made away with canned fruit under the guise of being Government representatives. They managed to escape the authorities.

LADIES' SAMPLE SKIRTS, Black and Navy all wool serges and panamas, \$5.00.—SWIFT'S.

THE ANNUAL congregational meeting of the Watford Methodist Church was held on Monday evening and the attendance was very encouraging, it being the first meeting of that character ever held. The pastor presided and after the congregation joined in singing several favorite hymns he read the church roll of membership and was able to report several additions to the membership, some 44 having united during the year. The connexional funds show a splendid increase especially this year from this church \$50 and from Zion \$25, in all \$75, and the missionary which is \$207.75, an increase over last year of \$79.65, which is regarded as very favorable. The different organizations of the church reported through their officers and all show deep and growing interest. The absence of Mrs. John White, the past president of the W.M.S., through illness, was much regretted. The refreshments served were much enjoyed, as were also the fraternal greetings of Messrs. J. E. Collier and T. A. Gault, of Zion Church.

### SAPPER R. H. MOORE, of Petrolia, is reported wounded.

MRS. KELLS has sold her house on Wall street to Mrs. McMurray.

NURSING SISTER C. TYE, Toronto, is visiting at her home here. She expects to go overseas shortly.

THE meat shortage has been somewhat relieved in England and a full grown man can now have 16 cents worth a week.

MISS V. U. ENGLISH, of London, has accepted the position of assistant stenographer in W. E. Fitzgerald's law office.

DR. AND MRS. VERN L. NEWELL, Detroit, are visiting the former's parents, Dr. and Mrs. James Newell, for the week end.

CAPT. ERNEST LAWRENCE is now at Willey Camp, Surrey, England, where he expects to remain for a time before again going to France.

THERE is a good opportunity for a smart boy, about 14 or 15 years old, to learn the printing business. Apply at the GUIDE-ADVOCATE office.

THE WATFORD PATRIOTIC LEAGUE met as usual Wednesday afternoon. Good work was done on clothing for the Belgium children which is much needed. The League will be pleased to receive second hand clothing fit for sending in the bale. They have 60 pairs socks ready for Red Cross purpose and have received letters in answer to notes sent in socks. We wish to thank those who so kindly donated socks and money to the work.

ONE OF THE ADVANTAGES urged in favor of daylight saving legislation was that dwellers in urban centres would be able to devote more time to their gardens and thus aid in the greater production movement in a patriotic way to the end that the extra food raised by townpeople would go a long way to supply their own demands, leaving that raised on the farms to be shipped abroad for our men at the front. This contention is being amply demonstrated in Watford, where the art of gardening has seen a desirable revival of interest, and no matter in what part of the town one goes to-day, very nicely cultivated gardens, giving promise of material production, are to be seen. There is a good deal of friendly rivalry for the earliest potatoes and garden produce.

THE Convocation exercises of the Western University which were held a few days ago in London closed a successful year in spite of the tremendous drain upon the attendance made by the war. The degree of B. A. was conferred on ten and that of M. D. on 11 graduates, every one of the latter appearing in a lieutenant's uniform, which is probably without a parallel in the history of any of our universities. Addresses were delivered by Hon. Dr. Roche of Ottawa, Chairman of the Civil Service Commission, and by President Braithwaite of the University. The Summer School which will be held by Western University for the first time this year promises to have a good enrolment, many inquiries being received from teachers throughout Western Ontario. It will be in session from July 2 to August 9.

A WARNING TO ALL CITIZENS over sixteen years of age is issued, that very severe penalties are provided for any person who neglects to register on registration day, June 22nd, the penalties being fines or imprisonment. The only persons over sixteen years who do not need to register are cloistered nuns, men on active service and who remain so employed, and citizens confined in asylums, penitentiaries and prisons. The latter must register when released. Registration offices will be open from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. In order to accommodate people who cannot register on Saturday, the 22nd, registration booths will be open for one week previous. Children who become sixteen after June 22nd must register within thirty days of their sixteenth birthday, the forms for which will be supplied by the postoffices. Any person who cannot attend a booth through illness may register by mail.

## BORN

In Wyoming, on Sunday, May 12th, to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McKenna, a son.

## MARRIED

At the home of the bride's parents, "Maple Shade Farm," on Wednesday, May 15, 1918, by Rev. A. E. Moorehouse, assisted by Rev. Jas. Foote, Mr. John Alexander McIntyre, to Miss Georgina Myrrhie, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wight, all of Bossanquet.

## DIED

In Sylvan, on Monday, May 13th, 1918, Millie Waun, wife of Mr. James Eberly.

In Thedford, on Sunday, May 12th, 1918, Dr. Alex. Munns, in his 84 year.

In Petrolia, on Friday, May 10, 1918, Geo. A. Brown, in his 54th year.

In Petrolia, on Monday, May 13th, 1918, Christina Witt, second eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Witt, aged 13 years.

In Strathroy Hospital, on Friday morning, May 10, 1918, J. T. A. Gilzean, in his 90th year.

In Brooke on Sunday, May 19th, Arch. Fisher aged 92 years and 6 months.

A critic by any other name would be a knocker just the same.

## BROOKE

Mr. C. Salisbury, Nanawac, paid a business visit to Brooke last week.

The Invincible Red Cross Society purpose holding a garden party on Friday, June 21st. Particulars later.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McIntyre, of Bossanquet, spent the week end at the home of Alex. Kelly, twelfth line.

The regular meeting of Court Pearl, No. 306, C. O. F., will be held on Tuesday, May 28th. A good attendance is requested. Important business.—A. B. Sisson, C. R.

Mr. Arch. Fisher passed away at the home of his son Archie Fisher, lot 24, Con. 10, Brooke, on Sunday last at the ripe age of 92 years and 6 months. The funeral was held on Tuesday to Kilmartin cemetery.

The Invincible Red Cross Society acknowledge with thanks the sum of fifteen dollars from Court Pearl No. 306, C. O. F. This nice amount is appreciated very much because the Order denied themselves of their annual oyster supper to give to patriotic purposes.

The Tipperary Red Cross Society has just shipped to Hyman Hall, London, a bale containing 13 grey flannel shirts valued at \$28.50; 7 suits pyjamas valued at \$12.25; 8 pillow cases valued at \$2.50; The society also shipped 1 quilt to Byron Sanitarium. The next meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Geo. Higgins on May 28th, 1918.

The annual meeting of the Brooke Branch of the Women's Institute was held May 9th in the handsome new home of Mrs. H. J. Lett. There were several visitors and a good representation of members present. The following officers were elected for the new year commencing June 1st. Hon. Pres., Mrs. Margaret Campbell; Pres. Mrs. W. J. Lett; 1st Vice Pres., Mrs. W. S. Shugg; 2nd Vice Pres., Mrs. R. Seanson; Sec. Tres., Miss M. Willoughby; Assistant, Miss R. Clarke; Auditors, Miss Harrison and Mrs. Steadman; Pianist, Mrs. W. S. Shugg; Assistant, Mrs. D. McDonald; District Director, Mrs. S. Hair; Branch Director Mrs. D. Campbell; District Representatives, Miss B. Hair, Mrs. Shugg, Mrs. Lett and Miss M. Willoughby; Program Committee, Mrs. Seanson, Miss K. McLaughlin, Miss P. Maddock and Mrs. E. Aitchison.

A duet by Miss R. Clarke and Mrs. Shugg was much enjoyed by all. Mrs. B. Hair read an interesting paper on "English Country Life". The meeting then closed with the National Anthem, and a social hour was spent while the hostess served refreshments. The next meeting will be held June 13th at the home of Mrs. D. McDonald.

## WARWICK

Gunner George Parker, of London, spent Sunday at his parental home, Main Road. He looks well and reports pleasure in soldiering.

Among the names of those eligible for the Bachelor's degree in the Science of Agriculture is mentioned that of C. F. Patterson.

The ladies of the Warwick Branch of the Women's Institute wish to thank the many friends who so generously contributed to the boxes to be sent overseas.

Allan W. Edwards, son of Mr. Ezra Edwards, second line, who has been in England for the past two years with the Army Medical Corp., returned home on Sunday on account of poor health. He arrived in London on Sunday morning in one of the Government's special hospital trains, together with 33 other returned men, and came from London home by auto.

The congregational meeting of the Zion Methodist Church was held in the church on Wednesday evening of last week, when a splendid turn-out of the whole community evidenced the deep interest in all the varied interests of the church. The reports given by the officers of the church showed the finances to be in a splendid condition and the different departments all well organized and growing. The song service of the occasion was much enjoyed, and not the least important was the lunch and social hour after the reports had been given. The pastor presided and reported an increase in membership and reported with much pleasure that Zion Church had in missions done better than ever, having contributed \$252.05, being an increase for the year of \$54.67. The meeting closed with "God Save the King" and the benediction and was voted by all a splendid success.

## CHOP STUFF

Petrolia will celebrate Dominion Day. A tax of \$5 has been placed on dogs in Amherstburg.

England will plant a million acres of potatoes this year.

Petrolia public school teachers have been given a \$50 bonus by the Board.

Mrs. Arch. McKellar, a former resident of Alvinston, died lately at her home in Saskatchewan.

Ernest Tonks, a former hostler at the Revere House, Alvinston, has been killed in action in France.

Amherstburg has established the first soda ash industry in Canada and the people are proud of the fact.

The Koche House property Forest has again changed hands, Mr. Chester Lee of the Franklin House being the last purchaser.

Robert Wigle died at Leamington last week aged 77 years. He was one of the town's most esteemed citizens and died in the house in which he was born.

A Puslinch township resident who is said to have purchased over a year ago about 200 bags of flour at \$6.50 per cwt., has to ship the greater part of it at once to Montreal at the current price of less than \$6.00.

Orilla has arranged for a pig day, on which the farmers who have young pigs to sell and the town people who want to buy may be brought together. This is a good idea, which every patriotic town should adopt.

A campaign against such patent medicines as may contain more than the amount of alcohol which the law allows is about to be started by the Ontario License Board. Samples of these medicines will be submitted to the provincial board of health for analysis, and when they prove too alcoholic for good medicine the board will take action.

For the purpose of supplying sufficient labor to thresh the crops of Ontario this fall, a scheme is under way by which the department of agriculture is cooperating with the department of trades and labor. It is expected that 5000 men will be secured who will go out in gangs of eight each, link up with threshers throughout the province and relieve the farmers of the necessity of exchanging work for perhaps two weeks when they might better be getting their fall plowing done.

Trustees in rural schools have now the power to vote money for medical and dental inspection of children's teeth. Many a man and woman would rise up and bless the name of their parents if they had been thoughtful enough to have looked after their children's teeth when they were going to school. But in the pioneer days rotten teeth were uncommon and dentists were scarce. Now-adays very few children have a set of teeth that do not need treating, and the State steps in and gives School Boards power to tax the whole section to look after the health of the boys and girls between 7 and 14 years of age.

## Obituary

Another life-long and much respected resident of this district was called to his reward after long years of suffering when Mr. Anderson Smith passed away on Monday, May 13th, at the age of 54 years, 6 months and 7 days. Deceased was born in the township of Brooke and was the eldest son of the late William Smith. In September 1835 he was married to Miss Alice Robbins of Dorchester, who predeceased him eight years ago. He is survived by two sons and three daughters, Essie and Annie, of London, Fredia and Garnet of Ingersoll and Howard of Warwick. His aged mother of Warwick, three brothers and three sisters, Ben and George, Mrs. W. W. Edwards of Warwick, Willard of Alvinston and Mrs. George Potter of Wyoming, also survive him.

The funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 from the home of his brother Ben, lot 14, con. 2, Warwick to the Watford cemetery and was very largely attended. The service was conducted by the Rev. A. C. Tiffin, pastor of the Watford Methodist church. The pallbearers were T. H. Fuller, E. A. Edwards, P. Fleming, J. E. Collier, H. K. Laird and W. D. McKenzie. Friends were present from Bothwell, Newbury, Inwood, Petrolia, Sarnia, Thorndale, Dorchester and Mount Brydges.

## Advertising the Loan

A return tabled in the House gives details of the amounts paid to newspapers throughout Canada for advertising the Victory Loan of last November and December. The total cost of advertising the loan was \$207,093, of which the amounts paid to newspapers and magazines aggregated \$164,519. Practically every newspaper in Canada, irrespective of politics or character, got a fair share of the advertising according to circulation. The larger dailies received from \$1,000 to \$3,000 each, while the small weeklies averaged about \$50 apiece.

## War Postcard

Only a Field Service postcard, Coming from France afar, Bringing good tidings with it Of him who is at the war; Making the heart feel lighter, Chasing the tears that swell, With those three little words written on it Simply to say "I am well."

