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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.

OUR Easter Neckwear open this week.

NEXT Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.

A GOOD DEAL of the money saved in fuel this winter will be spent in gasoline next summer.

LEAVE your order NOW at Morningstar's Garage for spring and summer tractor plowing. jnl7-3m

THERE will be no excursion rates on the Grand Trunk the coming summer, according to G. T. officials.

ROYAL PURPLE Calf Meal, Stock and Poultry Specific, Oyster shell grit, etc. at HOWDEN'S.

DAYLIGHT SAVING will go into operation in Great Britain on March 30th. The old time will be resumed Sept. 28.

OLD MAN WINTER has been known to have quite a fling in March. It is to be hoped that he is not reckoning on doing so this year.

SIR WILFRID LAURIER'S grave was stripped of nearly every flower by souvenir hunters within half a day of his burial. Such funds should be punished.

D. D. MACKENZIE, Liberal Member for North Cape Breton, has been selected leader of the Liberal party for the present session of Parliament.

IT is expected that the peace treaty will be signed about May 15th. It would be appropriate if it could be got in shape for Easter, April 20th.

MUNICIPALITIES have been notified that the order-in-council controlling the sale of debentures has been rescinded, and no certificate of approval is now necessary.

SEE our stock of nifty curtain nets and curtains—SWIFT'S.

ACCORDING to a statement made by Premier Hearst, the Province of Ontario with 31 per cent of the population of the Dominion, furnished 43 per cent of all the troops raised in Canada for the war.

THERE is much real education to be gained by perusal of the best fiction. But the cheap novels with which the country is flooded are demoralizing both to the character and literary taste of the nation.

REV. W. T. GUNN, M. A., D. D., general secretary, will preach in the Congregational church, Watford, next Sunday morning and evening and in Zion at 2.45 p.m. All members are requested to be present.

AMONG the returning soldiers who came overseas on the Empress of Britain which docked at Halifax on Tuesday, we notice the name of Spr. J. A. Campbell, son of Rev. N. A. Campbell, of Inwood, Corp. J. Easton, of Petrolia, also arrived on the same boat.

"Is this your boy, Sam?" "No, sah. Dat's only mah stepchild." "Why, I didn't know either you or your wife were married before." "We hain't, sah; but you see dis hyah boy was left by someone on dis step, sah."

ACCORDING to the Auditors' report of the Watford Hydro Department the surplus to Dec. 31st, 1917, was \$697.46, and the surplus for 1918, \$2495.22. The provincial auditor who examined the books recently states that users of Hydro in Watford are now entitled to a reduction in rates.

W. N. FLEETHAM, Barber, has secured an agency for the Aylmer Steam Laundry and shipments are made every Tuesday morning and returned to Watford Friday. Excellent service in Dry Cleaning and pressing at most reasonable rates. Your patronage solicited. d21

THE APPIN ELECTRIC LIGHT CO., will install a \$3000 Dico Light Plant to meet the requirements of the stock holders. Said unit will carry double the load of the former plant, which is and will give service till the larger system is installed. The sale was closed by Spalding & Morgan, representatives for Lambton and Middlesex.

STEWARTS Pure Raspberry and Strawberry Jam, 1 lb. glass jars 35 cts., 4 lb tins \$1.10. Try this if you want the real thing—N. B. HOWDEN EST.

THE CANADIAN RAILWAY WAR Board desires to emphasize the fact that the "cash before delivery" system, for payment of freight charges, will be positively effective in all parts of Canada on March 1st. After that date the goods will be accepted by carrier companies only on the charges prepaid basis, with the exception of certain cases where surety bonds may be used.

THE FUNERAL of the late Cornelius Roach, who died at the residence of his son W. H. Roach, Detroit, on Tuesday, Feb. 18th, took place on the 20th from the C. T. R. station. The remains arrived from Detroit, in charge of his son, on the 11.16 train and were taken to the R. C. cemetery for interment. The pall bearers were D. and T. Roche, E. D. Swift, A. C. Brown, C. Howden and C. A. Class. Deceased was a native of Ireland. He lived the greater part of his life in Watford, but for the past few years has resided with his son at Detroit. He was 76 years old.

SMART New Blouses in silk, voile and crepe.—SWIFT'S.

THE mysterious origin of Cain's wife is the only excuse some men have for staying away from church.

THE fifth session of the 14th Legislature of the province was opened on Tuesday with the usual pre-war pomp.

A MAJORITY of the County Councils in Ontario passed resolutions to memorialize the Government to discontinue the war tax.

SOME of the Toronto newspapers receive from \$75,000 to \$100,000 a year from individual merchant advertisers in the city.

THERE will be morning service in Trinity church next Sunday and the Holy Communion will be administered. Sermon especially for young people.

REV. E. P. H. KING, of Toronto, will preach in the following Baptist churches, on Sunday next, March 2nd, 1919. Wyoming 11 a. m., Calvary 3 p. m., Watford 7 p. m. Everybody welcome.

PUBLIC uncertainty over the interpretation of the Federal Income Tax questions are to be shortly set at rest by a publicity campaign instituted by the Dominion Government.

A MEETING of the local Liberal Association of Watford will be held in the old Music Hall, on Tuesday evening, March 4th, at 8 o'clock. A couple of speakers are expected to be present. All Liberals are invited.

NEW CUTLERY just arrived. We got tired waiting for English goods and have a nice assortment of American goods at reasonable prices.—N. B. HOWDEN EST.

WE have complete plans for cleaning clover, timothy, alfalfa, millet etc. Best of cleaning guaranteed. We want to buy 25 bushel timothy seed. Highest prices offered.—MATTHEWS & CO.

WILL our friends who send us items of news please write plainly? This is particularly important in the matter of names. In several of our news items last week we had to draw on our imagination for initials and the spelling of names, which we explain errors where our guess has been bad.

WILL the day ever come when the workers in the country towns and villages will join with their fellow workers in the city and work only 48 hours per week. This is one of the many reasons for the workers leaving the country and going to the city.

THE New Hats—the Hawes is a nice lid, the price \$4.00 and \$5.00.—SWIFT'S.

THE exceedingly mild weather for February came to an end on Tuesday afternoon with snow flurries and a cold east wind. During the night the wind veered to the west and the temperature dropped to about 10. Wednesday was the coldest day of the year so far.

CAPT. R. H. STAPLEFORD has received word from Brig.-Gen. E. A. Cruikshanks, Militia Headquarters, who is in charge of all War Trophies, that Watford's claim for a share in trophies has been considered and allotment will be made when the final meeting of the Trophy Committee takes place.

A WINDSOR street car motorman, newly married, took his bride out on his run with him. He drove two blocks and then she took the controller. That's about the distance most bridegrooms get before the controller is taken away from them, then all they do the rest of their lives is to open and close the front door.

PRICES last year for maple sugar and maple syrup were the highest ever known. Good sugar sold at 25 cents a pound, syrup from \$2.25 to as high as \$5 a gallon. There has not been much sign of decline this year so far. In 1911 the price of maple sugar ranged from five to ten cents a pound to the farmers.

QUESTIONNAIRES on employment which have hitherto been sent out from government departments at Ottawa are to be simplified and centralized. The department of labor will in future have charge, and will operate under the employment officers' co-ordination act, which provides for stiff penalties for refusal to supply desired information.

THERE are to be no changes in the Marriage Act at the coming session of the Legislature which will prevent mental defectives, and sufferers from certain serious diseases getting married. An amendment introduced last session by Dr. Forbes Godfrey (West York) with this object in view, was declared as too drastic by the Marriage Act Committee of the Legislature.

Section III of Circular 27 of 1918, providing for the employment in 1919 on Ontario farms of pupils in attendance at the elementary and secondary schools of the Province, is hereby rescinded. Accordingly, hereafter the Easter examinations by the staffs will not be held and all candidates for admission to the High Schools and the Model and Normal Schools and the Faculties of Education shall pass the prescribed midsummer examinations.

IT is upon the returned soldier who has been able to buy his 'smokes' at a reasonable price while overseas that the high price charged here for cigarettes and tobacco falls the hardest. He is not so much interested in why he is called on to pay 15 cents for a package of cigarettes as he is in the fact that that is the case. He blames the government, manufacturer and dealer alike for boosting the price, and we are told that 'smokes' will form a live topic from now on at the meetings of the various soldier organizations, until a reduction is made.

A "quarter" buys a Thrift Stamp.

THE regular meeting of Tecumseh Chapter L. O. D. E., will be held Tuesday, March 4th, at 3 o'clock, at the home of Miss R. Adams. There will be a peace thankoffering taken and the quotations will be on "Peace."

BE ready to give liberally when the call comes for funds for Watford's Memorial for her fallen soldiers. Suggestions on the building of Watford's Memorial will be gladly received by the Sec. for the consideration of the general committee.

A LETTER from the Minister of Public Works has been received by Capt. R. H. Stapleford, stating that unless a change of policy is made by the government as a whole, that there is no possibility of complying with the requests from small towns the size of Watford this year in regard to the construction of Public Buildings. The letter did not state that our prospects were not good and further information is being supplied as to our immediate necessity and pressure will be made for early construction.

Our Immortal Dead

They went with songs to the battle, they were young, Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow: They shall not grow old, as we that are left grow old; Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn: At the going down of the sun and in the morning WE WILL REMEMBER THEM.

ROCKEY

WATFORD VS. AILSA CRAIG.

Ailsa Craig defeated Watford 6 to 4, at Forest on Tuesday 18th, in an exhibition hockey game. The contest was fast throughout and was the best seen there this season.

The line-up follows: Watford Dorman.....goal.....Dodds Hindmarsh.....defense.....Brown Coursey.....defense.....Elliott Robinson.....center.....Auld George.....r. forward.....Lamb Robinson.....l. forward.....Irwin McKinnon.....sub.....Webb Referee, Dick Stapleford, Watford.

WATFORD VS. PETROLIA.

Watford hockeyists outclassed the Petrolia hockey team in an exhibition game at Fowler's rink, Thursday night by the score of 13 to 1. The visitors secured their count in the first frame, but in the next two, were unable to break through the home defense. At times there was some rough playing on the part of the visitors.

Line-up follows: Watford Dodds.....goal.....Hooper Roche.....r. defense.....Willison Brown.....l. defense.....Harrison Lamb.....center.....Hueston Auld.....wing.....Webb Irwin.....wing.....Gallivan E. Phillips, Referee.

ATTEND THE HOCKEY MATCH at Fowler's Arena (this Thursday evening) it is expected to be the liveliest game of the season, as both teams are well matched. Ailsa Craig has just defeated our boys by 1 goal. Join the crowd and help to put a little pep into the boys. Admission 25 and 15 cents.

WARWICK

Miss Greta Tiffin is visiting this week friends on the 2nd line south.

Miss Florence Williams has returned home after spending a week with friends in Strathroy.

D. M. Ross, of the Warwick creamery has purchased a large motor truck to draw cream and butter.

P. J. Reynolds, London Road, Plympton, has sold his 75 acre farm to Mrs. Maw of Warwick for \$5,600. This is a well-tiled farm with good house, barn and silo. Mr. Reynolds will have a clearing sale on March 6th.

Service at Bethel next Sunday evening at 7.30. A ladies' choir consisting of 15 voices will take charge of the music. Mrs. Fred Graham will accompany with the violin. There will be a fifteen minute song service. Sunday School at 1.15 p.m. Everybody welcome.

The people of Zion Methodist church accepted the invitation of their pastor Rev. A. C. Tiffin and family to spend an evening with them at the parsonage and they turned out en-masse. A most enjoyable time was spent to the delight and profit of both pastor and people between whom there exists the most cordial feeling.

The 4th Line East Willing Workers met at the home of Mrs. William McLean, Feb. 20th, and finished up all the material and yarn on hand. Three bales were packed ready for shipment, 1 to Miss Read, Toronto, containing—24 pair Children's stockings, 17 pair children's mitts, 4 pair men's socks, 2 children's caps and 1 scarf valued at \$63.00. 2 bales to Hyman Hall, London, containing 43 suits pyjamas valued at \$107.50, 16 girls suits underwear, 13 child's suits underwear, 10 flannelette dresses, 12 saques, valued at \$20.00. Total valuation being \$200.00. The Willing Workers will make quilts out of the cuttings which are left.

PERSONAL

Mrs. R. O. Spalding and daughter, Beatrice, have spent a week visiting relatives in Toronto.

Mr. Alex. J. Kelly, Sarnia, and his son, H. A. Kelly, Calgary, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McLaren this week.

Dr. W. T. B. Mitchell of Newmarket spent the week end at his home in town.

Mr. A. D. Hone has returned from the West.

Miss Dockstader, London, spent the week end with her friend, Miss Mansfield, Front St.

Mrs. A. J. Hagle, who has been spending several weeks with relatives in Alpena, Mich., returned home on Tuesday.

BROOKE

Miss Bessie Dudley spent the week-end in Watford, with her friend Miss Belle Freeman.

Service will be held in St. James' church, Brooke, on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock.

The ladies of St. James' church, Brooke, are holding a social on Friday evening, at the home of Mr. Dan Kelly on the 6th line. A supper will be provided and a program. Silver collection. All welcome.

Epworth League entertainment will be given in the Bethesda Methodist church, Brooke, Friday evening, March 7. Good program and refreshments. Admission 20 and 35 cents.

SQUIBS BY "DAD"

The Irish and Russian questions are two problems that have to be handled with asbestos gloves.

The soap famine in Germany is due more to the scarcity of fats than the absence of lies.

The peace table is not a table d'hotel service. Germany will have to accept the courses offered without recourse.

Paris is no place at present for a man who speaks less than fourteen languages.

As long as the cooties remain in active service the army of occupation will be fully occupied.

Twenty years hence the old folks will be telling the youngsters how back in 1918 the people lived on wheatless bread and sugarless coffee.

Protests have been made at Ottawa against the alleged enormous profits made by dealers in matches. As many of the matches refuse to join in a sympathetic strike there appears to be no remedy.

Unto the days of the Children of Israel, hungry Belgians are being fed from the skies. Food is being delivered in that country by air planes.

A Siberian despatch mentions the capture of the village of Kibosh, Sounds like what the Bolsheviks are trying to do to put on the country.

1918 will also be remembered as "controller year" when nearly everything we ate, drank or wore was subject to rules, regulations and orders-in-council. Many even lost control of their tempers.

A Texas editor wonders if we shall ever again gaze on the blue blazes that play around a plun pudding—that is, used to play around. His only hope is communication with departed spirits.

There would be less trouble with those little European cabinets that break down every week or two if they would carry an extra tire in case of accidents.

By the time a man decides to follow the sensible practice of the girls in wearing their hair over their ears in cold weather he discovers that he is short of hair.

Medical opinion is divided as to whether a person is liable to have the "flu" more than once. The average layman is satisfied not to have it at all.

A London paper says a baboon, a mascot of one of the local regiments, went over the top with the regiment several times and escaped without a scratch. Probably looked so much like a Prussian officer that the enemy was afraid to shoot at it.

Believing that a surgical operation would enable a remarkably intelligent monkey in the Chicago zoo to articulate a specialist has undertaken to make the experiment. If successful scientists may be able to secure valuable data regarding the "origin of man" and other much discussed questions with which they have been "monkeying" for years.

Sale Register

Wednesday, March 5, farm stock of W. C. Poore, Warwick. See ad.

Tuesday, March 4th, farm stock of S. J. Wilcocks & Son, Warwick. See ad.

Tuesday, March 4, farm stock, of Albert Routley, Main road. See ad.

Friday, March 14, farm stock of P. B. Kingston, Brooke. Ad next week.

Thursday, March 6, farm stock of P. J. Reynolds, Plympton. See ad.

Miss A. H. Clayton, who recently supplied for fifteen days as teacher in the Listowel high school, refused a cheque for \$100 for her work and demanded \$150 but later accepted \$125. The sum which she condescended to accept would amount to a daily wage of \$5.33, with hours from 9 to 4.

CHOP STUFF

Mrs. Jacob Best, a resident of Strathroy, for over fifty years, is dead.

The Merchants Bank opened a branch at Kent Bridge last week.

H. Kerton, Plympton, has sold his farm north of Camlachie and has bought the Hamilton farm at Keitch.

Rev. John Morrison, of Sarnia, has been granted the D. D. degree from Temple University, Philadelphia.

On a farm near Tillsonburg last week, 20 gallons of maple syrup were made in 48 hours, and it was sold at \$3.00 a gallon.

Up around Wingham and Walkerton way, there has been good sleighing and six or seven inches of snow since the middle of December.

There is residing in Sarnia a lady who is 101 years old, Mrs. Margaret Banfor, who lives with her daughter Mrs. Bertrand. She was born in Amherstburg in 1818 and is of French descent. Her mother lived to be 130 years old.

Reeve Joseph Weber, of Neustadt was sentenced at Owen Sound by Magistrate Crescor to one month in jail at hard labor and a fine of \$1,500, besides costs, for making seditious statements. Before Mr. Justice Lennox on four charges under the Military Service Act he pleaded guilty to one, and sentence was suspended pending good behavior.

Half worried to death by constant complaints of the high cost of meat, the butchers of Peterborough have jointly notified the wholesale dealers that they will no longer pay present prices. The men who buy the livestock for the wholesale houses were also notified to the same effect. The buyers will now be under the necessity of notifying the farmers that they will be able to pay present rates no longer, and some of them have already so informed all of their clients who could be reached.

The Alvinston Free Press has the following account of the accident that happened recently to Mr. Robert McVicar: While engaged in moving a barn from the property of Dr. Martyn to that of Mr. John Smith, in town on Thursday of last week, Mr. Robert McVicar was severely injured. The barn had been moved across lots and finally out onto Railroad street, where it was left for the night. The next morning after moving it a short distance, they ran into some electric light wires. The Power Company was notified to cut the wires, but getting in a hurry, Mr. McVicar climbed the pole and endeavored to do the work himself. He cut the wires alright, but in doing so released the pole which had rotted off and with his weight it toppled to the ground, he being on the underside. The wires severely cut him about the head and face, and fractured small bones in his wrist and foot. He was taken to the local doctor's office and later to London where he was placed under the X-ray, in an endeavor to ascertain any internal injury, but such was not the case. At the present time he is progressing favorably.

WATFORD BOY SEES LAURIER FUNERAL

Sergt. Frank Elliot, of the Military Headquarters at Ottawa, writes an interesting letter to his mother Mrs. J. P. Elliot, about the Laurier funeral. Below are a few excerpts from it.

"The remains were laid in state in the Senate Chamber. The room was filled with the most wonderful flowers. The orchids were magnificent. The casket was banked from the floor with flowers. One large shield from the city of Montreal was five feet high. Another emblem was of purple orchids in a harp shape with three large white doves in the centre. There were hundreds of others. A large wreath of red roses from the Duke of Devonshire was very beautiful. Sir Wilfrid was laid out in his uniform of the Order of St. John and St. Michael, which is a black satin coat, gold lace vest, breeches of black satin, white silk stockings, patent leather slippers with large silver buckles. Dense crowds viewed the funeral. First came six Dominion police pallbearers, then seven sleighs loaded with flowers. The horses were all draped with purple and black. Then came the hearse and 12 honorary pallbearers walking beside it. Before the hearse walked four priests of some high order. Members of the Senate came next with the Sergeant at Arms carrying the mace, with two policemen on either side. Members of the House of Commons, with Sergeant and mace, followed. I was not sure of Pardee but of course knew Armstrong. The Supreme Court Judges, in their robes, followed, then the Governor-General. He rode in an open cutter with the grandest turnout you could imagine. The horses were wonderful and the two men on the box had fawn colored long coats, caps of sable and high hats of fur. Veterans, officers of the army, department staffs, societies of different kinds and then the general public. There were dozens of moving picture machines and photographers taking all kinds of pictures. We did not go to the cathedral as the admission was by ticket but we went through the church where Sir Wilfrid used to worship. All the government buildings were draped in purple and black, and nearly every store window on the principal streets was draped, at the houses of many of the French people."