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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 them in GUIDE-ADVOCATE Letter Box.

**THE OAT HARVEST** has started. SCHOOL holidays are half gone. THIS WEEK will about finish the berries.

THERE will be no issue of the Guide-Advocate next week.

STRAW HATS, the balance at Hot July prices.—SWIFT'S.

GUARANTEED Ford size Tires from \$16.00 up.—R. MORNINGSTAR. jy1918

NEXT MONDAY is Watford's civic holiday and all places of business will be closed.

ONE can't square himself with God unless he pays what he owes to his fellow men.

MR. DUNBAR, of London, will conduct the service in Trinity Church next Sunday evening.

THE increase in freight rates goes into effect on August 12th and will continue until after the war.

GET YOUR LIST OF SPECIAL PRIZES for the fall show ready. The committee will call on you shortly.

The average girl is a queer creature. She'll make fun of a young man one day and marry him the next.

EVERY MAN who tries can excel in something, even if it isn't anything more than having a cleaner backyard than his neighbors.

LADIES TAILORED SUITS for early fall get your orders in as soon as possible.—SWIFT, SONS & CO.

SEND IN THE NAMES of your summer visitors, or if you are going away visiting let us know. Your friends are interested if you are not.

WHEN you have a half day to spare see if you can't help one of your farmer friends who are so badly pressed for help just now.

MISS R. CLARK sang a very beautiful solo at the service in the Methodist church last Sunday evening which was very much appreciated.

MR. JAMES HAMILTON, of Petrolia, was elected to the office of District Deputy Grand Master of St. Clair district at the recent meeting of the Grand Lodge of Masons.

SATISFACTORY progress is being made on the new Merchants Bank building. The brick and masonry work has been completed and the interior work is being rapidly pushed forward.

BUY your overalls and work shirts before the fall prices and goods come to hand. Big Saving.—SWIFT, SONS & CO.

EVERY BUSHEL of the great wheat crop of Kansas was harvested by labor secured through the United States employment service, and the Kansans are wondering how it was done.

TWO CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS, John E. Morrison and Telford Thompson, were sentenced to serve two years in Burwash penitentiary with hard labor after trial by court-martial at London last week.

NO GYPSIES are to be permitted to pursue their wanderings about Ontario this summer, the order that everyone must work being due for strict enforcement, and horse-trading and fortune-telling not being rated as work.

POTATOES sold on farmer's markets at local Ontario points on Saturday last, as follows:—Belleville, \$2 per bag; Brantford, \$2.25; Chatham, \$2.50; Kingston, \$1.60 to \$2.75; Port Hope \$1.80; Woodstock, \$1.80; Stratford, \$1.50 to \$1.60 per bag.

PICK OUT YOUR SUIT FOR FALL, we will make it later on.—SWIFT'S TAILORING DEPT.

WARNING it again given out that if more care is not taken in the use of sugar in icings and making candy for private consumption, the Government will be compelled to follow the United States in adopting a sugar rationing—an ounce and a half a day.

CAPT. C. S. WYNNE, M.C., formerly at Watford, who was wounded and gassed last October, was recently discharged from the hospital at Stirling, Scotland, and has been assigned by the R.A.M.C. to duty as medical officer of the Prisoners of War Camp at Loch Doon, Scotland.

THE UNION SERVICES will be continued next Sunday. In the morning the service will be held in the Methodist church when the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered. In the evening the service will be held in the Presbyterian church. Rev. A. C. Tiffin will preach at both services.

COLLEGE students, particularly those who have had experience in farming, should plan their vacations this year helping with the harvest. Things are so serious this year that they can well forego their usual vacation, well earned though it be, to aid in the saving of the crop.

Mr. Charles Nichol, of London, who has been visiting Watford for the past thirty years in the interest of the A. M. Smith Co. of London, has given up travelling and joined the firm of Gorman & Eckert in which he is financially interested. Mr. Nichol made many friends in Watford who will miss his bi-weekly visits.

THE CROWN PRINCE is on the run.

REV. Sylvester Smith, rector of Forest for over 30 years, died there this week.

A WISE WOMAN doesn't attempt to manage her husband—she feeds him and trusts to luck.

FIRST SHIPMENT of Hawes Hats for early fall.—SWIFT'S

"HINDY" is said to be on the job again. This must be about the sixth time he has come to life again.

ALL WHITE SHOES at cost to clear out. Also all high top ladies' shoes at a small advance on cost at S. B. HOWDEN'S.

JUDGE MACWATT, senior judge of Lambton, has been elected president of the County Judges' Association.

THE county judges are the latest body of men seeking increase of salary. Wonder will they go on strike if they don't get it.

A NUMBER of books are overdue at the Public Library. Will members who have such kindly return them as soon as possible.

The farmers who have already threshed are getting large returns for their labor in some instances nearly fifty bushels to the acre.

SUNDAY NEXT, August 4th, will be the Allies "Remembrance Day." Special intercessory services will be held in all churches.

\*FREIGHT WRECK, said to be caused by a hot box, occurred at Kingscourt Wednesday night, wrecking nine cars of merchandise.

"GET IN YOUR COAL NOW!" advises the Fuel Controller. Yes, we will all follow his advice if he will see that a supply is billed to Watford right off.

THE REGULAR MEETING of Tecumseh Chapter I. O. O. E. will be held at the home of Mrs. N. B. Howden on Tuesday, Aug. 6th, at the usual hour.

ANOTHER LOT of Billie Burke Dresses in Saturday. They are new, smart styles, and low priced.—SWIFT'S.

JOHN WANAMAKER, the merchant, has just been celebrating his 80th birthday at his country home near Philadelphia. Mr. Wanamaker began his business career at the age of 13 and with a salary of \$1.25 a week. To-day his two stores in Philadelphia and New York give employment to twelve thousand persons.

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## SHRAPNEL

The name "Satan" is only an Old Nick name.

Beware of the woman who loves money more than she loves love.

The man who is wedded to his job has no trouble in getting wedded to a girl.

Quite a few married men are taking the rest cure this summer. Their wives are away from home.

There are cheap ways to get a good complexion, but some girls prefer the more expensive brand sold at the drug stores.

Did you ever notice that when two women are very polite to each other it is almost a certainty that they dislike each other.

Some people make a cloak of their religion. Others try but fail, because they have not enough to make a summer wash tie.

The old-fashioned girl who used to blush when the Stork was mentioned now has a daughter who is lecturing on Eugenics.

When you hear a man say that his own town doesn't amount to much you can be sure that he is a chap that is of little importance in the town.

It is said that a fool and his money are soon parted, but where do fools get their money? A person must have some brains to make money these days.

Years ago a young wife would keep her hubby on his good behavior by threatening to go home to mommer. Now she threatens to get a job in office or store.

Sometimes a man gets the idea that his employer can't get along without him when the boss suddenly makes the experiment and the business crawls along about as usual.

A Member of Parliament who was showing his young son the sights at Ottawa was somewhat taken back when the youngster asked to see the red tape and the plums.

That new invention of an electric bulb over a keyhole is scarcely needed these days. It should have been in use in prohibition days when it was hard to find the keyhole late at night.

The increase in the price of rouge and talcum since the war began is said to have greatly reduced the amount of weeping done by the fair sex. Crying is now an expensive luxury.

A patriot is a man that refuses to hook up the 65 buttons on the back of his wife's gown; a martyr is one who attempts and fails; a hero is one who tries and succeeds; a coward is one who remains single so that he won't have to try.

Some people imagine that if they make their voice quiver when singing their hearers will think they have had it trained, but they do not deceive many. Push in the tremolo stop of your vocal organ. It does not improve the sweetness of your voice.

Kaiser Bill and the Clown Prince are changing their opinion about the "undisciplined mob" from the U. S. A. The million Americans now on the western battle front are just as good at fighting as at singing "The Star Spangled Banner."

When shopping if the man attending to your wants says "I haven't got it," "I will order it," or "I will attend to it," with the "I" in large capitals, you can't always be sure that he is the boss, in fact you would be fairly safe in betting that he doesn't own any more of the business than his week's wages.

Mr. John Bridge, of London, has been appointed inspector of bakeries, confectioneries and eating houses in the district west of Brantford to Glencoe, with centres at St. Thomas, Tillsonburg, Woodstock, St. Mary's, Petrolia, and Wyoming.

## NO PAPER NEXT WEEK

There will be no issue of the Guide-Advocate next week, August 9th. It is customary for us to take a week's holiday every summer on the date of the civic holiday week, and this year it is absolutely necessary in order to get out the accumulated job work and get matters down to normal in our office. Correspondents and advertisers will please remember this notice and get their favors in early for the following week. The office will be open to receive subscriptions and orders for job work or advertising.

## LAMBTON'S FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY

The Government Inspector Makes His Annual Visit. A Suggestion Made for the Directors to Consider.

Mr. W. A. Cork, inspector of mutual fire insurance companies, was here last week making his annual inspection of the books of the Lambton Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company. He reports the company in a flourishing condition with a large surplus on hand and invested in war bonds and debentures. He speaks highly of the efficiency of the secretary-treasurer, Mr. W. G. Willoughby, whose books are a marvel of neatness and who has a thorough grasp of all the details of the business.

It is sometimes remarked that an insurance company doing as large a business as the Lambton should have an office in town instead of at the Secretary's residence at Walnut, and undoubtedly the contention is well taken. The headquarters are supposed to be in Watford, and as the business is growing larger each year a town office is becoming an absolute necessity for the speedy transaction of business and to keep pace with competing companies. The Lambton is in a flourishing financial condition and some of the large surplus on hand could not be expended to better advantage than in the erection of a commodious office, fitted up conveniently with vaults, board room and business office; or if the Directors did not feel like going to that expense, no doubt suitable premises could be leased.

The suggestion is worthy of consideration by the Directors, and if adopted would certainly be found of great convenience in the transaction of their business. That it would give prestige to the Company and prove a good investment no one can doubt.

## Starding Field Crop Competition

The field crops of oats entered for competition with the East Lambton Agricultural Society have been judged by Mr. A. B. Rose, of Echo Place, an official judge of the Department of Agriculture, who reports the following winners:—

1. John Zavitz
2. E. H. Shibley
3. E. A. Kidd
4. Geo. McCabe
5. W. G. Shugg
6. W. W. Taylor
7. W. Annett & Sons

## PERSONAL

Mrs. North is visiting her niece Mrs. Crawford.

Miss Muriel Taylor has returned from a visit to Detroit.

Mr. John Jack, Stratford, is the guest of Mrs. P. E. Fuller.

Rev. J. C. Forster is enjoying the cool breezes of Lake Huron.

Mr. R. N. McKenzie is spending part of his vacation at the lake side.

Mrs. R. M. Dussin, Toronto, is visiting her sister Mrs. L. H. Cook.

Mr. Robert Tiffin is spending his holidays with friends in Trowbridge.

Mrs. Fick and daughter, Windsor, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. H. Harper.

Mrs. W. Sparling, Forest, is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. D. Cameron, Erie St.

Mrs. Annie Splan, of Detroit is visiting at the home of her sister Mrs. Ed. Upton.

Mrs. E. D. Swift left last Saturday for Moose Jaw to visit her sister, Mrs. F. W. Tanner.

Postmaster Evans, of Strathroy, made a short call on the Guide-Advocate on Saturday.

Mrs. John Brent and two children, returned to their home in Coleville, Sask., this week.

Mrs. Wm. Reid, Chatham, was the guest of her aunt Mrs. M. J. Mitchell over Sunday.

Rev. S. P. Irwin and Mrs. Irwin are spending a month's holiday in London and vicinity.

Mrs. C. McCallum left last week for Saskatoon where she expects to make her home in future.

Miss Dockstader, of London, is spending a few weeks with her friend Miss

Mansfield, Front St.

Mr. and Mrs. David White and three children, Toronto, are summering with friends in this vicinity.

Miss Roberta Fox, B. D., of the Collegiate staff, Yorkton, Sask., spent the week end at T. G. Mitchell's.

Misses Freeda and Louise Dodds are spending a few days this week with Evelyn and Louise Dodds.

Mrs. Robt. Smith and son Stuart, of Baldwin, Mich., spent the week end with her grandmother, Mrs. Jane Foster.

Misses Evelyn and Louise Dodds returned Friday after spending a few days with Miss Freeda Richardson, Kerwood.

Mrs. B. Oke and son Edgar, who has just returned from France in poor health visited his aunt Mrs. H. Restorick, last week.

Rev. A. C. Tiffin is in Goderich attending the bedside of his father, who is at present very low, having taken a paralytic stroke.

Mrs. Stout and son Charles, of South Bend, Indiana, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. H. Restorick, returned home Saturday.

Cadet J. B. Tiffin, of Camp Leaside, Toronto, spent a few days at his home here. His many friends are pleased to see him looking so well.

Mr. Malcolm McDonald, Rio Vista, Cal. is visiting his sister Miss McDonald, St. Clair street, and other relatives in Brooke after an absence of over 34 years. Mr. McDonald left here in March 1884 and notes great changes in the country since he left.

## CHOP STUFF

Mrs. Angus McCabe, of Adelaide, is dead.

E. Kellor, of Iona, raised a cabbage that weighed six pounds.

Euphemia township will celebrate its civic holiday by a monster picnic.

Mrs. James Healy, of Strathroy, died last week at Bear Lake, Mich.

D. S. McMillan, a well-known Sarnia barrister, died last week after six months' illness.

Norman McLeod, of Sarnia, a well-known G. T. R. conductor, dropped dead at London on Saturday.

Thamesville people are agitating the sinking of a deep well in the village for the improvement of the water supply.

Hugh Healey, a lad of 14, son of ex-Mayor Healey, of Kingsville, realized \$130 for new potatoes from a piece of land a little over one-quarter of an acre in size.

In the first month's operations of the Aerial Mail Service between New York, Philadelphia and Washington, a total of five and two-fifths tons of letter mail was transported.

There will be no issue of the Dresden Times this week. Their foreman has enlisted in the Dragoons and subscribers are notified that the publisher is "up against it."

On Monday evening eighty-two Park-hillites pulled flax on the eighteenth concession. One fellow was so doubled over that he had to lie in the sun to get warped back the other way.

R. Johns, of Exeter, sold a big pig to I. Armstrong last week which weighed 700 pounds and realized \$102. Mr. Johns paid \$60 for this sow, and was called a fool for doing so. But as she raised three litters of pigs and sold for over one hundred dollars, it was not a bad investment.

The Doherty Stove Company, Sarnia, is contemplating some improvements which will be much appreciated by the employees of the company. Plans are now being prepared by Architect R. W. Fawcett for the installation of lavatories, lockers and shower baths at the company's plant.

The death occurred at Toronto last week, after a lingering illness, of Bassett Blewett, who was a grain buyer in Blenheim until about twenty years ago. He leaves a widow, Mrs. Jean Blewett, whose literary work is widely known, a son, J. G. Blewett of Edmonton, Alberta, and a daughter, Mrs. A. E. Kelly.

The corn crop in Essex, Kent and Lambton counties is promising according to a statement by P. Fancher, corn expert for the Ontario department of agriculture, following a tour of the corn growing districts. To warm weather with occasional showers is attributed the remarkable advancement made by the corn, which in the three counties named is considerably in advance of the crops in other parts of the province.

The funeral of the late Catherine Tobin wife of Wm. Otten, was held at the family residence, 5th con., Bosanquet, on Friday July 19th. Mrs. Otten has been a resident of Bosanquet for over 35 years. She was 82 years of age. She leaves to mourn her loss five children: Wm. Otten and Mrs. Wm. Brander, of Bosanquet; Mrs. Seich, of Newcastle; Miss Lou, of Colorado, and Fred of Detroit. All were present at the funeral. The interment was at Arkona cemetery and services were conducted by Rev. J. C. Moorhouse assisted by Rev. Mr. Otton, a relative of the deceased. The bearers were, Fred Wright, Dan Hampron, Geo. Sharp, Henry Turner, Henry Curtis, and Wm. Munroe.

In Edmonton, Alta., July 22nd, 1918, to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Francis, (nee Kate Aitken), a son.