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## LOCAL HAPPENINGS

THE GUIDE-ADVOCATE welcomes all items of interest for this column. Please send by mail or drop them in GUIDE-ADVOCATE Letter Box.

**WHEAT CUTTING** is in progress. HE—The fools are not all dead yet. SHE—That's as sure as you live.

**GUARANTEED** Ford size Tires from \$16.00 up.—R. MORNINGSTAR. July 19/18

**THE THERMOMETER** crept within a degree or two of the 100 mark on Sunday last.

A **LETTER CHINER** is a man who knows more than he thinks other people ought to know.

If a man doesn't repeat the cute things his baby says it's a sure sign that he hasn't any baby.

For every man who is willing to lift you will find a dozen who cheerfully stand around and grunt.

**BUSINESS MEN** should have too signs—one on the building they occupy and one in the local newspaper.

**KEEP** your registration certificate in your pocket. You don't know when somebody may want to see it.

THERE will be a celebration of the Holy Communion in Trinity Church next Sunday morning at 8 o'clock.

A **BOWLING TOURNAMENT** will be held at Petrolia on August 14th in which all the county clubs will take part.

THERE are 56 public school teachers in Ontario receiving superannuation allowances ranging from \$365 to \$1000.

THE **BELL TELEPHONE** has cancelled all three year contracts and hereafter will enter into one year contracts only.

ALL the wheat mills in the Dominion are to be closed for the greater part of August and possibly till the new crop comes in.

MRS. S. LAUGHLAN received a telegram yesterday that her brother Mr. George Huston, North Branch, Mich., had passed away.

THE **CAKE WITH THE ICING** is missed at the picnic and the favorite ham sandwiches have been largely replaced by unattractive substitutes.

THE **MAN** who cannot keep a 2 x 4 lawn in decent shape is usually quite sure he could manage successfully a two-hundred-acre farm.

WHEN asked by a friend if he had any coal, Rogers gave a reply that is the same spelled backwards or forwards: "Not a ton, Bob, not a ton."

OUR **ENTIRE STOCK** of summer shoes reduced. Secure a pair of white shoes for these hot days. Reduced prices to clear.—P. DODDS & SON.

IF the rest of the fruit crop is as short as the strawberry and raspberry crop it will be necessary for the Food Board to tell the people what to make preserves and jam of for winter use.

IN the list of successful candidates at the June examination at Macdonald Institute, Guelph, we notice the name of Miss R. M. Brown, of Watford, in the Junior Housekeeping class.

GEO. SWEET, of Coronation, in renewing his subscription says:—"We welcome the Guide every Tuesday evening. Very hot weather here with little rain. Crops will be light. Late grain is doing well."

WORD was received here last week that Lieut. Bury Binks, who left here for the first contingent in the summer of 1914, had been seriously wounded. While in Watford he was on the staff of the Sterling Bank.

THE **TEMPERATURE** in Western Ontario last Sunday exceeded 90 degrees in many places, while in Alberta the thermometer went down to the freezing point. This is a marvelous country for variation of temperature.

THE **COMMISSION OF CONSERVATION** has just published a Farmer's Account Book containing blanks and instructions for a simple but complete system of farm book-keeping. It will be sent on request to bona fide farmers only.

MRS. ROBERT MOODY has had a handsome verandah with gothic roof added to her house on Erie street. J. E. Fowler did the work. The premises have also been repainted and now present a very attractive appearance.

THIS is the season when the women folk who have a right to vote should see that their names are properly placed upon their voters' list so that when the time comes for them to mark their ballot they will possess the full privilege.

AS **HARVESTING** is on and people are busy I will not collect any junk till harvest is over. The production of food is more necessary than the collection of junk. Please save goods as I will start after harvest with better markets than have been.—ALEX. ZIMMERMAN. eow-3

A **SANDUSKY** (Mich.) merchant having grown tired of wasting postage on a lot of people who owed him money, placed an advertisement in the local paper giving names and amounts owed and offering the lot at the highest offer. He will advertise them until settled or sold.

THE **EDITOR** wishes to thank Mr. A. B. Steer, the popular principal of the High School, for a large box of magnificent sweet pea flowers gathered from his marvellous garden on Simcoe street. The flowers embodied a great variety of colors and tints. Mr. Steer's thoughtfulness is much appreciated.

MR. FRED MCKENZIE, who has conducted the services in the Congregational church so acceptably for the past few weeks, has returned to his home in Stratford. Rev. Mr. Connors, of the Baptist Church, will preach in the Watford Congregational church next Sunday morning and in Zion church in the evening.

CHILDREN of England are better fed now than ever before, notwithstanding the shortage of some food commodities. Systematic rationing has given each child in the nation sufficient supplies, something which did not exist at one time when thousands of little ones got what they could when they could.

TWENTY SHEEP are required to provide sufficient wool to keep one soldier clothed. In Canada there are less than 5 1/2 sheep per soldier. Wool is at a record price, as is also mutton. The Canada Food Board urges greater production of sheep and municipal co-operation in controlling the menace from dogs.

PARENTS whose children will reach the age of sixteen within the next month or so must take them to the postoffice and have them registered at the earliest possible date. This provision of the Registration Act is not generally known. Parents failing to have their children register, even if they reach the age of 16 only a month or two after the present date, may be subjected to much annoyance and trouble.

GRAN if you wish to over the prospect, but get it firmly in your mind that taxes are to be heavy and will be heavier before the war ends. They are part of the burden of war. If you are wise you will not groan but accept the situation as inevitable and make the best of it, doing your share willingly. All the money you are required to pay is as nothing to the sacrifices which thousands of our young men are prepared to make and which thousands will make. Don't lose sight of that fact for a minute.

MR. JOHN KERSEY, mail carrier on route three, met with a serious accident on Saturday evening last. After returning from his usual trip he went with John McIntosh to get a load of hay. When coming along the fourth line, near 18 sideroad, they were met by the heavy motor freight truck that runs from Watford to London, at which the horses took fright and commenced to run, with the result that the lines broke, the load of hay overturned in the ditch, and Mr. Kersey was thrown out, fell on his head and was partially covered by the hay. Mr. Isaac J. Kadey coming along in a buggy picked up Mr. Kersey and brought him home in an unconscious condition. Medical aid was at once secured. The accident gave Mr. Kersey a bad shaking up and he remained in a semi-conscious condition for some time but is now getting nicely over the accident, and it is hoped no serious results will follow. Mr. McIntosh was not hurt.

## PERSONAL

Miss Garnett, Ancaster, is the guest at Mr. A. G. Brown's.

Mrs. T. Dodds is spending a couple of weeks at Port Stanley.

J. H. Mitchell, of Sarnia, spent the week end at his home here.

Miss Lorena Humphries is spending her holidays at her home here.

Mrs. H. Armstrong, Toronto, is visiting her sister Mrs. Neil Bennett.

Miss Annie Sanders, Chicago, spent Sunday with Mrs. W. L. Miller.

Mr. C. E. Blake of the Sterling Bank staff has been transferred to Toronto.

W. E. Fitzgerald was in Toronto on Thursday of last week attending Court.

Mr. and Mrs. George McIntosh, Toronto, called on Watford friends this week.

Miss Gladys Shrapnell and Miss Donna Tanner are visiting friends in Melbourne.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Mihell, Strathroy, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Mitchell.

T. V. Mitchell and family, of Oshawa, spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Angus Mitchell.

Mrs. W. Germain and daughter, Sarnia, are visiting Mrs. Germain's mother, Mrs. J. Bambridge.

Charles M. Fitzgerald has accepted a situation as draftsman with the Westinghouse Company, Hamilton.

Miss Bernice Dodds returned Saturday after enjoying the cool lake breezes at Pt. Stanley for several weeks.

Miss Jennie Moore left for Toronto on Sunday to see her friend Mrs. M. A. Lawrence, who is seriously ill.

Mrs. G. Apter and Mrs. H. Ward who have been visiting friends here, returned to their home in London on Monday.

Dr. Vern L. Newell and Mrs. Newell, Detroit, spent the week end with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. James Newell, Watford.

Mr. R. A. Mtniely, of Dumbane, Sask., is visiting his mother, Mrs. W. H. Rogers, and sister Mrs. Reg. McIntosh and other friends.

Mrs. C. C. Dodds and children are visiting at T. Dodds'. Mr. Dodds left for Toronto on Monday where he has obtained a lucrative position.

Mrs. D. H. Howden, Mrs. W. D. Eckert, Miss E. Howden and Mrs. Robt. Orr and son, London, motored to Watford, Monday to see Mr. W. J. Howden who has been quite ill for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Keller and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Fowler went to West Lorne, on Saturday to attend the funeral of the late Rev. John W. Andrews, the well-known superannuated Methodist minister.

Among the boys from military camp, London, who were home for a few hours on Sunday, we noticed Ptes. Russell and Roy Hollingsworth, J. Steadman, Russell Woods, C. Williamson, and M. J. McCormick.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Kerton and Harry, Copetown, Mrs. M. Harrower, Mrs. J. E. Tait, and sons, St. Catharines, who are spending part of the holidays at "River-side Cottage", Port Frank, motored to Watford and spent Sunday with relatives.

## WARWICK

Mrs. C. O. Richardson is visiting friends in Sarnia, Detroit and Leamington.

Mrs. Neil Graham, London, is spending a few days with her nieces Mrs. Wm. Vance and Mrs. John Smith, 15 sideroad.

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Miss Sarah Vance, Toronto, is having a two weeks' vacation with her sister Miss Jennie Vance and brother Harvey, at the old home on the 4th line.

Rev. Mr. Barltrop, Toronto, a retired Methodist minister and former pastor of the circuit at Bethel, Warwick and Uttoxeter, over thirty years ago, is renewing acquaintances here. Mr. Barltrop is convalescing from a serious illness, having suffered two paralytic strokes.

Baptismal service was held at Bethel church last Sunday evening after the service, when the infant sons of Mr. and Mrs. U. Vance and Mr. and Mrs. E. Hagle, and the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. Goodhand, were baptized, the Rev. Wm. Fair officiating.

The fourth line, east, Willing Workers held their last meeting at the home of Mrs. Alex Westgate on Thursday, July 18th and packed a bale ready for shipment containing 26 sets of pyjamas, valued at \$2.50 each. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Samuel Burchill on Thursday, Aug. 15th.

The regular meeting of the Women's Institute was held in the Foresters' Hall, July 15th. Meeting opened with Maple Leaf and prayer, 18 ladies were present and spent a busy afternoon in sewing and knitting. \$10.00 was voted to be sent to the French Red Cross. Bale packed containing 6 pyjama suits, 4 grey flannel shirts, 22 pairs of socks, sent to Toronto. Meeting closed with National Anthem.

The death of Gilles Hugh McPherson, of Warwick township, occurred on Monday, July 15th, at the family residence, lot 19 con. 6, at the age of 65 years, 6 months, and 7 days after being in poor health for about a year. Deceased was born on the homestead where he died. Deceased was married to Harriet Ann Smith, who with five children survive, namely Jessie, Charles, Alberta, Winnifred and Vaughan at home. His father, aged 94 years, and sisters, Mrs. John Anderson and Maggie all of Arkona, also survive. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon from his late residence, to the Arkona cemetery for interment, the Rev. Ball, of Arkona, conducting the services.

## BROOKE

Andy Gilliland of the Naval Patrol Service is visiting friends in Brooke and Warwick.

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Mr. and Mrs. Eph. Somerville, Mrs. William Somerville and Mrs. Robt. Rae, of St. Marys, motored up on Saturday and spent Sunday with Mrs. McLellan, Brooke.

There passed away on Saturday, July 20th, a well-known and much esteemed resident of the township in the person of Mrs. Thomas E. McMahon, of the 10th line, after an illness extending over one year. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon from the family residence, lot 8, to the Alvinston cemetery, the Rev. N. A. Campbell, of Inwood, officiating. The pallbearers were Rich. Edgar, Rich. McLlurray, E. McMahon, Well. Lucas, S. Johnston and John Edgar. Deceased leaves a husband but no family to mourn her loss.

## BURN

In Plympton, on Monday, July 22nd, 1918 to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Teeple, a son.

In Warwick, on Saturday, July 20th, 1918, to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Williams, a son.

In Watford, on Thursday, July 18th, 1918 to Mr. and Mrs. R. N. McKenzie, a son.

## MARRIED

At the home of the bride's parents, on Wednesday, June 12th, 1918, by the Rev. Geo. W. Connor, Mr. Gordon Park, to Mabel, daughter, of Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Anderson, of Wyoming.

## DIED

In Brooke, on Saturday, July 20th, 1918, Agnes Madora (Dola) beloved wife of Thos. E. McMahon.

In Warwick, on Monday, July 15th, 1918, Mr. Gillis H. McPherson, aged 65 years.

In Strathroy, on Monday, July 15th, 1918, William Levi Smith, aged 64 years, 4 months and 11 days.

At the Strathroy Hospital on Monday morning, July 15, 1918, James Chambers, of Caradoc Township, aged 82 years.

## Obituary

(From Yale, St. Clair County, Mich., paper, Thursday, July 18.)

Mrs. Thos. McElroy, a highly respected pioneer of this section, answered the Master's call at midnight, July 10th, 1918 at her home northwest of this city.

Eleanor Evans, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Evans, was born July 13, 1834, at Warwick, Ontario.

Her early days were spent in Canada with the exception of some time spent in attending school in southern Michigan.

On July 14, 1857, she was united in marriage to Thos. McElroy, of Watford, Ontario, and moved to the present home, which at that time was a wilderness, and having lived here ever since has seen a great many changes, among them her greatest wish to see Prohibition in effect.

The funeral services were held from the residence Sunday July 14, at 10:00 o'clock. Rev. C. Turban, of Fargo, paid tribute to her life of consistent Christianity, having joined the church at the age of twelve years.

A loving grandmother was carried to rest by six of her grandsons, preceded by her granddaughters bearing the floral tributes.

She will be greatly missed by two sons, Richard and George, of Brown City, four daughters, Mrs. G. Beadle, Brown City, Mrs. Letitia E. Smith, South Bend, Ind., Mattie A. and Mrs. Wm. Bidleman, of Yale; also twenty-three grand-children, and ten great-grand-children, also one brother, Maurice Evans, of Prosser, Washington and the following nieces and nephews:—Mrs. W. C. Fitzgerald and Mrs. Ingram Taylor, London; Mrs. W. H. Kennedy, Whitby; Mrs. Edward Lamont, Detroit; Mrs. Henry Conn, Sarnia; Mr. John Restorick, of Toronto, and Mr. Richard Restorick, Montreal.

## WANSTEAD

Mrs. Mason Spearman is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. Elliott, Theford.

Mr. Martin Forrester, of London, a former resident of Wanstead, called on friends in the village on Monday.

Mrs. Peter McPhedran, Sr., Miss Mary and Mr. Roy McPhedran, and Mr. Wm. Pye motored to London on Sunday and spent the day with the boys from this locality now in training at Carling Heights.

A very successful meeting of the Wanstead branch of the Red Cross Society was held in the Orange Hall, on Tuesday July 16th. Thirty ladies assembled and spent a very busy afternoon. The work done consisted of making pyjamas, handkerchiefs, wash-cloths and quilting mattress covers. Some new members were enrolled. The fees and penny bag collections amounted to \$5.25 and the silver collection \$13.30 making a total of \$18.55 given to treasurer. A "war-time tea" was served at the close of the meeting.

## School Report

Report of the promotion examinations in S. S. No. 16 and 20, Bosanquet and Warwick.

Class III to IV, No. of marks obtainable 750 plus a bonus of one mark for each day the pupil attended school over 80% of the time. Number of marks required to pass 450.—Hazel Yorke 639, Kenneth McPherson 587, Harold Otton 550, Ardron Curtis 548.

Class II to III, No. of marks obtainable 650 plus bonus. Required to pass 330.—Mary Turner 516, Donald McPherson 513 Mildred McPherson 510, Marjorie Munroe 496, Frank Fuller 489, Edward Brander 433, Lawrence Cates 414.

Class I to II, No. of marks obtainable 360 plus bonus. Required to pass 216.—Neil McPherson 375, Leah Welsh 347, Frank Cundick 342, Evla Hart 338, Leona Evans 331, Melvin Turner 326, Irene Yorke 321.

BLANCHE HOLBROOK, Teacher.

## ARKONA

Mrs. J. D. McTavish and children, Robert and Isabel, of Parkhill, were the guests of Rev. and Mrs. C. W. King for a few days.

Andrew A. Barnes occupied the A. F. A. Craig Baptist Church pulpit Sunday last, returning on Monday morning.

Rev. C. W. King, R. Crawford, John McLeish, Tilton Murray and A. A. Barnes were delegates to the Ordination and Induction Council of the Rev. Percy Buch of Forest. Mr. King was appointed clerk and Rev. Dr. J. G. Brown of the B. F. M. Board, Toronto, moderator of the Council, which was composed of some 70 representatives from neighboring churches. Basil Hobbs, the Misses Hobbs, Barnes and Ruth Eastman, Wm. McKay and W. Hare were also in attendance.

## CHOP STUFF

D. S. McMillan, barrister, Sarnia, died Monday, aged 62 years.

The Calgary Albertan has increased its subscription price to \$7.50 a year.

Three Goderich merchants refused to sign the midweek half holiday petition.

Mrs. Ann Beattie, London's oldest resident, died Monday in her 104th year. She was a native of Scotland.

Six Windsor residents who considered vaccination of no value in combatting smallpox are sick with the malady.

Prof. Dearness, of the London Normal, says the bug that is annoying cattle in some districts is what is commonly known as the "kissing bug."

Blenheim school board has raised the fees of non-resident pupils of the continuation school from \$1 to \$2.50 per month and pupils of the public school from 50c to \$1.50 per month.

The tobacco growing acreage of Ontario has been increased ten per cent this year and the price of tobacco has gone up over 20 per cent. The larger the production the more one pays for the manufactured article. Queer.

A daughter of Wellington Wigle, Kingsville, was running a hay rake when a portion of the harness broke, frightening the horse, which ran away, throwing Miss Wigle off the machine and cutting her forehead and nose very badly.

Among those from this district who passed the Normal School exams at London are, Winnifred M. Brown, Kerwood; Minnie E. Cairns, Forest; Gladys Callahan, Kerwood; Florence Hick, Alvinston.

Lieut. Rene Fonck, one of the leading French aces, brought down two German airplanes on July 16, two on July 18, and 3 on the 19th. Six of these machines were brought down in flames. Fonck's total is now officially 56 machines.

Mr. Duncan Ewart, who for the past seven consecutive years has filled the position of Principal of the public school at S. S. No. 3, Plympton, (2nd line west) has tendered his resignation to accept the position of principal of the Point Edward public school.

Essex County farmers have finished cutting their hay, and nearly all their wheat, and are now cutting barley. The hay was somewhat lighter than it was indicating some weeks ago, but barley is going to be a splendid crop, the best in years. Oats also promise well.

Barrie Town Council has signed a contracting for cutting two thousand cords of hardwood from the area set apart for that town in Algonquin Park by the Government. The wood is to be cut by the end of August, and will cost about \$10.50 per cord when laid in the citizen's yard.

A fine twist of tobacco measuring about a foot and a half in length and made from the best Burley procurable in the Leamington district, has been prepared by Col. W. T. Gregory who will forward it to General Sir Arthur Currie, commander of the Canadian forces in France. A similar twist was sent a short time ago to Field Marshall Haig and was greatly appreciated.

As usual the birds played havoc with the cherry crop. In connection with this Jack Mimer, the famous bird man, makes a valuable suggestion. Get a cat in or wood, duly painted, and dangle it in the tree. It is the best scarecrow made and is very effective. Chicken men use the same device on the ground where they feed their flocks, and sparrows, though they like the grain, like the imitation cat very much less.

Brantford, July 22.—To the police this morning it was reported that unknown parties had entered the garage of Rev. Father Dogorsky, Roman Catholic curate at St. Basil's Church and had slashed every tire, ruining them, and damaging the auto otherwise, so as to make it practically useless. The same night every window in the Polish Church on Terrace Hill was broken. Foreigners are blamed for the depredations.

Sarnia, July 22.—Richard Lynch, Jun., aged twenty-three years was fatally burned at the plant of the Imperial Oil Company this morning. It is believed that a blow back from the furnace was the cause of the accident. Every bit of clothing save his shoes was burned from his body which was beyond recognition. In spite of this, the young man lived nearly two hours in a conscious condition. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lynch of Point Edward. He is survived by his wife and three children.