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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.

BETTER LUCK next Tuesday, boys. SARNIA O. H. A. game at Watford next Tuesday.

The Family Herald and Weekly Star will be \$1.50 on and after Jan. 15th.

FORD size guaranteed tires at \$15.00 up.—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

THE public school opened on Monday morning with a good attendance.

STATUTORY meeting of all municipal councils to take oath of office on Monday morning next.

SWIFT'S special overalls, smocks and work shirts—real old-time quality and made right.

A FORWARD MOVEMENT litany service will be held in Trinity church this (Thursday) evening.

If you cannot produce more you can at least help by declining to buy articles that are made in foreign countries until the trade balance redjusts itself.

Mrs. Myles—“And is her husband kind to her?” Mrs. Styles: “Oh, very. Why, he's more like a friend than a husband.”

THE annual meeting of the Watford Farmers' Co-operative Association was held on Saturday last. A report of the meeting is being prepared for next issue.

A DANCE will be held in the Music Hall on Friday night. Orchestra. \$1.00 a couple. Everybody welcome.—Herbert Kersey, George Rontley.

NEW YEAR'S DAY was a very quiet one in town. After the distribution of the morning mail few people were seen on the street. During the afternoon the weather turned blustery and cold.

SWIFT, SONS & Co. are showing some mill ends in cream damask tabling, six patterns, per yard, \$1.00.

THE regular monthly meeting of Lambton's 149, I.O.D.E., will be held next Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Fritchett.

ALL the women of the town are cordially invited to attend a mass meeting of the missionary societies of the various churches to be held in the Armory this (Friday) afternoon at 4 o'clock.

A MONTREAL MAN accused of stealing four typewriters explained that he did not know it was a crime to steal from the Government. Any customs official will say there are thousands of people who have the same view.

A NUMBER of books are long overdue at the Public Library. Among these are “The Mistress of Shenstone” and “Up the Hill and Over,” which are being asked for. Will the members who have these books kindly return them at their earliest convenience.

A MOST enjoyable dance was given by the Junior Progress Club in Complan's Hall on New Year's Night. The Kinetophone orchestra furnished the music and dancing was kept up until a couple of hours after midnight.

THE annual meeting of the East Lambton Agricultural Society will be held in the Council Chamber, Watford, on Saturday, Jan. 17th, at 1 o'clock, to receive the report of the directors, to elect officers for 1920 and to transact such other business as may come before it. 10-2t

THE annual meeting of the Watford Fruit Growers' Association will be held in the Fire Hall, Saturday, January 10th, at 2 o'clock. Orders will be taken for spraying material.—J. W. GAULT, Secretary. 11-2t

FOREST raters defeated the Waterworks bylaw on Monday, which is to be regretted. The town must henceforth take a back seat among the progressive municipalities of the province. A town without waterworks is not in the race these days.

MR. J. H. Leonard, the song evangelist of the Crossley and Leonard meetings, will sing in the Congregational Church, Watford, on Sunday morning at 11 a. m. The pastor, Rev. F. D. Rayner, will preach, his topic being: “How to Live Through 1920” Everybody welcome. United service in the Armory at 7 p. m.

WE are now carrying a nice assortment of Chevrolet parts, which Chevrolet owners will appreciate.—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

SEVERAL cases of jaundice among the school children were reported both in Glenora and at Alvinston just before the schools closed for the holidays. The disease was not of a violent type, but those contracting it were made quite ill for a short time.

THE poll clerks at the recent provincial election received their pay this week but it was cut down one-third of what they expected. The bonus system for employees granted by the Drury government did not extend to the careful, paid-by-the-day worker.

Battery service station coming! We are installing a storage battery service station and will be able to overhaul any make of battery at the least notice. We will be carrying a stock of new Pres-O-Lite batteries on hand also will have service batteries to rent while your old one is in for recharge or repair. Pres-O-Lite are equipped on seventy-five per cent of cars made in Canada this season.—R. MORNINGSTAR.

SOME real bargains in used Ford and Chevrolet cars.—R. MORNINGSTAR, Watford Garage. oc-4

COUNTERFEIT ten-cent pieces made of a shining, hard, ringing alloy, are in circulation.

CLARENCE BROWNE, a former resident of Watford, was elected a councillor of Parkhill on Monday.

A big range of serge skirts in black and navy, all sizes and cut right—all at one price, \$6.50.—SWIFT, SONS & Co.

THE German Government has dropped the crown and other Monarchical emblems from the national coat-of-arms. No decent German wants any more of the Hohenzollerns.

LAST Summer Ontario experienced an ice famine, due to lack of frost the preceding winter. Usually ice is put away in February, but this winter many are taking time by the forelock and, fearing that there might be a shortage again for next summer, are harvesting their supply now. The ice is about a foot in thickness and of a good quality.

THE UNION SPECIAL MEETINGS in the Armory continue night after night with much encouragement and gratification of the churches uniting. The singing is an attractive feature and Mr. Crossley's preaching is scriptural and strong in appeal to men and women to turn to God and accept of salvation so fully provided and so freely offered in Jesus Christ. Don't forget the meetings each night at 7.45 p. m. and on Sunday at 7 p. m. Everybody welcome.

THE coming week is Clothes Week at SWIFT, SONS & Co. To reduce stock many real bargains are offered. Special prices are for one week only and start Friday morning.

In drawing attention to change of ad. Mr. de Gex wishes to state he is offering five right good calves, two from extra good milking dams. Now that the scrub bull is doomed to extinction in the province of Ontario, start right with a good thrifty shorthorn at a right price. He also wishes to draw attention to the merits of the black leghorn as a farm laying fowl. They are hard to beat and that he has the goods was shown at Toronto where they won the majority of prizes, also two special ribbons for best male and female, and bronze medal for best collection; also silver cup at London 3rd year in succession for best collection.

PERSONAL

Mr. Fred Haskett, Toronto, was home for New Year.

Mr. Elgin Hicks, Toronto, was home for the holidays.

Miss E. Winnifred Swift returned to Toronto this week.

Mrs. T. A. Falls, London, spent New Year with relatives in Watford.

Mr. J. Temple and family spent the holidays with friends in Brooke and Alvinston.

Mr. A. B. Steer, principal of the High School, is undergoing medical treatment in Toronto this week.

Mrs. Sherman Andrews, Saginaw, Mich., spent Christmas week end with his sister Mrs. Jos. Keller.

All the teachers who have been holidaying at their respective homes here, have returned to their duties.

Miss Jean McKeercher, who has been spending the holidays at her home here returned to Windsor, Saturday.

Douglas and Leslie Mitchell, Victoria, B. C., students in medicine at Toronto, visited their uncle, T. G. Mitchell, last week.

Miss Margaret Cameron, who has been spending the holidays with relatives in Watford, has returned to her home in Windsor.

Mrs. Ferns and her daughter, Annie, and Miss Jessie Yule of Petrolia, spent New Year's with the former's daughter, Mrs. H. E. Fowler.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Mitchell and Miss Mitchell, Strathroy, and Miss Florence Chalmers of Victoria, B. C., spent New Year's day at T. G. Mitchell's.

Miss Georgina Davidson returned to her teaching duties at Mt. Brydges on Friday accompanied by her mother, who will spend the winter in Mt. Brydges.

Mr. A. B. Lucas, who spent the Christmas holidays at his home here, left for Beamsville Saturday where he fills the position of Principal of the public school.

Miss Gréta Tiffin left this week for London where she enters the training school for nurses in connection with Victoria Hospital. We all join in wishing her great success in her chosen profession which is a most noble calling.

PERSONAL

Tecumseh Chapter I. O. D. E.

The regular monthly meeting of Tecumseh Chapter I. O. D. E., was held on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. A. Mitchell. The Regent presided and there were 14 members and one visitor present. A letter from Nurse Reid thanking the chapter for their Christmas gifts was read; also one from Rev. Capt. Pugsley at Byron Sanatorium thanking the order for the barrel of fruit shipped there and for the check for \$20 donated for lantern slides. The treasurer reported an expenditure of \$11.65 for local Christmas presents. Miss McCaw and Mrs. Brown contributed a humorous reading to the program. After a dainty lunch was served the meeting closed with the singing of the National Anthem.

Unveiling Memorial Tablet

There was a large congregation in Trinity Church last Sunday evening when the very impressive ceremony of unveiling the tablet placed in the church to commemorate the memory of fallen heroes who were members of the Sunday school was embodied into the regular service. The shield, which is the same as those lately described in these columns, and was given by the Missionary Society, contained the names of six former members of the Sunday school who gave their lives that the rest of us might live in peace. Thos. L. Swift, Gerald Taylor, Leonard Crone, Percy Mitchell, Clarence Gibson and Alfred Woodward. The dedication took place after the second scripture lesson, the Shield being unveiled by Rept. Sergt.-Major Owens, the rector, Rev. S. P. Irwin, reading the dedication service. The entire service was a very affecting one. It opened with the hymn “Fight the Good Fight” and closed with “Peace, Perfect Peace,” and the special psalm read was the 144th. The rector took for his text “Beware that thou forget not.”—Deut. 8-11, and spoke very feelingly of the sacrifice made by the fallen heroes and the duty of those who remain on earth. During the offertory Dr. Nicholas, W. G. Connolly and R. D. Swift sang very acceptably a trio, “Let Us Forget.” The building was neatly draped with flags.

BROOKE

Mr. Wellington Higgins, Downsview, spent the holidays at his home here.

Miss Sadie McEachern, of Sarnia Business College, is spending her holidays with her sister, Mrs. Frank Lucas.

We are now carrying a nice assortment of Chevrolet parts, which Chevrolet owners will appreciate.—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

Mr. Lorne Lucas, of the Merchants Bank, Acon, spent Christmas at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lucas.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Luchham and children, Lorna and Don, who have been visiting Brooke friends returned home to Sarnia on Tuesday.

Services on the Brooke circuit will be held next Sunday as follows: Salem 11 a. m., Walnut 3 p. m., Bethesda 7.30 in the evening.

LET us charge your storage battery this winter. We will keep it charged and add 50 cents per month.—RAY MORNINGSTAR.

The people of the Walnut congregation are planning the remodeling of the church. Some of the improvements will be a basement and a hot air heating system and a new interior. They contemplate having an up to date church.

The annual meeting of the Brooke Municipal Telephone System will be held in Alvinston, in Code's Hall, on Thursday, Jan. 15th, at 8 o'clock. All subscribers requested to attend. Election of officer and other important business.—R. J. LUCAS, President.

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Petrolia Topic—Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Barber on Dec. 26th, celebrated the 25th anniversary of their wedding day. Friends numbering 120 were present from Uttometer, Forest, Toronto, Sarnia, Watford and the neighboring vicinity. Violin selections were given by Mr. A. Corvay, also other musical selections. A dainty supper was partaken of, and the day will be ever remembered by those present. Mr. and Mrs. Barber were the recipients of many beautiful and useful gifts.

Strathroy District Council

The Strathroy District Financial Council in connection with the Methodist National Campaign held a splendid and most enthusiastic meeting in the Armory on Tuesday of this week. The meeting was presided over by the District Organizer, Rev. A. C. Tiffin, and was attended by the ministers and their enthusiastic laymen coming as Captains of Finance from their congregations. The purpose of the meeting was to make final arrangements for the financial drive in connection with the M. N. C. This is part of the Interchurch Forward Movement Campaign in which the Anglican, Congregational, Baptist, Presbyterian and Methodist churches are co-operating. Each and all of these churches have arranged that this drive for campaign funds of the various churches take place at the same time namely Feb. 9th to 14th inclusive.

This worthy campaign is being most enthusiastically and sympathetically received not only in its financial aspects but also in that part more commonly known as the spiritual objectives. The District Council of Finance consists of the Chairman of District Finance Council, Mr. Wm. H. Harper, of Watford; District Organizer, Rev. A. C. Tiffin; Chairman of the District, Rev. J. C. Reid and one Captain of Finance representing each circuit in the district.

RENEWING TIME

This is renewing time and we would ask you to look at your label and see if it reads Dec. '20. Owing to the high cost of producing a newspaper today, it is necessary that all accounts owing The Guide-Advocate be paid as promptly as possible. We would appreciate a settlement of these small accounts, which mean much to us in the aggregate.

GUIDE-ADVOCATE.

Neighborhood Elections

ALVINSTON
Reeve—Sanford Lusas, Councillors—A. K. McLachlan, W. J. Reader, R. S. Rilett, James Holmes.

STRATHROY
The mayor, Council, Board of Education and utilities commission were in by acclamation. For reeve, S. Oakes, 115 majority. A by-law to make the public library a free library carried by a majority of 150, though the vote was small.

ADELAIDE
Reeve, John Campbell; Council, R. Doener, Albert Ayres, Asa Newell, Ben Arrand.

METCALFE
Reeve—Cyrus Henry; Council—John Blaine, Wm. Hawken, John McNaughton.

GLENCOE
Reeve, A. McPherson; councillors, Chas. Davidson, Jack McCracken, P. E. Lumley, George A. Parrott.

PARKHILL
Mayor, W. W. Logan (acclamation); reeve, E. J. Harrison; Council, Fred Lockhart, Clarence Brown, Fred Brewer, N. Hayes, John McGregor, George Tudor.

THETFORD
Theford voted 95 to 8 in favor of hydro-electric at the municipal elections held here to-day. Reeve F. Jennings was elected by acclamation and the following will represent the town on the council: Fred Traver, James Johnston, James Elliott and William McDonald.

WARWICK

Mr. John Caughlin is still in hospital and is improving slowly.

Warren Jones, Toronto, visited at his old home on the fourth line last week.

Miss Reta Higgins spent the Christmas holidays with friends on the 10th line, Brooke.

Miss Flossie Brown, teacher in S. S. No. 4, spent the holidays at her home near Clinton.

Mr. Neil Graham, London, is visiting her niece, Mrs. W. Vance and Mrs. John Smith and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Higgins and family attended Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Barber's silver wedding on Dec. 26th.

Miss Addie Mellor, student at the Woodstock Business College, is holidaying with her sister, Mrs. George Brent, Jr., 12 side road.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Thompson and son, Brock, spent New Year's Day with relatives in Petrolia. Mrs. Thompson remaining for the week's visit.

Miss Sarah Vance, Toronto, spent the Christmas holidays with her sister, Miss Jennie, and her brother, Harvey, on the 4th line at the old homestead.

The Rev. Mr. Crossley who used to be pastor of Zion Methodist church, will pay them a visit on Sunday afternoon next at the regular service.

In the absence of the Pastor, the Young People will take the service in the Calvary Baptist Church next Sunday at 8 p. m. Sunday School at 2 p. m.

Miss Eva Leach, student at London Business College; Harold Leach, student at Western University; and Clarence Leach, of the Taylor Drug Co.'s staff, London, have returned to the city after spending the holidays at their home on the 6th line.

C. F. Luchham, Guelph, Miss Meryl Luchham, London, Mr. and Mrs. Small and little daughter, Gwendolyn, Ridgetown, spent the Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Luchham. Doc. Fraser, Guelph, and G. G. Matthews, Detroit, were also guests for a few days.

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Maple Grove Beef Association held its ninth annual meeting in the cheese factory on Dec. 30th, with a good attendance. David Auld was chairman and called for reports of the year's business which were all very satisfactory. During the season 10950 lbs. of meat were delivered to the members. The Officers were all re-elected for the year 1920 and are: David Auld, Pres.; Henry Curtis, Vice-Pres.; M. D. Campbell, Sec.-Treas.; J. Brandon and E. White, Auditors; J. Kernohan, E. White and J. J. Cates, Managing Committee. Geo. Laddell was re-engaged as butcher to begin on the 18th of March.

HOCKEY

Watford Jr. vs Alvinston Jr.
The Watford Juniors journeyed to Alvinston on Wednesday of last week and defeated the team of that town in a score of 4-1. The game was a good clear one. Following is the line up:—

Watford Alvinston
Jack Kinnell.....goal.....Piper
Trenouth.....1 defense.....Germain
Letherland.....1 defense.....McKellar
Butler.....centre.....Whitton
Jimmy Kinnell.....1 wing.....McEachern
Shepherd.....1 wing.....Gilroy
Veil.....spare.....Hussy
Keferec—H. Banks, Alvinston.

London 11: Watford 3

Group 10, O. H. A. Intermediates, played their maiden game on Fowler's Rink on Tuesday night before a packed house, the game resulting in a win for London with a score of 11-3. The visitors got a start of three goals in quick succession in the last few minutes of the first period which they gradually increased as the game proceeded. The game was clean and spirited but the local boys were outclassed in weight and skill. The line-up:—

WATFORD LONDON
S. Rogers.....goal.....Hynd
T. Lods.....defence.....Goughed
N. Trenouth..... "Kelly
V. Auld.....centre.....Arthurs
J. Irwin.....forward.....Billott
J. Lamb..... "Gillies
B. Trenouth.....spare.....McIntyre
S. Bruce.....spare.....Ferguson
Referer—F. Waghorn, Toronto.

SIDE SHOTS

There was a splendid turnout for this game—everybody do the same thing next Tuesday. The expense is heavy on the boys but the sport is worth it.

The boys had no intention of going in to win a place in the group, but simply to show the two nearby cities that they cannot carry off the group without a struggle.

The locals put up a splendid defense and gave the sturdy visitors plenty of worrying. Their weight was all against us, as each Londoner had a good 50 lbs. over his opponent.

“Curly” Auld, the old war horse, and Jack Irwin and Jack Lamb did not seem to be in their usual fighting trim, but they made the Londoners understand right from the beginning that it would be no easy victory.

“Tiny” Rogers displayed some very fine work guarding the net, and managed to spoil many beautiful shots. A couple of the Londoners always had the location of the goal post well figured out, but “Tiny” was right on the job and fooled their little ideas.

“Monk” Bruce looked pretty small when he stepped up against the big fellows, but he was quick enough to get in and out around them and worry them like a terrier. We shudder to think of what might have happened to “Monk” had one of the giants fallen on him.

All in all, it was a good clean game and Waghorn handled all the players to a nicety. After holding London down so well the boys are quite confident that they can hold the Sarnia aggregation when they come down next Tuesday night, and prevent them from running away with any easy plume.

“Happy” Dodds and “Dunc” Trenouth were right there on the defence, putting many a stick in London's way when they tried to break through with a rush. The two of them got a little too anxious when the forwards were buzzing around London goal and wandered far from home, leaving “Tiny” as a lonely sentinel on Watford's half of the rink.

CHOP STUFF

Alvinston stores will close at 6 o'clock each evening except Saturday until April 1st.

Owing to poor health R. J. Richardson of Inwood has sold his creamery business to the Sarnia Creamery Co.

The Farmers' Club in Forest district have purchased the Barron block, Forest, for a distributing centre.

The Wyoming Enterprise has raised its subscription price. Increased rates or suspension seems to be the order of the day with weekly newspapers.

The reeve of a township near Belleville has been re-elected to that position for the forty-fourth time.

John Peter Mitchell, Lobo, aged 35, was found dead on his barn floor on Saturday, from epilepsy.

Ella Beer, daughter of the late Jacob Beer of Metcalfe, died at Strathroy on Saturday.

Despite her age of 102 years Mrs. Kennew of Chatham, waiked from her home to Harrison Hall and climbed two flights of steps to the high constables office to complain that someone had stolen the deed to her small property.

Premier Drury again denies the story that he was opposed to good roads. He was in favor of good roads, not the spending of a big sum of money on one highway, but a scheme which would mean good roads for all parts of the province. In this connection he placed emphasis on township and county roads. This looks as though the Provincial Highway will not be built.