

Guide-Advocate

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THE REASON WHY

This week's issue of the Guide-Advocate contains four extra pages which are added with a view to advance and bring to a successful termination Watford Soldiers' Day, August 20th, which will not only be the day when the citizens will endeavour to do honor to the brave sons of the district but will also be a day of rejoicing for the consummation of Victory and an honorable Peace.

Five years ago the Motherland took up arms in defence of free peoples and in fulfilment of solemn treaty obligations. Without delay Canada and the other overseas possessions of Britain rallied to her aid and made her cause their own. In the titanic struggle that followed they have stood by her side, cheerfully contributing their share of sacrifice and winning in every theatre and sphere of warfare imperishable glory. It is only fitting that we should prominently participate in her triumph. We do not exaggerate when we say that without the ungrudging assistance of Canada and the other overseas possessions the conflict might have afforded little excuse for rejoicing. Their united efforts in defence of great human and political ideals helped much more than is generally understood to ensure the victory the Allied nations now celebrate. Their voluntary mobilisation of men and resources for the benefit of the menaced Motherland powerfully impressed the entire world, and entirely upset the calculations of the enemy. Britain, the cradle of free institutions, owes its own salvation to the succour spontaneously forthcoming from Canada and her other daughters whose development she originated and inspired.

It is pleasant to reflect that the Empire emerges from the ordeals of the past five years mightier than she was before. Not only has she not lost a foot of territory, but her boundaries have been considerably extended through the incorporation of a large share of the Colonial possessions formerly belonging to Germany. Indeed, it might with truth be said that the outcome of the war merely marks another stage in the beneficent process of painting the map red.

The date selected by the people of Watford to do honor to her citizen soldiers who have stood the brunt of war, and to the memory of those who have given their lives for freedom, is an exceedingly appropriate one, being exactly five years after the day on which her sons of the first contingent left Watford for the training camp at Valcartier. Little did we think on that showery Thursday morning when our hearts filled with pain at the parting and swelled with pride for the loyalty and devotion of Watford's sons, that so many of our valiant boys would never return but would fill heroes' graves in Flanders. Yet, the war, with its trials and sacrifices, has not been without compensations. For one thing it has demonstrated in a very striking manner the unity and solidarity of the British Empire. It has also proved to doubting foreigners that the British Empire is not moulded after the pattern of that of Imperial Rome, but is a union of free peoples, or, as it might be called, a model League of Nations. It is for these compensations that we intend to make next Wednesday a day of rejoicing as well as a memorial to the fallen heroes and an acknowledgement of our indebtedness to those who have been permitted to return home. Let there be no uncertain sound in our rendering of honor to our heroic sons and loyalty to our King.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Can Mr. Ford kindly reduce the cost of his justly-famed flivvers so as to leave it an open question whether a man will buy a pair of boots or a new car?

Our neighbors across the border are refusing to take Canadian money—even for street car fares. That sort of thing is likely to dry up the stream of Canadian travel rapidly in all the border States.

It is suggested that the words "Boche" and "Hun" should be dropped now that we are once more on terms of friendliness with Ger-

many. What, then, about dropping the word "German," which is in itself an insult?

A Hamilton Alderman charges that a fruit grower dumped a load of fruit over the high-level bridge rather than sell it below the price he demanded. This fruitgrower is as bad as the cold-storage man so frequently denounced by the farmer.

Kingston Standard:—We believe that the Dominion Government would only be doing its duty to the public in "getting after" the profiteers; we may express doubt as to whether those in authority are in sympathy with them, but they have an excellent opportunity of showing that they are not. A few sharp prosecutions would do more to stop profiteering than anything else, more especially, if the penalties included confiscation of the "undue profits" mentioned by the Commission.

Philadelphia Public Ledger:—The tale told by the police, by the heads of charitable institutions, by the hospitals and by financial and mercantile establishments gives proof so abundant of the benefits conferred by the dry regime that the most skeptical must be convinced that the end has justified the somewhat abrupt and arbitrary means. Banks and business firms are getting the money that once went for booze. Prohibition has cut down the number of arrests enormously. The number of "passional" crimes is greatly decreased by the removal of the provocation liquor supplies. Charitable agencies report that the number of those compelled to apply to them for aid is lessening. The moving-picture business reports an influx of patronage, because men who once spent the evening with the boys now take the family to the silent drama. The impossible has occurred; the populace has almost tacitly accepted a change which—it was predicted—would precipitate "headly resentment, bloody anarchy."

PERSONAL

Miss Pearl Saunders is spending the week at Corunna.

Mrs. Connelly and daughter Mary spent last week at Pt. Franks.

Miss Florence Edwards left on Monday for Lapeer, Mich., to visit friends.

Miss Pearl Caley and Miss Ethel Hollingsworth are holidaying in Toronto.

Mrs. W. J. Halward and son, Jack, of Cannington, are visiting at Mrs. Tye's.

Editor Dunlop of the Forest Standard was a caller at the Guide-Advocate on Monday.

Mrs. Pritchett and her daughter, Mrs. Rollie Dodds, are spending a week in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hone left on Tuesday for their home, Crystal Springs, Sask.

Mrs. Benson Andrews, of Winnipeg, is visiting at her sister-in-law's, Mrs. Jos. Keller.

Misses Clara and Mildred Dundas, of Dorchester, are visiting relatives in Watford and Brooke.

Mrs. G. McVitte, of Hamilton, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. T. DeC. Rayner, at the Cong'l manse.

Mr. D. T. McGuire, manager of the Merchant's Bank, Ailsa Craig, spent Sunday with Mr. F. A. MacLean.

Mr. and Mrs. Shrapnell and daughter, Gladys, are visiting relatives in Port Huron and Deckerville, Mich.

Miss F. M. McRae, Courtwright, called on her sister in Watford on Friday, on her way home from Toronto.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Robinson, Hamilton, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Humphries, Wall street, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Patterson motored over from Detroit and were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Prentiss, this week.

Col. and Mrs. Brown, and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. O'Donnell, Waterloo, were the guests of Mrs. Moody last week.

Mrs. Fortune and daughter Mildred and Mrs. Moody motored to Waterloo on Saturday and spent Sunday with Col. and Mrs. Brown of that place.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Steer leave this week for Quebec city and points beyond. They take the trip from Toronto by water.

Mrs. C. O. Fuller and son Clayton, and the Misses Winnifred and Marjory Swift are spending a couple of weeks at Pt. Franks.

Mr. John Shaw returned Thursday from a visit with friends in Michigan. While over there he found out who won the war.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris and daughter, Miss Jean Mounsey and Mr. E. Farr, motored from Toronto and spent the week with Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Prentiss.

Four of the Maxwell family of Appleton, Mich., in a touring car, made a flying visit to friends in Watford, Warwick and Strathroy this week.

Mrs. Mueller, Toledo, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. George Fields, Strathroy, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Neil Bennett. Mrs. Mueller is Mr. Bennett's sister.

Rev. N. and Mrs. Lindsay and their daughters Misses Jean and Catherine, of Dover Centre, were callers last week on Rev. and Mrs. Tiffin in the Methodist parsonage.

Rev. S. W. Muxworthy and Miss Muxworthy of Forest, were in town last Sunday evening. Miss Muxworthy rendered a solo very acceptably at the evening service in the Methodist church.

Mr. J. Murray Mitchell who left for the West recently, has located in Courtenay, B. C., where he will practice his profession. His friends and acquaintances in Watford wish him success.

Dr. T. F. Wangh, Imperial, Sask., is visiting his sisters, John street, and renewing old acquaintances in Watford and Warwick. The doctor was a delegate to the big Liberal convention at Ottawa.

New goods for early fall.—SWIFT'S. A branch of the G. W. V. A. has been organized at Thamesville.

A large percentage of the wheat crop in Kent county is badly infested with smut.

Only seven of the 178 voters on the Gloucester voters' list of 1879 are on the 1919 list.

WANT COLUMN.

A good second-hand McCormick CORN BINDER for sale cheap.—R. E. JOHNSTON.

FOR SALE—Two good work horses.—ALEX. LEITCH, lot 20, con. 2, S.E.R., Warwick.

CARPENTERING, PAINTING and REPAIRING of all kinds. Work guaranteed. Reasonable prices.—D. F. WALLER, Warwick Village.

FOR SALE—One Premier Silo, 12x30, nearly new; also one Happy Farmer Tractor and Cockshutt Plow, 3-furrow. Apply to ROBT. SMITH, R.R. 5, Watford.

THIRTY good Breeding Ewes for sale, some of them registered. Also eight ewe lambs. Am disposing of these because I have sold my farm.—ROY TREPPLE, R.R. 3, Wyoming.

WOULD the person who was seen removing the rug from a buggy in the Presbyterian shed last Sunday night kindly leave it at this office and save further trouble.

When in need of FERTILIZER use BASIC SAG. Price \$23 a ton off cars, \$24 at warehouse.—HARTMAN & MC MANUS, Watford. Call at McManus Hotel.

WORN OUT HORSES and tallen animals of any kind bought.—LETT BROS., fur ranchers, lot 18, con. 13, Brooke; Rural phone 4821. Watford P. O. Phone messages at our expense.

A GOOD dwelling house in Watford, centrally located, having a good cellar and other conveniences, also stable and drive house in rear of dwelling to rent.—Apply to W. E. FITZGERALD, Watford.

WANTED—TWO GIRLS, one for kitchen and one upstairs girl, to assist in dining-room. Wages \$25.00 per month. No washing or ironing. Apply to Mrs. S. MORRISON, McAlpine House, Glencoe.

CARD OF THANKS—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith wish to thank their many friends and neighbors for the many acts of kindness shown them during their sojourn in Watford and especially for the nice gift on the eve of their departure and want them to remember they will be ever welcome at their new home on Caradoc street, Strathroy.

Residents in the neighborhood of Wyoming, Watford, Dresden, Alvinston, Inwood, Bridgen and many other places come to ROBSON, Petrolia, to be photographed.

WANTED—Bench men for sash and door factory. Steady work year round under good working conditions and good wages. Any handy carpenters who can make frames, might apply. Telephone us at our expense. Telephone number 900. R. LAIDLAW LUMBER COMPANY, Samia.

TENDERS FOR DRAIN

Tenders will be received by the undersigned up to Sept. 1st next, for the construction of the E. wards Drain in the township of Warwick. Plans and specifications can be seen at my residence at any reasonable hour. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

H. WILLIAMSON, Commissioner.

2t Lot 20, Con. 4, S. E. R., Warwick.

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Give Our Soldier Boys a Good Time on the 20th

*Peace has been bought with blood and tears ;
The boys of our hearts had to pay ;
And so in joy of the after years
Let us bless them every day.*

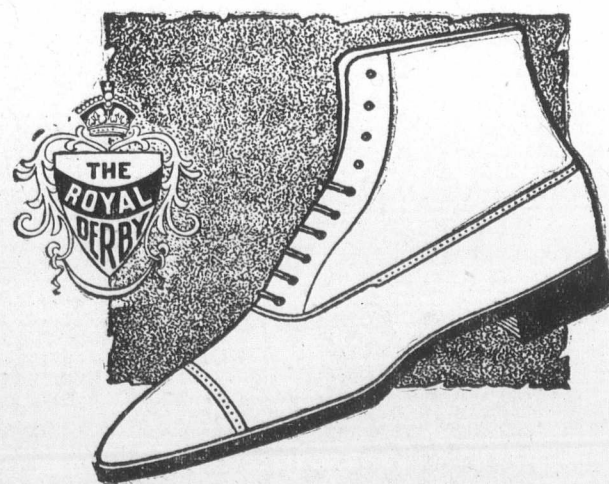
—R.W.S.

This store will join heartily with our soldiers on the 20th—and nothing will be left undone that we can do to show our appreciation of their efforts to bring Peace to the British Empire.

—E. D. SWIFT.

SOLDIERS' DAY WATFORD August 20th

OF COURSE, you'll be here that day to help us give all our returned heroes a royal welcome home and joyous entertainment.



Perhaps you'll need a new pair of Shoes for that day. Better come in and get them this week. Shoe prices are climbing considerably higher—take our advice to secure an extra pair at the old price.

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