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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 LetterBox.

GALT is now the Baby City.

LAMBTON County Council meets next Monday.

SEVERAL June weddings in this neighborhood this week.

THERE was a good turnout from Watford and vicinity to the Alvinston picnic.

HAVE you paid up your subscription to the Patriotic Fund?

MOTTO for the neutral nations : "There are only a few of us left."

R. C. MCLEAY has been appointed agent for the Regal automobile.

HARRY HOLLINGSWORTH has bought the dray business of John Dobbin.

BILLS for the big 12th July celebration at Watford will be issued in a few days.

THE post office department has issued a two-cent postal card, which will cover both postage and war tax.

THERE will be a celebration of the holy communion in Trinity Church on Sunday morning next at 11 o'clock.

NAPIER post office was closed on Monday. The residents of that district are now supplied by rural route from Alvinston.

THE little seed we plant with care may be an onion or a pear ; the little seed we note again, may land right in our neighbor's hen.

CUSTOMERS of P. Dodds & Son and The Howden Estate who require oil on Saturdays are requested to place their orders before 5.30 o'clock.

A MEDICAL fusser says that kissing should be done through screens. But it would be just like a lot of people to get forgetful and leave their screens at home.

STRATHROY has banished the children's play wagon from the sidewalks. A good move in these days when many children are not taught to respect the rights of grown-ups.

A LADY friend suggests that if Greece gets into the war the fat will be in the fire and the turkey will get a worse basting than is being administered to it now.

R. WHITELAW, Woodstock, manufacturer of flour-mill machinery, was in town Monday and Tuesday looking over G. Chambers' premises with a view to installing flour machinery.

THE Daughters of the Empire are asking for clothing, especially children's clothing. Please send same to the Armory in time for our next shipment, which will be in about two weeks.

CAPT. R. F. FAIRBROTHER, of the 10th Batt., was reported wounded in action. Capt. Fairbrother was on the staff of the local branch of the Sterling Bank about five years ago.

AT the meeting of the Directors of the East Lambton Agricultural Society held on Monday last the different committees for the fair were appointed, and arrangements made for a thorough revision of the prize list.

OFFICIAL notification has been received by postmasters to accept correspondence and packages destined for British prisoners of war in German concentration camps, free of charge, and forward them to their destination.

JUDGE WILLIAM T. MITCHELL, said to be the oldest past grand master of the Masonic order in the world, celebrated his ninety-eighth birthday in Port Huron Thursday. Friends who called to congratulate him found him working in his garden.

"George Washington," read the small boy from his history, "was born Feb. 22nd, 1732, A. D." "What does 'A. D.' stand for ?" inquired the teacher. The small boy pondered "I don't exactly know," he hesitated. "After dark, I guess, as babies are generally born at night."

"FAMILIARITY breeds contempt" says the old copy book heading. How true. Last fall people were sadly shocked on hearing of several thousands being killed in the war. To-day we hear with utmost calmness reports of tens of thousands being slain.

A WRITER to the Sarnia Observer says that the Northern Navigation Company's boats carry the Germanic colors on their stacks. If such is the case it will pay the company to make a change without delay. The travelling public are sensitive this year, and the few who will travel by boat do not want any reminders of the Lusitania staring them in the face.

THOS. A. LAMB, son of Mr. Wm. Lamb, Watford, who joined the 95th Regina regiment some time ago for active service, left with part of the 2nd contingent for England on Saturday last. Tom is a graduate of the Guide-Advocate and makes the second printer from this office to go to the front to make "pi" of the Kaiser's army.

ON Sunday morning next there will be no service in the Methodist church on account of the minister, Rev. F. G. Robinson, being at St. Marys attending Conference. Sunday school will be held at 2.30 p.m., and in the evening at 7 o'clock there will be a union service of the Methodist and Baptist congregations in the Methodist church, when Rev. T. M. Mead will preach.

JUNE specials all over the store.—SWIFTS'.

EVERYTHING points to a heavy crop of hay this season.

NEXT setting of the Division Court at Watford will be on Friday, June 18th.

THE oiled streets are free from dust so far and everyone seems pleased with the experiment.

A NEW stock of wedding cake boxes to hand at the Guide-Advocate office. Also invitation and announcement stationery.

REMEMBER to put a war stamp on the cheques you write. They are not good without, and you also expose yourself to a heavy penalty.

"KILLING Germans is my business," says Lord Fisher. Killing Germans is the business of every British subject, and Lord Fisher has no monopoly in that respect.

DIVISIONAL militia orders recently issued announce that provisional lieutenants H. A. Trainor and G. G. Garvey have been confirmed in their rank as supernumerary lieutenants in the 27th regiment.

THE G.T.R. will in future pay their employees in cash instead of the old cheque system, owing to the necessity of putting a two cent war stamp on the cheque. It is estimated that the war stamp would cost the company $200,000 per year by fixing them to the salary cheques.

ORDERS have been issued to Canadian postmasters to hold up any mail received in their offices which is of Canadian origin, and which has been mailed in the United States by Canadians in an attempt to evade the payment of the postal war tax. Mail thus held up will be endorsed by the postmaster and sent to the dead letter office.

THE new hats for Dominion Day just open.—SWIFTS'.

MANNERS and morals will not be neglected in the teaching of Ontario's children. The withdrawal of the first book on the subject has made way for "The Golden Rule Books," which the Minister of Education has authorized. He has notified inspectors that these books on manners and morals must be in the hands of pupils by September next.

THE frost of Thursday morning of last week was exceedingly destructive in this neighborhood. Early gardens were ruined and in some instances where vegetation was covered the frost penetrated. All tender plants were destroyed, and strawberries, cherries and grapes, nicely formed, were nipped so badly that the crop will be small.

AT the conference of medical officers of health of Ontario at Peterboro, a committee suggested a schedule of salaries for medical officers of health : Townships, $300 per annum ; incorporated villages, up to 1000 population, $150 per annum, with addition of $50 for each 1000 or majority thereof ; towns, $100 for 1000 population, $50 additional for each subsequent 1000 ; cities under 20,000, $1000 per year ; over this number, $1200.

A JUNE special in ordered clothing—a fine navy serge suit, $20.00.—SWIFTS'.

A LETTER from Hon. T. C. Casgrain, Post Master General, states that the question of having the westbound train passing through Watford at 12.13 stop here has been taken up with the G.T.R. officials and they have declined to stop this train here, and the Department cannot compel them to do so. However, mail will be dispatched by the train in question from London, taken on to Sarnia and returned on train due in Watford at 3.05 p.m., which is as satisfactory an arrangement as can be made under the new time-table.

THERE seems to be unnecessary delay in the delivery of mail matter on some rural mail routes. Subscribers to this paper on the Alvinston routes claim that some weeks they do not get their copy of the Guide-Advocate until Saturday, and occasionally Monday. For their benefit we wish to state that all newspapers leave this office on Thursday afternoon. The Alvinston papers have always gone on the 2.55 train, and were in Sarnia one hour later. A complaint to the Postoffice Inspector is threatened by some of our subscribers.

SATURDAY'S Sarnia Observer says :—"While driving out the plank road last evening in a Ford automobile, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sedwick and party had a most unpleasant experience. When near the railway crossing something went wrong with the steering gear and the automobile headed for the ditch. The occupants were thrown out and Mrs. Hull, mother of Mrs. Sedwick, suffered a fractured rib and some severe bruises. Her injuries were attended by Dr. Logie. The other four people in the car escaped with minor injuries. The car was damaged somewhat, but was brought to the city under its own power."

AN exchange says :—A good story is told of a local sport who, while fishing one day recently, was seized by a fit of coughing during which he lost a set of false teeth. A few days afterwards he was informed that another sport had had the good fortune to catch a large black bass, which on being opened was found to contain a set of teeth. It was taken for granted at once that they were the first sport's teeth, and he at once beat it to secure them. His disappointment can be better imagined than described on being informed that the teeth found in the bass belonged to the fish and were not false.

F. O. McIlveen and C. Howden own a Studebaker auto.

J. H. HUME C. P. R. agent, ticketed Miss Seymour of Arkona, to Edmonton, last week.

BRITISH submarines are busy too ; but they are busy tackling something that can hit back.

FRED HASKETT was successful in passing his first year in medicine, at Toronto University.

WATFORD MARKETS :—Wheat, $1.25 ; oats, 55c.; barley, 60c. to 65c.; butter, 23c.; eggs, 19c.

THE 27th Regiment will put on a first-class concert in the Armory on the evening of July 12th.

YOU can buy floor rugs at SWIFTS' right. Big stock.

A PATRIOTIC barn dance is the latest idea in the country districts, and a pleasant way to raise money for Red Cross or other patriotic purposes.

THE Public Library will be closed on Tuesday as well as Thursday evening, during the months of June, July and August.—MAY REID, Secretary.

EPWORTH LEAGUE service on Monday evening. Prayer meeting Topic, "What does it mean to be a Christian?" led by Mr. Humphries. All welcome. Service 8 p.m.

YOU will notice that while the papers on the other side yap and squawl over Lord Kitchener, the Secretary for War never says a word. He is the Br'er Rabbit of English politics.

TUESDAY was a gala day in Alvinston. The Co-operative Association picnic was an immense affair. An excellent program of speeches and music was presented and everyone present had a good time.

OUR society expert says this is the season of the year when the girl who jilted him asks the young man to act as usher—unless she got so much during the engagement he can't afford to send a present.

THE regular meeting of the Watford Women's Institute will be held at the home of Mrs. B. Ferguson on Wednesday evening, June 9th. Roll call answered by a clipping od the war. Members requested to be present.—SEC.

OF the ten thousand casualities which have occurred among Canadian corps since the war began, the names of 6,436 killed, wounded and missing have been received. The remaining names are coming in steadily each day in batches of from one to two hundred. The names of 999 killed, 4,123 wounded and 1,314 missing have reached Canada.

RING us up. We pay postage and give quick shipments.—SWIFTS'.

A CUT of Corp. G. H. Brown, of the Princess Pats, intended for this issue, failed to arrive from the engravers before time of going to press. His sister, Miss Muriel Brown, received word from him Wednesday night stating that he had been under X-rays, that the piece of shell had been extracted from his chest, and he was progressing nicely. Corp. Brown was wounded in the terrible battle early in May, when 675 men and 19 officers went into action but only 106 men and 3 officers survived the awful fight.

THE men of the Methodist church gave a supper and entertainment on Thursday evening. The basement of the church was tastefully decorated and the long tables filled with delicious edibles of all kinds. No women were visible save when the kitchen door was inadvertently swung too far open. Each waiter wore a white apron and the regulation chef's cap. After the supper all adjourned to the auditorium, where the program was given by men. The choir chairs were filled with men. Most of the selections were patriotic. Solos, duets, quartets and patriotic choruses, with an occasional recitation, constituted the unique performance. The net proceeds amounted to $55, which sum is to be used in the purchase of new music for the choir.

AT the annual Convention of Western University on Friday evening, at which there was graduated the largest Arts class that has ever gone out from the institution, some important announcements of progress were made. Dr. H. W. Hill of Minneapolis, who is regarded as one of the greatest authorities in matters of public health on the continent, has been secured as head of the Institute of Public Health, to take up his duties immediately. Steps have also been taken looking towards a new medical building, which it is anticipated will be erected during the coming year. Thirty-two degrees were conferred by President Braithwaite in Arts and Medicine, many scholarships and prizes were awarded and the address to the graduating class was made by Rev. D. C. MacGregor.

THERE was a meeting of the East Lambton Orange Lodge in 505 lodge room, which was attended by representatives of most of the Lambton lodges and several from Middlesex. Among those present were brethren from Sarnia, Petrolea, Oil Springs, Wanstead, Lovelock, Wyoming, Forest, Arkona, Jura, Kettle Point, Adelaide Village, Glencoe, Brigden and Strathroy. All these and others have decided to join in the big celebration to be held in Watford on July 12th which is expected to be one of the biggest demonstrations ever held in county. The meeting was presided over by County Grand Master Wm. Cully. The question of train service for the celebration was considered and will be fully arranged. Following are some of the speakers for the twelfth : Rev. D. A. Moyer, of Petrolea ; Rev. J. C. Reid, of Sarnia ; Bro. J. E. Armstrong, M.P. ; Rev. Bro. W. H. Graham, of Sarnia ; Bro. Stapleford, of Watford, and Bro. R. J. McCormick. Colonel Kenward, reeve of Watford, will have charge of the day's proceedings.

Watford Mail Service

Since the change of time-table and mail service on the G.T.R. the Watford postoffice will be open from 7 to 8 o'clock each evening to distribute mail arriving from the east at 6.39 p.m.

The time mails are closed is as follows :
Going East—10.40 a.m. and 4.45 p.m.
Going West—8.10 a.m. and 6.10 p.m.

PERSONAL.

Chas. Cundic, London, spent Wednesday at J. Sharp's.

Ernest Lawrence, of the Military School, London, was here over Sunday.

Miss Jennie McColl, St. Thomas, was the guest of Mrs. W. J. Howden last week.

Mr. Jos. H. Hume goes to St. Mary's on Saturday to attend the Methodist conference.

President Farrell was here on Monday to the meeting of directors of the Agricultural Society.

Miss Wales spent the week end the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Baird, "Sunnyside Farm."

W. E. Fitzgerald represented Watford Council of Chosen Friends at the Hamilton convention this week.

Stanley Rogers, Mac Hagle, F. Yerks and Thos. Pilling, of the 3rd contingent, London, spent the week end in Watford.

Mrs. Williamson, Medicine Hat, was a guest at Mr. W. J. Howden's last week. Mrs. Williamson was a Miss Jennie Anderson before marriage and at one time a teacher in the Watford public school.

WATFORD PUBLIC SCHOOL

HONOR ROLL FOR APRIL AND MAY

Class IV.—Sr.—Sadie Howden, Margaret Cameron, George Chambers, Earl Logan, Ila Cook, Roger Thorner, Florence Cooke, Jack Irwin, Pearl Caley, Florence Roberts, Esther Weight, Marjorie Swift, Barrie Vail. Carman McCormick. Jr.—Orville Fuller, Norman Trenouth, Leo McManus, Clifford Abbott, Helen Hamilton, Wilfrid Jamieson, Mamie Moire, Orville McGillicuddy, Helen Barron, Harold Roche. Alvin Styles, Deloise Dodds, Evelyn Hastings, Lillian McKercher, Kenton Mitchell.—W. H. SHRAPNELL, Principal.

Class III.—Sr.—Mary Fowler, Ernest McKercher, Nellie Kinnell, Eulalie Logan, Evelyn Dodds, Elsie Brown, Blanche Stapleford, Claire Lambert, Lloyd Harper, Elsie Weight, (May Higgins, Earl Dobbin) equal, Florence Lambert, Verna Carter, Spence Bruce. Jr.—Romaine Thorner, Beatrice Cooke, Rebe Bruce, Irene Willson, Evelyn Williamson, Gertrude Fulcher, Vernie Thorner, Arthur Wrinkle, Robert McLeay, Herbert Lawrence.—E. HUME, Teacher.

II. Class.—Sr.—Stanley Trenouth, Elgin Kersey, Dorothy Fowler, Jack Davies, Louise Pentland, Philena Rapson, Wesley Shepherd, Ula Higgins, Irene Graham, Pamily Graham, Douglas Weight, Margaret Irwin, Earl Roberts Sydney McNally, Gwendolyn Cook, Stanley Mitchell, Frank McCormick, Nettie Spalding, Jimmie Kinnell, Charlie Barron, Jack McGillicuddy, Mary Edwards. Jr.—Keith Spackman, Esther McKercher, William Spalding, Elva Peart, Stanley Bennett.—M. WAUGH, Teacher.

Pt. II. Class.—Sr.—Hallie Potter, Florence Lovell, Beatrice Macnally, Donald Vail, (Charlotte Taylor, Gladys Kersey) equal, Jean Rapson, Dorothy McLeay, Ivy Chapman, (Daisy Macnally, Beatrice Smith) equal, Donald McKercher, Irene Mead, George Willoughby, Burton Roberts, Fred Durstan, Roy Higgins, Reginald Logan, Keith Dodds, Carman Harper, Earl Shaw, Verna Caughlin, Elsie Goodman, Pearl Stumpf, Velma Restorick. Jr.—Harold Willson, Clare Thorner, Geraldine Durstan, Margaret Cameron, Roy Cooke, Fred Fuller, Aileen Spalding.—L. M. CAMERON, Teacher.

PRIMARY ROOM

Class I.—Ella Pearce, George McCormick, Kenneth Fulcher, Eric Craig, Jack Kinnell, Frances Lovell, Marguerite Dodds, Wilson Howden, Marjory Prentis, Teresa McManus.

Class II.—Thelma Spackman, Durwood Butler, Lloyd McGillicuddy, Vera Taylor, Beverly Dodds, Edwin Macnally.

Class III.—Mildred Fulcher, Olive Lovell, (Merle Brock, Mary Connolly, Sadie Harper) equal, Eleanor McIntosh, Maxine Rogers, Vance Kersey, (Helen Potter, Harold Taylor, Alice Pearce) equal, Doris Kelly, Gordon Kelly, Edith Styles, Margaret McLeay.

Class IV.—Marjory Logan, (Donald Prentis, Ora Kersey) equal, Melvin Hastings, Helen Irwin, Doreen Millar, Fern Roberts, Marjory Thorner, Billy Vail.—M. REID, Teacher.

U. S. postal officials have been instructed to refuse Canadian mail placed in their offices with intention to avoid the war tax.

Daughters of the Empire

The regular monthly meeting of the I.O.D.E. was held at the home of Mrs. T. Woods on Tuesday afternoon, June 1st. The weather being favorable, there was a good turnout of members. The trip out by motor cars was enjoyed very much and many thanks to those giving their cars for the afternoon. A delightful musical program was given—Miss Cowan, instrumental ; Mrs. Bennett, solo, "The Call of the Motherland" ; Mrs. Robb, instrumental ; Miss Cowan, instrumental ; Mrs. Robb, solo. Miss Tanner gave the paper for the day, on "Heroes," which was excellent ; Mrs. Brown read two very nice letters from her son, Howard, whom we are always glad to hear from ; Mrs. Baird, reading, "Hope's Quiet Hour" ; Mrs. Kelly read a very interesting letter from Miss Upton, of Montreal, now a nurse at No. 1 Stationary Base Hospital, Boulogne, France, which gave a description of her work in caring for the sick and wounded ; Mrs. Fitzgerald gave a very nice talk on how shrapnel shells are made, she having visited the works at Ingersoll last week. Tea was served by the hostess, beautiful flowers being used in decoration of the tea dainties. A bevy of young ladies were most kindly assistants. The singing of the National Anthem brought a most pleasant meeting to a close Next place of meeting, Mrs. Baird's.—SEC.

WARWICK.

Mr. James Cooper is recovering from an attack of pneumonia.

Mr. D. M. Ross and Miss Kate Ross visited at D. Ross Jr.'s last week.

Mr. C. N. Richardson sold a team of colts this week for a handsome sum.

Mr. Chas. Buchanan, Dutton, was the guest of Mr. Wm. Westgate last week.

Wm. Westgate is attending the Grand Council of the C.O.C.F. at Hamilton this week.

Mrs. F. Cook and Mrs. A. Hay spent a pleasant afternoon with Mrs. T. D. McLeay last week.

Mrs. Oscar Bitney, Petrolea, visited her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Westgate, on the Victoria Day holiday.

Mr. Ed. Thomson has almost completed his handsome new home, which will add greatly to the Main road.

Mrs. Lindsay (nee Miss Annie Cooper), Strathroy, is at the home of her father on the 2nd line, and is in very poor health.

Mrs. Thomas Luckham and little grandson, Archie Luckham, returned last Saturday from a week's visit with friends in Glencoe.

Mr. Russell Williams, Main road, is preparing to build a new barn this year, already having a fine cement wall built by Mr. Wm. Marwick.

Miss Hart, London, and Miss Dolly Bradish, "The Grange," Glanworth, spent the holidays at "Holme Farm," the guests os Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Baird.

The Warwick and Comets baseball teams played a game at Warwick on Friday evening of last week. The score was 13-7, in favor of the Warwick boys.

A Vancouver paper says that Mr. Henry Elliot, of Winnipeg, one of British Columbia's old timers, having been a resident of the coast in 1862, is visiting his nephew, Mr. Charles Fraser, Point Grey, on his way home from California.

The Warwick branch of the Women's Institute will hold their regular meeting in the Foresters' hall on Thursday, June 10th, at 2.30. Roll call will be responded to by each member giving a voluntary offering. All ladies are invited to attend. A quilt will be made and other sewing done during the afternoon for the benefit of the wounded soldiers.

Miss Beacom, who has taught a large class of piano pupils in Inwood for the past five years, has given up her work here. Miss Beacom has made many friends in the village and has given us a class of musicians, many of whom have developed marked ability under her careful and efficient training. She has done very much for the course of music and music lovers in the village and there is much regret at the ceasing of her very interesting visits.—Alvinston Free Press.

Copy of a letter received by the secretary of the Women's Patriotic League from the secretary of the Red Cross Society, London :—"Your three bales arrived in good condition. We thank you so much for all this splendid work. To-day we shipped a great quantity of suplies, both for Red Cross and war contingent. The Red Cross, you know, is for the sick and wounded, while the war contingent is for soldiers in the camps and trenches. We divided your supplies between the two and they are already on their way to the front. I think your League is doing splendid work. This war is all so strange and terrible. We are not used to it. As Canadians we have lived so peacefully, with plenty of everything. I often think that those European countries, so thickly populated, with seemingly a mad rush for life, do not consider war so badly as the Canadians. Sir Adam Beck, who has just returned from the front, says the fields are being tilled and people do not seem to worry, even in hearing of the guns, only a few miles distant, and in Belgium the German soldiers are destroying the new crops as they grow. What next winter will bring forth no one knows, but this much we do know, that it will be much harder than last winter, and we must give, give if we halve our own loaf. Kindly thank the friends and keep on in the much needed work."