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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 Letter Box.

ONE MONTH OF 1918 GONE.
If you want to grow in grace be sure you are alive at the roots.

UNCLE SAM has a billion-dollar aircraft program. Now to get it working.

THE KAISER'S remarkable dream will be found on page two of this issue.

SOX for overseas, we have them, no seams 50, 60, 85c.—SWIFT'S.

THE outdoor letter box has been moved from the rear to the front of the postoffice.

1918 will go down into history as the year without a January thaw. You can't blame this on the war.

CANADA'S war achievements have been referred to in a speech in the Prussian diet. Our fame is spreading.

FOOD CONTROLLER HANNA has retired and has been succeeded by Mr. H. B. Thompson, of Victoria, B. C.

THE Lambton County Court will be opened on Tuesday, Feb. 19th. Five cases will be heard on that date.

THE editor acknowledges receipt of a handsome Bank of Toronto desk calendar from Mr. W. F. Percival, of Toronto.

CITY people were surprised at the goods they can buy in Watford at SWIFT'S.

"HEATLESS MONDAYS" and five-day industrial shut-downs are bringing the war home to luxury-loving Uncle Sam.

MR. JACOB D. BROWN has been appointed by the County Council a member of the Watford Board of Education for 1918.

D. W. GRIFFITH'S two-million-dollar film spectacle is being presented at the Lyceum this (Thursday) afternoon and evening.

READERS will please remember that fifty cents is the minimum charge for "In Memoriam" verses, no matter how short.

THE cities and towns of Western Canada are particularly fortunate in the fact that their lighting is not dependent upon coal.

"How to Save Coal" is the title of a book advertised. "How to Get Coal" would be a book title more fitting to the situation.

ASH WEDNESDAY, the beginning of Lent, falls on February 13th this year; Good Friday on March 29, and Easter Sunday on March 31.

TWO ladies comparing their suits, SWIFT'S suit looked best, was better made and was ten dollars less than the city.—SWIFT'S.

OUR last week's story, "The Kiss Stealer," by some means got mixed with this week's story. Readers will find both in this issue.

THE bread made from the standard flour of the Food Controller will be darker than that now in use, and will be slightly speckled, though wholesome.

THERE will be no ice famine in Watford the coming summer, judging from the quantity of good clear ice being harvested by the local business men and dealers.

YES—We know it will keep you all up a little later to attend the concert in the Lyceum, Wed. Feb. 6th. But remember our boys stay in the trenches all night to protect us.

DR. HARCOURT, of the Ontario Agricultural College, says that there is much more nutritious in rolled oats than in eggs. That's one in the eye for those conceited hens.

THE regular meeting of Tecumseh Chapter I. O. D. E. will be held at the home of Mrs. E. D. Swift on Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 5th, at the usual hour. Quotations from Canadian Authors.

SOME ONE is liable to go out gunning for the Indian who prophesied a mild winter, "because the fur on the muskrats was not heavy." Either he or the muskrats have made a mistake.

A CASE of sermons and curtain nets open this week.—SWIFT'S.

A CITIZEN writes:—"Why doesn't our town council enact a measure to compel farmers disposing of wood in town, to sell same on cord basis? The citizens then would at least know what they were paying for."

THE hazy atmosphere presages a thaw, but seemingly all the weather signs are failing this winter. There is lack of water throughout the country, many farmers having to team water for their stock.

THERE will be morning service in Trinity Church next Sunday as well as the usual evening service. At the morning service holy communion will be administered, and the sermon will be for children.

THESE are the days when it would be good business on your part to scan carefully the advertisements in this paper, if you wish to know where you can get the best value for your money. Business men advertising in this paper, are telling the public what to buy and when to buy and get the best that is in your dollar.

DON'T fail to see "Intolerance" this (Thursday) night.

THE house and two lots on Erie street, the home of the late Wm. Brison, has been purchased from the executors by Mr. James Kersey.

THE commissioner of conservation claims there will be no coal for the villages and farmers next year. What is to hinder him using his influence with the government to have Canada's own coal mines opened?

DON'T forget that the proceeds of "She Stoops to Conquer," given in the Lyceum Feb. 6th, to buy yarn for soldiers' socks. Five new knitters were secured this week and the supply of yarn just exhausted.

MRS. ELLEN CREASEY died Jan. 30th, at the home of her son, James Creasey, in her 90th year. Funeral on Friday from the residence of her son James Creasey, Warwick St., at 1:30 o'clock for Warwick Methodist cemetery. Service at 1.

Big window full of down and downy filled comforters.—SWIFT'S.

A TORONTO dispatch says:—Atlantic fish will be supplied to the farmers of Lambton County, early in February, at wholesale prices, as a result of enterprise shown by the Lambton County Co-operative Association of Petrolia.

THE last collection of waste paper for the Red Cross was a good one and the O. P. Club is grateful to everyone for saving their paper and hope they will continue to save every possible bit of paper. Next collection in two weeks.

AN ample supply of binder twine for Canadian requirements next year at reasonable prices has been secured, as the result of an agreement reached between the United States Food Administration and the Mexican sisal growers of Yucatan.

BRADSTREETS, in speaking of the Toronto market, say: Creamery butter is holding up well in spite of the wide sale which margarine is meeting, but dairy butter has declined to a marked degree since the cheaper substitute has come on the market.

THAT we may expect to have a lot of cheap fruit this year was the opinion of P. W. Hodgetts, head of the Provincial Fruit Branch, at the Experimental Union. Indications are for a good crop of fruit and honey this year, and prices will probably be lower than they have been for some time past.

THE 1918 automobile markers are smaller than those of last year, but are considered of a much neater type. They are about one inch smaller each way. The figures are blue this year on a white background. Last year they were black on a white ground. The dealer's marker has the word "dealer" over the figures.

IF you were pleased with "The Birth of a Nation" you will be simply delighted with "Intolerance" to-night (Thursday).

THE REV. H. H. BINGHAM, of London, who is the special preacher at the Armory services this week, gave the Guide-Advocate a pleasant call on Tuesday, and incidentally helped the staff set up some of the type for this issue. In his younger days Mr. Bingham served his apprenticeship at the art of printing and still enjoys setting a few sticks of type.

OUR farmers would not feel happy if they had to give up their rural mail service. Yet the national income derived from it is merely a drop in the bucket of the expense. There are not letters and parcels enough mailed on three routes to pay the expenses of one route. The farmer is favored in mailing privileges if in other things he may be neglected.

LADIES—Order your spring tailor-made suit; it's not too soon.—SWIFT'S Tailoring Department.

ONE hundred and fifty thousand of the farmers of Ontario are to receive calendars from the Ontario Department of Agriculture. Upon every page are a score of more of timely suggestions or reminders that will keep the farmer from forgetting some things that are often overlooked. Every meeting of interest is noted and a separate full-length sheet gives the farmer data of the most valuable nature in regard to live stock breeding, seed preparation and other important phases of farm work.

PRE. W. J. GOULD, of Acton, formerly of the 20th Regiment, is visiting his stepson, J. C. Clarke, of the Merchants Bank staff here. He served at the front for two years, and was gassed at St. Eloi, while changing his gas helmet. He was taken to an Imperial hospital, where, he says, the service is not to be compared with the Canadian. After returning to the front, he was cut off from fresh food supplies of all kinds, and as a result, contracted ptomaine poisoning from eating defective canned goods.

THERE was a run on the local flour dealers last week by consumers who fear that the order respecting the manufacture of flour which became effective on Tuesday, would seriously interfere with the quality of the product, and the supply was pretty well cleaned out, some customers buying large quantities. There was no occasion for any stocking up as the new flour will be just as good in quality. True, it will be a little darker in appearance, but just as good in flavor and just as palatable. It will also be cheaper.

"SHE STOOPS TO CONQUER"

CAST OF CHARACTERS

Mrs. Hardcastle, formerly Mrs. Lumpkin
Kate Hardcastle..... Pearl Maddock
Constance Neville..... Leonora Pope
Pansy, maid..... Alma MacDonald
Petunia, maid..... Myrtle Zavitz
Mr. Hardcastle, an English gentleman
Tony Lumpkin, Mrs. Hardcastle's son
Sir Charles Marlow, and old friend of Mr. Hardcastle..... Archie McGugan
Charles Marlow..... Dwight Zavitz
George Hastings..... Nichol MacDonald
Diggory, servant..... Archie Fisher
Roger, servant..... Calvin Dolbear
Jeremy, Marlow's servant..... Ray Smith
Stingo, landlord..... Everest Ross
Mr. Slang..... Ernest Dolbear
Mr. Muggins..... Basil Maddock

It was found impossible to postpone the play but the performance will not begin until 9 o'clock on account of the services being held in the Armory.

The Union Special Services

These meetings in the Armory are continuing every night with not only well sustained but constantly increasing interest even to the point of enthusiasm. Rev. Mr. McKay sustained his splendid reputation as a strong gospel preacher and all were sorry when his time was filled out. But with the coming of Rev. H. H. Bingham B. A., on Sunday last to fill his week's engagement there has been no disappointment. In fact the meetings grow bigger and bigger and the interest is becoming intensified, so much so, that it has been unanimously decided to continue these meetings for at least another week and possibly longer. Announcement will be made as soon as the arrangements are complete.

The united services of all the co-operating churches as carried out last Sunday proved to be an almost ideal arrangement so much so that by unanimous vote it was decided to follow that plan again next Sunday and so accordingly there will be no service in either the Presbyterian, Baptist or Methodist churches. In this way much fuel is conserved.

Rev. Mr. Bingham will tell the story of his own conversion to-night (Thursday) and his subject for Friday is "Heaven." The choir under the leadership of Mr. Baskerville, and with Mrs. Tiffin as pianist, continues to prove a great attraction. The gospel songs somehow find an entrance into the hearts of men. The great throng of last Sunday must have been fully 800 and each night the capacity of the armory is well taxed to accommodate the crowds coming for many miles in large sleigh loads. Don't fail to enter enthusiastically into these services as all are welcome.

Death of Mrs. Robert B. McLeay

Another old and much esteemed resident of Warwick district for over sixty years passed to her reward on Saturday, January 26th, in the person of Mrs. Robert B. McLeay, who had attained the ripe age of 77 years, 1 month and 21 days. Mrs. McLeay was a native of Scotland and was born near Glasgow in the year 1840. She came to Canada in 1852, settling near Ancaster, and shortly after moved to Warwick township. In 1860 she was married to Mr. McLeay, of Warwick, where she resided until two years ago, when she moved into Watford. From the union eleven children were born—seven daughters and four sons. Her husband died in 1896 and three daughters also predeceased her. By the over-ruling of a kind Providence seven of her children were at her bedside when she passed away, a daughter living in South Africa being the only one not present. The surviving children are Miss Margaret, Watford; Mrs. H. A. Cook, Toronto; Mrs. D. J. McEachern, Alvinston; Donald and Thomas, Warwick; William, Sault Ste. Marie; Jas. A. McLeay, Unity, Sask.; and Mrs. T. R. Shephard, Durban, Natal, S. Africa.

The funeral was held from the family residence, Main street, Watford, on Tuesday afternoon. Service was held at the house by the Rev. J. C. Forster, pastor of the Presbyterian church, of which Mrs. McLeay was a life-long member and earnest worker. The Rev. E. H. Sawers assisted.

During her long and useful life deceased was dearly beloved by all who knew her. She was untiring in well-doing and her friends always received practical help and sympathy from her in their troubles.

The remains were laid at rest in Bethel cemetery, Warwick. Her four sons and two sons-in-law were the pallbearers. Those from a distance who attended the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Cook, Toronto; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McLeay, Unity, Sask.; Mr. Wm. McLeay, Sault Ste. Marie; Mr. and Mrs. D. J. McEachern, Alvinston; Miss McKenzie, Hamilton; Mrs. Harris, Springfield; Mrs. Cronin, Mr. P. Anderson, Mr. W. Cuddy, Strathroy; Mrs. McTaggart and Dan of Alvinston.

It is not easy to get a job on Easy street.

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PERSONAL

Mr. L. Buchner, Loverna, Sask., is visiting in this vicinity.

Mr. James Pearce is home from the West visiting relatives in Watford and Strathroy.

Mrs. Edythe Langan returned from Toronto Saturday, after an illness of three weeks in St. Michael's Hospital.

Nursing Sister Clara Tye and friend nursing sister Wright, who have just returned from doing relief work in Halifax, are visiting at Mrs. Tye's.

Mrs. C. A. Class returned home from Sarnia Saturday, where she was visiting her sister, Mrs. A. K. Wanless. Mr. and Mrs. Wanless left on Saturday for Vancouver and other western points.

WARWICK.

The Misses Sarah and Helene Coughlin spent the week end in London. Miss Sarah Coughlin, R.N., returned to Mt. Clemens Wednesday, after spending her vacation at her home on the second line.

The bale packed by the Women's League last week contained the following articles: 25 shirts, 21 pyjama suits, 12 pillow slips, 8 towels—value \$91.35. Goods were made and sold to the value of \$20.75; donations \$27.30—total \$48.05. Rev. T. B. R. Westgate, formerly of Warwick, was expected to return to Canada shortly from overseas to take up missionary work in the Northwest, but will not be able to do so for some time. A cablegram from Ireland with his wife states that he has just recently undergone a critical operation.

On Tuesday evening the young people of the second line surprised Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gavigan, when a number of them gathered at their home to spend the evening. Dancing and other amusements were indulged in until the wee small hours, when all dispersed, wishing the host and hostess many such pleasant surprises.

Evangelist, Rev. F. P. Emmons, late pastor of the Creemore Baptist church will assist the pastor, Rev. Geo. W. Connors in a series of special meetings at the Calvary Baptist Church, commencing Sunday next Feb. 3rd. Services will be conducted at 3 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. Let everyone plan to attend. Mr. Emmons comes highly recommended as a preacher and gospel singer, and a rare treat will be in store for all who avail themselves of the opportunity which these meetings afford.

Miss Minnie Tully, dearly beloved and eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Tully, of Sarnia, passed peacefully away on December 31st, 1917. Deceased was 20 years of age and lived at Kingscourt until four years ago. From here she moved with her parents to Sarnia, leaving many friends and schoolmates, whom she remembered up till the last. She had been in failing health for the past year but was cheerful until the end. She leaves to mourn her loss, father and mother, seven sisters and two brothers. The funeral was held from 394 Davis St., Sarnia, to the R.C. church, where mass was held. Interment was made in the R.C. cemetery, Sarnia. Friends that attended the funeral from Kingscourt were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cox, Miss Nellie Sutton, Miss Rheta Bryce. The girl child of Kingscourt sent a floral wreath to show the high esteem in which they held Miss Tully.

BROOKE

Divine service will be held in St. James' church, Brooke, on Sunday, afternoon at 2:45. There will be afternoon and evening service at Christ Church, Sutorville, on Sunday night.

Mr. Walter Swan, of Brooke, visited friends in Sarnia recently.

The funeral of the late Mrs. W. J. Higgins, whose death was mentioned in last week's issue, was held from the family residence, lot 5, con. 11, on Saturday afternoon last to St. James' church cemetery, Brooke. The service was conducted by the rector, Rev. S. P. Irwin, assisted by Rev. Mr. Campbell, of Inwood. The pall bearers were five nephews, F. Lucas, F. Peasley, W. A. Lucas, Sandford Lucas, Andrew Lucas, and a cousin, Arch. Fisher. Deceased's maiden name was Charlotte Lucas. She was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Lucas and was married to Mr. Higgins in March 1889. For about three and a half years she was in failing health, but her final illness lasted only a few days. Besides a sorrowing husband she leaves five children, two girls Blanch and Lottie and three boys, Wellington, Albert and Leander. She bore her long illness with much patience and Christian fortitude ever thoughtful of the welfare of others. A wide circle of friends deeply regret her death. Mrs. Higgins was a member of the Chosen Friends and was 49 years, 11 months and 4 days old.

A certain rector, just before the service, was called to the vestibule to meet a couple who wished to be married. He explained that there wasn't time for the ceremony then, but said he, if you will be seated I will give you an opportunity at the end of the service to come forward and I will then perform the ceremony. The couple agreed, and at the proper moment, the clergyman said, "Will those who wish to be united in the bonds of holy matrimony, please come forward?" Thereupon thirteen women and one man proceeded to the front.

CHOP STUFF

Steps are being taken to have Appin incorporated as a police village.

Bombardier Chivers, of Wyoming, has been discharged from active service.

Henry Haken, boot and shoemaker, Petrolia, died last week at the advanced age of 82 years.

The house occupied by Johnston Peters on the Muncey Reserve was unroofed in the big storm and the occupants exposed to the elements.

That red clover seed will be extremely high in price next spring is the statement of a wholesale dealer who expects the selling price then to be at least \$25 per bus. in a retail way.

Pte. Wm. Routley, of Alvinston, has been invalided home. He saw some severe fighting overseas and sustained serious injuries to his right leg which necessitated amputation.

Jos. W. O'Donnell, 10th con., Plympton, had a narrow escape from losing his house by fire on Sunday last. A blaze caused by children playing with matches scorched the ceiling and wall, burned a curtain and burst out a window, before being extinguished. The loss will be small, and is covered by insurance.

Laungher McPhail, a farmer living six miles west of Paisley, gave what was supposed to be Epson salts to seven of his cattle. The cattle died and McPhail is now suing the Paisley merchant who sold him salts for \$450 damage. The stomach of one of the animals has been sent away to the provincial analyst, it being suspected that salt petre was the dose the animals were given.

The County Council voted \$54,000 for patriotic purposes in the county, the same as last year. The grant to Sarnia General Hospital was increased from \$600 to \$800, that to Englehart Hospital, Petrolia, from \$900 to \$1,000. The Children's Aid Society of the county was voted \$200, the National Sanatorium for Consumptives \$25, a new grant, and the Sick Children's Hospital, Toronto, \$10.

The Alvinston Free Press says:—The community was shocked on Tuesday morning of this week to learn of the sudden death of Mr. Michael Temple who died from heart failure. He was found dead in the woodshed of his home by Mr. Ed. Hamilton who was delivering some goods which the deceased had ordered by telephone just a short time before. The funeral was held from his late residence on Thursday.

ARKONA

Mr. Thos. Langan visited last week in Sarnia.

Buyers of red clover and alsike.—Brown Bros.

Mr. Wes. Fuller visited friends in Detroit last week.

Mr. Byron Smith, of Sarnia, is spending a few days in town.

Mr. Lloyd Johnston, of Stratford, spent the week end in town.

Mr. Frank Glover, of Windsor, is visiting friends in and around the Ark.

Make the hens lay, use Dr. Hess Panacea.—Brown Bros.

Mr. J. F. Dickson is visiting his son Edward, in Detroit this week.

Miss Stevens who has been on the sick list is able to resume her duties once more.

The Baptist and Methodist Congregations are holding union services this winter.

Misses Edith and Lucy Waterman are visiting relatives in Alvinston and Sarnia.

Mr. Robt. Crawford, was in Kingsville last week attending the funeral of the late Wm. Jackson.

The basket factory is now running full blast, all hands being busily engaged in getting out the spring orders.

Mrs. Henry Rook returned to her home last Friday, after spending the past month with her daughter, Mrs. Porter, Toronto.

Prints and gingham. Buy now while stocks are well assorted.—Brown Bros.

Mr. Alex. Patterson had the misfortune while chopping wood last week, to severely gash his foot, which will lay him up for sometime.

Officers of Forest Agricultural Society

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Women are becoming large factors in the credit business of the country.

Over 400 Ontario school teachers have enlisted in the overseas service.

The Kansas City Railway company will use women as conductors on its cars.