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NEWS ITEMS

Brief Notes of Interest to Town and Rural Readers.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Taber have returned from a trip to Toronto.

Mr. William Hillis is ill at his home on Elgin street.

Mrs. D. L. Johnston remains quite ill, having had a second attack of appendicitis.

Born, on Feb. 6, to Dr. R. H. and Mrs. Layng, Preherne, Man. a daughter, Margaret Elizabeth.

Mr. Mal. Livingston is ill with pneumonia at his home at Hard Island.

Mrs. E. Duffield is recovering from her recent attack of congestion of the lungs.

Mrs. Lewis Stevens, Prince street, is on the sick list and has been confined to her room the past few days.

Mrs. O. Reid and Mrs. William Broad, of Brockville, are in the village renewing old acquaintances.

Mrs. C. Hillis and children, of Watertown, N.Y., are in Athens visiting relatives, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Hillis.

Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Kendrick were called on Sunday to Escott by the illness with pneumonia of the latter's mother, Mrs. D. Hutcheson.

Mr. W. J. Whipple, of Ruso, N.D., is visiting friends and relatives in this district.

The heatless days in Athens were closely observed; the town was very quiet, and the stores were open only in the mornings to sell food. Both schools were closed on Monday.

Mr. George Tennant, of Syracuse, is visiting his brother, Mr. Ed Tennant, and his niece, Mrs. H. R. Knowlton.

Mr. Joseph McDonald and bride (nee Miss Maggie Moran) of Brockville spent a week of their honeymoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Taylor.

The country roads are reported in a bad condition and it is said there are 42 pitch holes by actual count, on the road from the railroad to Wight's Corners, a distance of less than one mile.

Lieut. Col. J. A. McCammon, sheriff of Leeds and Grenville, who for over a year has been doing work as sanitary officer for the district, is returning to his home in Gananoque. The Colonel is widely known and made a great many friends while on the Kingston staff.

No more negro students are to be admitted to Queen's College, Kingston. This is due to the objection of patients to receive medical attention from negroes in hospital clinics. There are now fourteen negro medical students at Queen's, and these will be allowed to complete their fourth year, but will not be allowed to continue with their fifth when the greatest amount of clinical work is to be done.

Mr. Ithamar Hunter, of Alberta, who has been spending the past two weeks here and in the district, renewing old acquaintances, left Monday for his western home. Mr. Hunter was a resident of this village when a boy, and his wife is a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wiltse.

In a letter received by Mrs. Helen E. Cornell from her son, Gunner Hubert Cornell dated January 15, he stated that he had just been discharged from a hospital in France and was being sent to a convalescent camp. He is suffering from the effects of a slight attack of gas received in September.

Gunner Hibbert Johnston, who was wounded in the thigh some time ago, was in a pill box at the time he received the wound. He had been on a gun crew and had helped to clean up the piece before retiring to the pill box for rest. While he was inside, a shell came down in front of the open door. Interposed between Hibbert and the shell were three artillerymen who received the full force of the explosion. He has quite recovered from the slight wound he received.

ATHENS PUBLIC SCHOOL REPORT

Form I.
I Sr.—(Honors) Sinclair Peat, Howard Putnam, Joey Gainford, (Satisfactory) Jessie Hawkins, Elva Gifford, Doris Connerty, Roy Fenlong.

I Jr.—(Honors) Phelma Gifford, (Satisfactory) Goldie Parish, Gertrude Wilson, Freddie Fenlong, Jean Kavanagh.

Prim. Sr.—(Honors) Lloyd Burchell, Merwyn Pearce, (Satisfactory) Gwendolyn Swayne, Laura Hawkins, Edith Siznett, Carmen Blancher, Frances Ross, David Goodfellow, Aulden Hamblin, Fannie Fineman, Bettie Fair.

Prim. Jr. Honors—Laurence Scott, Ida Hollingsworth.

Average Attendance—26.
Ada L. Fisher, teacher
Room II.

Jr. III—(Honors) James Morris, Mary Duffield, (Satisfactory) Thelma Parish, Orval Hollingsworth, Howard Burchell, Steacy Fair.

Jr. II—(Honors) Coral Purcell, Rhea Kavanagh, (Satisfactory) Bella Fleuman, Erma Blancher, Anna Goodfellow, Ross Robinson.

Average attendance—29.
Gladys M. Johnston, Teacher

Room III.
Sr. IV—(Honors) Guy Purcell, (Satisfactory) Haddon Rabb, Sidney Vickery, Alma Hazelton, Carmen Layng, Zella Topping, Beaumont Kelly, Edna Eaton, Donald Peat, Kenneth Bulford.

Jr. IV—(Satisfactory) Sidney Burchell, Garfield Gifford, Alvin Judson, Leonard Johnston, Irene Gifford.

Sr. III—(Satisfactory) Dora Mulvena, Marjorie Gifford, Howard Holmes, Robert Rahmer, Marion Robinson, Gerald Wilson.
Average attendance—38.
S. L. Snowdon, Principal

FANCY DRESS CARNIVAL HELD

Big Attendance Thursday Night at Athens Rink—Many Excellent Costumes.

Despite bad roads and a postponement, the fancy dress carnival at the rink Thursday night was the best in many years. There was no general skating until nine o'clock, and this was the cause of a larger number of costumed skaters than is usually the case. The carnival was advertised for Wednesday but as this interfered with the date of the regular weekly storm, a postponement was necessary. Music by a local aggregation was much enjoyed. A band was the greatest difficulty that had to be overcome in preparing for the carnival, but Mr. C. C. Slack came to the rescue with the offer to organize one for the occasion. He succeeded in getting a few players together, and the result was a brass band of four pieces, two cornets, a baritone, and a bass, played by N. E. Smith, Wm. McLean, C. C. Slack, and N. Hagerman.

The rink was well illuminated, and the scores of costumes showed up to good effect. A light snow fall did not mar the pleasure of the evening to any great extent. The judges had no easy task to choose the prize-winners, but at length decided on the following:

Best costume, lady—Miss Georgia Spry.
Best costume, gentleman—Mr. A. W. Parish.
Best costume, A. H. S. girl—Miss Lillian Burchell.
Best costume, A. H. S. boy—James Heffernan.
Special, best boy's costume—Master Howard Putnam.

LARMOUR—BROWN

A quiet wedding took place at the Holiness Movement parsonage yesterday at 2.30 p.m., when Arthur L. Larmour was united in marriage to Miss Marion Brown, daughter of Mr. Lorne Brown, by Rev. R. M. Hammond. The bride was gowned in Copenhagen blue, and was attended by Miss Lilla Hamond. The groomsmen was Mr. Everett Reed. The couple left on the evening train for the east. They will reside at Gem, Alberta.

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HYDRO POWER FOR DISTRICT

The subjoined correspondence reveals the fact that Reeve Holmes is endeavoring to get the very latest proposition of Sir Adam Beck's department for the supply of electric power in Athens.

The estimates from the engineering department to which reference is made in the communication, have not as yet come to hand. It is to be hoped, however, that the estimates will be such as will make it possible for Athens and the adjoining municipalities to become beneficiaries in this great development.

Athens, Ont.
Feb. 1, 1918

Hon. Adam Beck,
Chairman Ontario Hydro Electric Commission,
Toronto, Ont.

Respected Sir—We are informed that your Department has acquired or obtained control of a water-power situated at the village of Merrickville in the county of Grenville, for the purpose of the development and distribution of electric energy, and that certain transmission lines in that connection have been (or are now) in course of construction.

A line from Merrickville to the incorporated village of Athens would be approximately twenty-seven miles in length, and would touch the villages of Easton's Corners, Jasper, Toledo, and Frankville en route, and by a slight deviation would take in the village of Addison.

Will you kindly furnish us with a synopsis of the plan by means of which Athens may be connected with, and become a part of your system.

We would require electricity for approximately forty street lights, and also for domestic and other purposes.

Thanking you in anticipation, I have the honor to be Sir,
Your obedient servant,
M. B. HOLMES,
Reeve

Toronto, Ont.
February 7, 1918

Mr. B. Holmes,
Reeve,
Athens, Ont.

Dear Sir—I am in receipt of your communication of February 1st, with respect to the supply of power to your Municipality and others in the district.

In reply I may say that the Commission has not obtained control of the water power situated in the village of Merrickville, but has entered into a contract for the supply of power from this development for the purpose of distribution of electrical energy in this district, and is constructing transmission lines at the present time.

I have issued instructions to the Engineering Department to make an investigation as to the amount of power required for Athens or for any other municipality in the district, and to prepare estimates on the cost of supplying same.

Yours truly,
A. BECK,
Chairman

A private assembly was held at Lyndhurst Friday night under the auspices of the Dramatic Club of that place. The attendance was good in spite of the bad condition of the roads. Music was supplied by local talent.

The public school is closed owing to a defect in the heating system. The repairs will be made immediately.

McKENNY—KENNEDY
On February 6 at the Methodist parsonage, Elgin, Rev. R. Stillwell united in marriage William J. McKenny and Miss May Kennedy, both of Portland.

In Hospital
D. W. Johnston, Rockspring, was officially notified this week that No. 1090337, Pte. Roy Walter Johnston, was admitted to the 6th Casualty Clearing Station on February 4 suffering from shell gas.

Skating Not Affected.
The new fuel saving laws will not affect the weekly programs at the skating rink. Skating is regarded as recreation and need not be curtailed. Only one room is heated and little fuel is required.

Divorce Made Easy for Returned Men
Returned soldiers whose wives have proved unfaithful in their absence are to be helped in seeking that relief which the law allows by way of divorce. Among the principal items of cost in divorce proceedings is a \$200 fee which has to be paid to the Clerk of the Senate. In the case of returned soldiers it is proposed to remit this along with certain other incidents. There is promise of a number of such cases.

Draft Arrives Safely.
The arrival at an English port of a draft of infantry from the 1st Battalion, First Eastern Ontario Regiment, is reported through the chief censor's office at Ottawa. Several district men were included in the draft, which left Kingston three weeks ago.

NOTICE

Owing to E. Taylor going out of the auctioneer business, I hold a license for the Counties of Leeds and Grenville, and will conduct all sales that I may be favored with. Phone 94, Smith's Falls, or Athens Reporter for dates and particulars,
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