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NEWS ITEMS

Brief Notes of Interest to Town and Rural Readers.

✕ Mrs. Melissa Grundy is visiting her son, Ora, in Toronto.

Miss Leita Arnold, B. A., has gone to Norwood to teach school.

Mrs. Bert Alguire is quite ill at her home, Hard Island, with pleurisy.

Mr. Milton Mansell, of the Canadian West, is renewing old acquaintances in the district.

Mrs. D. L. Johnston is ill at her home, suffering from an attack of appendicitis.

Miss Pearl Quigley, of Toledo, has been spending a week in Athens, a guest of Miss Aurelia Connerty.

Miss Katharine Boyle, teacher at Trevelyan, was a guest of friends in the village this week.

Mr. E. Jackson, of Saskatchewan, has arrived here from the Canadian West on a visit to relatives.

Mrs. Hall and son, Bennett, of Garretton; and Mrs. W. G. McLaughlin, of Brockville, were this week guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Torriss.

✕ Mr. Benj. Culbert has recovered from an attack of the grippe, and has resumed his rural route which was taken by Mr. Fred Scovil during his illness.

Mrs. Sarah Wiltse has returned from Arnprior and opened up her home, as her son, Mortimer and wife are here from Saskatchewan to spend the winter.

Meetings Postponed.
The Library Board annual meeting and the Bible Society meeting which were to be held on the 14th and 11th inst. respectively, have been postponed, and new arrangements are being made.

Another Consignment.
We have received another consignment of Oleomargarine, manufactured by the Canadian firm Harris Abattoir Co., Toronto. — E. C. Tribute.

Public School Victorious.
The Public School hockey team defeated Form I of the High School Wednesday evening, the score being 2—0.

Lieut. Russell Bishop Invalided.
Lieut. Russell Bishop has been returned to his home in Toronto, suffering from shellshock sustained in France. He is now at the home of his parents, 336 Russell Hill Road, Toronto.

Publication Delayed.
On account of the tie-up of the express system this week due to the storm, the paper for this edition of The Reporter was late in arriving, and the publication therefore delayed.

Installing Electric Plants.
Electric plants are becoming the fashion in this Hydroless district. The following have placed orders with the Delco people: E. J. Purcell, Athens; Father Hanley, Toledo; H. Cooper, Redan; D. J. Forth, Glen Buell.

To Establish Movie Circuit.
It is likely that a moving picture circuit will be established which will provide one performance a week at Westport, Newboro, Elgin, Delta, Lyndhurst, and Athens. Whether or not the town hall in this village can be rented at a reasonable sum on account of insurance, is a matter of conjecture. Our big auditorium is more ornamental than useful.

Newboro Has Electricity.
At the municipal elections held in Newboro, recently the electors voted almost unanimously in favour of the installation of a light and power system in the village by J. B. Tett & Bro. Co. of Bedford Mills. Only three voted against the measure.

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VILLAGE STORMBOUND

No Mails Arrive in Athens for Four Days—B. & W. Division C.N.R. Blocked by Continuous Storms.

On account of a snow blizzard, the village for four days was isolated as far as railway communication was concerned. Saturday morning a mail train arrived from Brockville. This was the last train to run until one came through Wednesday morning. During this period, no mail—not a letter or a newspaper—was received in the village.

The highways were blocked for some days and the rural mail was tied up. Mr. Latimer, who drives the stage between Athens and Brockville was forced to stop at Elbe on his return journey and complete the trip the following day.

Friday evening was mild and pleasant, but toward midnight snow began to fall—big, wet flakes that flung out of the heavens until they had piled a foot deep. The temperature rose, and a drizzle set in. After this came wind with occasional falls of snow. Sunday, the air was filled with driving clouds of snow particles that drifted the roads full and made things generally uncomfortable. Storm windows and doors were little protection against the irresistible force of the wind, and residences that were not protected by their situation, were cold inspite of roaring fires.

Breaking roads was Monday's cheerful task. Shovelling off sidewalks continued intermittently for several days. Now and then a citizen would straighten his tired back, and shout to another toiler, "Heard anything about a train yet?"

The answer would come back in a tone of beautiful resignation: "No; the snow-plow's stuck up near Newboro."

"Has it broken down?"
"I suppose so. Wonder when we'll get any mail?" This latter rather querulously.

"Huh! don't know. . . . Some storm!"

Scrape, swish; scrape, swish. The toilers resumed their labor.

At times the sky cleared and gave promise of the end, but snow flakes soon came circling down, and another flurry was on.

The amount of snow which has fallen is not extraordinarily great, but it is placed inconspicuously where humans must clear it away before the usual tenor of life can be resumed.

DELTA AND ATHENS TEAMS IN DRAW MATCH

No Scores in the First Hockey Match at Athens Rink—Another Game in the Near Future

Although one goal was tallied by the A.H.S. against the Delta seven in the hockey match on Thursday at the Athens Rink, the officials ruled it out as occurring during a period when the game was suspended for a few minutes. A good crowd was in attendance, among whom were a number from our neighboring village. The visitors remained for the evening skating, and on their departure, announced their intention of returning soon, as there is no rink in Delta this winter.

The match was free of roughness, the teams playing a clean evenly matched game, and the exhibition was a pleasure to watch.

Mrs. J. R. Dargavel Dead

The death took place at Elgin Sunday morning of one of the best known and most highly esteemed residents of that place in Mrs. Dargavel, wife of John R. Dargavel, M. P. P. She had been ill for some months. The deceased was one of the most respected women in that section of Leeds County. She was born in Newboro and had spent all her life in South Crosby. She is survived by her husband, one son and two daughters. They are Miss Helen Dargavel, Elgin; Mrs. (Rev.) E. Teskey, Oxford Mills; and Mr. J. S. Dargavel, Elgin. She was an Anglican and a devoted member of the church at Elgin. Those who are so sorely bereaved have the sympathy of many friends.

Delta Churches Join.

With a view to saving fuel, the Baptist and Methodist churches of Delta have arranged to hold services alternately in their churches for a few weeks.

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LOCAL ITEMS

Mrs. W. W. Kennedy and daughter Betty, of Winnipeg, are now in Riverside, California, enjoying a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Ebert Hunter.

Miss Jessie Percival, teacher at Glen Buell, was one of the storm-bound teachers, spending several days at her home here.

Miss Ethel Danby, of Lyndhurst, was a guest for a few days of Mrs. M. Brayman.

Mrs. C. McClenathan, of Bouckville, N.Y., is visiting Mrs. Alford and Mrs. Gibson.

Miss Violet Elliot, of Brockville, spent a few days in Athens, the guest of Miss Mina Donnelly.

Mrs. Ed. Latimer and son, Ray, Edmonton, Alta., have been visiting at Mrs. G. Wing's.

Mr. Wm. Booth, who has been teaching school in the Canadian West is visiting friends in Athens.

Shipped Cattle

A carload of cattle was shipped last week to Port Hope by Mr. Frank Tackaberry, Plum Hollow.

Elgin Soldier Dead

Last week's casualty list contains the name of Pte. Wm. Taylor, Elgin who died of wounds.

Gananoque Fire.

The hammer shop in the axle department of the Ontario Steel Products Co. works of Gananoque was badly damaged by a fire which broke out about 8.30 Monday morning. The building is badly gutted and the roof is about gone. The firemen controlled the flames to one part of the building.

Short Measure

A party who sold a load of wood in town a day or two ago for a cord was fined, the measurement not being in it when the inspector called. It is about time the authorities took action—the price of the commodity is surely high enough to warrant delivery of the goods. — Carleton Place Herald.

Dance Largely Attended

The Junior Farmers' Association dance held in the town hall Friday night had an attendance of about one hundred and fifty couples. The Hulme family orchestra of Prescott supplied music, and the proceeds of the affair are to be given to the local representatives of the Red Cross. The weather was perfect and many people drove long distances. Their return journey was not pleasant as a terrific blizzard had set in.

POTASH INDUSTRY COMING IN ONTARIO.

Another important stage has been passed in the attempt to solve the problem of extracting on a commercially practical scale from common Ontario feldspar its contents of potash, in the supply of which Germany had a monopoly for half a century, and which monopoly, some of her scientists still boast will enable her to control world trade after the war. This stage is the successful operation in Toronto of an experimental plant which though a demonstration plant only, is turning out potash at the rate of one ton a day. The proprietors and promoters are the National Potash Corporation Ltd. The United States government has placed orders with the company for two tons of potash a day for the next two years, this is to be used in making permanganate of potash, a powerful disinfectant. The British Government has also made application for a supply.

TOWNSHIP COUNCIL MEETS

The first meeting of the Council of Rear Yonge and Escott for 1918 was held on Monday the 14th inst at 11 o'clock, when Messrs A. M. Ferguson, Reeve, S. W. Kelly, H. A. Laforty, and Thos. Heffernan, Councillors, subscribed to the Declaration of Office and Qualification.

The following officers were appointed by By-Law: R. E. Cornell, Clerk, salary \$145, T. D. Spence and M. C. Bates, Auditors at \$5.00 each; Irwin Wiltse, Treasurer at \$45; J. F. Harte, M.D., Medical Health and Indigent Officer; Erastus Livingston, member of Board of Health; John Fortune, Sanitary Inspector and Valuator of sheep killed by dogs, John Hamblin, High School Trustee; R. E. Cornell, Caretaker of town hall at \$10.00.

The Clerk was instructed to prepare a by-law for transferring the Dockrill property from School Section 14 to Sec. 13, also one to change commutation of Statute Labor from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per day.

Council adjourned to meet on Saturday evening, Feb. 16th, at 7.30.

R. E. CORNELL, Clerk

Armenian Aid Fund.

The Sunday Schools of Athens, it is expected, will answer the appeal in the behalf of the Armenian and Serbian Aid Funds.

Mayor "Caned."

The Gananoque Fire Department at a banquet held recently, presented ex-Mayor Dr. F. J. O'Connor with a gold-headed ebony cane, accompanied by their good wishes.

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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