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WHAT IS WRONG?

Elsewhere in this issue will be found the results of Harkins Academy High School Entrance Examinations and a perusal will show that something is wrong somewhere. That somewhere is the question which today is uppermost in the minds of many of the citizens.

Out of a total of 36 pupils to write the High School Entrance examinations only five pupils passed in Division 1 which necessitated a mark of 666 out of a possible 1050; 10 pupils made a D.V. 2 mark—that is 500 or more; 9 pupils in Div. 3 have a possibility of being admitted while 6 others of this division were too low to be considered and 6 pupils failed absolutely.

Division 3 is not recognized as a pass mark—thus out of a total of 36 only 15 pupils were successful in passing and 21 pupils failed or in other words 41% passed and 58 1-3% failed.

We do not know where the fault lies but it is obvious that something is wrong somewhere. There is no no good reason in the world why Newcastle should make such a showing as that. There is every reason why it should do just the opposite and instead of 21 failing in the exams, at least 75% of those writing the exams should pass. It is impossible to say that good, clean athletics is a serious contributing cause of failure; because never in the history of the town was the activity of healthful sports at such a low ebb as it is at the present time. This fact is a highly regrettable one and activity in this line should be encouraged rather than discouraged or curtailed. Athletics lead to better health and the boy or girl properly developed and in good condition should make and will make a much better student than one who does not indulge in such pastimes.

The teaching staff of the Newcastle schools unquestionably includes capable, hardworking and sincere instructors who no doubt feel that they should not be blamed for a condition that is causing many parents more than a little anxiety. Such a state of affairs is most discouraging to those teachers who are anxious to see the standard of the pupils raised to a high degree. It is also discouraging to those parents who have the welfare of their children at heart and who, through many weary evenings assist their children in their studies. Many of these children by no means should be classed as below the average of intelligence—nevertheless they fail in their examinations and there must be a reason; and what that reason is, is what the citizens want to know.

One thing is plain:—The situation

calls for a thorough and vigorous investigation. This is as much in the interest of the teachers and the entire management of the schools as it is in the interest of the parents and the pupils. There should be a determined effort to fix the responsibility and find a remedy. This is no time for specious arguments. This town, where a very large proportion of the taxes are devoted to the schools has a splendid school building and equipment and the ratepayers expect a much better showing than has been made. It should not be difficult if the matter is approached in the right spirit and with a sincere desire to get at the bottom of things, to find out what is wrong. The citizens expect this to be done and they are entitled to some consideration.

PASS LIST OF HARKINS ACADEMY

Pupils advanced unconditionally from Grade 10 to Grade 11, Harkins Academy:—Edith Gulliver, Margaret Stables; Helen Tozer; Dickson, Ashford, Ralph Croft; Hannah Miller; Cora Weldon, Bertha Copp; Ritchie Anderson; Catherine Falconer, Margaret McKay; Beulah Boers.

Miss Hill's Dept.
Promoted from Grade 1 to Grade 2, in order of merit:—Frances Brown; Dorothy Hill, James Dalton, Glenford Russell; Jack Floyd, Elizabeth Amy; Lillian Fogar; Francis O'Rourke; George Stables; Lillian Matchett, Mabel Crammond; Dorothy Stewart; Gordon Ingram; Arthur Leger, Isabel Martineau; Bertha Brown, Roberta Matheson; Lingley Locke, Ethel Palmer; Lillian Hansen, Janet Matheson; Warren Forrest; Alberta Matchett; Warren Harris; John Craig; Harold Taylor; Gordon Delano; Willis McAfferty; Albert Fogar; John Arsenau; Roberta Murray; Carl Matchett; Curry; Everett Dunn; Robert Gallah, Frank Dunn; Joe LeRoy; Elmer Hachey.
Perfect attendance for year—Warren Forrest.

Miss Atchison's Dept.
Promoted from Grade 2 to 3:—Treva Mutch, Norma Wood; Edith Harris; Edward Dalton, Allan Savoy, Freddy Blackmore; Benny Grossman, Molly Murray, Fred Gallah; Earl Thompson; Charles Crammond; Ethel Brown, Jessie Glover; Gladys Brander, Doris Gremlev; Lily Grossman; Earl McCormick; Wallace Hanley, Billy Hogan; Warren Morrison; Alphonse Napke; Lindsay Matchett; Eric Arseneau, Mary Dunn, Isaac Curry, Earl McKenzie; John Fitzgerald, Joseph Chaisson; Edith Sutherland; Kitchener Craik, Faye Kitchen; Emile Maroney; John Creighton; Ralph Jeffrey; Leonard Godin; Kennv Doran; Reggie Treadwell; Thema Auld; Charlie Delano; Isabel Wood; Edith Mather.

Grade 6 to Grade 7:—Pupils making over 80% on the examination and over 80% for the year:—Bliss Amos 2; Addie Belylea 1, Ray Black 2; Margaret Boyle 2; Graham Crocker, Jack Fenelon 2; Aubrey Jarvis 2; Rupert Kethro; Ma McKinley, Cora McAfferty; Willie McCormack 2, Dannie Sproul 1; John Ryan, Lillian Weldon.

Pupils making over 75% on finals and over 80 for the year:—Major Chapman, Danny Hogan; Wallace Maltby; Tim Murphy 2; Fred O'Donnell, Percy Richards; Sadie Whitney 2.
Passed—Allen Eason; Willie Delano; Mike Maroney, Ida Murray; Melbourne White; Joe Roy; Freeman Matheson; Irene Cassidy; Leonard Driscoll; Sydney Brown; Grace Murray; Miriam Russell, Jennie Shaw; James Glover, Arthur Allen; Frank Colpaugh.

Grade 5 to Grade 6:—Pupils making over 80:—Margaret Kethro, Arthur Sproul; Tom Troy 1; Tom Troy 2; Charlie Keating; Gladys



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All pupils averaging over 90% for the year in Arithmetic and those doing the same in History and Composition were permitted to try special examinations for prizes in those subjects. The numbers opposite the names indicate how many exams the pupils were entitled to take. Margaret Boyle and Arthur Stothart took prizes for Arithmetic Ray Black and Davida Troy took prizes for Composition and History. Frank Park was awarded the I.O.D.E prize for History in Grade 8 and Blair Auld the I.O.D.E prize for History in Grade 7.

Promoted from Grade 3 to Grade 4 in order of merit:—Billy Morrissey, Grace Fogar 2 (Edith Bylea, James Holst, Evert Park); Jack Sullivan, Mary Allison Margaret Mather.
Louis O'Neill, Theresa Russell, Theresa Graham, Sam Lifches, Richard Maltby, John Whitney, Frances Le Bail, Olive Fogar, Fred Graham, Chester White, Louise Lifches, Weldon Arnerau, Edmund Robichaud, Earnest Stewart, Wilfred Robichaud, Frank Desmond, Arthur Galloway, Billy Palmer, Bernard Eiam, Neil Thibideau, Edgar White, Sterling Ames, Warren Taylor, Alfred Treadwell, Raymond Gallant, Manzer O'Brien, Manuel Richard, Orinda Vetch, Leo Le Roy, Laura Matheson, Boyd Murray, Frances McKay, Eileen Cripp, Wilfred Chapman, Alvin Assouf, Percy Murray, Kitty Troy.
Conditionally—Arthur Mather.
Perfect Attendance for this Term—Billy Morrissey, Sam Lifches.
Perfect Attendance for whole year—Billy Morrissey.

PRINCE OF WALES COMING TO CANADA

The Prince of Wales will again visit his ranch in Alberta this fall according to his announcement made at the Dominion dinner.

"Canada always has been a real tonic to me" said the prince. "I don't know what it is exactly, whether it is the air or the great spaces but the fact remains, I first realized that when I went there a few months after the close of the great war. I went straight from four years of horror and confusion to a great open country full of hope and silence in the future. I am sure there will be the same tonic this fall."

PLEASANT OUTING ON DOMINION DAY

On Dominion Day the members of the Miramichi Presbyterian Ministers' Association, with their wives and families were the guests of Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Harrison of Black River, with whom were associated a committee of the Ladies Aid Society of St. Stephen's Church. The outing was held on the beautiful grounds of St. Stephen's church, while lunch was served with characteristic generosity in the basement of the church. The day's picnic included a run by car in the afternoon through Bay du Vin and Hardwicke, while several members of the group remained over to enjoy the splendid concert in Carmel Church in the evening, given by members of St. James' Church, Newcastle.

Don't Forget the Firemen's Dance in the Town Hall on Circus Night, Thursday, July 17th.

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