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Our entire stock of Ladies' and Misses' Spring Suits all to be cleared out at a big cut in price.

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Brockville, Ont.

NEWS ITEMS

Brief Notes of Interest to Town and Rural Readers.

Mr. Jas. Seymour has taken a position as clerk in the hardware store of Mr. E. J. Purcell.

Mrs. Margaret Johnston, who has been spending the winter in Ottawa, has returned to Athens.

Master Leonard Johnston had the misfortune to fall from his new bicycle and fracture his elbow.

Mr. Wallace Johnson, of Carleton Place, was a week-end guest of his mother, Mrs. W. G. Johnson.

Mrs. N. K. Benedict, of Plum Hollow, is spending a week or so in the village visiting relatives.

Mr. Roy Coon, of Trenton, was a week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Latimer.

Mr. Hugh Smith, of Ottawa, was in Athens last week, a guest of his mother, Mrs. William Smith.

Mr. Ernest Dagg, of the Merchants Bank, Orillia, is a guest for a few days of Mrs. G. Derbyshire.

Mr. P. Y. Hollingsworth, milk has notified his customers that he will discontinue his milk delivery for the present.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Putnam and son, Howard, left Athens last week for Seely's Bay, intending shortly to take up residence in Kingston.

Mrs. N. Steacy, who has been spending the winter in Brockville, has returned to her Athenian home for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. May are spending a few days with friends in Athens and vicinity. Mr. May intends to open a moving picture theater at Elgin.

A number of the boys subject to the 20-22 military draft are reporting for service. "B" category appeals are also being heard at Brockville.

Rev. G. Victor Collins, for the past four years in charge of the Baptist circuit of Athens, Plum Hollow and Toledo, has accepted a call to Lachute and Dalesville, Que., and will preach his farewell sermon in the Athens Baptist church, Sunday, May 19.

A number of Odd Fellows of the local lodge attended service with the Delta lodge in St. Paul's (Anglican) church, Delta, on Sunday, when Rev. Rural Dean Swayne preached to an unusually large congregation of brethren.

Lieut. J. H. Redmond was in Toronto last week and disposed of his interests in a moving picture theater at Alliston, Ont. On his return, he brought with him an Edison Kinetoscope, and will probably make some arrangements for opening a picture-place in the fall.

The following officers of the Methodist Sunday School have been elected for the coming year: Supt., Mr. T. S. Kendrick; Asst. Supt., Mr. W. H. Jacob; Secretary, Mr. Hilliard Brown; Treasurer, Mrs. I. C. Alguire; Librarian, Mr. John Donnelly; pianist, Miss Nellie Earl with Miss Gwendolyn Wiltse as assistant.

The annual inspection of the Athens High School cadets will be held at 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday, May 14. Lieut.-Colonel Geo. H. Gillespie, O. & I.C.C. of M. D. No. 3, will be present. The public is cordially invited.

Fire at Jasper destroyed the Orange Hall and a large two-storey frame structure. The blaze was caused by a spark from a portable engine igniting the roof. Assistance was about to be sent from Smith's Falls over the C.P.R. when the fire was placed under control and the order cancelled.

At the Epworth League last week the election of officers for the ensuing year took place, and resulted as follows: Pres., Miss Beaman; 1st Vice-president, Miss Allen; 2nd Vice-president, Mr. Halpeny; 3rd Vice-president (social) Miss Finch, (literary) H. Brown; 4th Vice-president, Vernon Baker; Recording Secretary, Charlotte Miller; Corresponding Secretary, Gladstone Knowlton; Treasurer, Miss Irene Earl; Pianist, Miss Finch.

Miss Hazel Yates is in Brockville receiving medical treatment.

Miss Victoria Lee has resumed her duties in Mr. Knowlton's store after a month's absence.

Mrs. Hutcheson, Escott, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. T. S. Kendrick.

Mrs. Francis Sheldon has returned home after spending the winter in Boston. She is much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Morford Arnold were guests of Brockville relatives on Sunday.

Barrie field camp is to be opened about the middle of May, and it is expected that 3,000 troops will be in training during the summer.

Lieutenant Beaumont S. Cornell, R.A.M.C., of Athens, is now in a hospital in France with pleurisy contracted as a result of exhaustion in the recent fighting near Amiens.

Farmersville Lodge I.O.O.F. will attend divine service on Sunday, May 12 at 2.30 in the Baptist church. A full attendance of the members is requested.

Flight-Lieutenant Arnold Read, of Toronto, recently reported missing is now definitely reported dead. He was buried with full military honors at Portogruaro, Italy. He was a son of Dr. Robt. Read, who resided here some years ago.

Mr. Levi Scott has appeared on the thoroughbreds with an automobile built on the racing model. The design is his own, and the mechanisms display several departures from the ordinary. He will use the car for trouble work on the Rural Telephone System on which he is a lineman.

Rev. Wilfred Latimer, London, Ont., was in Athens last week, a guest of his parents. His mother who was visiting him, returned with him.

The congregation of Christ's Church, Belleville, has chosen, by unanimous vote, the Rev. Rural Dean Swayne, Rector of Athens and Lansdowne Rear for their rector in succession to the Rev. Dr. Blagrave, who was recently appointed to St. Mark's church, Toronto. The Bishop of Ontario has confirmed the choice and appointed Mr. Swayne to his new charge.

Flight-Lt. Rod Seaman is visiting friends in Athens and Delta. He spent the winter in Texas, and will now go to Toronto.

An entertainment will be held in the Baptist church on the evening of Tuesday, May 14th. A program consisting of music, pantomimes, etc., will be given. Miss Norma Barlow, of Delta, will sing. At the close of the program refreshments will be served. Admission 25c. Proceeds for missions. Program will commence at 8.30 p.m.

Millinery Opening.
Miss Whelan, of Brockville, will have a special showing of trimmed hats, prices, \$2.50 to \$5.00, on the tenth and eleventh of this week at McVeigh's Sample Room, Athens.

W. I. Notes
Parcels are being packed this Wednesday evening for our boys in France.

A nice donation of \$10.60 has been handed in by the young people after their informal dance, for Red Cross work. Many thanks. Don't forget the Red Cross work in the Library Room Wednesdays afternoons at 1.30.

MERCANTILE CHANGE IN THE COUNTY TOWN

One of the most important business mergers that has occurred in Brockville in years was consummated last week when the Robt. Wright Co., Ltd., purchased the business and stock of the R. Davis & Sons' store, one of Brockville's oldest and most successful mercantile concerns. The union thus consolidates two of the oldest and most successful dry goods houses in this section of Ontario. Owing to the death of Ralph Davis and his son, W. H. Davis, the remaining proprietor of the R. Davis & Sons store, Mr. Peter Davis decided to relieve himself of the burden of handling such a large business, feeling that he is well entitled to a hard-earned rest. The Davis store is at present closed to permit of stock-taking and the completion of the transaction.

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LETTERS FROM THE FRONT

The following letter was received by Mrs. Wm. Halliday, Charleston, from Pte. George H. Grant, who enlisted in 1914 and has seen three Christmas days in the trenches:

Somewhere in France,
April 9, 1918

Dear Mrs. Halliday—Just a few lines to tell you that I am still in the pink of health and also to thank you once again for the lovely box sent me by the ladies of Charleston. I should have written sooner but we have been very busy and have had it pretty hard. No doubt you have read in the papers of the battle that is going on, and believe me, it is some fight. We are having a few days repose now, which we have earned and are appreciating. I have seen several of the Athens boys here, in fact, there are a number of them in this battalion. I might mention Allie Thornhill and Edmund Hefferman and a few more. You remember Gordon Kelsey, over by the lake. He was killed a short time ago. I saw him about three hours before he was hit. It was pretty hard for us for he was so well liked in his company. We are having a wet spell just now but we have no reason to kick for we have had lovely weather lately. My brother here was discharged a few days ago, being unfit for further service.

Tell Harry and Kate to write. I would like to hear from them.

Will say goodbye for now, and hope to hear from you soon.

I remain,
Yours sincerely,
Geo. H. Grant

The following letter was received by Mrs. Botsford from her nephew, Private Frank Covey:

Somewhere in France
April 12, 1918

Dear Aunt—As I am at my leisure just now, I will spend the time writing a few lines to you. It was two years on the 8th of this month since I enlisted, and believe me the time flies in the army. I have had some hardship, which you no doubt understand, but for a soldier, I have fared with average. The Lord has spared me so far although I had some busy corners.

Poor Gerald lost his life but dear Aunt, by what they tell me, he died a hero and saved the post and machine gun. Probably you have heard more about him than I can tell you. He was in a different battalion from the one I am in. Bear his loss bravely, for he came without force, and that was a noble thing to do.

This is a terrible war but things will surely turn soon. This has been a cold, backward spring for France, raining nearly every day and very muddy in the trenches. By all accounts you have had a severe winter. I haven't much news so will be brief. Kind regards to all from your nephew,
Frank B. Covey

CHARLES COLE DEAD

The death took place at 6.30 on Sunday morning of Mr. Charles Cole who resided about four miles from Frankville in the Redan section. He had been ailing for about a year suffering from lung trouble which eventually developed into a more serious stage and to which he finally succumbed. He was a prosperous farmer. A few years ago he married a Miss Earle, of Yonge township, by whom he had two sons, both small. They, with the bereaved widow, the sympathy of the community, and funeral took place at 2 o'clock at Athens.

PARLIAMENTARY PHOTOGRAPH FOR COUNCIL CHAMBER

Mr. A. E. Donovan, M.P.P., has given to the Village of Athens a framed photograph of the 14th Parliament of the Province. The parcel went astray in the express service, but was finally traced and delivered safely.

Toronto, Ont., Apr. 8, 1918.
M. B. Holmes, Esq.,
Reeve,
Athens, Ontario.

Dear Mr. Holmes—I sent you by express, charges prepaid, last week, a framed picture of the members, speaker, sergeant-at-arms, and chief clerk of the Ontario Legislature of the 14th Parliament of this Province. I would like to present this to the Village of Athens to be hung in the council chamber if they would accept same.

I would be pleased to hear from you regarding this matter.

Yours very truly,
A. E. Donovan

At a special meeting of the Village council held on Saturday, May 4th, at which Mr. Donovan's gift was formally received, the following resolution was passed and recorded in the minutes: "That this Council of the Corporation of Athens acknowledge the receipt of the fine group-photo of the Fourteenth Parliament of the Province of Ontario, being the gift of A. E. Donovan, Esq., M.P.P., and that the said group-photo be received and placed in position in our council chamber, and that the very best thanks of the council and citizens of Athens be communicated to Mr. Donovan for his said gift."

NOTICE

Benjamin Fienman, junk dealer, Athens wishes to advise the public that he has been a Canadian subject since the 12th of October, 1908, and if anyone should state that he is a German, such person will be prosecuted by law.

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