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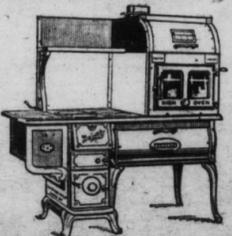
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STOVES AND RANGES

This season we have added to our stock of Stoves and Ranges the Doherty High Oven Range.

Although this range is somewhat the same in appearance as other makes of high oven ranges the construction is entirely different. Instead of being built of ordinary sheet steel, it is constructed of heavy cast iron, which holds the heat and makes a better baker. The firebox is deep and roomy and fitted for both wood and coal.



OIL HEATERS

## JAMES WRIGHT & SON

## District and General.

Strathroy town council voted \$1,000 towards the British Red Cross.

The embargo on coal shipments from the United States to Canada was lifted last week.

Dr. Wilson, who is moving to Toronto, has sold his home at Wardsville to B. L. Purcell.

Miss Nellie McPhail of Alvinston and Archie F. McGugan of Brooke were married recently.

The Colonial Furniture Co. of Strathroy has been forced to suspend operations for a time.

The two-year-old son of Wm. Montminy of Tilbury fell into a pail of hot water and was fatally scalded.

Thirteen persons were killed and 350 injured in railroad accidents in Ontario last year. This is the smallest list recorded in years.

Judson Milligan, a veteran thresher and former member of the municipal council board, died at Iona Station on Thursday, aged 85 years.

Miss Catharine MacDiarmid, sister of Hon. Finlay G. MacDiarmid, Minister of Public Works, died in the hospital at London on Wednesday.

Food Controller Hanna says the sugar shortage is so serious that the manufacture of candies, confectionery and jam may have to be prohibited.

Potato rot is causing considerable anxiety to many farmers in Ingersoll section, and it is feared that a large quantity of the late varieties may be ruined.

From 25 to 100 per cent. more fall ploughing has been done in Saskatchewan, according to Government reports. In the other provinces, no doubt, a similar condition prevails.

More than \$100 in fines and costs were received by High Constable Watterworth Saturday mailed in by owners of motor cars who were charged with exceeding the speed limit of 20 miles an hour on the country roads during fair week at London.

D. A. Maxwell, inspector of public schools in Essex county, visited Bridge avenue school, Windsor, and finding no fires in the furnace, dismissed the pupils. More than 100 children were sent home, and Inspector Maxwell has opened an investigation.

At Petrolia each day at five minutes to twelve o'clock the chimes of the Anglican church play a hymn, and the mayor requests that for at least a few seconds during the five minutes until noon the citizens turn their thoughts towards God and offer up a prayer for a just and speedy peace.

Mrs. H. L. Williams of Mersea township saw her pet cat lying dead in the wire fence in front of her home. Several went to get it, and on touching it fell over dead. A high wind had blown down an electric power wire, bringing it into contact with the fence. Several thousand volts of electricity passed through the woman's body.

According to the reports from the "rabbit" sections of Western Ontario, there is an unusual number of cotton tails this year. The presence of the rabbits may help to solve the high cost of living this winter, for the bunnies have been let down and hunters, in a commercial sense, will soon be adding in reducing meat bills in city and town.

The Strathroy Age says:—The prospect of a serious scarcity of fuel in town is causing many citizens to plan for the coming winter. A number intend to go away to visit with the fence, will close their houses altogether, some will live with others fortunate enough to have a season's supply. A large number of the stores are without fuel and the situation, generally, is grave, with cold weather coming on.

An interesting statement giving figures for recruiting and wastage in the Canadian expeditionary force during the eight months from January to October, 1917, has just been issued by the Dominion militia department. The statement shows that in the eight months a total of 40,170 men enlisted in the force, of which number 17,451 joined the ranks of the infantry. During the same period the wastage of men, from various causes totaled 91,804, leaving a net loss to the C. E. F. for the eight months of 42,625 men.

**Glencoe Council.**  
A special meeting of the municipal council of the village of Glencoe was held in the council chamber on Monday, Oct. 15th, 1917. Members present—Reeve A. J. Wright, Councillors A. McPherson, J. E. Roome, P. D. Keith and W. A. Hagerity.

A communication from F. L. Squire, sales agent of government fish, was received, and on motion of Messrs. McPherson and Roome the matter was left in the hands of the clerk to make arrangements with the merchants who wish to handle the fish, and report at next meeting.

A. B. McDonald and J. E. Hull, on behalf of the Moss & Ekfrid Agricultural Society, requested a grant of \$75, the same having been promised by the Moss and Ekfrid councils on condition that Glencoe grant the same. This matter was laid over for the next regular meeting.

W. D. Moss requested the council to accept the taxes on part south half lot 3, block C, E., for the year 1910, with 6 per cent. interest, these taxes having been overlooked in some way. On motion of Messrs. McPherson and Roome it was agreed to accept the said taxes with the said rate of interest.

It was moved by Mr. Keith and seconded by Mr. Hagerity that an order be given to the treasurer in favor of S. Thompson for the amount of the uncollectable taxes, \$15.16, and the roll be returned. Carried.

Council adjourned to Nov. 5th.  
CHAS. GROOMER, Clerk.

## WASH DAY IN FRANCE.

How the Ever Present Enemy is Treated—Adventure With a Rat.

France, Sept. 11, 1917. Received the Transcript yesterday, and enjoyed reading the old town paper once again. Today is Sunday, and a nice sunny day it is. But what makes it better is the fact that it is not our turn to go out today to work, so we can do some work for ourselves. It is an ideal day for washing clothes—lots of sun, lots of wind, and lots of time to give everything a thorough cleaning. Our trousers, tunics and blankets get a thorough searching for the ever present enemy who don't escape in the next process, which is boiling. While the clothes are boiling I get my wash tub, which is an ammunition box. I don't wash on the inside of this tub, but on the outside. I take one article out of the boiler, for instance a towel, always leaving shirt and socks boiling to the last. Then I get my washboard. Now, I don't wash the clothes but I scrub the board with the brush. My washboard is a hair brush—the one I received in Glencoe as part of my kit. I have little knots cut around the edge of the hanging part. Barbed wire makes a serviceable clothesline; you make no pegs and it does not rot. But if one wants to be "toney" he can use electric phone wires or cable wire, of which there is plenty. We never on any account use wireless wire.

Now, Sir, I've given a little idea of wash day, or cleaning day, among the dugouts, and I respectfully beg that you, no matter how particular she might be, to show a cleaner line of washing. I even go further and venture to say our washing will compare favorably with any qualified washer-woman's washing.

I have lately been troubled with the rats. Not the rats that come from excessive drinking of the stuff that makes you, Sir, excessive of it, but that kind are next to impossible out here, so far as a private soldier is concerned. We do get a lot of rat in night. But it is given as a medicine to counteract any illness that might come through living in well ventilated brick houses, the bricks being bags of earth, and sleeping in earthen beds. The rats have started to invade my dugout. I was first made aware of the fact by one big chap jumping plunk on my face when I was sleeping. Lord, Sir, but it did give me a start! And how his eyes did shine in the dark! I was up in a moment striking blindly right and left. I struck my gas mask, which I keep in an ever ready position over my head in case of a sudden gas alarm. It swung forward and then backwards, hitting me in the face. I struck at the gas mask fiercely again and again. Only after hitting my knuckles against the dugout, I was up and alive to the situation. I lit a candle. In the meantime Mr. Rat had vanished. I got some cordite next day and hunted for his ratnip's dugout. I found it and placed a charge of cordite in the front door and barred the back door. I set the cordite alight, there was a loud explosion, and another small crater was added to the western front. I think I fixed Mr. Rat's clock; I have not seen or heard of any of his tribe since.

Another trouble is envelopes. The dampness of the dugouts causes them to stick, and once they are stuck they are next to useless. I destroyed 20 the other night. It's an awful waste in war time, but more especially when paper and envelopes are so dear. I paid a franc and a half for my last pad. That is 30 cents. Now, when a chap don't look up to much they say he looks like 30 cents. That may be, but 30 cents looks good to us. We get 15 francs a fortnight, but all the war zone necessities are so dear that it don't last long. What with buying shoe laces, candles, soap, tobacco, writing pad, pencil or ink, not to mention luxuries in the way of cigars, jam, or biscuit, the money does not last long. A chap can't touch beer; it is two francs a mess tin. If he does, the luxury of today is the necessity of tomorrow. Pte. G. W. S.

Thamesville people raised by subscription \$1,444 for the British Red Cross and other patriotic purposes. The local milling firm headed the list with a \$50 subscription.

Warm cause fretfulness and rob the infant of sleep, the great nourisher. Mother Gray's Worm Exterminator will clear the stomach and intestines and restore healthfulness.

## To Encourage Stock Raising

Mr. R. A. Finn, local representative of the Ontario Department of Agriculture, is co-operating with the Honorable Martin Burrell in carrying out the plan recently announced, by which important freight concessions apply on carload shipments of female cattle and sheep and also on stockers and feeder cattle to country points.

Ontario breeders will be particularly interested in the free freight policy included in the Minister's announcement. Under this policy female cattle under two years of age and ewes three years or younger may be shipped from any Canadian stock yards to local points without the payment by the purchaser of freight charges on same. By arrangements with the railway companies twenty-five per cent. of these charges will be rebated by the railroads and the remaining seventy-five per cent. will be collected by the railway companies direct from the Dominion Live Stock Branch. The shipper will be required to make a declaration that he is a bona fide farmer and that the stock so returned is for his own use or that of his neighbors and is for breeding purposes only. Representatives of the Dominion Live Stock Branch, who are now employed in connection with other work at the different stock yards, will be prepared to render assistance to shippers in assembling their consignments if so desired.

Farmers who are in a position to handle additional cattle for feeding purposes this winter, or for finishing on grass next summer will receive a rebate of twenty-five per cent. of freight charges paid on any carload shipment which they may purchase on Eastern stock yards. This rebate is being granted by the railroad companies following regulations made by Mr. Burrell regarding the need of making the fullest use of Ontario's abundant supplies of feed in increasing the beef supply of the country.

Owing to the scarcity of feed in many parts of Western Canada this fall there has been a heavy export of stock and feeder cattle in the Winnipeg yards during the past few weeks. In view of the fact that feed conditions in Eastern Canada are so satisfactory and the demand for feeding is so general the Dominion Department of Agriculture has agreed to pay 50 per cent. of the freight rate paid on carload shipments of feeding cattle from the Winnipeg stock yards assigned to country points in Eastern Canada. This concession will be applicable to both drovers and farmers alike. Shippers consigning to Eastern stock yards from the Winnipeg yards will not be entitled to this reduction however.

The district representative will be glad to furnish any further information desired and assist farmers in making for co-operative shipments if desired.

## Trafalgar Day Meeting.

A patriotic meeting called at the town hall on Monday evening was not as largely attended as the subject of the meeting deserved, but probably, and it is to be hoped, the patriotism of the people of Glencoe is not to be measured by its success in numbers present. The meeting was a very enthusiastic one, however, and its purpose, that of presenting the claims of the British Red Cross for Trafalgar Day donations, was fully and clearly set forth in rousing address by Revs. Dr. Ford and Owen, Reeve Wright, Mr. McDonald, Mr. Suttler, Mr. Doull, Mr. Currie, president of the Patriotic Association, who presided, and others.

Committees were appointed to canvass for the Trafalgar Day appeal, to report on Thursday evening, and with the success already met by the committee it is clearly evident that Glencoe citizens will do their full share as usual for this object, the needs of which are greater than ever this year.

During the evening Corporal John Stevenson, who returned on Sunday from the battle front in France, was called forward and presented by Mr. Owen, on behalf of the citizens of Glencoe, with the usual cheque from the Returned Soldiers Fund. Mr. Owen and President Currie of the Patriotic Association also addressed him in fitting terms, Corporal Stevenson making reply, assuring the meeting that all contributions for Red Cross purposes or for the benefit of prisoners of war in Germany were appreciated.

## PERSONAL AND SOCIAL

—Nurse Susie Hull is home from Indiana on a visit.

—Mrs. L. D. Tait of Rochester, N. Y., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Diggon.

—Miss Jennie Finlayson of London is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. Marsh.

—Mr. and Mrs. Hurdle and children visited Mrs. Archie McLachlin, Victoria street, Glencoe.

—Misses Mae and Janet Young and Ernie Young of Sarnia spent the weekend at their home here.

—Miss Tena Marsh, teacher of the Euphemia and Brooke union school, was home for the week-end.

—Mrs. Donald McCrimmon, London, visited her aunt, Mrs. Margaret Sutherland, for an afternoon last week.

—Alex. Ralph of Cleveland was in town this week while over on a visit to his sister, Mrs. Angus Stewart of Alvinston.

—John A. Leitch, Moss, arrived home from a trip to the West on Tuesday, and was accompanied home by his cousin, Miss Margaret McKenzie, of Imperial, Sask., who will spend the winter here.

Now there is a shortage of hydro-electric energy, but with a general election coming on there should be plenty of gas.

## HIGH SCHOOL SPORT DAY

Annual Event One of Intense Interest and Enjoyment.

The High School students held a very successful sports day on the afternoon of Thursday, October 11. They were fortunate in obtaining favorable weather, and an interesting program of sports was run off. A large number of citizens were present, and those in charge of the events appreciated very much the assistance of the business men of the town.

The prize winners are as follows, in order of first, second and third prizes:—

Throwing baseball—Senior boys—H. Luckham, C. McPherson, E. McDonald, Junior boys—A. McRae, S. McDonald, G. McCracken.

Running broad jump—Senior boys—C. McPherson, H. Luckham, C. Urquhart. Junior boys—G. McCracken, A. McRae, S. McDonald.

Standing broad jump—Senior boys—C. McPherson, H. Luckham, E. McDonald, Junior boys—G. McCracken, A. McRae, S. McDonald.

Standing hop, step and jump—Senior boys—H. Luckham, C. McPherson, C. Urquhart. Junior boys—A. McRae, G. McCracken, S. McDonald.

100-yard dash—Senior boys—H. Luckham, C. McPherson, C. Urquhart. Junior boys—G. McCracken, A. McRae.

Running high jump—Senior boys—C. McPherson, H. Luckham, E. McDonald, Junior boys—S. McDonald, G. McCracken, A. McRae.

Throwing baseball, girls—Mary Beattie, E. McNabb, A. Poole.

Potato race, girls—E. McArthur, M. Beattie, M. Garne.

Driving nails, girls—A. Reyraff, L. Grant, L. Luckham.

Biscuit race, girls—E. McNabb, A. Reyraff, A. Poole.

Throwing basket ball, girls—E. McNabb, M. Beattie, L. Luckham.

100-yard dash—Senior girls—E. Leitch, C. Howe, A. Poole. Junior girls—M. Beattie, H. Strachan, F. Moss.

Needle and thread race, girls—L. Grant, E. McArthur, M. McRae.

The special feature of the afternoon was the basket ball game by Dutton and Glencoe teams. The scores at the end of the first and second rounds were, respectively, 14-4 and 17-0 in favor of Glencoe. Thus the final score was 31-4. Glencoe was a member of the baseball team also played the Newbury boys, the score being 6-4 in favor of the home team.

The gate-takers took in about \$5.75. After all expenses are paid the balance will be donated to the British Red Cross.

## Pte. Ballantyne Killed.

Mrs. Mahlon Annett received official notice on Monday that Private E. Ballantyne had been killed in action in France on September 25th.

Private Ballantyne was a member of the 135th Battalion and trained at Glencoe. He was billeted with Mrs. Annett. He was well and popularly known here, and being an expert accordion player often entertained the soldiers in their club rooms during the winter of 1915-16. He was born in India and was of Scotch and Irish parentage, both of whom predeceased him. The only relatives in this country are a step-father and step-sister living in Toronto.

## Des. McArthur Writes:

France, 19/17.  
Dear Father,—Tonight I am doing a midnight to six a. m. heat on a brigade telephone exchange. It is quite a "bomb-proof" job as the signal office is about thirty feet above ground, part of a system of offices cut out of the solid chalk, which forms our walls. Around me are tables covered with phones, exchanges and messages, and the bunks on which the men go off duty sleep. We even have wireless communication here. The place is lit up by candles. It is hard to keep awake during the long hours from two to five, when the men are very busy, so I usually resort to reading or writing letters.

I had a bath and change of shirt, socks, and underclothes this afternoon. I had two baths when we were in billets, but no clean clothes since we left England over a month ago. We go to the Divisional baths behind the lines. By handing in your dirty articles of clothing, you can get clean and mended on a return. It certainly feels good to be clean again.

My chief worry is the worst attack of the hives that I ever had. A good many of the boys are suffering from the same complaint. I think that so much tinned goods is the cause, and the lack of fresh vegetables and fruit. While talking about grub, I must take my hat off to army jam. I had looked forward to a diet of "plumb and apple", but instead we get raspberry, gooseberry, quince, strawberry, lemon jelly and so on. All of them are equal to any home-made jam that I ever tasted, and they make the most welcome part of my diet. Probably Bainsfather's picture—"When in 'ell' is it going to be strawberry"—helped to work the change. Those pictures of his show things over here pretty well. The boys in our dugout were laughing the other day at the one called—"Where did that one go to?"—because the expressions were so like our own when Fritz happened to be favoring us.

I would be glad if you could send me a stick of shaving soap and a tube of tooth paste. You might send the last every six weeks. Also any clippings, articles or stories which would help to pass some of these long telephone hours. Love to all.  
DAN.