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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Brief Notes of Interest to Town and Rural Readers.

Philipsville

There are hundreds of acres of farm land in this township not cultivated at all owing to the wet weather of the spring.

The recent rain we had on Thursday saved the small-fruits.

Mrs. M. Seed, Toronto, is visiting her parents, Rev. F. R. and Mrs. Chisholm.

Mrs. LaBlonde, Brockville, spent the past week visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Alfred Elliott and Mrs. R. Haskin, who were both taken suddenly ill last week, are recovering.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Baker spent Sunday with Mrs. Saire.

Mrs. Pope, Harlem, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. T. Webster.

Miss K. Davison, Brockville, visited here recently.

Mr. D. Algire spent the week-end here with his sister, Miss A. Algire, who is not in the best of health.

Mrs. Doherty met with a painful accident at her home here on Saturday night last. Upon getting up to answer the call of her small son she unfortunately opened a door leading to the stairway, missed her footing and fell. Besides severe bruises she sustained a bad cut over her right eye, which required several stitches.

A large number attended the special session of the Women's Institute on the 23rd, addressed by Mrs. Patterson, the government representative. The subject, "The Importance and Meaning of Women's Work," was ably handled by the speaker and generally enjoyed by all.

W. J. Halladay motored to Kingston on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Eyre and Miss Eyre, of Harlem, visited at W. B. Phelps' on Sunday.

Mrs. Wilson, Delta, was a visitor in town on Sunday.

Toledo

Pte. William Millar, originally with the 35th Battalion, who enlisted at Smiths Falls three years ago, saw hard fighting but won through, as now home from overseas, visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. Herbert Bellamy.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Rape and Miss Freeman, of Elgin, were visitors on Thursday last at Mr. Rape's old home.

A party of gypsies are encamped in the woods between Toledo and Frankville.

Mort Moran was a Prescott visitor recently.

Fred Gray, of the Redan, was renewing acquaintances in the village last week.

Visitors at Mr. and Mrs. R. Crumney's on Friday were Mr. and Mrs. Ike Montgomery, Mrs. L. Hunter and Mrs. M. A. Johnson, all of Jasper.

Mrs. William Wright, of Jasper, spent Friday the guest of Mrs. W. J. Seymour.

Ralph Wilson spent the week-end visiting friends in Brockville.

Mrs. John Seymour was in Brockville one day recently to see her daughter Mildred, who is still confined to the hospital, though steadily gaining.

Latest reports from W. J. Seymour state that he is slowly gaining.

Miss Pearl Bell and Miss Lewa Drummond have entered upon their duties as nurses-in-training at the Brockville General Hospital.

Councillor Holmes Drummond was a Brockville visitor recently.

Miss Adella Whiting, who was a student at Columbia University, N. Y., for the past few months, has completed her course and is at present making an extended visit to her old home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Coad and child, of Chantry, were visiting at Mr. Coad's old home on Saturday and Sunday.

Frankville

Mr. Frank Hewitt and his son are visiting at his father's, Mr. James Hewitt.

This section is beginning to feel the effect of the dry weather, mea-

dows in some instances quite badly. Corn is pushing ahead rapidly.

Edward Looby, Lombardy, is visiting his brother, W. R. Looby.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hanton, spent the week-end visiting Gananoque friends.

David Dowsley, Gananoque, spent a couple of days this week with old friends here.

Miss Kate Jones is visiting friends in Smiths Falls and Carleton Place.

Charles Giffin has sold the Donaldson property to Thomas Code, of Toledo.

Mrs. M. L. Livingstone had the misfortune on Monday to fall and break her wrist. Dr. Bourne reduced the fracture.

Investors here in the Standard Reliance Corporation are a little nervous about their holdings.

Mrs. W. D. Livingstone is receiving treatment at St. Vincent de Paul Hospital, Brockville.

Mrs. Ernie Rowsome, Belleville, is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Hanton.

George Haskins and Herb Botham have purchased new Chevrolet cars.

A far greater trade in Canadian farm stuffs is done in our own cities and towns than is done abroad. This fact is mentioned by the Canadian Trade Commission, not to minimize exports, but to show the unrecognized importance of our home markets.

Charleston

Last week's arrivals at Foster's Hotel included J. Pickel, H. James, Leo. Fentonburg, New York; A. McDonald and wife, Chicago; W. Chown Smiths Falls.

R. Foster is having doors hung on his shed for the purpose of housing cars of his guests.

Kathleen and Hubert Beale were successful in passing their promotion examinations at the Athens High School and are receiving congratulations.

Quite a number from here attended the unveiling of the memorial in St. Dennis Church, Athens, on Friday evening, to the memory of the late Corp. Basil Connery.

The Methodist S.S. of Athens held their annual picnic on the grounds of Cedar Park on Saturday.

Relatives of Pte. John B. Ward, who enlisted at Seaforth, England, in May, with a labor battalion, have recently received a letter from him, dated at St. Pierre, June 2nd, and reads in part as follows: "I left Seaforth two weeks ago. I did not have to come, but wanted to see France before returning to Canada, as I did not have a chance to get over before the armistice was signed. This place is what is called the Arras and Cambrai front, and it looks as though there had been war here, for there is hardly a building standing. It seems too bad to see once beautiful buildings all torn to pieces. The country is all dug up with trenches. A number of the inhabitants have come back since the armistice was signed. They think the Canadian boys are great soldiers. We have just started to work to-day. Our hours are from nine to twelve, with ten minutes every hour to smoke. Our canteens are good and lots of them. We are also furnished with cigarettes and tobacco. We are to have leave before going back to England and I hope to see Paris. There is lots of danger here as the ground is covered with ammunition and the officers keep warning us all the time. There have been five men killed and four wounded since we came here. One fellow brought part of a Mills bomb into the tent and it exploded, blowing off both hands. His fingers were scattered in all directions. I found Gerald Botsford's grave, with a little white wooden cross. I fixed it up and sowed some flower seeds. I enclose a picture of the cemetery. I am looking around for the graves of the other boys I know."

"Placing Canada on the map of trade," is the happy way in which Mr. W. B. Ramsay, Montreal, who represented a group industry in London, and who has brought back heavy orders to Canada, describes the work of the Canadian mission in London.

Miss Edna Hamah, Ogdensburg, N.Y. visiting with her cousin Mrs. M. Sheffield.

Mrs. Isabelle McLaren, Ottawa, visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Chassels here and at Charleston Lake.

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On Thursday, July 3rd, the delegate, Mrs. (Rev.) T. J. Vickery gives her report of the sessions of the recent branch meeting at Cornwall. At the close light refreshments are to be served and a social half-hour spent over the tea-cups.

Withrow and Miss Ruth Read and Miss Mary Bell motored from Sydenham en route to Westboro, near Ottawa, where Rev. T. A. Read has been stationed. These young people are being warmly welcomed by friends who knew them so well during the four years pastorate here of Mr. Read.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Walker, of Brockville, were week-end guests of the later's father, Henry Hagerman.

The Gordon girls, Brockville, are visiting Athenian relatives.

Mrs. T. Serviss and Miss Margaret, New York, are guests of the former's father, I. Wiltse.

Miss Maria Hamblin, Delta, is a guest at the home of M. Yates.

The Methodist S.S. picnic came off at Charleston on Saturday. The crowds came in cars and carriages, in cabs and cars—any way to get there—and spent the whole summer day in happy care-free fashion.

On Saturday afternoon the monthly meeting of the Women's Institute was held. Plans were made whereby the program for the year will be drafted at once and printed copies distributed among the members.

The local high school and public school closed Friday night for the long vacation. It is said that Messrs. Burchell, Carre and Snowden, Miss Ferris and Mrs. Fisher have been re-engaged for next year.

Miss Carrie Covey, Soper's school, has arrived for the holidays.

Miss Helen McLean, B.A., teacher at Charleston school, has returned to her home west of Brockville.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Morrow, Peterboro, are guests at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Morris.

Harold Giles, Cedar Park, Charleston Lake, was a week-end guest of Leonard Johnston's.

On the morning of July 1st, in St. Denis Church, Miss Anna Hickey, Mill Street, was united in marriage to Mr. Potvin, Brockville. The newlyweds left on the morning train for Ottawa.

Several married couples motored to Jones' Falls to spend the holiday.

Many from here went to Brockville and took in the celebration on Tuesday.

Mr. French, Isaac Street, is spending a few weeks at Lansdowne, a guest of his daughter, Mrs. W. Legett.

Mrs. A. U. Williams was at Delta a few days last week, a guest of Mrs. S. Seaman.

Misses Georgia and Marian Robinson, Miss Geneva Yates and their cousin, Miss Percival, Syracuse, have been holidaying at Charleston Lake.

Douglas Johnston has been spending a week or so in New York. His sister, Miss Rose, returned with him.

Those in attendance at the L.T.L. social at Elaida on Wednesday night report a good time. Even the shower which came failed to dampen their enthusiasm.

The Robert Wright employees must have been early astir on Wednesday, 25th inst., for before nine o'clock a train of autos arrived with a jolly crowd of pleasure seekers. After making the round of the principal streets the party left for their destination, Devil's Lake.

Harry Percival enjoyed a day's fishing at Delta Lake last week, casting for bass.

Mrs. J. R. Howard Thomson, Vancouver, B.C., arrived in Athens last week to spend the summer with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Fair.

Col. R. H. Steacy, C.M.G., of Ottawa, spent the week-end in town, the guest of his sister, Mrs. Fair.

Mrs. W. E. Steacy, Miss Gertrude and Master Robbie Steacy, of New York, are spending a few days in town, the guest of Mrs. F. Pierce, before leaving for their summer home, Manhattan Island, Charleston Lake.

Women's Missionary Society

The thirty-sixth annual meeting of the Montreal Conference branch of the Women's Missionary Society of the Methodist Church opened in Cornwall on the morning of Tuesday, June 17th, and continued until noon of the Thursday following. Too much cannot be said of the kindness manifested and hospitality extended by the people toward their visitors and the sojourn in that pretty town will ever remain a pleasant memory.

The delegation was unusually large numbering about one hundred and fifty.

The devotional exercises throughout were most helpful and the music so generously furnished was appropriate and well rendered.

Mission Band and Circle work was given a place of prominence, and reports from this department indicate that the young people are alive to the great importance of the missionary enterprise.

Considerable stress was placed on Christian stewardship, the subject being dealt with in such papers as "Our Money Obligations," "How Shall I Tith?" "Results of Tithing," "Is It Worth While?"

Along other lines there were helpful papers and addresses, e.g., "Explanation of Proposed Branch Changes," "Building for the Future," "Wealth of Room 410," "Enlistment of Home Forces," "Recruits for the Piping Line."

Many reports were received from various departments of foreign work, showing satisfactory progress.

The secretary's report showed much reason for thankfulness because of extension of the work, while the treasurer's report showed an advance of twenty-one per cent in funds.

Miss Brooks, for twenty years a missionary to China, is home now on her third furlough. She was warmly welcomed by all present and in her winsome manner gave an interesting account of her years in the Orient. She made a most urgent plea for more workers, as the need is indeed desperate.

The address of the president, Mrs. (Rev.) T. G. Williams, was brief but comprehensive, as she gave a general survey of the work in the various fields.

At the conclusion of her remarks a magnificent bouquet of roses was presented Mrs. Williams by the executive, as she had tendered her resignation after twenty years of faithful service as the head of the organization.

The officers elected for 1919-20 are as follows:—

President—Mrs. W. H. Henderson.

Hon. Vice-Pres.—Mrs. T. G. Williams.

1st Vice-Pres.—Mrs. J. H. Murray.

2nd Vice-Pres.—Mrs. M. M. C. Lavell.

3rd Vice-Pres.—Mrs. I. Hilliard.

Rec. Sec.—Mrs. E. M. Grose.

Cor. Sec.—Mrs. J. A. Gordon.

Treas.—Mrs. R. C. Antliff.

Cor. Sec., Circles and Bands—Mrs. T. G. Raynor.

Treas., Circles and Bands—Miss R. Goodwin.

Supt. Ss. Giving—Mrs. T. S. Kendrick.

Obituary

EVELYN DOREEN TABER

Sorrow and grief unspeakable fill the hearts of the inmates of the home of W. T. Towriss, Glen Buell, where the Angel of Death entered on Tuesday afternoon, July 1st and called home Evelyn Doreen, the elder daughter of Pte. and Mrs. W. B. Taber of Newdale, Manitoba.

Despite the fact that all that medical skill and loving hearts could possibly do, her young life was snuffed out in the spring time of youth.

Doreen lived her short life of fourteen years at Newdale, Man., where many young friends will deeply mourn her death. She was a faithful member of the Methodist Sunday School of that place and a life member of the Mission Band—always manifesting a particular in the latter.

A little more than two weeks ago, Doreen with her mother, brother and sister came east to meet her "Daddy" returning from overseas, where he had spent the last three years and three months serving with the 13th Field Ambulance Corps in France. But the happy little family so lately united, was soon to be broken into again. Doreen contracted a cold, pneumonia developed, and in one short week she was gone.

At her bedside the devoted family and loving friends went with her as far as human spirits could go, then she passed peacefully into that Heavenly Home to be with her Saviour whom she loved.

She was so bright and possessed such a sweet, unselfish disposition, she was called sunbeam of her home.

Although anxious to live, Doreen was resigned to die if God saw best.

Recognizing through all this sorrow that God's ways are best, we feel our own lives will be the sweeter for having known Doreen.

The remains were laid away in the Athens Cemetery to remain until the day-break.

James Morris, Irwin Stevens on probation.

S. L. Snowdon, Principal.

To Sr. III.—Rhea Kavanaugh (hon.), D. Beedal, A. Goodfellow, B. Steacy, M. Goodfellow, K. Gifford, C. Purcell, M. Earle, E. Haig.

To Jr. III.—F. Code, E. Blanche, D. Goodfellow, S. Raymer, J. Nolan, B. Godkin, F. Hawkins, N. Hawkins, J. Gainford.

To Sr. II.—S. Pete, E. Gifford, J. Dillabo, D. Vickery, J. Hawkins, E. Barnes, Y. Avery.

Glady's M. Johnston.

Form I.

I Sr. to II Jr.—Phelma Gifford, Lloyd Burchell, Jean Kavanaugh, Goldie Parish, Aulden Hamblin, Hazel Hawkins, Gertrude Wilson, Betty Fair, Mervyn Pearce, David Goodfellow, Laurence Scott.

II Jr. to I Sr.—Laura Hawkins, Ida Hollingsworth, Frances Ross, Marjorie Peat, Ada Gifford, Edith Sizzett, Newman Hammond, Charlie Rahmer, Inda Yates, Carmen Blatcher.

Prim. Sr.—Honors—Enola Scott, Howard Avery, Laverne Scott. Satisfactory, Irene Chevers, Lewis Cole, Harry Bigalow.

Prim. Jr. to Prim. Int.—Edith Wing, Frank Robinson, Herbert Burchell, Edith Haskins.

Ada L. Fisher, Teacher.

Charleston School Promotions.

III to Jr. IV.—Kenneth Latimer, Raymond Heffernon.

Sr. I to Jr. II.—Ida Belle Covey, Mabel Covey.

Jr. I to Sr. I.—Francis Crozier.

Sr. Pt. to Jr. I.—Marguerite Covey, Maggie Crozier.

Jr. Pt.—Kenneth Fargo, Daniel

Kelsey, Harry Fargo, Helen Covey, Helen McLean, Teacher.

Hard Island School.

Jr. IV. to Sr. IV.—Bella Darling (hon.), Mary Besley (hon.)

Sr. III to Jr. IV.—Marion Hollingsworth (hoft.)

Jr. III to Sr. III.—Levi Algure, Mildred Foley.

II to Jr. III.—Jack Hollingsworth, Hubert Wood.

Mabel M. Jacob, Teacher.

Rockspring News

Mr. and Mrs. Jack McFadden and Miss Elcie, Smiths Falls, were week-end guests of R. S. Hinton. The whole party motored to Oak Leaf and Charleston on Sunday.

A large number attended the union school picnic on Friday. Dinner and supper was served and the usual interesting games took place in the afternoon.

Miss Pearl Cannon has returned to her home in Smiths Falls for the long vacation.

Mr. Howard Tackaberry and family enjoyed a pleasant week-end at Charleston Lake.

Miss Jessie Millar, who has been teaching near Toronto, has arrived home for the holidays.

Mr. Andrew Wallace is assisting Mr. Ed. Richards in the cheese factory.

A large number from here attended the strawberry garden party at Addison Friday last.

Mr. Clifford Leacock and bride passed through here on Sunday.

Mr. Lawson, Spencerville, made a business trip on Monday.

Mr. Camel, insurance agent, has returned to Ottawa after a number of successful visits to the young men of this vicinity.

Public School Promotions

ATHENS

Midsummer, 1919.

Jr. IV to Sr. IV.—Dora Muivena, Howard Holmes, Robert Rahmer, Beverley Purcell, Gerald Wilson, Vernon Robeson, Marion Robinson, Layman Judson, George Godkin.

Sr. III to Jr. IV.—Howard Burchell, Kathleen Taylor, Steacey Fair, Orville Hollingsworth, Harold Bigelow, Waldron Avery, Clifton Foxton.

Newbliss Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Hitchcock and sons John and Itamar, spent Sunday with Mrs. H. Phillips at Frankville.

Mr. Delbert Connell, Mrs. Connell and family, were recent guests of Mr. John Mercier, Smiths Falls.

Miss Pearl Stevens was a week-end visitor of Miss Iva Dunham, Toledo.

Miss Mary Coghlan spent the week end at her home here.

A number of the local members of Lombardy Masonic Lodge attended Masonic service in Smiths Falls on Sunday last.

Mrs. Elgin Lockwood was a recent guest of Mrs. James Wright.

Mr. Leonard Parker has returned home from the hospital, Smiths Falls, and is much improved in health.

Guideboard Corner's

Early Saturday afternoon we were apprised of the signing of the Peace Treaty by the flying flags run up by our patriotic neighbor, Mr. James Sheldon.

Miss Mabel and Anna Wight spent Thursday afternoon calling on Hard Island friends.

Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. McBratney, Miss Kathleen and her little friend Miss Marjorie Gifford, made a pleasant call at "The Lilacs" Saturday evening.

On Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Robeson spent an hour or two with Mrs. Geo. P. Wight, who is now able to be out in the garden after a short illness.

Miss Dorothea Wight returned home from Brockville Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Morris, in much better health, is again at her home, after a visit with relatives.