

tinuation School team in Iroquois Falls. She recalls many friends and their names - some of which are still heard in this area. A continuation school was held in the old section of the now Iroquois Falls Secondary School - the pitched roof of which still protrudes above the more modern recent additions. This old part of Iroquois Falls Secondary School also housed the first public school in Iroquois Falls. Students attended the continuation school prior to attending the Academy.

Kath was a good student at the Academy and won the Principal's prize for top honours, in 1922-23. The prize was a leather bound set of books which she still has. She intended to attend Normal School upon graduation but she was too young - only 17. Eighteen was required. And then she met Hubert Towsley and that changed her plans. She married and chose homemaking as her career instead of teaching. She has two children, Diane Boyle of Ottawa, and Alan Towsley, of Iroquois Falls.

The Northern Academy was closed in 1939 at the outbreak of World War II, when the property became an intern camp for persons of questionable allegiance. After these were screened and allowed to return to their homes and businesses it was changed to a Prisoner-of-War camp. At that time it was enlarged by many temporary buildings and guarded by the Veterans' Guard or Canadian Army soldiers.

According to Kath, the original building which was the Experimental Farm and the Northern Academy residence was torn down some ten years ago and the only building she recalls that now is still on the property from those former days is the big white house where the late jail superintendent, Mr. Don Griggs and his wife Ethel lived, and which is now used for some offices at the jail. It was the home of the principal and his wife, in the hey-day of the Academy.

The big square building of brick which is still standing and used by the Ministry of Correctional Services was built on the hill