

HIGH PRAISE FOR SUMMER COURSES AT MONTEITH

Situation Particularly Favourable for Project. Eighteen Teachers Took Course Last Summer.

Readers generally will be interested in the following letter written by Mrs. Jones, a teacher in Hearst, in regard to the Summer School for Teachers held in Monteith last July. This educational venture was begun by the Department of Education last summer and its progress and success should prove of more than passing interest. The fact that close to a million dollars is invested in school facilities in the Town of Timmins alone, with the Township of Tisdale showing an equal liberality in providing for education, proves that this district is earnestly interested in education. The letter from Mrs. Jones follows:—

Hearst, Ontario,
September 11th, 1924.
Dear Editor:—The people of Northern Ontario must surely feel gratified at the results of the examinations following the Summer Course at Monteith.

A prominent official of the Department of Education is reported to have said, "From the examination results it is evident that the experiment in giving the Academic Course in Monteith was a success this summer. The results there were better than in any other summer school centre." When we consider that the students had no time for preparation of their subjects, after it was decided to give this course, such results are both surprising and gratifying.

However, to one who witnessed the working of this miracle the outcome can be traced to very definite causes. The situation of the Northern Academy is particularly favourable to such a project. The buildings are remote from all distracting influences, the study-rooms well ventilated, lighted and heated. In fact, the Academy is equipped with all city conveniences, while the wide verandahs and many open windows provide plenty of the cool, invigorating air for which the North is famous. When we consider that in addition to these advantages the students reside in the Academy, being provided with comfortable sleeping accommodation, and wholesome, delicious meals, featuring country butter, cream and eggs, it will be seen that the working conditions are ideal.

The class was composed of eighteen earnest, capable country teachers, each bent on making the most of the opportunities offered. Success meant an upward step in the profession which they loved, and was to be attained if hard work would avail.

With all these contributory causes the real success of the undertaking was in the hands and hearts of the instructors. Surely few summer schools were so fortunate in their teaching staffs. The Acting Principal of the Northern Academy, Mr. G. F. Rogers, High School Inspector took a very real interest in the students and their work, sparing no effort to make the course pleasant as well as profitable. Miss Story and Mr. Wren, two of Toronto's Collegiate Specialists, gave of their best, which is saying much. They not only conducted regular classes in the school room, but were ever ready with individual instruction during the long evenings. Wherever groups of students gathered, in school, study hall, or verandahs, or in shady nooks outside, these indefatigable workers were within call, rendering assistance and encouragement in such a joyous constructive way that difficulties melted before them. Apart from the results accomplished, the inspiration of their high-hearted attitude toward the work should beget much hopeful patience to brighten tedious future days in those privileged to associate with them.

Progress in the subjects of the course was the object of attendance, and some judicious recreation increased this progress.

The tennis court, baseball diamond and auditorium with its stage and piano were patronized during short rest periods. Students and teachers attended several functions in the village Community Hall, and went on "hikes" to places of interest in the neighborhood. Perhaps the most instructive of the outings were the two trips arranged by the Principal and attended by teachers, students and iron, giving holiday to the domestic staff. The first of these was to Iroquois Falls, where all the steps in the manufacture of paper were demonstrated, converting the rough spruce logs to rolls of new paper. The next trip was to Timmins, the famous gold camp. Here all witnessed the work at the first level of the mines, afterward seeing the underground workings more safely and conveniently on the "screen."

Let us hope that the Summer Class at Monteith may become an annual affair, and may all future students

derive as much pleasure and benefit as the Summer-Class of 1924.

Agnes J. Jones,
(One of the Class).

MOST READERS WILL FIND THIS HIGHLY SATISFACTORY

On behalf of itself and its readers The Advance would like to thank The Ottawa Journal for its editorial last Thursday on the Pharisaism of Druryism. It must have been a relief to write such an editorial. It certainly is a great satisfaction to read an editorial like this. Here it is in full:

"With the clang of the penitentiary gate which closed upon Peter Smith still ringing in Ontario's ears, M. E. C. Drury the man under whose eyes and in whose Cabinet Smith robbed the province has set out up what

the Ottawa Citizen calls a "crusade against the abuses of parties." Abuses of parties! Good heavens! If ever there was abuse of public trust, if ever there was crude violation of public confidence, it took a vicious shape under the wings of Mr. Drury. Druryism came to office in Ontario with almost a promise of the Millennium. For years its harp preached bile against the older parties. Professing a higher morality, practising an unctious that was all but nauseating, it damned the older parties with bell, book and candle, accused them of every sin in the catalogue of political offences, made the word politician a term of reproach—and got into power.

"It was but a step from Paradise to plunder. Still spouting high moral professions Mr. Peter Smith

was not in office six months before dipping his hands into the public treasury. While Mr. Drury was comparing the rectitude of the new order with the moral turpitude of the old, while engaged in a campaign of character assassination against M. Howard Ferguson—a campaign that miserably failed—while the Ottawa Citizen was indulging its monotonous chant about "alert Progressives," Mr. Drury's Provincial Treasurer, Peter Smith, was robbing the public, and the Deputy Provincial Treasurer was getting his share of the loot.

"The Drury Government was both dishonest and Pharisaical. It posed as the great friend of the O.T.A. Yet while its particular crusader Mr. Raney was trying to use the temperance question to damn the old parties, trying to pose as the sole defender of

sobriety and law in Ontario, his colleagues and followers were using the very legislative building itself for loose living.

"More than that, Druryism was incompetent, inefficient. Before it got into office it thundered against expenditure and taxes. After getting into office it spent money like a Los Angeles millionaire, proved itself a wastrel; left Ontario with the highest taxes and the greatest debt in its history.

"And so all along the line. In nearly every sphere, the Drury Government was crude and inefficient.

"The Journal detests the popular passion for damning politicians. It has always protested about the senseless, stupid practice of roaring against parties—a practice that shows both ignorance of history and fool-thinking

as well. But when the anathemas come from Mr. Drury, then the limit has been reached. For Mr. Drury, in the light of the history of the past few years, before the records of the criminal courts of this country, in the role of a John the Baptist against the old parties, is a mockery against decency. He should clothe himself in sackcloth and ashes and hide his diminished head."

Milton Milk, seven-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Milk, Swastika, was drowned in the Blanche River near his home last week when he went through the ice while playing with some companions. Another of the lads got into the water but got out again safely. The water was about 8 feet deep. The body was recovered the day after the fatality.

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- 2 for 35c.
- 15c. Linen Envelopes
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- \$1.00 Sarsaparilla Blood Tonic
- 2 for \$1.00
- \$1.00 Beef, Iron and Wine
- 2 for \$1.00
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- 2 for \$1.00
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- 2 for 75c.
- 50c. Cod Liver Oil Emulsion
- 2 for 50c.
- 35c. Cough Remedies
- 2 for 35c.
- 25c. Aspirin
- 2 for 25c.
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- 2 for 25c.
- 25c. Kidney Pills
- 2 for 25c.

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- \$1.50 Cigars 25 in box
- 2 for \$1.50
- Special Assorted Pipes
- 2 for \$2.00
- 75c. Pipes assorted shapes
- 2 for 75c.
- 75c. Rubber Pouches
- 2 for 75c.
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- 50c. Tooth Brushes
- 2 for 50c.
- \$1.00 Hair Brushes
- 2 for \$1.00
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- 2 for 35c.

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- 2 for \$1.00
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- 2 for 75c.
- 75c. Face and Cold Creams
- 2 for 75c.
- 50c. Face and Cold Creams
- 2 for 50c.
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- 2 for 75c.
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- 2 for 15c.
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- 2 for 10c.
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- 2 for 10c.

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