

Schools

Early Schools

During the earlier times there were many private schools, where someone would call the children to their home, or some other place, for private tutoring. From this grew the country schools where everyone had a chance of learning the elementary subjects. Usually these schools occupied about an acre of ground at sectional corners. Some had wells, but in most cases water was carried from nearby homes. All had a fuel shed for coal, wood, or cobs and two toilets at the rear. Upon entering most of the schools, there was first a cloak room as well as a shelf for lunch pails or sacks. During the winter the lunches were often frozen when noon time came, as the door to the larger room was always kept closed. Those pupils seated near the stove were often too warm while those farther away were most always cold. Practically all schools were painted white - the "little red school" being more proverbial than real in this part of Iowa.

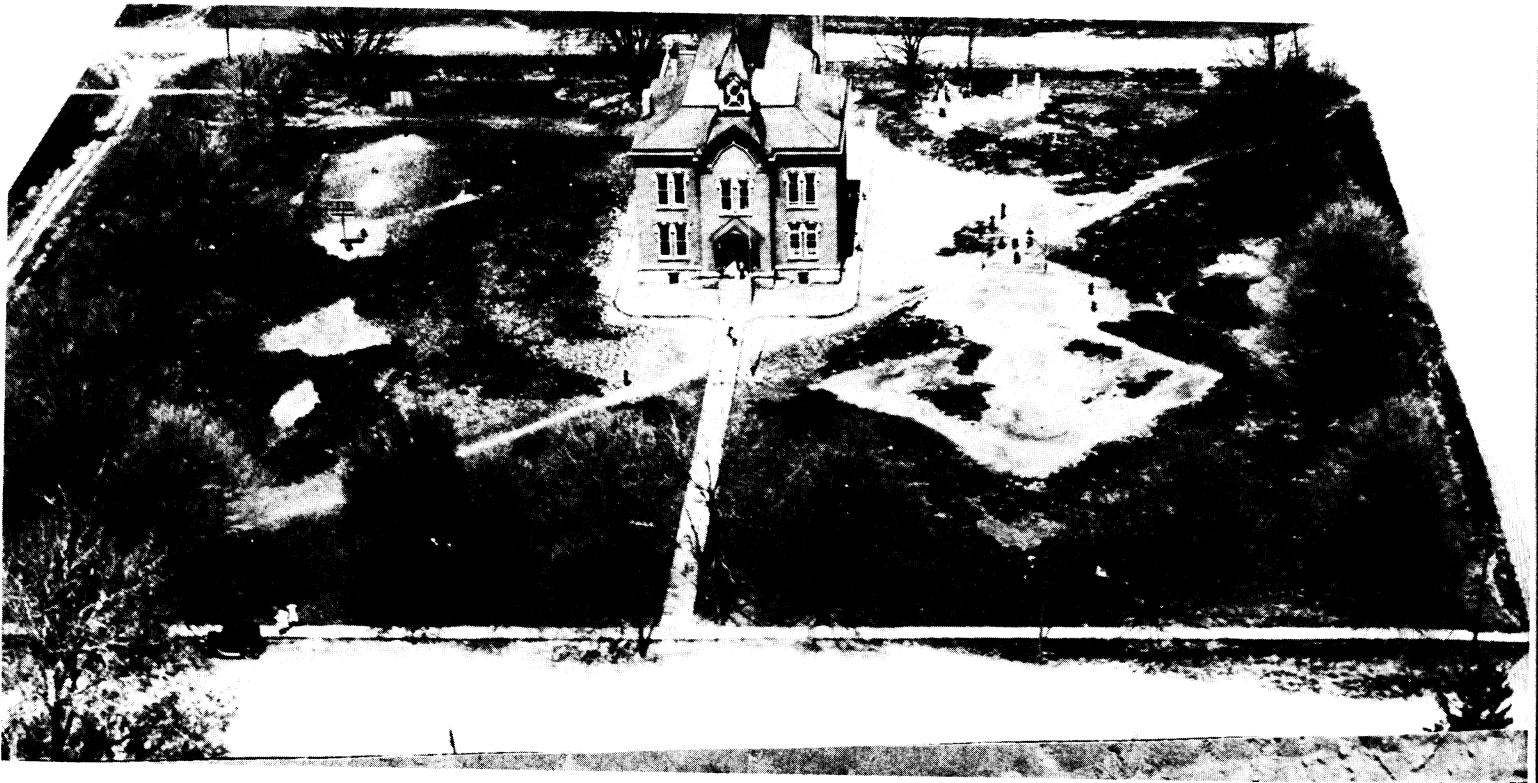
The teacher, usually a lady, was a plucky soul. For a small salary she was required to open the building and start the fires in all kinds of weather. Besides being a teacher she served as nurse, police and judge. Usually she boarded with a nearby family.

The school year at that time consisted of three terms - Spring, Fall and Winter. In the fall a two or three week

vacation was held, so the older boys could help pick corn. A short vacation was held during the spring term. During the winter term, Christmas Day was considered a holiday but New Years was school as usual. The school directors would hire the teachers by the term, so there could be and sometimes were, three different teachers in one year. The principal textbooks of the earlier times were Mitchell's Geography, Ray's Arithmetic, Willard's History, Webster's Dictionary, and McGuffey's Readers and Spelling books. The reputation of the McGuffey's Readers has outlived all others, and many believe them to be superior to those we have today.

School would begin at nine in the morning and close at 4 p.m. In warm weather the children would play blackman, ante-over, picket, baseball, shinny, drop the handkerchief, dare base, hide and seek, besides running foot races and drowning out squirrels. In winter they would play fox and geese, coast down hill, ice skate, build snow forts and engage in snowball battles. Should a blizzard be raging they quickly adjusted to indoor games.

The social life of the families centered around the country schools. Box suppers, spelling and ciphering bees, PTA meetings, and picnics are some of the precious memories of the "good old days."

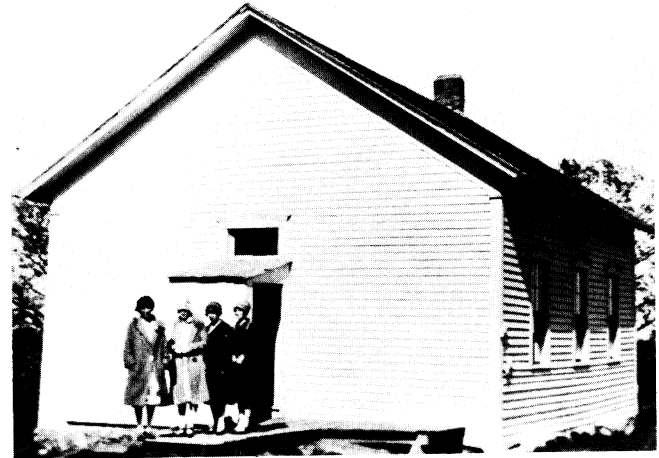


Pleasant Ridge #1

In the early days of Eden Township there were six school districts. **Pleasant Ridge #1** was in the northwest corner of section 29 or southeast of the present ISU Research Farm. Ruth Noring was the teacher in 1945 when this school closed its doors for good. Earlier teachers included Anna Gray, Helen Jaroleman Buck, Lucille Skinner, Erma Baldwin Goff, and Hope Biensen Bear. Among the students attending Pleasant Ridge were children from the Ball, McKelvey, Noble, Eatwell, Huffaker, Bear, Sutton, Allen, Jontz and Wiltsey families.

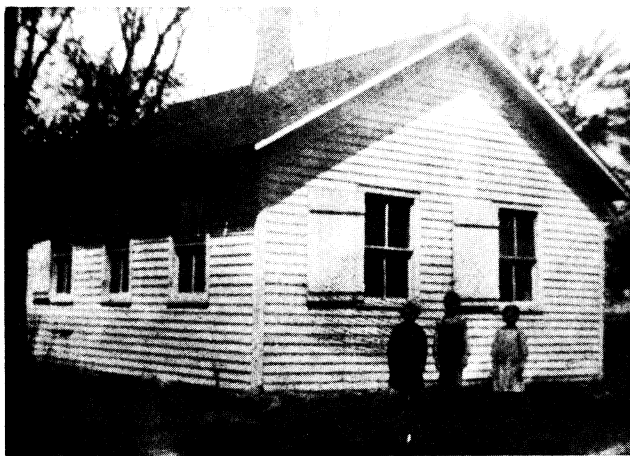
Olden Days September 3, 1896

The monotony of existence was broken by a horse race on the track Saturday. The horses were owned by George Richeson and Frank Huncomb. Richeson won the race; time not given.



Visitors at Pleasant Ridge School #1 from the left; Edna Haas, Lucille Kollman Cheville, Mina Springer and Margaret Kollman Flory.

Grant #3



The way Grant School #3 looked before they put the addition on. Students unknown.

November 5, 1861, C. Shuck and wife Catherine deeded to **Eden #3 Independent School District** a tract of land being one acre more or less. It was located in section 28 and was directly west across the road from

the Lawrence Guckert home. The Eden #3 school was first built on this property and classes were held here for a number of years until it was discovered that the building was in the wrong section of the township. The school building was then moved to the northwest corner of section 34 across the road east of the present Helen England farm. Edwin Perpoint was the president of district #3 at that time, Stewart Baker was secretary, and James Chapman was the treasurer. James Chapman was the father-in-law of Carrie Chapman Catt, who was a leader in the women's suffrage movement, was a noted lecturer and author, and was active in international suffrage and peace movements. She lived in the Chapman home for a period of time after her husband, Leo, passed away.

In 1911 the teacher at Grant School #3, as it was also known, received \$45 a month. The salary in the 1918-19 school year was \$65 a month, \$80 in 1942, and in 1954 when the school closed the teacher was receiving \$250 per month. Some of the early teachers were J.D. Rhodes, Grant Flora, Mary Haines, Ed Blumenschein, W.R. Cooper, Samuel Baker, and Myrtle DeReus. After 1915 they included Norma Hoyt, Roy Cheville, Rosa

Bear, Neva Brockman, Lucille Johnson, May Weeks, Ardell Johnson, Luella Watson, Harold Baker, Daisy Allen, Henrietta Snyder, Ina Richeson, Vera Floto, Eva Eatwell Thomas, Georgia Morrissey, Evelyn Perry, and Evelyn Connelly Shockley. In the early days students came from the Perpoint, Baker, Chapman, Kennedy, Shuck, Elliot, Chamberlain, Johnson, Grant, Bartholomew, Sanders, Patterson, Guckert, Klatt, Shenkle, Tribby, Mallicoat, Richeson, Breer, Perry, Harre, Allspach and Stier families.

When the school closed, it was determined by Eden #3 secretarial designation papers filed in the Marshall County Superintendent of Schools office that children from the Guckert, Dunham, Foster, Parks, and Kelly families attend school at Rhodes, while the Baxter school bus picked up the students from the Allspach, McKibbin, and Dawson families.



Harold Baker was the teacher for this group of students in 1928. Grant School District #3.

Prairie Ridge #4

PRAIRIE RIDGE SCHOOL

District Number Four

Eden Twp., Marshall County, Iowa

1906



Presented By
Amanda Haas
Teacher



School Officers

J. O. White	President
F. A. Wood	Director
C. Kuhlman	Director
J. A. Johnson	Secretary
Ed. Nason	Treasurer



Amanda Haas

PUPILS

Florence Johnson
Hallie Johnson
Bessie Wood
Fred Kuhlman
Harry Easton
George Kuhlman
Arthur Crawford
Charley Wood
Gracie Easton
Beatrice Johnson
Carl Kuhlman
Ralph White
Clarence White
Lulu Crawford
Julia Goodwin
Frank Wood
Archie Johnson
Horace Vauthrin
Harold White
Elmer Kuhlman
Claude Vauthrin
James White

P. A. OWEN PUB. CO. JANSVILLE, N. Y.



Prairie Ridge students, from the left, front row: Lola Lane, John White, Glen Vauthrin, Harry Pyle, Leonard Nason and James White; Second row: Donald Luing, Minnie Dumjohn, Lula Crawford, Ralph White, Harold White, Clarence White, Claud Vauthrin and Horrace Vauthrin.

Prairie Ridge #4 was located on the northeast corner of what has been called "the six corners". At that time it was only a county road intersection. Some teachers who taught in this school were Amanda Haas, Luella Watson, Augusta Richards, Ethel Dewey, Agnes Doud, Bertha Cakerice, Elsie Shearer, Sadie Nason and Amy Dunn. Some of the pupils attending Prairie Ridge were from the White, Shryock, Vogt, Nason, Robinson, Halter, Kroener, Dumjohn, Crawford, Blumenschein, and Obrecht families.

The old Prairie Ridge School building still stands in Rhodes. When consolidation came the building was sold to Ora White. It was later sold to the congregation of the Latter Day Saints and moved to its present location. In 1964, since there was no active church congregation, the building was sold to the Rhodes Catholics and was remodeled and used as a social hall by them and the entire community. This year, 1982, Jim Perin purchased the former country school-church-social hall and plans to remodel it into a home.

Sometime in the 20's

The school bus route which included the area four miles southwest of Rhodes, was driven by Paul Klatt over mud roads. Paul and his wife ran a restaurant in Rhodes. Paul hauled cattle or hogs during the day and drove a school bus morning and evening, using the same truck. He would get back from taking his animals to market, hose down the truck, put on a top, and arrange benches on each side and haul school kids. Remember, this was the beginning of the depression and everyone worked at what they could find to make a living. They (the children) had the most washed "bus" of any of the youngsters. During the school term and usually in the spring, about six weeks of the year, the bus couldn't make it through the mud roads and the only way to get to school was to walk.

*Submitted by
Florence Wilson*

Mt. Vernon #5

Mt. Vernon District #5, also known as the Blink school or the "Little Dutch" school, was located in section 22 along an east and west road that has been closed for many years. Among the pupils attending this school in the early years were the Richmonds, Goodmans, Blinks, Longs, Ginters, Rohrs, and Meyers. Bessie Kreamer, Dolly Dowd and Kathryn Otis taught at this school.



Mt. Vernon School District #5, known as the "Dutch School".



Mt. Vernon School #5, known as "Dutch School". From the left, front row: 1. Francis Ginter, 2. Esther Goodman, 4. Lucille Goodman and 9. Lawrence Ginter; Second row: 1. Ethel Goodman, 5. Florence Ginter and 8. Andrew Goodman. All other students unknown.

Round Grove #6

Round Grove #6 was in the northwest corner of section 36, presently the Tony Gauch property. In 1869 for "the sum of fifteen dollars in hand paid", Henry P. and Clarinda Moore of the County of Polk and State of Iowa deeded one acre (in a square form) to this district. Round Grove is the school Frances Klaas attended from 1920 to 1928. In order to shorten the

twice daily walk from home, she and brothers and sisters would go diagonally across fields - whenever it was possible to cross the North Skunk River. Teachers she remembers are Mildred Wehrman and Bessie Roberts. Some of the families in the area were the Cooks, Floras, Dees, Pyles, Lannings, and Hanthorns.

State Center #8

When **District #8** school in State Center Township discontinued operation, the southern part was included in the Rhodes Consolidated School District.

Back in 1882, Anthony Harmon and wife, Elizabeth, of the County of DeKalb and State of Illinois, (great grandparents of Helen Buck) deeded one and 1/20



Students at State Center District #8 are, from the left, Amanda Echardt, Maud Richmond, Alma Nolte, Earl Bower and Susie Aderholt. Second row: Bennie Richmond, Teacher, Mary Dowd Blink, William

front row: Harry York, Delia Nolte, Willie Wilkening, Richmond, Helen Jaroleman, Joseph Aurenets, Floyd Aurenets, Henry Wilkening, Carrie Echardt, Flora Echardt.

acres of land to district #8 for the sum of \$31.50. District #8 was located on the northeast corner of the intersection east of Tom Borton's farm. This was known as the Marsh School or the York School and later the Ward School, all names of nearby farm families. Early students included the Bowers, Richmonds, Eckharts, Malloys, Yorks, Billmyer, Jaroleman, Wilkenings, Ingles, and Ethingtons. Then later the Ward, Janes, Hayes, Severidt, Ficken, Obrecht, Trowbridge, Townsend, Burg, McCombs,

Allen, Thake, and Gibbs families. Teachers included Mary Malloy McCarthy, Julia Flathers, Lois Keel Nowlan, Evelyn Carmody, Edith Severidt Mahlow, and Margaret Thompson.



State Center District #8



Students at State Center District #8, in the early 1940's. From the left, front row: Alvin Obrecht, Ralph Burg, Eugene Gibbs, Nellie Gibbs, Joanne Janes, Mary Ellen Townsend, Josephine Nefzger and Arlene Hayes. Second row: Harold Townsend, George Townsend, Paul Trowbridge, Marvin Gibbs, Raymond Obrecht, Betty Burg, Patt Trowbridge and Geraldine Janes.

Eden #2

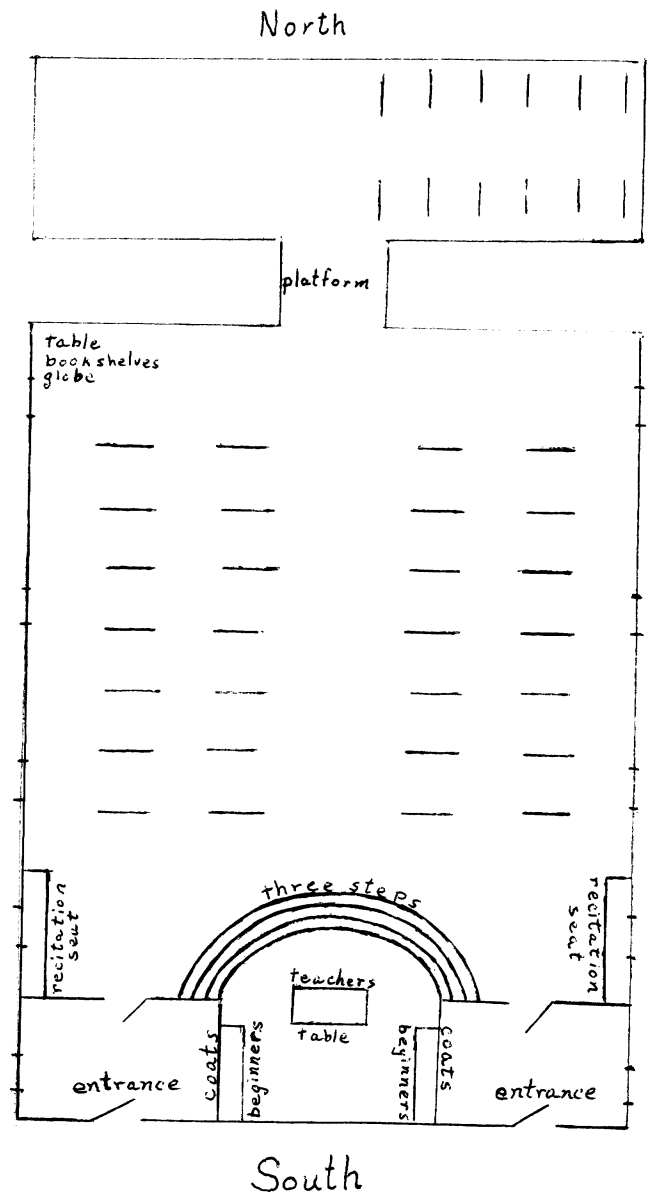
Eden #2 was in the town of Edenville and the first school building was a little log cabin located somewhere north of the present old school grounds. Mary Mead Rhodes (first wife of Anthony Rhodes) was a teacher. Mrs. Anna Coleman Rhodes, Lelia's mother, went to school there and one warm morning when the high small windows were open, a band of Indians on horseback came along. The leader rode up on his horse and stuck his head in the window, took a good look, grunted and said "Meetin." He withdrew his head and rode on. Each member of the party took his turn, said "ugh, meeting" and rode on. When Miss Mead opened the school house the following morning she was shocked beyond words. The Indians had spent the night in the schoolhouse. They left before she arrived but they had left the room in such a filthy condition that as soon as the children arrived she had a bucket brigade formed and they all proceeded to scrub the building before they could hold school.

A bigger school, a 20' by 26' frame building, to be used also as a church, was erected on what is now the Fred Cheville property. As many as 60 children went to school there. Around 1869 this second school was moved to where it now stands - the Gertrude Gibbs home.

In 1870 a new and larger school and church was built by the Edenville community located where Fred Cheville's house now stands. The church-school was like this: Some of the teachers in the third school were Henry M. Weeks, Alice Daugherty, Lillie Logan, Agnes Walker, Emma Sibley, and Stanton. Some of the pupils were: Tom, Jose and Mary Bolton; Addie and Allie Harmon; Cloyd, Charley and Dell Frances; Dell, Mary and Eliza Haines; Irv Good; Harry Buck; Lela, Minnie, Dan, Paul and Ida Weeks; Charley, Nina and Bert Gerger; Eva, John and Cora White; Fred Kramer; Adah, John, Main, Nettie Thorne; Burr Lower; Serene and Nellie Webster; Barb and Mollie Brewer; Phoebe, Myrtle, Lesta Daugherty; Frank, Walter, Minerva and Luella Fish; Carry and Al Thompson; Nettie Miller; Myrtle and Hilis Phillips; Ed, Jennie, Joe, Belle Tuffree; John Goodman; Clark and Jennie Capron; Clara, Jasper and Phoebe Mead.

To Luella Fish Watson, a member of the class of 1893, we are indebted for the above information about the third school and for the following account as told to Edna Buck in 1942.

"She (Luella) went to school in the north building and looked with awe and longing at the big room and pupils, where they studied such wonderful things as natural Philosophy, Geography, and Physiology. There was a door from the large south building on the north, where they crossed over on a rather larger wooden platform to the smaller north building. On this



Church - School from 1870 - 1883

nice wooden floor Luella says 'The children used to play their singing action games.' At that time Luella was a little girl with heavy long dark curls and the school ground, surrounded by a board-fence, as most yards at that time were, seemed very big to her ($\frac{1}{4}$ of the block). Especially one day when some traveling Indians rode up and looked over the fence at them. She says she thought she never would reach the school house; though at that time the Indians were friendly enough and only curious as to the white man's ways."

Rhodes Public School



Rhodes School from 1904 to 1941.

Using brick manufactured in the Rhodes brick and tile yard, work was begun in 1881 on a new brick school house. It was built in the "town square" block of old Edenville and opened for classes in the fall of 1883. In 1885 it became the independent District of Edenville. This was the first year of its organization as a graded town school. In the fall of 1886 its name was changed to the Independent District of Rhodes. The school included 9 grades and added one teacher in 1887 to make the teaching staff total three. In the 1888-89 school year the course of study was extended to include 10 years of schooling and in 1890 the first High School graduates completed this course. The next year, 1890-91, the course was lengthened to 11 years but there were no graduates. It was reduced to 10 for the 1891-92 school year when there were five graduates. Rhodes had its first 12 year school in the 1894-95 school year when two men, J.M. Miller and Plato E. Kreamer, graduated in the class of 1895. The

12 year school was continued until 1897. It was an eleven year school again in 1897-98 and stayed that way until the fall of 1912 when the number of grades was again increased to twelve. Emory Strickler was the one student who graduated from Rhodes High School in 1911 and again in the class of 1913.

Memories of Rhodes School

Two organizations were formed in the school year 1927-28, the "Dancing Club" with Ralph Noble, Hildreth Snowgren and Elbert Pitcher as members. At the same time the "Flirting Club" was formed with members, Clara Sink, Pearl Beye and Marie Robinson.

The boys held their meetings every Sunday afternoon. The girls couldn't stick to their name so they had no meetings.



CLASS OF 1890

The first class to graduate from the Rhodes High School, the order is not known. Principal - V.C. Gamble. Members of the class; Fred Beltz, Carrie Booth, Myrtle Daugherty, Minerva Fish (center front row), Annie Flaherty, Pensie Kreamer, Ben Richards,

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*The Senior Class
Invites you to be present
at the
Graduating Exercises
of the
Rhodes High School,
Friday Evening, June 6th,
1890.*

No Gifts at the Hall but Flowers.

From Possibilities to Actualities.

ORATION,	-	-	Davenport of Stamford.
			NELLIE WEBSTER.
DECLAMATION,	-	-	The House on the Hill.
			FRED BELTZ.
ESSAY,	-	-	Poets and Poetry.
			MYRTLE DAUGHERTY.
DECLAMATION,	-	-	A Legend of Bregenz.
			CARRIE BOOTH.
ORATION,	-	-	A Peculiar People.
			PENSIE KREAMER.
DECLAMATION,	-	-	Time.
			MINERVA FISH.
ESSAY,	-	-	Political Parties.
			BEN RICHARDS.
ORATION,	-	-	Causes of Agricultural Depression.
			HARRY WATTS.
DECLAMATION,	-	-	The Value of Reputation.
			ANNIE FLAHERTY.
VALEDICTORY,	-	-	
			LULU SHRYOCK.

Dr. L. W. THOMAS, President School Board.

V. C. GAMBELL, Principal School.

Commencement Exercises

RHODES HIGH SCHOOL.
OPERA HOUSE, MAY 19, 1910, 8 P. M.

March

Invocation ELDER W. C. NIRK

Instrumental— Lombardi (Fantaisie) *Vieuxtemps*
CASSIE MULLINEAUX-RICHARDS, Violin
MISS KATHERINE VAN DUSEN, Piano

Salutatory Circumstances Masters or Mastered
JULIA E. FLATHERS

Oration Bowing to the Rising Sun
FERN C. ANWAY

Instrumental (a) Berceuse *Tschetschulin*
(b) Obertass Mazurka *Urinowski*
CASSIE MULLINEAUX-RICHARDS

Oration Despise Not the Day of Small Things
GAZELLE FITZGERALD

Valedictory Capacity Plus Courage
HELEN Z. JAROLEMAN

Instrumental—Brindisi Valse *Alard*
CASSIE MULLINEAUX-RICHARDS

Presentation of Class H. A. WOLCOTT, PRIN.

Conferring of Diplomas S. H. LANDIS, Pres. of Board

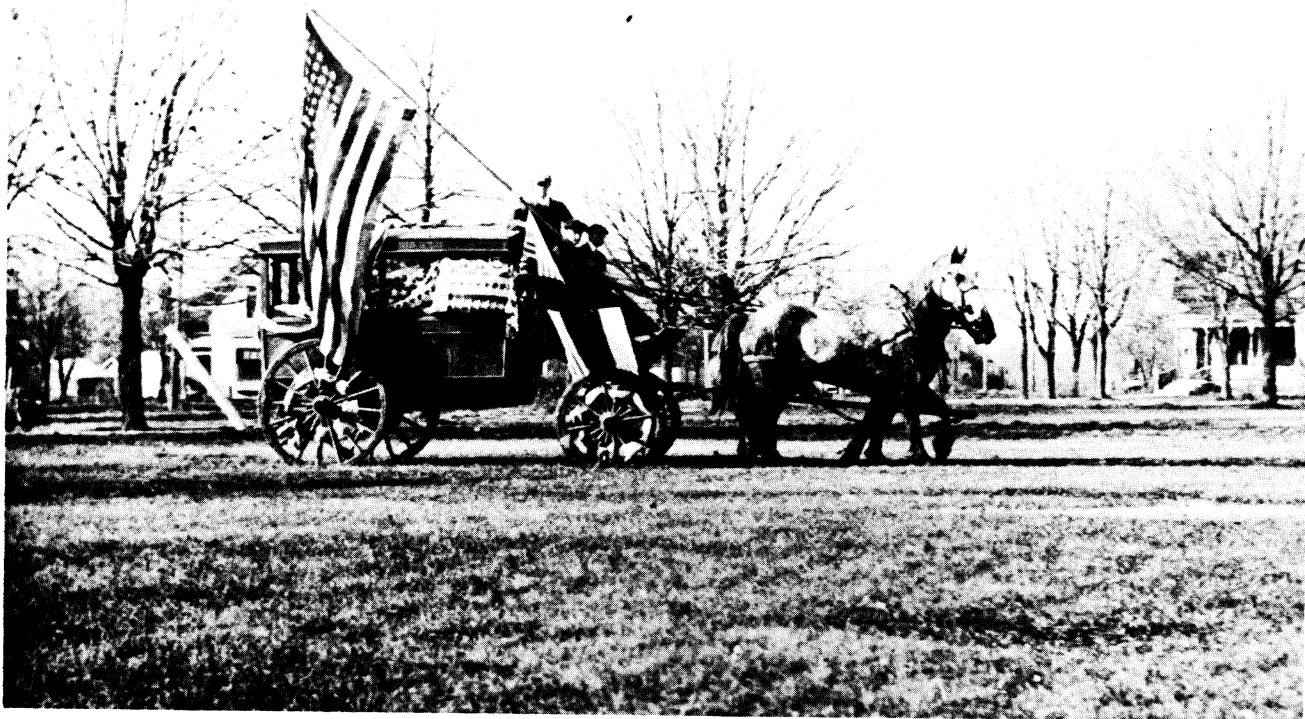
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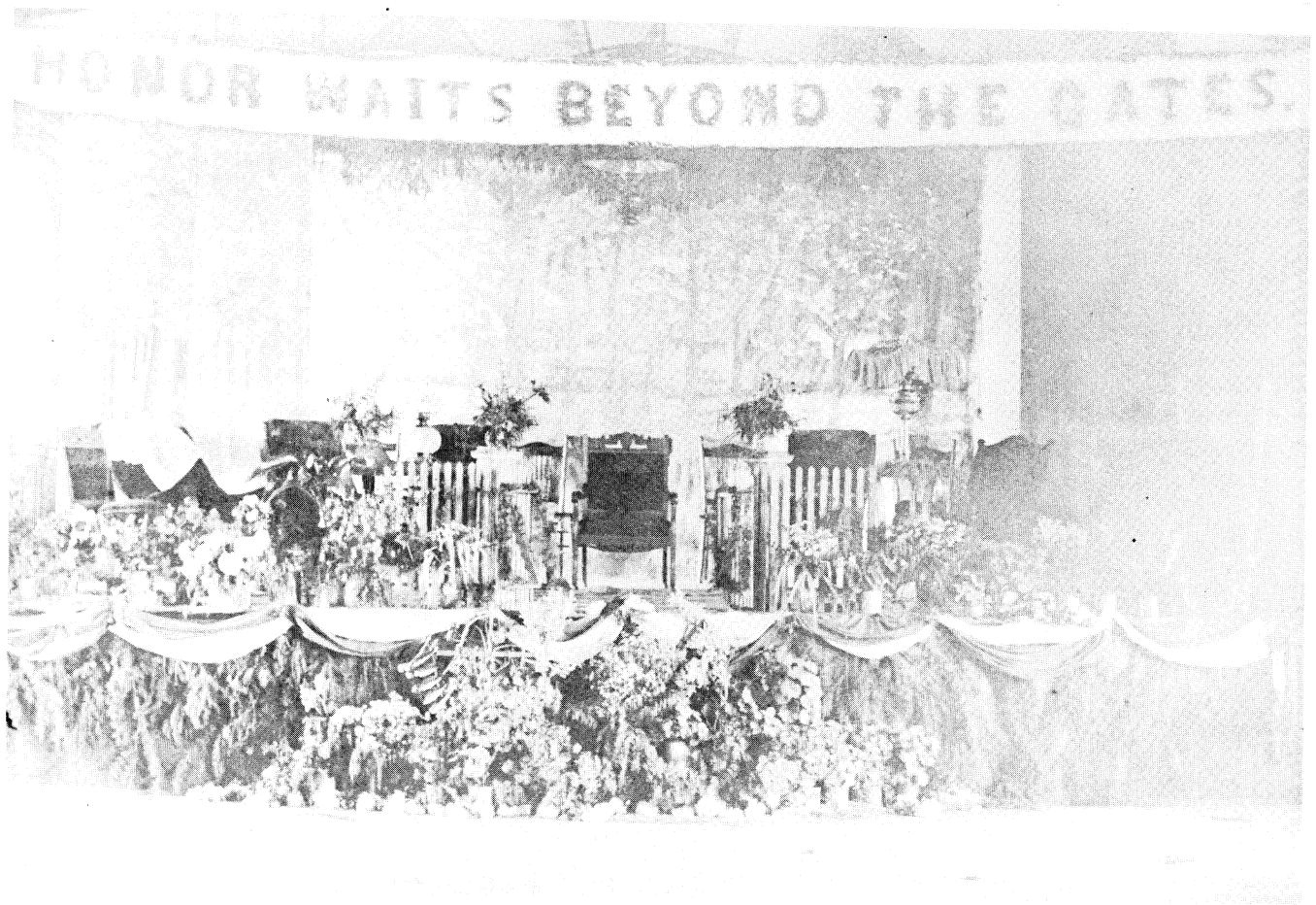
Early Rhodes Home Ec. Class



A game of baseball was played at Edenville with Upper Eden. Edenville won 46 to 41.



Earl Blink and his school bus decorated for the Armistice Day Parade, November 11, 1918.



High School Graduation in the Opera House.

Gov. Cummins at Rhodes

MONDAY, MAY 21st

1906

*Will Deliver High School Commencement Address at
the Pavillion at 8:00 P. M.*

NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING WILL BE DEDICATED.

*Prof. J. E. Stout, of Cornell College, will Deliver Dedi-
catory Address at 2 O'clock p. m.*

PROGRAMME:

2:00 P. M. AT SCHOOL GROUNDS.

Song, America.....	Public Schools
Music.....	Rhodes Concert Band
Introductory Address.....	H. G. Buck, Pres. of Board
Music.....	Band
Dedicatory Address.....	Prof. J. E. Stout, Cornell College
Music.....	Band

Reception to Visitors, Teachers and Board.

7:30 p. m. Reception to the Governor.
Band Concert and Parade.

Address, "The State Motto".....	GOV. ALBERT B. CUMMINS
Music.....	Band

The above program will be given under the auspices of the Rhodes High School, and an admission of 25 cents will be charged at the pavillion to help defray expenses. Come to Rhodes, Monday, May 21st.
COMMITTEE.

Rhodes Consolidated School

Surrounding rural independent districts joined the school in 1914 and that fall began operating as the Rhodes Consolidated School District. A north addition to the school house was built in 1904. All other additions were built in the 1940's - the gym in 1941, the shop in 1946, and the addition between the gym and the main building in 1949.

When the hot lunch program started in 1946, pupils were provided with a well balanced meal and all they could eat for 15¢. With Mr. Guthrie in charge of the lunch program, around 125 hot lunches were prepared by Maude Clement, Edna Wignall, and Vallie Rinard. Noted for being the best school cooks around, others helping Edna in the school kitchen were Lucille Baie, Esther Wilson, LaVonne Weaver, Esther Lee, Dolly Billings, Harriet Good, and Adria Gibbs.

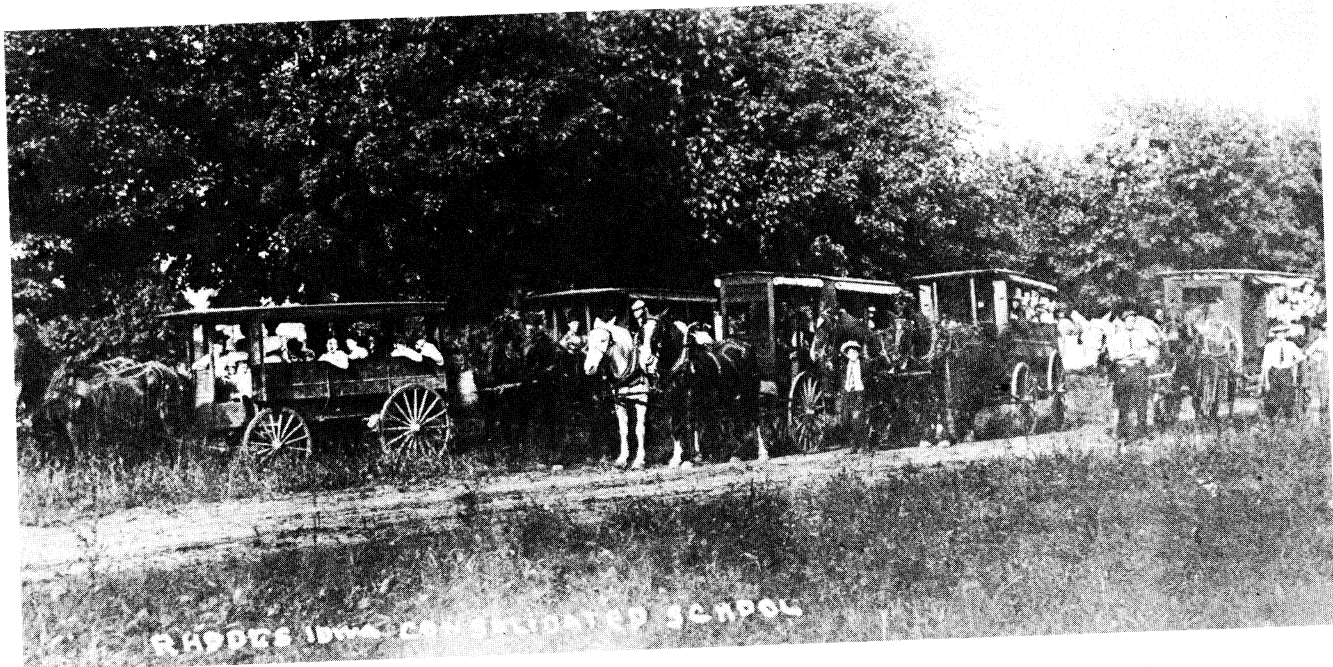
In the 1950's it became evident that school reorganization in the state of Iowa was going to effect the continued operation of the Rhodes Consolidated School (no more state aid). After an attempt to reorganize the south half of Marshall County failed by

two votes, the people of the Rhodes district voted on October 17, 1960, to join the State Center Community School District, effective July 1, 1961. The West Marshall School District was formed the next year when the voters of St. Anthony, Clemons, LaMoille, State Center, Melbourne, and Rhodes voted to make the west half of Marshall County one school district. May of 1961 saw the last class graduate from Rhodes High School. The seniors of 1962 were State Center High School graduates and from 1963 on, they graduated from W.M.H.S.

No longer to be used as a school, the old brick building was sold by the West Marshall District to Paul Trowbridge. It was used as a storage warehouse by the next owner, Tucker Auto Parts, Des Moines, and was the victim of several fires, the last one being in May of 1972. What was left of the brick structure was demolished when Jim Klaas became the owner. Frances Klaas then purchased the property from her son and has built a combination home, museum, and grocery store on the "old school block".



The Rhodes Consolidated School in 1942.



Rhodes Consolidated School horse drawn school buses.

There were 26 Superintendents in Rhodes High Schools history 1885 to 1961.

1885-86 — J.W. Nichols
 1886-87 — Simon Patton
 1887-91 — V.C. Gambell
 1891-94 — J.E. Stout
 1894-97 — Grant Flora
 1897-99 — E.A. Ford
 1899-03 — W.H. Fort
 1903-08 — F.D. Curttright
 1908-09 — C. Ellis Williams
 1909-11 — H.A. Wolcott
 1911-13 — W.E. Huff
 1913-15 — Claude Smith
 1915-16 — H.J. O'Neil
 1916-17 — H.L. Schwartz
 1917-19 — H.J. O'Neil
 1919-20 — I.J. Bradley
 1920-24 — W.B. Gregg
 1924-29 — F.W. Johnston
 1929-30 — A.M. Klaaren
 1930-39 — R.C. Ringold (who became a Marshall County Superintendent)
 1939-43 — K.T. Cook
 1943-45 — T.B. Young
 1945-46 — H.D. Johnson
 1946-49 — A.M. Lee
 1949-55 — L.L. Loofboro
 1955-59 — R.S. Bacon
 1959-61 — Lawrence Gehring

Submitted by;
 Dorothy Guthrie
 Shirley Buck

Rhodes High School

Annual Declamatory Contest

Rhodes Opera House
Friday, Feb. 13. 1920

Song..... High School Girls' Glee Club

ORATORICAL CONTEST

Grainger Buck--"The World's Orator"--Bertram G. Nelson
 Harry Haddock--"Appeal to Ireland"--Thos. F. Meagher
 Ralph Buck--"Toussaint L'Ouverture"--Wendell Phillips
 Vocal Duet--"Spring Song"--Gladys Pike, Gertrude Nirk

DRAMATIC CLASS

Amelia Bently--"The Sign of the Cross"--Wilson Barrett
 Vallie Hoy--"The Prisoner's Statement"--Blanche Brown
 Marion Roads--"Cigarette's Ride and Death"--Ouida
 Song..... High School Girls' Glee Club

HUMOROUS CLASS

Evangeline Francis--"The Hazing of Valiant"--Jesse L. Williams
 Pearl Jewell--"Behind a Curtain"
 Fern Richeson--"The Demonstrator" 9

Song..... High School Girls' Glee Club
 Announcements..... Supt. J. I. Bradley

Judges: Supt. Chas. V. Greenslit, Baxter; Supt. A. R. Finley, Tama; Supt. E. W. Kirk, Collins.

Trainer, Mrs. Della Sayra Gray.



Rhodes Band in 1959, from the left, front row: Larry Guckert, Jill Triplett, Connie Robinson, Bob Blink, Skeeter Wilson, Jerry Severidt, Roger Goodman, Dennis Buck; Second row: Cindy Richeson, Jan Shryock, Dan Good, Pat White, Director - Robert Shaw, Marlys White, Bill Robinson, John White and Phil Walker.

Rhodes High School holds 50th Commencement May 24, 1946

The 50th commencement exercises of the Rhodes High School was held in the school gymnasium at 8 o'clock Thursday evening, May 16. George C. Robinson, Professor of Government of Iowa State Teachers College at Cedar Falls, gave the address.

The following program was given: Processional, Miss Agnes Buck; Invocation, Rev. H.W. Artman; Salutatorian, Roger Horn; Accordion Duet, "Teamwork", Caroline Freese and Patricia Trowbridge; Introduction of Speaker, Supt. H.D. Johnson; Address, G.C. Robinson; Piano Solo, Scherso in E Minor, (Mendelssohn), Sara Beth Crouse; Granting of Awards, Supt. Johnson; Wayne Shelker was presented the Dramatic Award; Athletic Award was presented to Jeanne Malloy, and the Journalism Award to Larry Luig; Valedictorian, Evelyn Gray; Presentation of the Class, Nellie Scott Gregg; Presentation of Diplomas, Russell Buck, President of the Board of Education; and the Recessional, Miss Agnes Buck.

Members of the class are; Ardice Bucknell, Russell Meyer, Marjorie Dannen, Flossie Robinson, Marvin Gibbs, Wayne Shelker, Evelyn Gray, Patricia Trowbridge, Roger Horn, Bonnie Wiltsey, Jeanne Malloy. The class officers were: President, Patricia Trowbridge; Vice-President, Marjorie Dannen; Secretary and Treasurer, Evelyn Gray; and Sponsor, Supt. H.D. Johnson. Class Motto; "Hitch Your Wagon to a Star"; Colors, Tea Rose and Black; Flower, Tea Rose.



The ladies of Rhodes don't wait for an ordinance to compel them to remove their hats in public places. At the entertainment there last Monday evening every offensive high hat was held in the lap of its owner.

Athletics

It is always fun to look back to extra-curricular activities and talk about some of the times we used to have. Athletics play an important part in any school's history. They are important no matter what kind of record is established by a particular team or individual, and it is possible that just as much or more can be learned by the individuals and spectators during losing seasons. We would like to acknowledge, however, some of the high spots in the athletic history of the school.

Those in school in the 20's will remember that Rhodes once fielded a football team. Football was started in 1924 and dropped in 1929. It was probably dropped because of the small enrollment and the expense involved.

The 1931-32 girls' basketball team had the best won-lost record of any team as they won 11 games and lost 1.

The 1951-52 boys' basketball team had the best won-lost record of any boys' basketball team as they won 16 games and lost 6.

The 1945-46 girls' basketball team was the only one to win a Sectional Basketball Tournament. They were

eliminated in the district tournament by Carlisle.

The 1952-53 baseball team won the only Sectional crown in baseball in the fall of 1952. They were defeated in the district tournament in an extra-inning game 1-0 despite Roger Hoy's no-hit performance. Gary Thompson of Roland (later an All-American at Iowa State) was the deciding factor in this game.

Kae Rohrer, class of 1955, holds the single game scoring record in girls' basketball as she scored 51 points on two different occasions - in 1954 against Ferguson in the consolation game of a Sectional Tournament and in 1955 in a regular season game against Baxter.

Robert Wignall, class of 1954, holds the single game scoring record in boys' basketball as he scored 39 points against Clemons in the 1954 Marshall County basketball tournament.

Jeanette Haas, class of 1940, would have to be considered the outstanding athlete in the school's entire history as she went on to All-American recognition while playing for the AIB of Des Moines. Jeanette was inducted in the Iowa Girls' Athletic Union Hall of Fame in March of 1969.



1927 Football Team

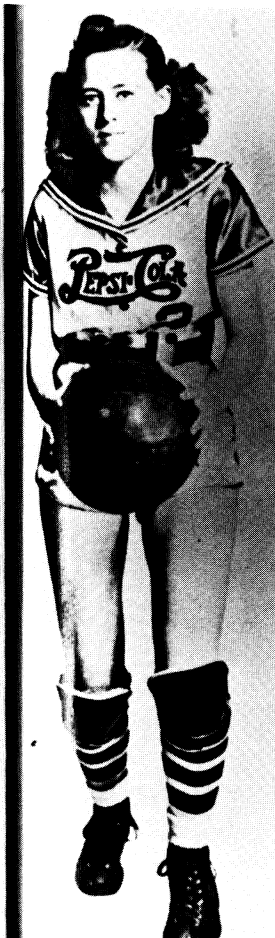
From the left, front row: Delwin Mallicoat, R.E., Harold Robinson, R.T., Willard Thursby, L.T., Martin Richeson, R.G., Harold Thursby, C., Elmer Janes, L.G. and Virgil Stevens, L.E.; Second row: Robert Richeson, R.H., Ord Smith, L.H., Elbert Pitcher, Q.B. and Vincent Morrison, F.B.



1931-32 Girls' Basketball Team — Best Record (11-1)

From the left, front row: Margaret Darling, Ada Snowgren, Evelyn Ginter, Meryle Murray, Edna Spencer, Ina Richeson and Grace Malloy; Second row: Coach - Wayne Bootman, Rhoda DeVault, Esther Thursby, Ruth Klatt, Gladys Phillips and Kathryn Haines - Manager.

All-American and Member of the Iowa Hall of Fame;
Jeanette Haas, Class of 1940.



Goldie Walker, drove a school bus at Rhodes for 18 years and 21 years in the West Marshall District.



1945-46 Girls Basketball team, from the left, front row: Dorothy Malechek, Patt Trowbridge, Jean Malloy, Caroline Freese, Flossie Robinson and Marjorie Dannen; Second row: Dorothy Guthrie, Norma Hoy, Shirley Bear, Betty Phillips, Helen Preston, Mary Ellen Richeson, Coach - William Guthrie and Wrightabelle Richeson.

Guard Officers Inspect Drill Squad

Rhodes High School, believed the first school in Marshall County to organize a volunteer drill squad since America entered World War II, had its squad inspected Wednesday night by officers of Company H, Marshalltown Unit of the Iowa State Guard, who were highly complimentary of the military training the boys had absorbed so far.

Twelve to sixteen boys, ranging in age from 14 to 17 years, have been drilling weekly in the Rhodes gymnasium under the direction of Corporal Tech. Gayle Snedecor, Rhodes Grain and Lumber Dealer who is a member of the Marshalltown Guard Company, and Wednesday night, Corporal Snedecor invited the officers of Company H. Captain John H. Young and Lieutenants C.V. Decker and E.C. Glans accompanied by Sergeant Ed Adams, to inspect the unit at Rhodes.

The boys have been trained in close order drill with arms and for a time worked out with wooden guns, but

now have a variety of pieces, including, .22 caliber rifles, .410 guage and 12 gauge shotguns. The youth's are well schooled in close order drill and in addition are well trained in the care of their pieces, all were cleaned and oiled, Captain Young said.

Both Lieutenants of the Marshalltown Company took the squad thru close order drill and at the conclusion pronounced the boys well able to work under any experienced drill master. So far they are not uniformed, but they hope to raise money to buy uniforms later.

The drill has had the full approval of school heads, school board members and now that gasoline rationing makes evening drills impractical, school authorities have said they can use the school building during the daytime for weekly workouts.

Members of the Rhodes squad who participated in the inspection were: First Sgt. Verle Crouse, Sgt. Duane Gardner, Pvts. Jack Gray, Richard Bear, Warren Buck, Max Nason, Clark Crouse, Roger Gray, John Rohrer, Martin Failor, Jerry Evans and Ronald Gardner.



1951-52 Boys Basketball Team, from the left, front row: Jerry Dunham, Harlan Wignall and Kenneth Guthrie; Second row: Norman Cheville, Max Dannen, Gene Failor, Robert Wignall, LaVerne Freese, Ron Hoy, Max Buck, Manager and Coach Ray Buckman.

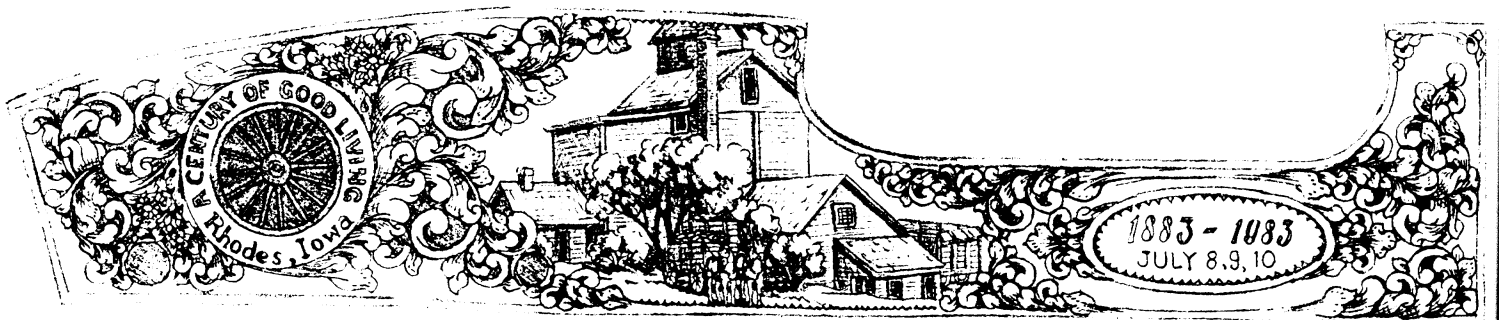
1952 FALL SECTIONAL CHAMPIONS



Boys Baseball Team, from the left, front row: Lloyd Allen, Leonard Scott, Carroll Ficken, Darrell Goodman, Marlin Hoy and Jerry Hale; Second row: Dannen, Max Buck, LaVern Freese, Jerry Dunham, Robert Wignall and Harlan Wignall; Third row: Vernon Bear, Ronnie Richeson, John Freland and Coach - Ray D. Buckman.



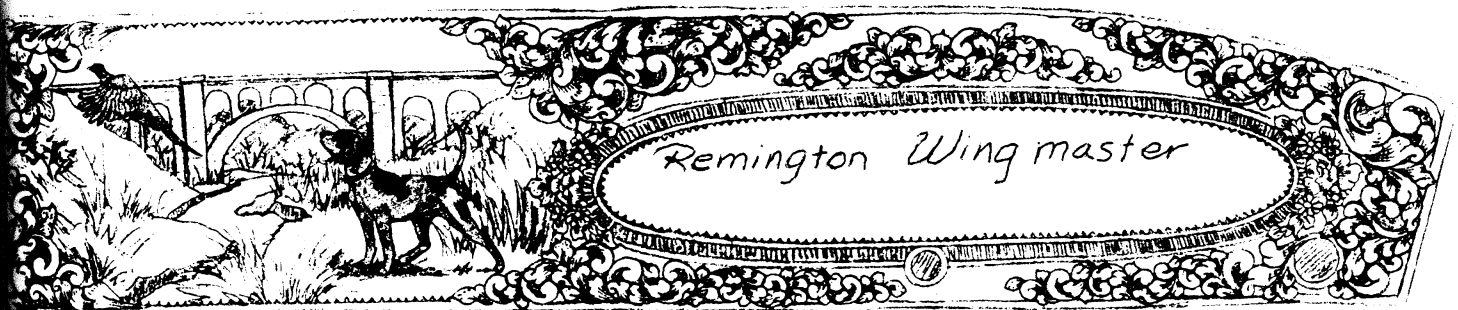
Classroom Picture around 1913-14. Front row: Edward Wignall, Glen Chamberlain, Charles E. Wignall, Judson Benner, Donald Noble, Robert Johnson, Ronald Duffy; Second row: Raymond Baie, Fred Cheville, Thad Evans, Marion Rhodes, Mildred Baker, Leota Mansfield, Ruth Tribby; Third row: Pearl Jewell, Marky Blink, Beuloh Bosch, (a visitor for the day), Emma Thorn, Gwendolyn Kennedy, Garnet Thompson, Francis Curttright, unknown, Viola Bosch, Velma Curttright; Fourth row: Arthur Merkle, Julia Williams, Harry Haddock, Fern Thorn, Helen Jewell, Superintendent - Claud D. Smith, Teacher - Miss Idella Bruce, Dick Jewell and unknown.



1983 Centennial Gun



High School Picture - 1935, front row: Duane Breunig, Donald Landis, Billy Hildreth, Charles Shryock, Harold Roberts, Robert Green, Earl Severidt, Wayne Hildreth Jr., Junior Thompson, Wilbur Williams, George Severidt, Gerald Good, Richard Robinson, Leo Malloy, Unknown, — Ludwig; Second row: Edna DeVault, June Kloppenborg, Gail Good, Darlene Jacobs, Millicent Kloppenborg, June Fuller, Dortha Good, Roberta Sink, Eva Eatwell, Edith Williams, Lois Green, Kathleen Luing, Betty Wallace, Opal Jean Baker, Hazel DeVault, Elmer Wignall, Ralph Mead, Ben Overman, Bentley, Raymond Malloy, Winnifred Richeson, Charles Roberts, Teacher - Unknown, Teacher - Mr. Ringold; Back row: Teacher - Kathryn Haines, Teacher - Miss Pifen, Grace Malloy, Marjorie Green, Kathleen Violet Murray, Rosa Overman, Irma Ladwig, Edna Tribby, Avera White Jeannette Crawford, Margaret Buck and Gwendolyn Sanders.





Class around 1925-1926. Front row: Florence Hale, Donald Lentz, Grace Baker, Clara Crawford, Opal Beye, Doris Woods, Francis Steiner, Teacher - Patterson; Second row: Chuck Buck, Irvin Camp, Gerald Richeson, Harold Wignall, George Chamberlain, Kenneth Mallicoat, Dale Huffaker, Richard Noble; Third row: August DeVault, Eugene Tribby, Walter Veach, Marjorie Humphry, Ruth Floto, Muriel Mead, Mary Bodie, Dorothy Williams; Back row: Wallace Cowan, Rollie Richeson, Good Crawford, Kenneth Jacobs, Gwendolyn Good, Della Schmidt, Marjorie Buck and Ruth Klatt.



Cundiff Twins - From the left; Bethel Tribby and Ethel Buck.



Malloy Twins - from the left Jackie and Jenny.



7th and 8th Grades - 1930. Front row: Raymond Malloy, Lloyd Landis, Loren Bentley; Second row: Earl Goodman, William Groves, Charles Roberts, Dutch Wilson, Harold Hildreth, Bill Tribby, Ronald Jones; Third row: Lois Green, Dortha Good, Isabel Cowan, Francis Haas, Grace Malloy, Mary Jefferies, June Fuller, Edith Williams, Marjorie Wilson, Gail Good, Kate Richeson; Back row: Gayle Baker, Ethel Grove, Darlene Jacob, Delbert Schmidt, Keith Good, Joe Phillips, Esther Thursby, Rhoda DeVault, Ruth Shattuck.



Walker Twins - from the left; Ruby Richeson and Ruth Walker.