

SCHOOL
DAYS

1888

1947

Elaine Outley VIII

I G R A N T you this

B O O K E I G H T

DEDICATED TO THE MILLIONS OF SCHOOL BOARD
MEMBERS WHO MAKE THE SCHOOLS TICK

MAY 1970

KATE E. EIGHTY

GRANT, IOWA

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PREFACE

The purpose of this writing is to put into one book all the facts we have on hand and can gather in time to set this up by Memorial Day. Everything published in previous books plus all new material we can get. Using the "Old folder" published by the Alumni at the time of the fiftieth anniversary of the grading of the school and the addition which brought it up to date when the highschool closed in 1947. We go on from there (or should we say we go back from there) adding many names of other pupils who have attended here during that period as well as those who graduated, trying to use a name only once in the lists. If you do not find yourself among the graduates look in the alphabetical list.

Through letters, interviews and storytelling we hope to have a good bit of reading that will help the young folks to feel older and the old folks to feel younger.

Memorial Day was set as the deadline for publication and if a supplement is warranted we'll see what we can do. When I say we it means all who have contributed in any way -- names, articles, and important information-- Lola Taylor, who is cutting the stencils, and all my family and friends who make it possible for me to do this work. "Me and my Crew", without them I could do nothing much.

May we be more interested in our schools of today; interested in improving this great heritage of the past. Be sure to read what Nora Kröger said in her interview when she first started teaching--she felt she was rich and called her students "my family."

Iowa School System Is Century Old

Fully half a million children attend the public schools of Iowa. They may trace their privilege back to January 1, 1839, when Governor Robert Lucas approved an act of the First Legislative Assembly authorizing the establishment of common schools which should be "open and free for every class of white citizens between the ages of four and twenty-one years." The county board was directed to form districts when petitioned to do so by a majority of the voters residing within a proposed district. Three trustees, a clerk, a treasurer, an assessor, and a collector were to be elected at the annual meeting.

...The school tax was not to exceed five mills on the assessed value of the property in the district or more than ten dollars a year, for any one person, payable "either in cash, or good merchantable produce at cash price."

...Governor Lucas expressed the opinion that the law "might appear to be in advance of the times."

...In 1938 Iowa contained 4,873 school districts, 21,156 members of boards of education, and 26,215 teachers. The story of public school beginnings in Iowa is told by Dr. J. A. Swisher in the September issue of "The Palimpsest."

List Of Instructors Of The
GRANT PUBLIC SCHOOL

Grant, Iowa

1886 - 1947

- 1886- --Principal, S. C. Beede; Primary,
Nell Howard
- 1887-1888--Principal, S. C. Beede; Primary,
Jessie Reitzel
- 1888-1889--Principal, Hoyt Newcome; Primary,
Julia Ellenwood.
- 1889-1890--Principal, Frank Miller; Primary,
Hattie Smith
- 1890-1891--Principal, Lawrence Focht; Primary,
Grace Finley
- 1891-1892--Principal, Lawrence Focht; Primary,
Grace Finley
- 1892-1893--Principal, C. H. Gearing; Primary,
Maud Hulbert
- 1893-1894--Principal, Manning Janes; Primary
Nellie Patton
- 1894-1895--Principal, Manning Janes; Primary,
Lena Robbins
- 1895-1896--Principal, Manning Janes; Primary,
Mrs. Anna Janes
- 1896-1897--Principal, L. L. Fees; Primary,
Blossom Weeks
- 1897-1898--Principal, Norman Leonard; Primary,
Mrs. Jennie Hewitt

- 1898-1899--Principal, Frank Galloway; Primary, Mannie Downs
- 1899-1900--Principal, Frank Galloway; Primary, Mannie Downs
- 1900-1901--Principal, James Bever; Primary, Mannie Downs
- 1901-1902--Principal, George Mankle; Primary, Nora Kenworthy
- 1902-1903--Principal, George W. Mankle, V. A. Crosswaite; Intermediate, Jennie Bridwell; Primary, Nora Kenworthy
- 1903-1904--Principal, J. H. Wescoat; Intermediate, Jennie Bridwell; Primary, Della Kenworthy
- 1904-1905--Principal, Thos. Dunn; Intermediate, Mable Burton; Primary, Marie Loomis
- 1905-1906--Principal, Chas. Neveln; Intermediate, Elizabeth Schaible; Primary, Della Kenworthy
- 1906-1907--Principal, J. P. Corcoran; Intermediate, Lena Weiss; Primary, Della Kenworthy
- 1907-1908--Principal, J.C. Shields; Assistant, Mary Hefelfinger; Intermediate, Rachel McElroy; Primary, Iva Shutes
- 1908-1909--Principal, W.C. Muilenburg; Assistant, Lena Weiss; Intermediate, Anna Marvick; Primary, Iva Shutes

- 1909-1910--Principal, W.C. Muilenburg; Intermediate, Josephine Muilenburg; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1910-1911--Principal, W.C. Muilenburg; Assistant, Cecelia Darnold; Intermediate, Josephine Muilenburg; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1911-1912--Principal, Howard Hepler; Assistant, Cecelia Darnold; Intermediate, Cleo Kimpson; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1912-1913--Principal, Mr. Phillips; Assistant, Clarice Anderson; Intermediate, Margaret Aliband; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1913-1914--Principal, L.P. Holt; Assistant, Margaret Fox; Intermediate, Betty Smith; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1914-1915--Principal, Ben Smith; Assistant, Lucille Best; Grammar, Minnie Ashby; Intermediate, Hazel Alcorn; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1915-1916--Principal, Joseph Gill; Assistant, Bessie Grover; Grammar, Margaret Telfer; Intermediate, Hazel Alcorn; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1916-1917--Principal, Ben Rogers; Assistant, Bessie Grover; Grammar, Margaret Telfer; Intermediate, Hazel Alcorn; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1917-1918--Principal, W.H. McFarland; Assistant, Miss Chapman; Grammar, Madge Greene; Intermediate, Evelyn Cochlin; Primary, Nora Kreger

- 1918-1919--Principal, Mr. Stevens, Mr. Maloney; Assistants, Mrs. Stevens, Grace Myerhoff; Grammar, Mrs. Al Zimmerman; Intermediate, Elsie Bills; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1919-1920--Principal, C.A. Moyer; Assistant, Violet Gardner; Grammar, Mrs. Al Zimmerman; Intermediate, Elsie Bills; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1920-1921--Principals, Miss Pugh, Mr. Briggs; Assistant, Frances Ganoe; Grammar, Mary Vetter; Intermediate, Violet Miller; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1921-1922--Principal, John J. Davis; Assistants, Mrs. Hengler, Miss Burns; Grammar, Laura Vaughn; Intermediate, Violet Miller; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1922-1923--Principal, John J. Davis; Assistant, Bernadine Sullivan; Miss Luella Wagner; Grammar, JoAnn Wortman; Intermediate, Violet Miller; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1923-1924--Superintendent, W.H. Hull; Principal, Miss Wagner, Miss JoAnn Wortman; Grammar, Mrs. Bess Hull, Mrs. Lou Ellenwood; Intermediate, Laura Domke; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1924-1925--Superintendent, W.H. Hull; Principal, Bernice Ware, C.W. Failor; Grammar, Blanche Goode; Intermediate, Laura Domke; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1925-1926--Superintendent, W. H. Hull; Principal, C.W. Failor; Bernice Ware; Grammar, Mrs. Failor; Intermediate, Laura Domke; Primary, Nora Kreger

- 1926-1927--Supt., W.H. Hull; Prin., R.A. Scott; Bernice Ware; Gram., Muriel Reynolds; Intermed., Treva Healy; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1927-1928--Supt., W.H. Hull; Prin., R.A. Scott; Ruth Roberts, Frances Giltner; Gram. Muriel Reynolds; Intermed., Treva Healy; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1928-1929--Supt., W.H. Hull; Prin., M.S. Nielson; Ruth Roberts, Edna Snyder; Grammar, Muriel Reynolds; Intermed., Treva Healy; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1929-1930--Supt., W.H. Hull; Prin., M.S. Nielson; Gladys Dukes, Cynthia Rickoff; Gram. Vena Spencer; Intermed., Clara Bills; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1930-1931--Supt., Frank Cox; Prin., Morris Bryson; Ruth Sievers; Gram., Vena Hawters; Intermed., Clara Bills; Prim., Nora Kreger
- 1931-1932--Supt., J.R. Coons; Prin., Morris Bryson; Nina Conner, Vera Roberts; Gram., Helen Blackburn; Intermediate, Clara Bills; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1932-1933--Supt., J.R. Coons; Prin., Morris Bryson; Nina Conner; Grammar, Helen Blackburn; Intermediate, Clara Bills, Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1933-1934--Supt., J.R. Coons; Prin., Morris Bryson; Nina Conner; Gram., Helen Blackburn; Intermed., Clara Bills; Prim., Nora Kreger

- 1934-1935--Supt., J.R. Coons; Prin., Morris Bryson; Lucille Bricken; Gram., Helen Blackburn; Intermed., Clara Bills; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1935-1936--Supt., J.R. Coons; Prin., Morris Bryson; Frances Killian; Gram., Helen Blackburn; Inter., Clara Bills, Virginia Neary; Prim., Nora Kreger
- 1936-1937--Supt., Ward Chambers; Prin., Wayne Chaney; Lucia Steeves, Miss Christy; Grammar, Helen Blackburn; Intermed., Virginia Neary; Primary, Nora Kreger
- 1937-1938--Supt., Wayne Chaney, W.H. Hull, L.C. Johnson; Prin., E. McDonough, Frank Habich; Yvonne Morrell, Lucia Steeves; Frances Starkey; Gram., Helen Blackburn; Inter., Frances Penwell; Prim., Nora Kreger
- 1938-1939--Supt., L.C. Johnson; Jack Stevens, Roland Crandle, Francis Starkey, Helen Blackburn, Nora Kreger, Anna Wheeler
- 1939-1940--Supt., L.C. Johnson, Lillian Roggue, Eugene Larson, Don Werling, Helen Blackburn, Anna Wheeler, Nora Kreger
- 1940-1941--Supt., L.C. Johnson, Joyce Bowers, Dwight Deny, Dick Williams, Helen Blackburn, Anna Wheeler, Nora Kreger
- 1941-1942--Supt. L. C. Johnson; Prin., James Vander-Hidi, Grace Thompson, Phyllis Benson, Helen Blackburn, Anna Wheeler, Nora Kreger

Werling

- 1942-1943--Supt., E.R. Blue, Ruth Cross, Lucia Schuler, Rosemary Calkins, Willa Mae Davis, Helen Blackburn
- 1943-1944--Supt., E.R. Blue, Bessie Romig, Lillie Lindquist, Helen Blackburn, Anna Wheeler, Rosemary Calkins
- 1944-1945--Supt., J.T. Riekema, Francis Morrison, Lillian Lindquist, Helen Blackburn, Anna Wheeler
- 1945-1946--Supt., R.A. Bailery, Wilma Embree, Anna Wheeler, Helen Blackburn
- 1946-1947--Supt. R.A. Bailery, Mrs. Bailery, Helen Blackburn, Muriel Rabe
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A long time ago an old timer wrote to the Grant Chief this""do you remember."

The pupils used to take turns carrying water. One day Lydia LeReaux went for water alone. On the way back to the school house Link Hunt and another boy who were a bit late, overtook her and began to tease her and in the mixup she dropped the pail- gave it a lift with her foot which sent it rolling down the hill. Jim, when questioned, 'didn't know anything about it.' Link grinned at the teacher and said "Lydia kicked the bucket." That grin saved the boys from punishment.

Q-What are the diplomats?

A.- Diplomats are the people who do the quarreling while we do the work.

List of Graduates
GRANT PUBLIC SCHOOL

Grant, Iowa
1888-1947

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1888

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|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Lena Robins-Roberts | Pearl Coucier |
| Mary Holmes- <i>Blanchard</i> | Maude Loomis-Brown |
| Sadie Smith-Grey | Chas. Houck |
| Anna Ellenwood-Shipe | Clyde Corwin |
| | Cora Rhue-Shafer |

1894

- Grace Ellenwood-
Montgomery
May Lafferty-Brick
Earl Coucier
Nora Kenworthy-Kreger

1900

- Daisy Corwin-James
Belva Sumner

1895

- May Kenworthy-Ditto
Jessie Sadler-McCue

1903

- Minnie Westrope-
Bradley
Rolla Smith
Arthur Robinson
Gertrude Davis-Tyler
Elsie Romig-Williams

1898

- Lulu Beals-Kenworthy
Ed. Brown
Debby Archer-Holtmier
Mary Ellenwood-Minick
Roy Brown

1905

- Kate Smith Givan
Fred D. Smith
Fred S. Westrope
Mary Courcier-Long
Clara Todenhagen-
Thompson
Pearl Coffman-Revell
Laura Givan-Barr

1899

- Jennie Bridwel-
Ashbaugh
Millie Kenworthy-Barr

1906

Fred C. Smith
Henry Rose
Mina Davis-Scott
Marcia Romig-Williams
Ella Todenhagen
Jay Corbin
Ollie Givan-Petty

1907

Cleo Kimpson-Parker
Maude Dotson-Burton
John Rose

1908

Alice Berg-Railstack
Ada Chew-Brown
Glade Corbin-Flatt
Ernie Long
Pearl Sprague-Davis

1909

Gladys Forsythe-
Anderson

1910

Betty Smith-Conrad
Nellie Smith-Lenz
Tillie Weston-Watson
Fern Corbin-Long
Pearl Parker-Weir
Zella Miller-
Muilenburg

1911

Fay Corbin
Leila Foote-Smith
Merrill Foote
Grant Curry

1912

Jay Ashbaugh
Jay Sprague
George Courcier
Orville Gammell
Alice Corbin-Smith
Mae Lane-Grinstead
Glenn Curry

1915

Grace Smith-Schuler
Iva Lafferty-Eggers
Elsie Bills-Dickenson
Grace Conrad-Penfold
Grace Wasmer-Schuler
Mary Smith

1916

Bessie Smith-Miller
Marion Campbell
Maurice Foote
Fern Vetter-Zappe
Welch Pogue
Ray Lary

1917

Delphia Campbell
Olive Carlton-Godden
Grace Embree-Corbin

1917 (Cont.)

Nellie Kenworthy-
Huggenberger
Ruth McCabe-Rose
Russell Neary
Russell Schuler
Zoe Bridwell

1918

Mary Vetter
Irene Moyer
Claude Porter
Francis Kenworthy

1919

Viola Weaver-Schuler
Grace Givan-Collins
Hazel Givan-Eggers
Vera Kreger-Roberts

1920

Arthur Lenz
Russell Sprague

1921

Mabel Ackerman-Hill
Gladys Figgins-Roberts
Mae Kenworthy-Blackburn
Wayne Mulholland
Lloyd Mulholland
Harold Stinemates
Beulah Shafer-Embree
Eddie Weeks

1923

Mary Blackburn-Redmon

1923 (Cont.)

Wayne Conrad
Leola Cozad-Baldwin
Glen Conrad
Edwin Curry
Margret Hendrickson-
Shafer

Alice Figgins-Shafer
Earl Roberts
Leland Romig
Josephine Smith-
Anderson

Floyd Saemisch
Jessie Sprague-Landon
Evelyn Taylor-Schuler
Lela Taylor-Bass
Herbert Roberts
Arlene Pogue-Gourley

1924

Darl Ashbaugh
Lois Blackburn-Garvis
Selma Harris-Norcros
Fern Kreger-Blohn
Theressa Roberts-
Bickford

Earl Spiker
Velma Stinemates-Spiker

1925

Clarence Ackerman
Floyd Ackerman
Harold Embree
Chester Larson
Willis Larson
Clyde Schuler
Loyal Norcross
James Breeling

1926

Ruth Askey-Eshelman
Helen Blackburn
Fern Saemisch-Shaw
Ralph Roberts
Wilber Pogue
Lenora Taylor

1927

Neva Ashbaugh-
Breeling
Ruth Ashbaugh-Turner
Lester Hendrickson
Paul Kenworthy
Lloyd Mueller
Darlene Nelson-Gamble
Donald Norcross
Roger Schuler
Lucille Shearer-
Eshelman
Mildred Shearer-
Saemisch
Ruth Stinemates-
Johnson
Clarence Tidgren
Louie McMorren

1928

Clyde Jones
Max Kilpatrick
Thelma Long-Dotson
Vernon Long
Dale Roberts
Louis Roberts
Roval Schuler
Helen Stinemates
Gerald Workman
Ruth Breeling-Pogue

1929

Geraldine Stinemates-
Slemmons
Byron Blackburn
Harold Dotson
Neva Eppelsheimer
Charles Hensel
Mabel Hensel-Weaver
Lester Mueller
DeVerda Parrott-Nelson
Rueben Patterson
Alta Mae Richardson
Lyle Roberts
Howard Schuler
Loyal English
Lester Weaver
Leora Fisher-Roberts

1930

Vernon Ackerman
Harriett Breeling-
Kenworthy
Kenneth Brown
Erma Hepler-Neilson
Leona Mueller
Lucille Muller-Hanton
Basil Norcross
LeRoy Parrott
Alice Rose-Kenworthy
Bruce Rothe
Dorothy Starlin-Hensel
Helen Watson-Taylor
Opal Weaver-Norcross
Harold White
Lela English-Bills

1931

Vern Hensel

1931 (Cont.)

Fred Dotson
 Howard Kenworthy
 Gerald Schuler
 Marion Hartness
 Fern Cozad-Westover
 Verda Mullen-Roth
 Genevieve Dewees-
 Baldwin
 Estella Cox
 Virginia Blackburn-
 Campbell

1932

Ruby Conrad-Woodring
 Lola Schuler-Taylor
 Goldie Kenworthy-Frey
 Delbert Starlin
 Cecil Hall
 Loren Shearer

1933

Thelma Hines-Taylor
 Evelyn Starlin-Vale
 Frances Screnson-
 Roberts
 Verl Hall
 Glenn Knee
 Willis Schuler
 Harry Weaver
 Max Shafer

1934

Dorothy McClelland
 Mary Workman-
 Samuelson
 Lola Roberts-
 Geneva Conrad-

1934 (Cont.)

Agnes Moore
 Russell Dotson
 Carl Mueller
 Lyle V. Mueller
 Willard Muller
 Everett Davis
 Clair Hepler
 Wayne Taylor
 Carroll Zappe
 Max Schuler
 Donald Thompson
 Russell Larson
 Jennie Dotson

1935

Velma Ackerman-Groghan
 Slair . Ashmore
 Stanley Bridwell
 Lola Courcier-Hug
 Bonnie Davis-Hepler
 Owen J. Davis
 Lloyd Hensel
 Beatrice Hines-Adams
 Gordon Long
 Kenneth Mueller
 Darwin Mullen
 Newton Muller
 Elmer Rothe
 Lola Smith-Ogden
 Delmar Taylor
 Leta Wohlenhaus

1936

Maurice Fisher
 Morris Roberts
 Arnold Long
 Vernon Taylor
 Edna Barnes-Sunderman

1936 (Cont.)

Max Miller
Donald Brown
Lola Mueller-Long
Alva Sorenson
Billie Rose
Everett Muller
Stanley Taylor

1937

Pauline Karwal-
Rasmussen
Roscoe Kenworthy
Gerald Parker
Bernadine Porter-
Fisher
June Ruhl-Stecker
Loren Taylor
Loretta Vetter-Barr
Clair Wohlenhaus
Lyle Taylor

1938

Eunice Embree-VanEaton
Stanley Embree
Ruby Davis-Brown
William Chalmers
Jean Penwell-Mossman
Leah Acree-White
Gedna Barr-Erickson
Bobby Barr
Sterling Miller
Everett Oster
Hillis Peterman-DeVoss
Bernard Focht
Maxine Larson-Morrison
Marvin Penfold

1939

Rex Grinstead
Van Corbin
Don Bryson
Robert Enarson
Charles Mullen
Gale Dolch
Bennie Davis
Kenneth Jarvis
Lois Muller-Sorenson
Dorothy Porter-Barr
Phyllis Embree-Barr
Willa Mae Davis-Koplin
Maxine Vetter-Orstad
Charlotte Lake-Miller
~~Doris Porter-Knee~~
1940

Nadine Westerlund-Ruhl
Dorothy Vetter-Gridley
Wilma Penfold-Embree
Anna Marie Chalmers-
Parker

Lois Porter
Billy Knee
Boyd Porter
Raymond Smith
Kenneth Gridley
Jack Taylor
Bernard Parker
Wanda Ingram
Darwin Richardson
Leo Rudig
Norman Long

1941

Elaine Corbin-Artlip
Cleo Courcier-Selby
Maxine Rogers

1941 (Cont.)

Dale Orstad
Sam McConoughey
Gerald (Jim) Peterman
Dennis Davis
Dennis Porter
Deward Parks
Donavan Harris

1942

Mary Chalmers-Walden
Mary Corbin-Sasse
Phyllis Bryson-Lind
Bonnie Ruhl-Taylor
Ella Westerlund-
Johns
Wanda Knee-Grant
Ress Porter
Robert Taylor

1943

Ruth Hensel-Olson
Phyllis Porter-Taylor
Keith Rogers
Kenneth Rogers
Everett Courcier
Russell Orstad
Eugene Parker
Mary Lenz-Chalmers
Lawrence Foote

1944

Shirley Corbin-Franey
Darlene Blue
Betty Jenkins
Robert Bryson

1945

Joan Linder-Moran
Deloris Orstad-Weaver
Wilma Parker-Miller
Gertrude King-Hanson
Leo Spiker
Marvin Embree
Junior Wohlenhaus
Edwin Foote
Dean Westover
Marcella Bryson-Jarvis
Wanda Courcier-
Johnson

1946

Theodore Lenz, Jr.
Dolores Dotson-
Colclessor

1947

Mary Bryson-Weston
Betty Weston-Myers
(the last graduating
class)

OUT OF THE REGULAR RUN

Reports of notable occurrences by Red Oak Sun reporters

Graduation at Milford

June 4, 1888--When Professor Beede became principal here two years ago he established a graded system and a course of study covering nine years work. The first graduating exercises in the history of Milford schools were held last Friday evening in the M. E. Church, which was crowded. The class numbered four, namely, Misses Anne Ellenwood, Sadie M. Smith, Mary S. Holmes, Hellean Robbins. The church was prettily decorated with flowers. E. Blanchard, W.H. Ellenwood, and W.B. Blackburn, members of the board of education had seats on the platform, as also had the Rev. W.E. Harvey with Professor Beede and the graduating class. Frank Smith assisted in the music with his violin, and Seth Smith, Will and Otto Blackburn and Professor Beede sang a quartet.

Rev. Harvey opened the exercises with an invocation, Miss Anne Ellenwood gave the salutatory, but there was no valedictory. The essays were: "Hold Fast That Which Is Good," Sadie Smith; "The Public School," Anne Ellenwood; "The Schoolmasters Guests," Mary Holmes; "Everyday Science," Hellean Robbins.

Included in the music was a class song. Professor Beede made an address to the class, E. Blanchard, president of the board of education followed in a short address conferring the diplomas. The exercises were of a high order and have received much praise. There were no bouquets or other offerings to the graduates, a rule barring them having been adopted.

The enrollment in our schools the past year has been nearly 100. There were 15 tuition pupils. The work of the year has been first class. Professor Beede will not teach here the coming year.

Nora Kregar

"After Will's death I tried sewing but with two little ones and Grandpa to look after and everyone wanting sewing done at a certain time I soon could not go on with it. I clerked in Vetter's store for a year. Then one day Alex Shafer, president of the board, was standing by the old big stove there in the store and he asked me to try teaching again. Vera was old enough to go to school. Meanwhile my sister Della and Mr. Kregar were married, so they took care of Fern and in 1909 I started on 33 consecutive years of teaching in the same school, making 42 years teaching in all.

"When I began teaching again they had added an extra room upstairs so there were 3 teachers. One of the principals hit upon a plan of punishment for high school students that would not only be a punishment but would produce effective results. If they were going to act childish they must go downstairs in the children's room--and they came down. Not only for cutting up during school time but sometimes during the noon hour. I remember one day a young woman and a young man got into a real bang 'em up fight and they came downstairs--one of them had a broom, I don't remember which one. I settled that fight. One day a student upstairs had something on a long string which he dangled out the window and pulled up and down to attract the attention of the small children out at play and kept them near the school house squealing as they tried to catch it. Niles Roberts was sent down one day because he wouldn't do his arithmetic. His Mother told me afterwards that he learned more in that 15 minutes than in all the rest of the term.

"I believe the best program I ever put on, at least it brought the most compliments, was a health program. Edwin Burt's son, Vernon, was the reader and had a verse about each act. The boys made a cow, you know how. The cow re-

presented milk. There were costumes and placards for apples, orange juice, cabbage, carrots, potatoes, and so on. At another time we had a quartette, Grant Curry, Nellie Smith, Leila Foote and Ernie Long. They could sing and were very good.

"I taught in the Methodist Sunday School more than fifty years--primary, a boy's class and the young married people.

"I taught parents, their children and their grandchildren. During my first years I did the cleaning of the school room, built the fires, carried water--all for \$27 a month, and I thought I was rich.

"Now the pupils are scattered near and far. Many remember me with greetings. I call them "My Family."

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Finish every day and be done with it. You have done what you could; some blunders and absurdities crept in--forget them as soon as you can. Tomorrow is a new day. You shall begin it well and serenely, and with too high a spirit to be encumbered with your old nonsense. * EMERSON

"After all I believe the nicest days are not those on which anything very splendid or wonderful or exciting happens, but those that bring simple little pleasures, following one another softly, like pearls slipping on a string."

"No man gets ready for an emergency in a moment. What he is in an emergency is determined by what he has regularly been doing for a long time."

GRANT SCHOOL, 1914

May 14, 1914--The contract for construction of the new school building has been let for \$15,895 and the old building sold for \$5. Rev. C.F. Smith, purchaser of the building, began today razing it to the ground. The contract terms say the new building must be completed by November 1.

September 10, 1914--SCHOOL OPENS NEXT WEEK MONDAY--For the first time in over a century the school year will open without the usual ding dong of the old school bell. The bell in the Methodist Church will be used to call the boys and girls together. As stated in our last issue the new building will not be ready for occupancy before November.

The primary grades will occupy the large hall on the main floor of the Masonic Building; grades three and four will occupy the lecture room of the Methodist Church; grades six, seven and eight will occupy the large hall on the second floor of Wahlund's store; and the high school will be in the building recently vacated by the Coffee & Erwin Co.

The teachers who will have charge of the schools are as follows:

Ben Smith, Principal
Miss Lucile Best, Assistant Principal
Miss Minnie Ashby, 6th, 7th and 8th
Miss Lela Alcorn, 3rd, 4th and 5th
Mrs. Nora Kreger, 1st and 2nd.

PUPILS IN THE GRANT SCHOOLS

This week (September, 1914) we are publishing the names of all the boys and girls who are attending the Grant Public Schools. Below is the list of classes classified according to grade.

11th Grade

Grace Conrad, Elsie Bills, Ivah Lafferty,
Frank Vetter, Fay Corbin, Guy Embree, Grace
Smith, Grace Porter.

10th Grade

Fern Vetter, Bessie Smith, Welch Pogue,
Maurice Foote, Marion Campbell, Grace Wasmer.

9th Grade

Olive Carlton, Clarence Givan, Mona
Kenworthy, Mildred Craig, Grace Embree, Zoe
Bridwell, Delbert Campbell, Nita Courcier,
Dallas Porter, Harry Weston, Niles Roberts,
Claude Porter, Russell Schuler, Lloyd Curry,
Harry Jarvis, Estella Curry, Nellie Kenworthy,
Vera Davis, Ruth McCabe, Russell Neary, Scott
Mehaffey, Maurice Blackburn.

8th Grade

Gertrude Roberts, Beryl Roberts, John
Fisher, Albert Corbin, Francis Kenworthy, Linn
Schuler, Aleda Blackburn, Jennie Givan, Mary
Vetter, Grace Givan.

7th Grade

Evelyn McConoughey, Byron Porter, Edward
Perry, Dayle Sprague, Virgil Kenworthy, Hazel
Givan, Hazel Courcier, Vera Kregen, Mabel
Craig, Walter Perry.

6th Grade

Russell Sprague, Gertrude McConoughey,
~~Lorna~~ Foote, Mabel Lafferty, Harold Roberts,
Gladys Smart.

5th Grade

Wayne Mulholland, Theron Mercer, Lloyd
Mulholland, Howard Porter, Arlie Bills, Mabel
Ackerman, Mildred Roberts, Eva Sprague, Max
Smart, Ira Pigsley, Margaret Schuler, Opal
Courcier, Edith Bacon, Harold Stinimates,
Clara Bills.

4th Grade

Earl Miner, Fred Lafferty, Herberts Roberts, Jessie Givan, Laura Miner, Thelma Wier, Royal Wier, Mary Blackburn, Alice Sprague, Murle Sturdy, Lois Blackburn, Jessie Sprague, Arline Pogue.

3rd Grade

Clarence Ackerman, Darl Ashbaugh, Theressa Roberts, Velma Stinemates, Fern Kreger, Leonard Smart, Ruth Smith, Ruth Scott.

2nd Grade

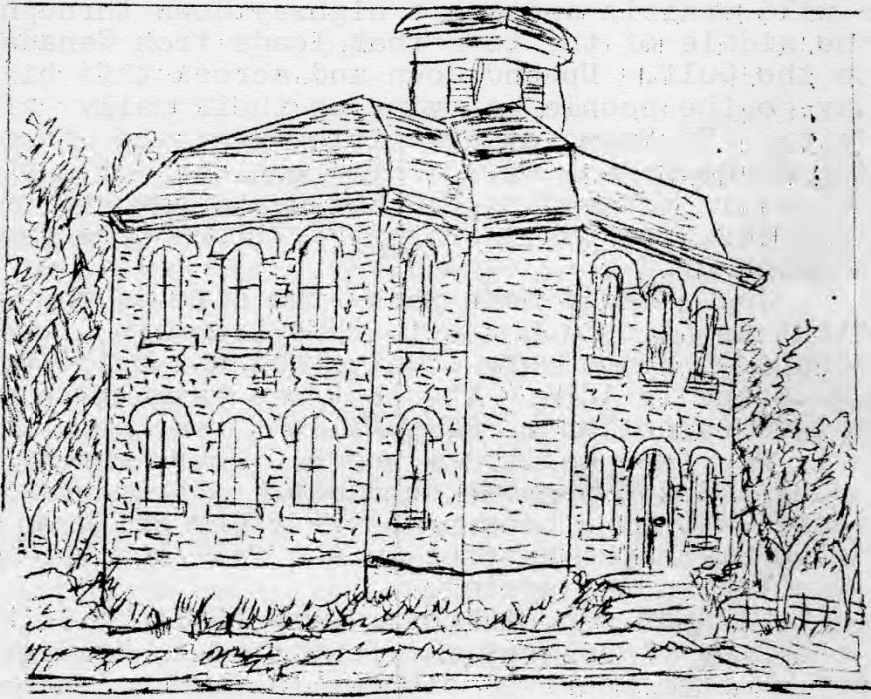
Wesley Smith, Floyd Bills, Laurence Sprague, Howard Sprague, Floyd Ackerman, James Kenworthy, Howard Wohlenhaus, Edna Lunney, Leta Hughes, Wanetta Holcomb, Bernice Holcomb, Jennie Miner, Vera Smart, Gladys Wohlenhaus.

1st Grade

Mabel Courcier, Hazel Bryant, Helen Blackburn, Hazel Croft, Janice Foote, Vera Miers, Opal Lafferty, Kenneth McConoughey, Ralph Givan, Ralph Roberts, Harold Power, Chester Larson, Charley Pigsley, Norman Egbert, Charles Egbert, Vera Zimmerman, Pearl Durhan.

January 7, 1915--The board of education did not accept the new building completed a few weeks ago. Messers Courcier and Ashbaugh were not satisfied, Messers Corbin and McConoughey were in favor. D. Vetter, the president, was at the bed side of his father in Stanton. Finally they got together with the architect from Omaha and the contractor from Creston and accepted the new building, the contractors turning back a sum of money. It is expected that the dedicatory exercises will take place in a week or two.

School days, School days,
Dear old golsen rule days
Readin' and writin' and rithmatic
Taught to the tune of a hickory stick,
You were my queen in calico, I
Twas your barefoot bashful beau,
You wrote on my slate "I love you Joe,
When we were a couple of kids.



The Bottom of the Hill-- The First School House

The Grant School has a wonderful history covering hundreds of teachers, hundreds of graduates and thousands of pupils. It began at the bottom of the hill and ended at the top where you look out over a land that was once a wild prairie and see a highway down through the middle of the town that leads from Canada to the Gulf. Up and down and across this highway go the people carrying on their daily affairs. Ed Brown oldest living graduate from the Grant school says: "The outreach of our school is tremendous. Grant was a town before Atlantic, Red Oak, Corning, Villisca were even thought of."

Jack Ruhl's home marks the site of the first log school house in this township, the second in Montgomery County, and was built by Wm. Stipe in 1856. The cost was between thirty and forty dollars. Miss Wilson, teacher, was paid fourteen dollars a month. There were about a dozen regular scholars. Attendance varied with the season as the older children helped with the harvest in the fall and the planting in the spring.

Pioneer school houses were built of logs, heated by fireplaces and furnished in primitive style after approved pioneer fashion. Benches were slabs with stout pegs for legs. The desks were made by boring holes in the logs with a two inch auger, driving in pins and placing across them an undressed board forming a rude shelf. This desk was exclusively for the use of the scholars who had their backs toward the teacher when they were writing or ciphering at the desk. Copy books were made by stitching a few pages of foolscap together with strong twine covers. Foolscap, so called from a mark of fools cap and bells used by some gamblers. Puncheon floors were broad heavy

pieces of roughly dressed timbers having one flat hewed side. Clap-board roof, a lapping weather-board, usually with one side thicker than the other. And do not forget the water bucket with dipper, also, small wash basin. One of the big boys or a couple of the smaller children might be excused from study to fetch a pail of water from the nearest well.

THE TOP OF THE HILL

In 1876 a two acre lot was purchased at the top of the hill north of town and a brick school house was built 30X40 feet, two stories high, with mansard roof and belfray. School opened with 108 pupils, J.C. Andrews and G.W. Holmes teachers. The brick was burned in the kiln near the old cemetery. Mansard is a roof with a double pitch on all sides--called mansard after Francois Mansard, a French architect who revived it.

Being a graded school located in the north east corner of Montgomery County, Milford drew scholars from both Cass and Adams counties and anyone in town with a barn or shed could rent a stall to ambitious scholars going back and forth from home to school.

High school was added in the early 1900's and as the town boomed with the A.N.&S. railroad was built the increased population called for a larger building with better equipment. In 1914 the contract was let for such a building which was completed and occupied January 1915.

Close of Milford School--1909

There were no graduating exercises (only one graduate, Gladys Forsythe Anderson) this year, for the entire class being out of school for several weeks on account of measles. There will be a good-sized graduating class for next year. The teachers closed...with the praise...of the patrons...Not for years has such entire satisfaction been given. --The Red Oak Sun

Why Was The School Called Milford

The most asked question is "why was the name of this town changed from MILFORD to GRANT? Why did 'they' choose Grant?" No one knows who "they" is but we do know that in 1853 the earliest settlers often followed Indian trails and the ford on the Nodaway was well used and very well chosen because there is a good rock bottom and at usual, water level not too deep for easy passage. Samuel M. Smith chose a spot near the ford to build his mill in 1856 and on the east side of the building in bold letters was painted MILFORD. The mill was there two years before the town was laid out by Thomas Donoho and sold to Mr. Smith and automatically named Milford.

The second question follows: Why was the name Grant chosen? U. S. Grant, a great Civil War general, was elected president of the United States about the time the post office was changed. The rules of the post office prescribe that "...there must not be in the same state two offices of the same name". Milford in Dickenson County near the northern boundary of Iowa was established earlier. The Post Office Department is a maker of maps of states showing post routes and so the name had to be changed. The school and the town was long called Milford and letters addressed to Milford, Montgomery County might be received here. Where old clippings are used we usually give them as they are written.

With Frankfort our County seat, Lewis the County seat of Cass, Quincy the County seat of Adams, Milford, with the mill as a focus and good schools, was considered a fine trading post. The Burlington Railroad was building across Iowa and soon reached Ottumwa--surveys were being made for spurs and roads to the south, and Milford was thinking railroad from the first.

Some Old School Records

S.E. Smith was in the office the other day and brought in the first school register used in what is now the independent school district of Grant. The register dates from March 5th, 1865. O.L. Caywood was the first chairman and C.W. Mercer the first secretary of the school board. Some of the first directors: Wm. Stipe, S.M. Smith, H.N. McConoughey, D. T. Embree and A.L. Wilson. The following families had children attending school at that time: Mercer, Frakes, Good, Allard, Samuel M. Smith, J.M. Smith, Seth M. Smith, Milton Smith, Westrope, McConoughey, Wilson, Andrews and Brooks. The first teacher was E. H. Mercer, who received the magnificent salary of 25.00 per month. Other teachers who taught in those early days were Lovisa Good, Mary R. Temple, Mary T. Dickson, Julia S. Burton, Nancy Beebe, Felicia Andrews, S. Manning, Sarah F. Donoho and Mary J. Campbell.

The first frame schoolhouse in the district was located where the livery stable used to be and Earl Spikers body shop now stands.

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The top of the hill is not until
The bottom is below
And you have to stop
When you get to the top
For there is no more up to go.

To make it plain let me explain
The utmost reason why
We cannot stop
When we reach the top,
We've just begun to fly.

ALUMNI

The alumni was organized in 1905 and started by honoring that class with a four course banquet and elaborate program of toasts, music and speaking that was hard to live up to in following years. In 1938 the fiftieth class was honored with a brochure giving names of all teachers and graduates. Each member received this favor and it has been remembered as an outstanding year. Nora Kreger, class of '94, helped Fern Zappe, '16, to prepare the pamphlet.

Alumni Banquet 1905

INVITATION

The Alumni Association of the Grant High School requests the honor of your presence at the Annual Banquet on Friday, June the second Nineteen Hundred Five at 8:30 o'clock at the Town Hall.

Tickets fifty cents

PROGRAM

Music... ..Orchestra
Invocation.....Rev. Duling
Solo.....Belva Sumner, '01
Oration.....Earl Courcier (Pres.)
"A Voice From Alumni"
Response.....Fred D. Smith, '05
Cornet Solo.....Russell Beals
Reading.....Clara E. Case
"Thru the Flood"
Solo.....Bonnie Carpenter
Coronet Solo.....B. F. McCue

BANQUET

Toastmaster, Rev. Duling
Toast.....Minnie Westrope
"Our Banquet"
Toast.....Ed Brown
Toast.....Mrs. Millie Barr
Toast.....Mrs. Nora Kreger
(continued)

MENU

First Course
Soup
Second Course
Thin bread and butter Potato Chips
Chicken Salad
Olives Sweet Pickles
Coffee
Third Course
English Walnuts Fruit
Fourth Course
Strawberry Sundii
Angel Food Chocolate Cake

The highschool was closed in 1947 with only two graduates, Mary Bryson and Betty Weston. Then at the close of the seventieth year, ten years after the close of the highschool a homecoming banquet was planned, and a booklet bringing the names of instructors and graduates up to date was the favor taken from the records by Mrs. Kenneth Mueller.

Alumni Banquet 1957
Invitation

The Grant PTA Association requests your presence at an Alumni Banquet to be held in the Grant Methodist Church Friday evening, May 24 at 7:00 P.M. Each graduate entitled to one guest. Reservations are to be placed by May 17 for those attending. Please remit \$1.00 per person a plate with name and address to Mrs. Deloris B. Weaver, Box 183, Grant, Iowa. Open house at the school house from 4 P.M. to 6 P.M. Public dance at the Legion Hall following banquet and entertainment at the church.

Menu

Tomato Juice Cocktail
Ham Loaf Mashed Potatoes Gravy
Creamed Peas Pear & Cottage Cheese Salad
Rolls & Butter--Jelly Relish Plate
Pineapple Ice Box Dessert Coffee (cont.)

Program

Open House.....4:00P.M. to 6:00P.M.
Helen Blackburn, Mrs. Ed Curry..Hostess
Mrs. Donald Brown.....Charge of Guest Book
Invocation.....Rev. C. M. Rowe
Toastmaster.....Junior (J.L.) Wohlenhaus
Welcome.....Mrs. Dean Westover, Pres. PTA
Response from Alumni..Carl Mueller
Community Singing.....Mrs. Gerald Taylor
Pianist.....Mrs. Clarence Lenz
Piano Solo.....Mrs. Dean Westover
Vocal Solo.....Mrs. Clyde Schuler
Piano Duet.....Cydel & Judy Schuler
Musical Numbers.....Duane & Dennis Taylor

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1937

The Grant High School Alumni

Mr. Carl R. Mueller, Pres.

Reception Theme, "The Ladder of Success"

Thirtieth Annual Program

Friday, May 21, 1937

Mrs. C. W. Givan, Chairman

Music and Group Singing

Processional

Invocation Rev. F. A. Moore

Alumni Welcome Mr. Carl R. Mueller

Class Response June Ruhl

Duet--Selected Helen Blackburn, Lola Schuler.

Speakers:--Mrs. Nora Kreger

Mrs. Lena Roberts

Mrs. Wm. Westover, Jr.

Mr. Russell Dotson

Mr. Max Miller

Address..... Mr. Wayne Conrad,
Belle Plaine

Committee Chairmen:

Reception, Mrs. Howard Kenworthy

Invitation, Mrs. Ernest Long

Decorating, Mrs. Earl Spiker

Refreshment, Mrs. Fred Penfold

ITEMS FROM AN OLD SCRAPBOOK

November 1928--Marie Stewart visited high school with Goldia Kenworthy Monday forenoon.

Two busts, Washington and Lincoln, were presented to the high school by the Class of 1928.

The G.H.S. Glee Club will sing at the Red School house Friday evening. The club was organized with Miss Snyder, instructor. They have been practicing since the first of the year and this will be their first appearance.

Mabel Hensel and Charles Hensel entertained the senior class at a party a week ago but Fern Cozad had to postpone the party she had planned for the sophomores this week because of bad weather.

Many attended the program and box supper at Little Red schoolhouse Friday evening. The program lasted two hours. The GHS Glee Club sang two songs. Fifteen boxes were sold and the proceeds was over \$50. Lucile Wilson of Villisca won a cake for being the most popular lady, a pair of socks was given to Tim Moyer as the laziest man, Harriet Breeling and Gilbert Johnson were presented an airplane as the most lovesick couple. Lunch of pie and coffee was served by the women of the district.

Students of the Grant school stood at attention for two minutes facing the east Monday morning, November 11, at eleven o'clock. School was dismissed at noon until Tuesday morning.

In 1929--The Alumni asked a correspondent for a correction. There were 18 members, 9 girls and 9 boys in the class of 1923. Last week it was stated there were 17 members. Nevertheless, it is the largest class to graduate since the 12th grade was added and was still the largest by one when the high school closed in 1947. There were five classes with two graduates and

and one with only one graduate. A total of about 365 graduates. In 1925 the class was 8 boys--In 1910, 6 girls.

1931, Eighth Grade--The class play for the 8th grade of the Grant school was presented at the school building Friday, May 1. The cast of the play "A Case of Suspension", included the following students: Clair Ashmore, Gordon Long, Paul Petty, Owen Davis, Stanley Bridwell, Lola Courcier, Velma Ackerman, Lola Mueller, Edna Barnes. . . . The Grant school has had an enrollment of 45 in the high school, 55 in the grades this year. . . . Member of the School Board are: Dr. D.J. Chalmers, R.A. Wilson, G.S. Embree, L.D. Foote and George Stinemat, president.

The senior class play, 1931, "The Girl Who Forgot" was presented Tuesday of this week in the high school auditorium with a cast that included every member of the class. The various roles were portrayed as follows: Jason, Gerald Schuler; David Baird, Marion Hartness; Rose Ray, Virginia Blackburn; Gretta, Fern Cozad; Linda Gray, Verda Mullen; Albans Creston, Fred Dotson; Pearl Daws, Genevieve Dewees; Giles Elton, Vern Hensel; Judy Elton, Estella Cox; Gustav Severnson, Howard Kenworthy. Miss Ruth Sievers, faculty member, directed.

Baccalaureate service was held Sunday night at the Grant Methodist Church with Rev. A. Breeling giving the address. Music for the baccalaureate and commencement was furnished by the Glee Club. The Blackburn girls also gave one number.

The Junior-Senior banquet was served at the Johnson Hotel in Red Oak, Wednesday evening May 6. The toast program was centered around "A Rose." Yellow tea rose is the senior class flower. The welcome was given by Ruby Conrad, president of the Juniors and the response by Fern Cozad. Toast given were: "Fragrance and Beauty," Verda Mullen; "Thorns", Goldia Kenworthy; "Leaves," Mrs. Beryl Roberts. Guests

besides the two classes and the faculty, were Beryl Roberts, Mrs. Frank Cox and Lola Schuler.

Friday afternoon, the parents and friends of the children enjoyed a very excellent program put on by the grades. . . . The public speaking class gave a program before the Assembly which was full of spice and fun. After a "Topsy Turvy" song the glee club sang a number followed by the reading of the highschool newspaper by six of the girls. Not a student or a faculty member escaped mention. A short skit, "King of the Canibal Islands," was given followed by a reading by Fern Cozad.

Alumni--May 1931--

A banquet is a time of wholesome fun and the program need not be toasts. When the basement of the church was finished a plan for holding alumni receptions following commencements was carried out successfully.

Following the commencement program the members of the class, faculty and school board were guests at the alumni reception held in the church basement. The alumni was organized in 1905 and since that time no class has gone out from the school without its welcome and entertainment. Instead of discontinuing the association when interest lagged and finances were very low the expensive banquet was abandoned and a reception with just a free will offering by alumni members was adopted with entire success. Miss Opal Weaver, president, presided as toastmistress this year. A candle lighting service was used stressing the light of learning from which clean thoughts, bright hopes and conscientious work are kindled. These three lights were presented by Ruth Stinemat, Glen Conrad and Alice Rose. The graduates received the light and with their candles held high in the center of the room, everyone stood and pledged with them to keep the lights burning. Miss Weaver was a very able and praiseworthy master of ceremonies.

1931--Schools through the township have closed and vacation has begun for some of the students while for others it is the beginning of steady work at the jobs they have chosen. Superintendent E.L. Simmons in his commencement address told the seniors: "You are very fortunate to be graduating in 1931, during this period of deflation when everything is at the bottom instead of four years ago when everything was at the top. You can begin at the bottom and work right on up to success as times get better and do not need to know the discouragement of having received high wages or high prices and having to take a drop."

Fred Dotson and Howard Kenworthy entered business college in Omaha this week. Estella Cox and Virginia Blackburn are attending summer school at Red Oak. Genevieve Dewees is visiting in Des Moines, and the other seniors, Fern Cozad, Verda Mullen, Gerald Schuler, Marion Hartness and Vern Hensel are working at home.

Part of the highschool--juniors, seniors, and a few sophomores celebrated the close of school at a picnic at Lewis Lake and the freshmen and others went on a skating party to Horton Mills. The grades had their picnic Thursday.

8th Grade Graduation--Two of the rural 8th grade graduates were on the honor roll, Delmar Taylor and George Devoss. Mae Watson did not attend the graduation exercises at Red Oak Friday. The others are Beatrice Hines, Bonnie Davis, Ralph Bryant and Reva Hayes and Lloyd Hensel. Parents and friends who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hensel, and daughters Ruth and Iris, M.A. Foote, Mrs. Fred Davis and daughters, Ruby and Willa, and Dorothy McClelland.

Five are speaking in the declamatory contest this year. Fern Cozad, Opal Weaver, Cleone Watson, Goldia Kenworthy and Lola Schuler under the direction of Miss Rickhoff, Instructor.

Sixth, seventh, and eighth grades were entertained at the school house at a backward party Thursday evening. The pupils went in families and the prize for the best costumes went to the following group: Mary Workman, pa; Geneve Conrad, ma; Kenneth Mueller, little girl; Cecil Keith and Everett Davis, twins. Upon arrival the families were divided into two groups, Iowa City against Ames and Iowa City was the highest point winner.

Basket Ball--1930--The Wales basket ball teams played at Grant Friday night. The girls score was Grant 19, Wales 13; Boys, Wales 25, Grant 20. The lineup of the girls is as follows: Helen and Dorothy Watson, forwards, Erma Hepler and Dorothy Starlin, guards, Harriet Breeling, running center, Lola Schuler, jumping center, Virginia Blackburn and Cleone Watson, substitutes. Players on the boys team are: Howard Kenworthy, center, Fred Dotson, forward, Harold White, forward, Basil Norcross and Gerald Schuler, guards, Marion Hartness and Vernon Ackerman, substitutes.

The girls district tournament was held at Exira, March 13, 14, 15. The team representing Grant was Erma Hepler, Dorothy Starlin, guards; Harriet Breeling, Lola Schuler, centers; Helen Watson, Dorothy Watson, forwards.

The Grant "Pirates" town team played at Stanton Wednesday night, the score Grant 38 and Stanton 31. They will play Atlantic there Tuesday night.

In 1929 the highschool orchestra included Verda Mullen, piano; Willis Schuler, cornet; Zeta Fay and Lucile Mueller, saxaphones, and Gerald Schuler, drums.

1930--Junior Class Play--"Mammy's Little Wild Rose" was the class play chosen by the Juniors and presented at the Grant high school. The characters are: Mammy Celia, Lola Schuler; Joe, Marion Hartness; Daniel French, Fred Dotson;

Rose O'May, Virginia Blackburn; Peggy French, Genevieve Dewees; Lester Van, Vern Hensel; Carver, Howard Kenworthy; Letty Van, Verda Mullen; Hester O'May, Dorothy Watson; Mrs. Courtswain, Fern Cozad; Babe Joan, Bernice Long; Orpheus, Gerald Schuler. Babe Joan and Orpheus were so funny that they kept the audience roaring for a full five minutes before they could go on with the play.

May 27, 1915--Next week will be a busy one for the class of 1915. Baccalaureate services in the Methodist Church, Rev. C.F. Smith preaching the sermon. Monday night, faculty banquet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L.D. Foote. Tuesday evening commencement exercises, Rev. J.G. Duling, former pastor delivering the address. Rev. Duling delivered the addresses to the classes of 1910 and 1912. Friday evening the class play, "Miss Fearless and Company", presented at the Methodist Church. Following is the cast of characters, trained by Miss Ida Robb of Creston: Miss Margaret Henley, an heiress, Fern Vetter; Miss Euphemia Addison, her chaperone, Grace Conrad; Miss Sarah Jane Lovejoy, from the Lost Nation, Elsie Bills; Kattie O'connor, Miss Hensley's servant, Ivah Lafferty; Miss Barbara, Eva Ashbaugh; Miss Betty Cameron, Grace Smith; Miss Marian Reynolds, Nellie Kenworthy; were all guests; Just "Lizzie", the ghost, Ruth McCabe; Miss Alias and Miss Alibi, the silent sisters, Olive Carlton, Grace Embree. Immediately after the class play the alumni banquet will be held in the Opera Hall. (Wahlund's Store) ...Intermediate Grades--Velma and Harold Stinemates, Label and Clarence Ackerman and Lois Blackburn were absent from school this week. Primary Room--Ralph Roberts was absent Thursday. James Kenworthy has returned after a two weeks absence. (Must have been something "catching".)

1950?--The Grant PTA presented a minstrel show for the purpose of raising money for a movie projector. "Frills and Frolics". The cast was as follows: Queen, Virginia Spiker; Molly, Loella Kenworthy, Jolly, Ruthe Mueller; Polly, Lola Taylor; Posie, Opal Enarson; Rosie, Edna Meyer; Josie, Nadine Ruhl; Georgia May, Leta Wohlenhaus; Petunia, Helen Blackburn; Aunt Memima, Ruth Curry. "Cornfed Cutups"--Cast: Deacon, Donald Brown; Sufficiency Perkins, Merwin Weaver; Uncle Josh Jackson, Lloyd Wohlenhaus; Constabule Sniffers, Roscoe Kenworthy; Amos Peabody, Edward Weaver; Percy Prunes, Junior Wohlenhaus; Jolly, Jack Ruhl; Kolly, Earl McClure; Parson Doodlebug Doofunny, Morris Weaver; Mr. Abraham Lincoln Liverlip, Owen Davis; Miss Tickle Pinfeathers, Howard Gustafson. Coach, Mrs. Maude Brown; Music Director, Leo Spiker; Pianist, Mrs. Earl Spiker; Committee in Charge, Mrs. Gerald Taylor, Mrs. Donald Brown, Mr. Morris Weaver; Stage Managers, Mrs. Donald Brown, Mr. Bill Long; Sound, Dwight Rice and M. Paul Wahlund. The show was also presented at the Griswold School Auditorium sponsored by the Griswold Band Mothers.

REMINISCENCE

Helen Blackburn, Ruth Curry

Remember when--

The class of 1923 played "hookey" one afternoon and walked a few blocks east of the school building. When they returned to school each one had to learn "Gray's Elegy" and recite the poem to the other students?

Wayne Conrad took a few of his classmates to Cumberland (1923) and knew they must be a long, long ways from home?

When Helen thought she had done a thorough job in teaching a unit in science "Saving Our Wild Life" and then asked the class to write a summary of the unit. One child then stood to read his paper. "Don't stay out late at night,

but stay home with your parents. Don't be smoking cigarettes. Be sure you don't run around with the wrong kids, just remember your parents. If all in our class would remember these things we would all save our wild life."?

When we were learning sentence structure and Helen asked the class in English to name the three main parts of a sentence. A boy raised his hand and replied, "the beginning, the middle, and the end, ain't it, teacher,"

When Helen stepped into Ruth Curry's kindergarten class one morning and Ruth was telling the children about a large bridge being built in a city. "Why do you suppose they are doing this?" Ruth asked. A little child replied, "just because."

Helen recalls another history paper written by a student following the study of the first Thanksgiving--"some of the Pilgrims came on the Mayflower and those that didn't walked."

The class of 1926 chose as their motto "Be Square". How does that fit in 1970?

Grades one through eight held Halloween Carnivals at the school gymnasium? The children solicited Red Oak, Atlantic, Griswold, Villisca and Grant for stock for the different booths. The money was then used for purchasing our school supplies.

Mrs. Maud Brown's physical education class gave a tumbling demonstration and other exercises that the children always enjoyed?

The children in grades one through eight held a township field day at the school yard. For entertainment they had sack races, wheelbarrow races, broad jump, flag relay and high jump. The teachers gave ribbons to the winners. Dick Kenworthy really excelled in pole vaulting. He went as high as Bill Long, the janitor, could place the stick.

Lots and lots of hard work by the teachers and parents went into costume making for the annual Christmas programs. Large crowds always

attended. Some outstanding plays we recall were: Christmas Cards, Christmas Around The World and Mr. Mouse Enjoys Christmas. Musical programs and choral readings also made up much of our school programs.

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autographs.

Do You Remember

Following are the names of some of the pupils who have not been mentioned in the list of graduates nor in the class rolls in 1914.

Maude Allard	Bertha Coryell
Raymond Anker	Beulah Croft
Millie Amason	Hazel Croft
Walter Ashbaugh	Bertha Croft
Chester Ashbaugh	Lloyd Curry
Chester Ashbaugh	Bruce Cozad
Alma Ashbaugh	Zella Cozad
Charlie Atherton	Leta Carlton
Florence Askey	Maurice Carlton
Mary Askey	Mildred Craig
Ruth Askey	

Ruth Bates	Ruth Daft
Grace Bates	James Davis
Mabel Bashaw	Gertrude Dotson
Edith Bacon	Ivan Duff
Mabel Bamford	Ray Duff
Frank Berry	Irene Duff
Ray Bills	Chet Duff
Floyd Bills	Pearl Duram

Viola Bills	Grace Embree
Maie Boggs	Norman Egbert
Rolland Bridwell	Charles Egbert

George Bridwell	
Flora Bridwell	Janice Foote
Joe Brown	Loren Foote
Apphia Brown	Lawrence Foote
Hazel Bryant	Stacy Finley
Pauline Bryant	Marlene Finley
Ralph Bryant	Marnis Finley
Vernon Burt	Vesta Finley

Bertsel Chew	Clark Givan
Glen Campbell	Effie Givan
Neta Courcier	Roy Givan
Eugene Courcier	Jessie Givan
Lucy Courcier	Ralph Givan
Dean Conklin	Howard Givan
Albert Corbin	

Bernice Holcomb
Wanetta Holcomb
Leta Hughes
Sadie Hunt
Beatrice Hines
Lillie Hawkins
Willie Hawkins
Asal Hall
James Hall
Nellie Hinton
Joyce Hinton
Lester Howell
George Huffman
Florence Harris
Edwin Harris
Vernita Harris

Frank Jarvis
Harry Jarvis
Jennie Johnston
Oscar Johnston
Ethel Jones
Charlie Jones
Gladys Jenkins

Charles Kilpatrick
Virgil Kenworthy
Mona Kenworthy
Glen Kenworthy
James Kenworthy
Francis Kenworthy

Bernice Long
Neva Lake
Letha Lake
Ray Larry
Erma Miller
Edna Meyer
Kenneth Meyer
Bess Moyer
Wayne Mulholland
Theron Mercer
Laura Miner

Earl Miner
Jennie Miner
Vera Miers
Maude Mullen
Cleo Mullen
Scott Mehaffy
Gladys Mehaffy
Leila McConoughey
Kenneth McConoughey
Orval McConoughey
Gladys McConoughey
Clifford McConoughey
Loula Miller
Arthur Moore
Mae Moore
Elmer Margerum
George Margerum
Blanche Margerum
Lola Marsh
Helen Meyers

Don Nichols
Ruth Nichols

Goldia Odell
Dessie Odell

Herbert Parker
Charles Pigsley
Vera Pigsley
Joe Penwell
Grace Porter
Walter Perry
Clifford Powel
Lester Powel
Harold Power

Grace Read
Vannie Rhue
Edith Rosencrans
Lucy Rosencrans
Louise Rose
Wilbur Roberts

Glen Roberts
Alta Mae Richardson
Beth Richardson

Howard Sprague
Lawrence Sprague
Jay Sprague
Jessie Sprague
Thelma Sprague
Rowena Sprague
Dorothy Sprague
Russell Sprague
Mildred Sprague
Glen Septer
Nina Smith
Wesley Smith
Jimmie Smith
Guy Sumner
Vance Smith
Walker Smith
Leonard Smart
Vera Smart
Velma Shafer
Marie Shafer
Linn Schuler
Margaret Schuler

Albert Todenhagen
Alex Telfer
James Telfer
Margaret Telfer
Dora Taylor

Carl Vetter
Vesta Vetter
Frank Vetter

Harry Westrope
Dorothy Watson
Mae Watson
Max Watson
Cleone Watson
Ronald Watson
Grace Wasmer
Thelma Wier
Royal Wier
Basil Wier
Don Wier
Howard Wohlenhaus
Gladys Wohlenhaus
Davy Weaver
Darl Weaver
Dell Weaver
Kay Weaver

Vera Zimmerman
Clarence Zappe
Ora Zappe
Oscar Zappe
Jean Zappe

Duane Roberts

SUMMARY

It was impossible to get this compilation arranged in sequence. There is, however, a unifying fact in that each year various parts of school activities are repeated. Each class manages to do something a little different but it always tells a story of accomplishment and progress. Even disagreements and losses turn out to be good training.

Without proof one cannot say when the higher grades were added but students themselves have given this record: In 1886 a graded system was established; 1887-88 the 9th grade was added; 1901-02 the 10th grade; 1912-13 the 11th grade; and 1922-23 the 12th.

We've given you names galore--teachers, graduates, 1914 classes and a list of "others", where I'm sure as many names were missed as are mentioned. If your favorite story isn't here; if you have a clipping or will write your story it might be a good way to start another book for next year. Sports are mentioned but not nearly enough has been said about basket ball, track meets or baseball, and the fine trophies our school won; also, the honors won in declam and spelling matches. Here is another spelling match right now:

1917--The highschool held a spelling bee Friday and Mamie Peterson, a freshman, spelled the whole school down.

Alumni

There was always a rivalry between the classes of 1905 and 1906. At an alumni banquet '06 roasted '05 with this "toast."

Here's to the class of 1906
Noted for good looks
And very bad tricks.
If with endeavor
We continue to strive
We'll soon equal the class
Of 1905.

Before the toast program was closed 1905 obtained the floor and came back with this:

I rise for the class of 1905,
Who loved their colors true,
To tell we've never ceased to strive
For the best that we could do.

I want to tell our story
How we struggled with exams
And covered ourselves with glory
The night we received our bans.

We're the best of all the classes
Our seven members claim;
We stand upon our records
To prove our rights to fame.

The alumni holds a reception
With classes who've gone before.
This year is no exception
We welcome this class of four

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