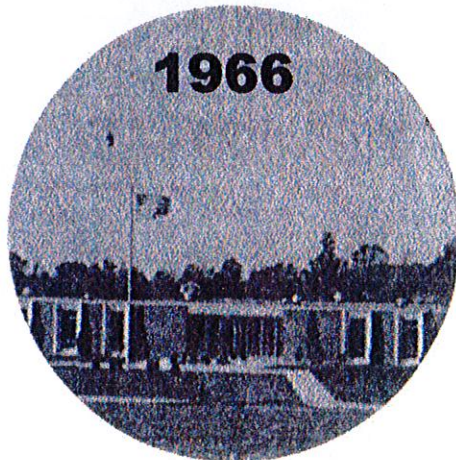
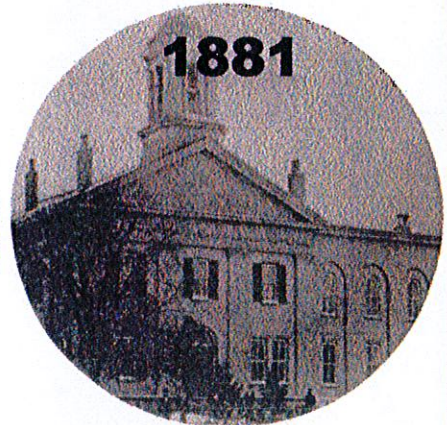
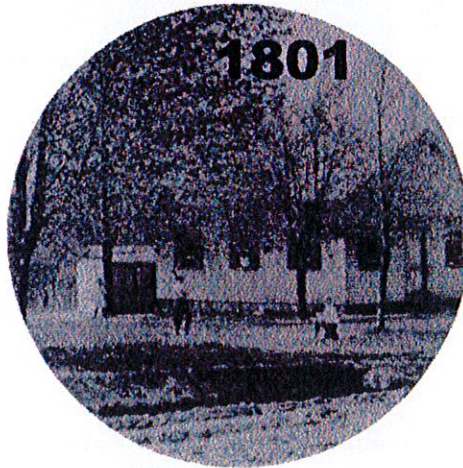
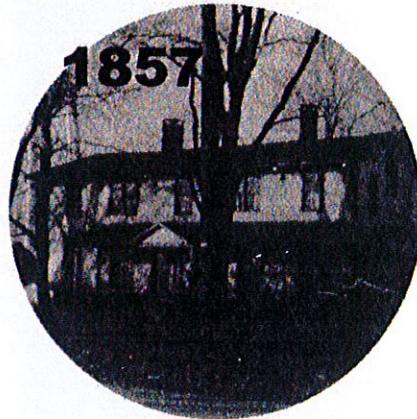
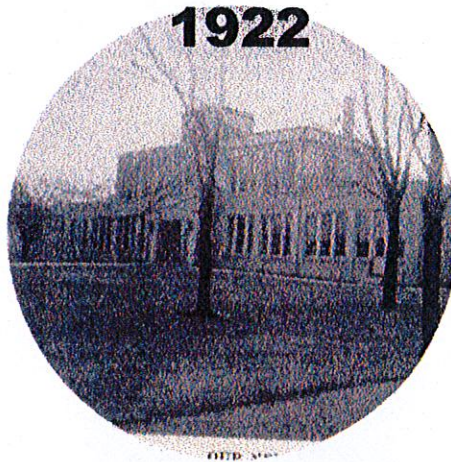


CANFIELD SCHOOLS

1801 - 2001

TWO HUNDRED YEARS OF EDUCATIONAL GROWTH





ALMA MATER

Praise we sing to Canfield High School, Alma Mater dear

Now to her we raise our voices in a mighty cheer;

Lift the chorus! Speed it onward! Shout it to the sky!

Hail to thee, our Alma Mater, Hail to Canfield High!

Soon our school days will be over, years will slip away

Yet we'll always love old Canfield as we do today.

Lift the chorus! Speed it onward! Shout it to the sky!

Hail to thee, our Alma Mater, Hail to Canfield High!

Introduction

The information contained in this book has been taken directly from original articles that appeared in the The Mahoning Dispatch, The Vindicator, and data from other school records and resources. In collaboration with the Canfield Historical Society, the "Canfield Local Schools Celebrate 200 Years" committee has been able to compile authentic documentation that traces and verifies the history of educational progress in the community of Canfield.

Mrs. Pat Driscoll Wiant is the primary researcher and local historian who has dedicated countless hours in researching, collecting, documenting, and interviewing primary and secondary sources for this special publication. Mrs. Wiant is a 1955 graduate of Canfield High School and is married to General Wiant who is also a graduate of Canfield High School. Mrs. Wiant has been involved in historical research since the early 1960's. She has chronicled her family's history, the history of the Canfield Christian Church, researched artifacts, articles, and other documents for the Canfield Historical Society, and has contributed data to the Canfield Town Crier. Pat is currently indexing genealogical information contained in articles from 1877-1968 that appeared in The Mahoning Dispatch. As a member of the "Canfield Local Schools Celebrate 200 Years" committee, Pat has spent countless hours in researching and preparing photographs, interviews, and other data for this book. She is excited by projects of this type and exemplifies her dedication to and pride in her community by volunteering this research which is a labor of love in its truest sense.

In preparing for our special celebration of 200 years, the members of the planning committee supported the efforts of Mrs. Wiant by contributing information, artifacts, and family records to document facts that are presented. The committee is truly grateful for the time and dedication that Mrs. Wiant has invested in this project.

The committee also publicly thanks and acknowledges the support and commitment that the The Canfield Historical Society of Canfield, Ohio has given to this special non-profit publication. Without the society's resources, it would have been impossible to accurately trace and document the information needed for this special book.

The purpose of the Canfield Historical Society is to encourage the preservation of the history of Canfield and to collect, preserve, and exhibit for public education and enjoyment such materials and artifacts. The students and staff of the Canfield Schools thank the members of the Society and Mrs. Patricia Woome, Curator of the Canfield Historical Society, for their continued support and look forward to collaboration in future projects.

The members of the "Canfield Local Schools Celebrate 200 Years" committee have dedicated many hours in planning for special activities for the 2000 - 2001 school year. We thank the following people for their time and dedication to this project.

"Canfield Local Schools Celebrate 200 Years" Committee

Ruby (Blunt) Cummings '41	Cleo (Bowman) Williams '36
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Bob Rose '44	Jack Rodgers
Lynne (Brucoli) Bellish '78	Lesley Fisher '87
Nancy (Wellendorf) Kochert '49	John Dixey '43
Milt Kochert '48	Barb (Brakeman) Hall '58
Dante Zambrini	

As a result of this special celebration, the committee has initiated the formal process of forming the Canfield Alumni Association. We hope that future generations will benefit from the efforts of this committee.

If you would like further information regarding the newly formed Canfield Alumni Association, please call or write:

The Canfield Alumni Association
100 Wadsworth Street
Canfield, Ohio 44406
Phone: (330) 533-3303 Fax: (330) 533-6827

Please register on the Alumni Page of our school web site.

Please visit our web site at: canfield.access-k12.org

The "Canfield Local Schools Celebrate 200 Years" committee also wishes to recognize and thank other local historians and researchers such as Mrs. Kay Sittig, Mr. Richard Ulrich, and Mr. Charles Montelle Johnson who invested the time and efforts in recording the different aspects of the history of education in the Township and City of Canfield. The committee also thanks the staff of the Canfield Branch of the Public Library of Youngstown and Mahoning County for sharing resources and support.

The "Canfield Local Schools Celebrate 200 Years" committee wishes to sincerely thank Mr. and Mrs. John Dixey for providing funds for the restoration of the bell monument in front of the current Canfield Village Middle School. The bricks used in this restoration were the original bricks from the Union School that were stored since its demolition.

As one reads the articles from the early 1800's, one will find delightful uses of words and sentence structures that have since become archaic. Each article has been retyped so that readers can benefit from the larger print. Many hours of proofreading were invested to guarantee exact words and excerpts were reprinted as originally written. This book contains several documents that have never been indexed in one resource -- e.g. the history and records of the one room schools and the list of students attending the Hine Mahoning Academy. The authors of this book have found great delight in reading the news articles, programs, and pamphlets of past years. We hope that you, too, will find the reading of this historical information to be interesting and enjoyable.

Introduction by --
Dante J. Zambrini
Director of Administrative Services
Canfield Local Schools



THE FIRST SCHOOL BUILDING

Erected in Canfield-Other Buildings since that Time-
Reminiscences by an Old Citizen of Canfield.



August 8, 1884

A few weeks ago the residents of East Main street in Canfield, were delighted to see that public benefactor, Joseph Forney, engaged in tearing down two old buildings standing near each other that had long been an eye-sore to those who were compelled daily to look upon their unsightly appearance. A few old citizens remember that the one which stood to the west of the other, played no unimportant part in the educational history of Canfield.

The final destruction of this old school building, for such it was in early days, is an opportune occasion to refer in detail to the different school buildings that have been erected and have had their day, and succumbed to the tooth of Time and the progress of school house architecture.

The first school taught in Canfield was at or near the cross-roads one mile and a quarter east of the center, in the winter of 1800 and 1801. Whether this school was taught in a log-cabin erected for the purpose, or in some improvised room or building, is not known. If there were any school children at the "center" at that time, it is probable they went to this school.

So far as I can learn, no community on the Western Reserve preceded Canfield in the organization of school work. We have an account of the first school taught in Poland township, the same winter, but no record of any schools established in Youngstown, Warren, or elsewhere, for several years after.

The first school house built within the present limits of Canfield Borough, was located in the north-west corner of what is now the village cemetery. Up to a few months ago some remains of this log cabin were to be seen. It was probably a small, rude structure, and we may reasonably suppose was also used as a place for religious worship for the early settlers. History makes record that the Hon. Elisha Whittlesey, who afterwards obtained a National reputation, taught school in Canfield in 1806, very likely in this first school house. In the meantime, settlers were fast pouring into Canfield, and the little log hut was soon found inadequate to accommodate the children of the settlement.

A second school house was needed and was built in 1809. This is the old building referred to as having recently been torn down. When erected it stood, as near as can be remembered, between the residences of C. L. Morrison and M. V. B. King, and lengthways to the road. I remember the inside construction, after a lapse of more than fifty years, and no doubt was considered at that day a model school house. In fact, it was far superior, both as to size and convenience, to the average school house of that day. It long served the people in the double capacity of a school and "meeting house." For many years there were no church buildings in the village, and this was the only place used for worship up to 1821, when the Congregational Church was finished. Many ministers held forth in this school house who afterwards become men of distinction in their respective churches.

Of the teachers, I can now only recall but one - Robert Wood - whose school I visited as a boy, 50 years or more ago. I remember that the school room was crowded, and great interest was manifested by the pupils, largely owing to the novel methods of instruction adopted by the teacher. But the growing village demanded more room.

A third school building was erected on the north-west corner of what is now called the Gilson property, facing the south end of the Park. I have failed to ascertain the year in which it was built, but have reason to believe in one of the years of 1833-'34 or '35. This building was a two-story structure, but was found to be ill adapted for school purposes. The noise made in the second story was an unceasing annoyance to those below. Its seclusion made it a favorable place for Dr. C. N. Fowler, then a student of medicine, to use the upper story at one time for a dissecting room. The structure has been moved away from its former-location, and is now owned and occupied by S. S. Macklin as a residence.

The fourth school house was built in 1851, on or very nearly on the site of the present Union school building. The school rooms on the ground floor - one at each end - with a recitation and cloak room between. The rooms were of good size, but it was found after a few years that they were not sufficient to answer the growing demand for better school facilities. The building was abandoned for school

purposes and sold. The house was cut in two, moved away, and with some small additions form the two dwellings south of the flouring mill.

The Union school law was adopted by the town in 1867, which by this time had become incorporated. A marked improvement in our educational interests was apparent at once and soon manifested itself in the erection of the present noble structure in 1870, at an expense of \$31,000. This amount, it should be said, included an additional lot of ground, heaters, furniture, interest on bonds, fencing, walks, etc.

I have confined myself in this article to school buildings, built by taxation under forms of law. Someone better informed, might write an interesting chapter on "Select Schools," the Old Mahoning Academy, and the North-Eastern Ohio Normal School. Perhaps enough has been said to show that our people have heretofore, and now, are willing to tax themselves in order to keep abreast of the educational progress of the age.

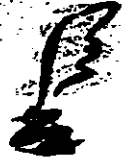
Canfield, Aug. 7, 1884

J. Truesdale,





THE FIRST SCHOOL HOUSE



Reply to J. Truesdale - Reminiscences of Ye Olden Time, by a Former Citizen.

Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, Aug. 16th, 1884. - I notice in the Mahoning Dispatch of the 8th inst., an article by J. Truesdale, under the caption, "The First School Building," which called to mind some events of the distant past, of which I have a pretty distinct memory. The article speaks of two school buildings, of one of which I have a pretty vivid recollection, and so of the other, if it was the original building in which the "first school" was taught.

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I refer to the building at the cross-roads, a mile and a quarter east of Canfield center, and the one in the center of the village, said to have been erected in 1809, to have been located "between the residence of C. L. Morrison and M. V. B. King," and to have been recently torn down. In my mind's eye I can now see how this latter building looked outside, and just how it was arranged inside. I often attended meetings in it of one kind and another.

Mr. Truesdale is able to name only one of the teachers who instructed in this house - Robert Wood - whom I well recollect as an odd genius, with a peculiar faculty for managing and instructing children. I recollect at least two others - Columbus Lancaster and Miss Olive Landon. Mr. Lancaster was a brother, I believe, of Mrs. Sprague. He studied law for some time with Messrs. Whittlesey & Newton, and afterwards removed to Oregon - taking with him as his wife, a sister of James Jonas. Miss Landon was a sister of Herman Landon.

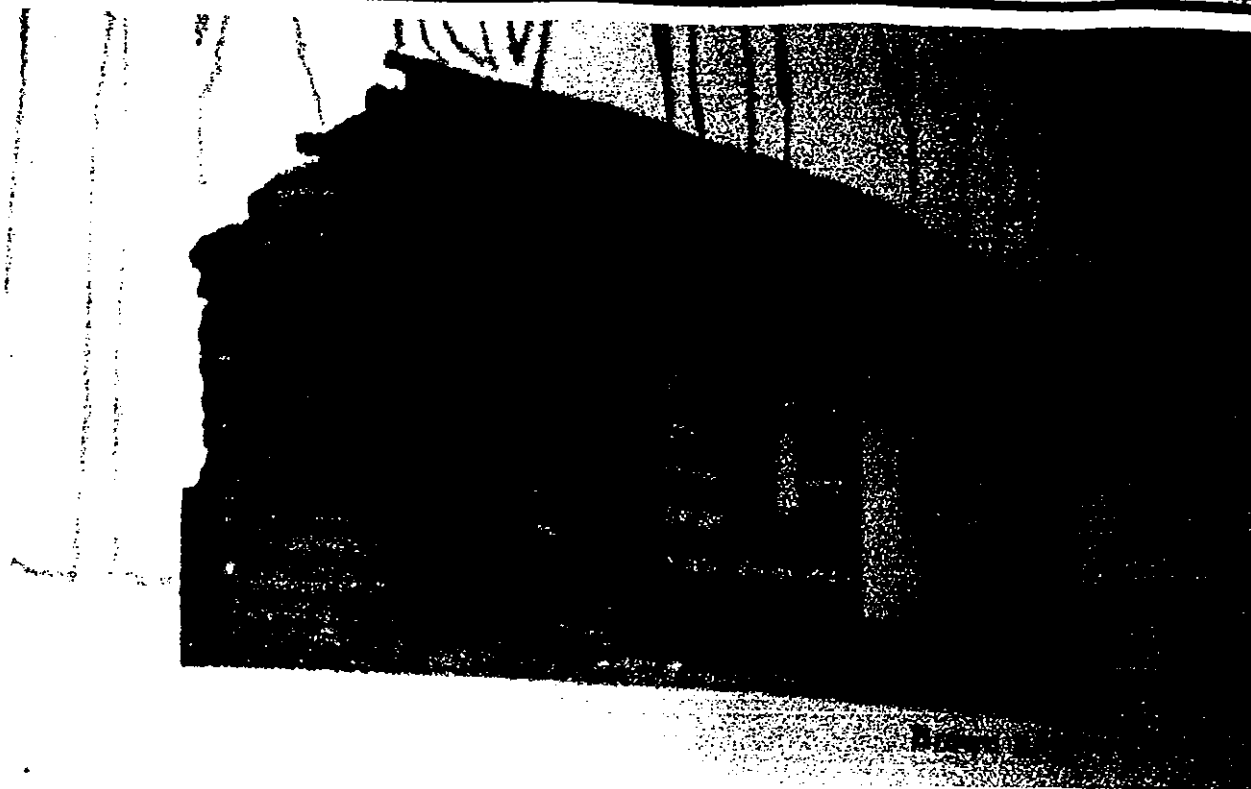
In the Fall of 1828, according to my recollection, now nearly 56 years ago, when I was about 18 years of age, I commenced going to school to Mr. Lancaster, in the school house last named. I had been in the school but a short time, when I was drafted and assigned to teach the school at the location where the "first school" aforesaid, was taught.

The building was a log one, and was situated at the cross-roads, in the south-east corner. Whether it was the building in which the "first school" was taught, 28-years prior, I know not. The Directors of the school were old Mr. Hitchcock, who lived near by, Mr. Henry Edsall, who carried on a small pottery establishment between there and the Center, and perhaps one of the Lynns. Among the families sending to the school, as I recollect, were those of Edward Wadsworth and John R. Church.

One of the most vivid pictures in that locality, in my memory, is that of that good Methodist brother, Elisha Warner, who lived and labored, with no family but his wife, just on the top of the hill, a little west of the school house. Methinks I can now see him on his shoe bench, hard at work, but happier than a King, with a good religious word always ready for any one he saw.

M. L. Edwards





The first school in Canfield resembled the cabin above. It was located on Nathan Moore's property and was constructed in 1800 and the first school session held in 1801 - taught by Caleb Palmer. It was known as "Mud School."

Later the following one room schools were built:

Marquis/Loveland - corner of 46 and Western Reserve Rd.

Dublin - 62 and Leffingwell Rd.

Williams/Chidester - 224 and Palmyra Rd.

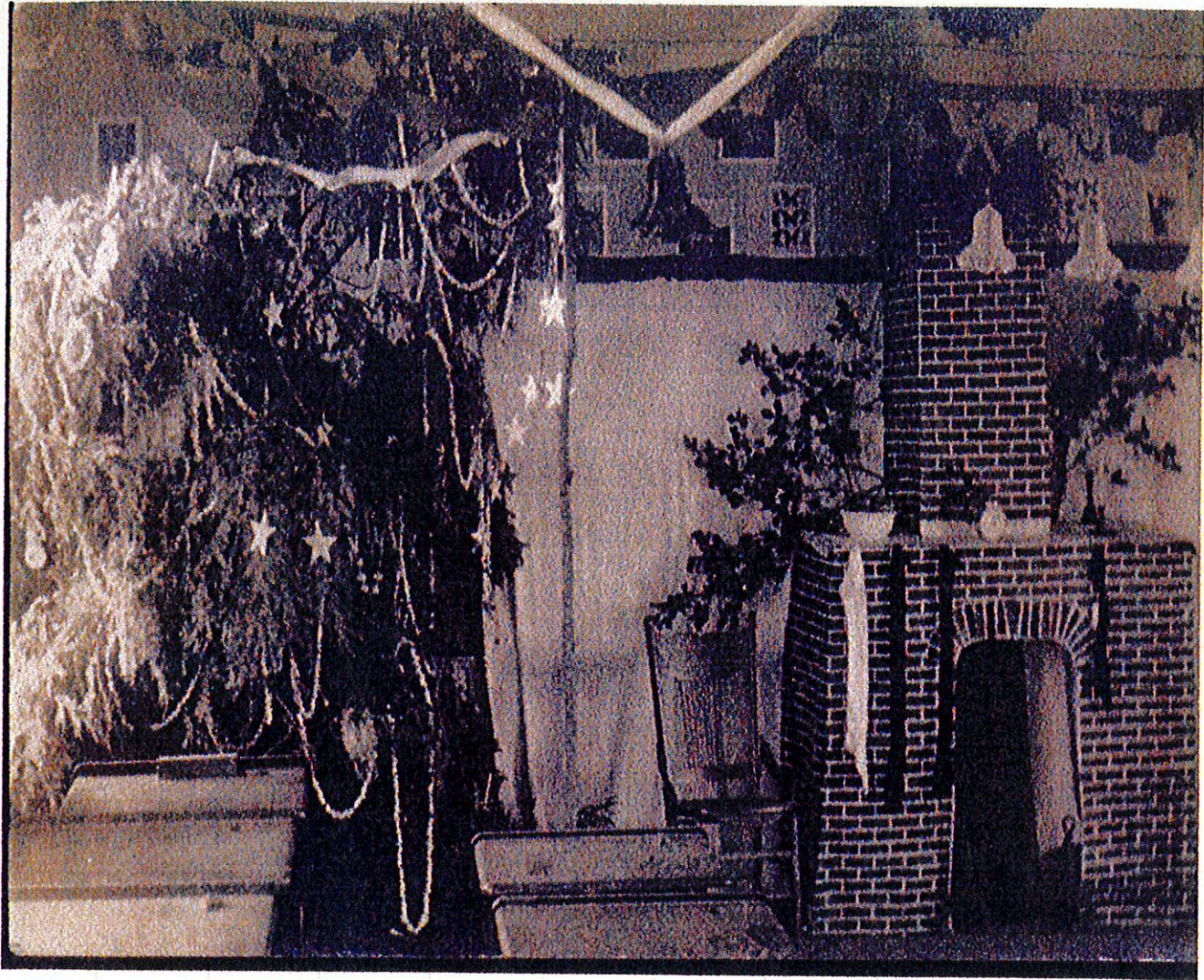
Lynn - Lynn Street (northeast section of Canfield)

North/Herbert - North of Canfield Rt. 46

Hell/ Anderson - South Raccoon Rd. (south section of Canfield)

South Tippecanoe - closed by the county 1915

Turner Street - 1826-1918



Mud School - Corner of Route 224 and Raccoon Road at Christmas time.



Anderson / Hell Street School South Raccoon Road



North School



5060 South Canfield Niles Road
Route 46 North of Canfield



Loveland/Marquis School

Note - Mrs. Frances Minter, nee Flickenger
first assignment in 1911 was at Marquis School, located near the
clay mine.

VETERAN CANFIELD TEACHER TO RETIRE AFTER 49
YEARS March 6, 1960

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One of Mahoning County's longest careers will come to an end in June when Mrs. Frances Minter of Canfield closes out 49 years of teaching.

Mrs. Minter is the former Frances Flickinger and was born near Herbert's Corners in Canfield. She obtained her teacher's training (one year) under the late J. F. Guy at Canfield Normal (now the Guide Building) in 1911. She later attended Wooster College and Kent State University.

Taught Near Clay Mine

Her first assignment in 1911 was at Marquis School, located near the clay mine on Western Reserve Road. "I had 26 pupils, all grades and all sizes," she says, "and it was a wonderful and trying experience."

The following year she went to Smith's Corners (Austintown) School and taught all grades for two years, then moved to Lowellville to teach third and fourth grade.

The late Dr. J. H. Schnurrenberger invited her to come to the newly constructed Centralized School in Austintown, where she taught first grade. She remained a first grade teacher for the rest of her teaching career.

Arrived in 1917

In 1917 she came to Canfield, and the same year on July 28 was married to J. M. Minter. Her husband, also a teacher, was widely-known in music and band classes at Boardman High School where he taught for 28 years, retiring in 1948.

During her first years at Canfield, Mrs. Minter taught in the old County Jail building which at that time was located behind the Guide Building. She was quick to say it wasn't as bad as it sounded. "They gave me the caretakers room, and it was comfortable."

Old, New Ideas

"One would think that a person teaching 49 years would retain many of the old ideas of teaching, but not her. She said, "Every year she attended Kent State University's reading courses to learn the newest ideas."

Her room has many visual aid charts and other progressive ideas. However, she did say there were a few of the old ideas that were just too good to discard.

Mrs. Minter loved teaching so much that she just couldn't wait for fall to arrive. A week before school began, she would be in her classroom, getting a list of her new pupils. When the school bell rang, the children would find a bright and cheery room and she would have their names posted on the seats they were to occupy.

"I have had a very happy teaching experience," Mrs. Minter said, "but now I just want to take it easy and give up the everyday routine."

At present there are 13 members of the Canfield school system who received their first grade training from Mrs. Minter.

She is a member of the National Education Association, Ohio Education Association, Mahoning County Teachers Association, International Reading Association, and a charter member of the Mu Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Sorority in Mahoning County.



MRS. FRANCES MINTEER NEE FLICKINGER
FIRST GRADE TEACHER



Canfield Schools Faculty - 1928

Mud School/Heinzelman - Located 1 1/4 miles east of Canfield on the Northwest corner of Route 224 and Raccoon Road. First school opened Jan. 1801 on Nathan Moore's property and used as a school and public building.

Mud School

1853-1854 was District #6

1855-1915 was District #7

Directors

April 18, 1853 - David Simon

October 16, 1854 - David Simon

April 20, 1874 - Martin Neff (1 year) & J. Sanzenbacher (3 years)

April 15, 1878 - John Neff

April 21, 1879 - Harrison Wehr

Facts From The School Records

April 15, 1878 - To build a new school house - \$650.00

August 16, 1879 - George Strock awarded contract. To check with Trumbull Court about deed for land from Adam Lynn. To lease 1/2 acre land from Samuel and Harrison Wehr \$60.00.

July 25, 1896 - To build out buildings

June 19, 1899 - School teacher Siddia E. Case

Other school teacher was Florence Rupert Mentzer. She had a picture of the inside of the school decorated for the Christmas Holidays. It is stated that it's name "Mud School" was due to the muddy playgrounds.

Appraisements

April 17, 1854 - District #6 pretty good \$150.00

July 14, 1915 - ordered by School Board to be sold.

August 21, 1915 sold:

School House	to John Neff	\$60.00
Piano	to E. E. Neff	1.00
Stove	to John Neff	1.50
Coal House	to Burt Kyle	7.00
Closets	to Van Fossen	5.00
Desks	to John Neff	2.50

Turner Street School - Located on east side of Turner Road just North of Gibson Road.
1826-1918

The school was built of fine ashlar stone construction, right on the road which was used for the playground. It was about 18x20 feet, one story high, with a chimney at the south end and a door along the side. The interior was plastered and fitted with glass windows. The seating was on benches along the wall with desk in front for older students. The younger ones sat on benches in the middle of the room, while the Master's chair sufficed for the teacher.

J. Truesdale

The school was known as District #1
Directors

April 18, 1853	Philo Beardsley
April 21, 1873	Peter Stitle
April 20, 1874	Almon Eastman
April 19, 1875	Samuel Wehly
April 15, 1878	Almon Eastman
April 21, 1879	H. C. Beardsley

Facts from the School Records

April 19, 1875 - John and Noah Lynn leased land for \$50.00
April 21, 1879 - To get new seats for the school
June 19, 1899 - Grace Winans school teacher
July 14, 1915 - G. L. Stackhouse to have school house repaired

Appraisements

April 17, 1854	Bad	\$50.00
October 15, 1855	Bad	50.00

Marquis/Loveland School located on the northwest corner of Route 46 and Western Reserve road approximately 2 1/2 miles south of Canfield.

1853 - 1915 - known as District #4

Directors

April 18, 1853	William Wetmore
Spring Session 1854	William Wetmore
October 16, 1854	William Wetmore
October 15, 1855	William Wetmore
Spring Session 1856	William Wetmore
April 21, 1873	Orvill Edsal (3 years); Ira Collar (2 years); J. R. Dickson (1 year)
April 20, 1874	J. R. Dickson
April 19, 1875	Amos Loveland
April 15, 1878	Amos Loveland
April 21, 1879	Orvill Edsal

Facts from the School Records

April 21, 1873 - Board ok'd to build a new school house in district #4 with appropriation of \$800.00. To be built by Orvill Edsall and George Wetmore. Also to build a fence. It was ordered to transfer the property from Green township to Canfield township, lands of Charles Hendricks, Amos Loveland, George E. Hillman, Aaron Collar, and George Spittler.

July 14, 1915 - ordered to be sold and discontinued

Appraisements

October 16, 1854	rather poor	\$75.00
October 15, 1855	rather poor	75.00
August 21, 1915 Sold:		
School Lot	to I. W. Coy	\$155.00
School House	to I. W. Coy	80.00
Coal House	to G. L. Frederick	17.00
Stove & Jacket	to G. L. Frederick	2.00
Closet	to Union School	11.00
Double Closet	to Frank Wetmore	5.00

Hell Street/Anderson School - Located 3 miles southeast of
Canfield on Raccoon Road.
Known as District #5

Directors

April 18, 1853	Horacer A. Hopkins
October 16, 1854	A. D. Wood
April 21, 1873	Nicholas Lynn
April 20, 1874	A. D. Wood (2 years)
	David Fink (3 years)
	Peter Kline (1 year)
April 19, 1875	Peter Klyne
April 15, 1878	A. D. Wood
April 21, 1879	A. D. Wood

Facts from the School Records

April 17, 1854 - ordered repair of the building

Appraisements

April 17, 1854	very poor	\$15.00
October 15, 1855	very poor	15.00

July 14, 1915 - ordered to be sold

August 21, 1915 sold

School House	to J. A. Kline	\$50.00
Coal House	to J. A. Kline	11.00
Closet	to J. A. Kline	2.00
Stove	to J. A. Kline	1.00
Desks	to J. A. Kline	1.00

North/Herbert School - Located north of Canfield at the corner of Herbert Road and Route 46 on the west side.

Known as:

1853 - 1854 District #9

1855 - 1915 District #11

Directors

April 18, 1853	George E. Harding
Spring Session 1854	J. A. Harding
October 16, 1854	John A. Harding
October 15, 1855	Geo. E. Harding
Spring Session 1856	Geo. E. Harding
April 21, 1873	Peter Harding
April 20, 1874	Nelson Shaffer (3 years); Wm. Leger (2 years); Jacob Stittle
April 15, 1878	Simon Macklin (3 years); John Stittle (1 year)
April 21, 1879	Eli Harding

Facts from the School Records

April 28, 1877 - order passed to build new school house.
 June 16, 1877 - purchase land from Eli Harding 1/2 acre for \$60.00. Fence to be built between school and Eli Harding's land. Sell old school house by October 1, 1877 and have paid for. School Board reserves the right to complete the school term before removal of school. School house sold to Jacob Houser for \$77.00. Bid given to Simon S. Macklin to build new school house \$469.00.

New furniture to be ordered from H. J. Clark;

13 -No. 1 Victor Folding Desks	Single \$6.50	\$84.50
4-No. 2 Victor Folding Desks	Double \$7.50	30.00
5-No. 3 Victor Folding Desks	DV 7.00	35.00
4-No. 4 Victor Folding Desks	DV 6.50	26.00
2-No. a Seat Back Row	Single 5.00	10.00
2-No. 2 Seat Back Row	Double 5.50	11.00
3 Recitation Seats 5 ft. long		18.75
a Victor Teacher's Desk		7.50
Total with 40% Disc.		\$136.65

North/Herbert School cont'd

July 14, 1915 ordered to be sold and discontinued

August 21, 1915 sold:

School House	to Charles Herbert	\$136.00
Coal House	to John Flickinger	11.00
Closet	to John Flickinger	2.25
Closet	to John Flickinger	5.50
Stove	to John Flickinger	3.00

William Chidester School - Located 1 1/2 miles west of Canfield on Ellsworth (224) Road.

1853-1915 was District #2

Directors

April 18, 1853	I. M. Alter
October 16, 1854	C. C. Hine
April 21, 1873	Cornelius Miller
April 20, 1874	Henry Hine
April 19, 1875	A. Kirkpatrick
April 15, 1878	Velorus C. Chidister
April 21, 1879	Phillip Stittle

Facts from the School Records

April 17, 1854 - repairs to be made
 April 20, 1874 - Noah Lynn lease site for \$50.00
 Jimmy Jones taught school in the school

Appraisements

April 17, 1854	ordinary	\$100.00
October 15, 1855	ordinary	100.00

July 14, 1915 - ordered by School Board to be sold

August 21, 1915 sold:

School Lot	to Charles Chidister	\$12.00
School House	to W. A. Martin	24.00
Coal House	to W. A. Martin	6.00
Closet	to Charles Chidister	1.00
Stove	to Winans	.25

Dublin School - Located on Greenford Road (Route 62) 2 miles southwest of Canfield (southwest side of Rt. 62 and Leffingwell Roads.)

1853 -1854 was District #10

1855 - 1915 was District #3

Directors:

April 18, 1853	Horace Hunt
October 16, 1854	Horace Hunt
April 21, 1873	Lewis Cramer
April 19, 1875	Benjamin McGovern
April 15, 1878	H. A. Manchester
April 21, 1879	Isaac Clay

Facts from the School Records

April 17, 1854 - to be repaired

April 21, 1879 - order new seats

August 17, 1896 - C. S. Ramsy teacher \$1.50 per day

June 19, 1899 - Dora Pochles teacher

Appraisements

April 17, 1854	Good	\$140.00
October 14, 1855	Good	140.00

July 14, 1915 - ordered to be sold

August 21, 1915 sold:

School Lot	to Fred Cramer	\$115.00
Coal House	to G. L. Frederick	16.00
Closet 5x5 and school	to W. A. Martin	6.00
Closet 4x5	to W. S. Cook	6.00
Stove	to Fred Cramer	2.00

Lynn Street School - Located 3 miles northeast of Canfield

1853 - 1854 was District #17

1855 - 1915 was District #10

Directors

April 18, 1853	David Lynn
April 21, 1873	H. N. Lynn
April 20, 1874	David Lynn 2nd
April 19, 1875	Lewis Peters
April 21, 1879	David Lynn 2nd

Facts from the School Records

April 20, 1874 - Lease land for \$10.00 from John Lynn

June 19, 1879 - Teacher Harry Glass

Appraisements

April 17, 1854	ordinary	\$75.00
October 15, 1855	ordinary	75.00

July 14, 1915 - ordered by School Board to be sold.

August 21, 1915 sold:

School House	to Irvin Sanzenbacher	\$24.00
Closet & Coal House	to Mrs. J. F. Mackel	5.00
Stove	to W. H. Bush	.50

County Jail - Located in town by the Court House

Mrs. Minter teacher:

Some known pupils -

- Robert Neff
- Homer Miller
- Jane Clay
- Carrie Mellinger
- Raymond Millin
- Ray Bortmas
- Ralph Clay
- Mrs. Viola Sheesley

Homer Miller stated the following:

"We were lucky because we got all the pretty young teachers right out of normal school. There was a portable school located in-between the Court House and the Jail, it was sold and moved to Lisbon Street."

Mrs. Viola Sheesley stated the following:

" My mother heated bricks and wrapped them in carpet to hold the warmth in and to keep my feet warm on the way to school. In the winter time I went to school on a Bob Sled with straw on the floor of the sled. The driver was Geisy Elbert who lived on Palmyra Road. In the summer time I was transported to school in what looked like a covered wagon drawn by two horses."

Anonymous Pranks:

Somehow a cow was found on the second floor of the Union School in the Recitation Room. Wonder Who!!!

Also somehow a buggy was found on the roof of the 1922 High School building. Again wonder who!!!!

Tippecanoe North - Located north of Route 224 on Tippecanoe Road. (southwest corner of Tippecanoe Road and Shields (62) Road.)

Tippecanoe North

1853-1854 District #7
1855-1915 District #8

Directors

April 18, 1853	Milo Beard
April 21, 1873	J. Lewis DeCamp
April 15, 1878	John Osborn
April 21, 1879	Frank Osborn

Facts from the School Records

June 19, 1899 - Teacher Ethel Moore

June 17, 1898 - Charles Shoff to build 17 rods & 4 ft. fence - price pr. rod \$.80 - Inspected June 1898 by C. H. Cadsall and was found to be well built and of good material. Paid \$13.80.

July 14, 1915 - ordered School to be Suspended

Appraisements

April 17, 1854	rather poor	\$75.00
October 15, 1855	rather poor	75.00

Plan & Specifications for School House in 1879

Size of Building 24+30

Height of Story in the Clear 11 feet

Bottom frame White Oak timber

Sills & Cross Sills 8+5 of White Oak

Studding for wall 2+5, to be placed 16 inches from center to center of oak timber, and each studding to be of one piece

Rafters 2+3, Oak, and Roof $\frac{1}{8}$ pitch

1st floor shingles, laid 5 inches to the weather, on good ^{white} oak lath

Lower joist, 2+8, and 16 inches from center to center, & well bridged

Upper joist, 2+6, 16 inches from center to center, to be securely stayed to the rafters, all joist to be of white oak

Low Siding like sample - double nailed Railroad cornice, Crown and Bead moulding and 16 inch projection

1st & quarter white oak flooring, not over four inches wide

Chaircasting around the inside three feet high not less than 1 inch thick of white oak lumber, and boards not to be over three inches wide.

6-11 windows, Glass 8+16 & 12 pines to the windows.

Good fine bush 1/2 inch thick, so made that the upper one can be lowered and the lower one raised, and fastened with good durable springs

Specifications Continued.

Good rolling Slat blinds with good durable hanging.

Door Pine 2 feet 8 inches + 7 feet and two inches thick, with 15 inch
Jambustion. with a good lock

Black Board 3 feet wide across the back gable end. Said
Board to be made as follows first to be Ceiled back of where the Board
is to be made with inch lumber, then to be plastered, then said
board to be made on said foundation with liquid slating same
as used in dist-7011.

Scuttle hole at front end large enough to admit a man, with a cover to close the hole
It shelves to be feet in corner of the back end of the house
A coat and hat rack with hooks placed there, extending across
the front end and both sides

Building outside to be painted white three coats

Blinds " " " Green " "

Inside " " " Crab " "

Plastering three coats

Foundation Cobble stone drain two feet deep Stone wall at
no place to be less than two feet ^{high} including the under pinning
rough wall at the back end and dressed under pinning on
the other three sides. It being understood that the Contractor
may use what stone or under pinning that is now under the
old school House in dist-707, and he must find all additional
stone. The air holes in foundation to be closed with iron grating
Chimney 16 + 20 masts to least four feet below the ceiling

All work to be done in a good and workmanlike manner and all
materials must be good and sound, and job wholly complete
by 10/1/79. Bids to close at 12 o'clock a.m. Sept-1/79
Contract to be paid for when completed & accepted.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on August 21st, 1915, at 7 o'clock P. M., eastern time, at the Town Hall, Canfield, the Board of Education of Canfield Township, Mahoning County, O., will sell to the highest bidder the following described school property located in township aforesaid:

First - Building and lot of one acre of ground, known as Loveland school, located 2 1/2 miles south of Canfield.

Second - Building and lot of one acre of ground, known as Dublin school, located on the Greenford Road 2 miles southwest of Canfield.

Third - Building and 1/4 acre of ground located on Ellsworth Road 1 1/4 miles west of Canfield.

Fourth - Building on lot located 1 mile north of Canfield.

Fifth - Building known as Lynn Street school, located 3 miles northeast of Canfield.

Sixth - Building known as Mud school located 1 1/4 miles east of Canfield.

Seventh - Building known as Hell Street school located 3 miles southeast of Canfield.

And all out buildings on the above described properties.

Terms will be made known on day of sale.

By order of the Board of Education of Canfield Township this 14th day of July, 1915.

C. E. MISNER, Clerk,

OLD CANFIELD SCHOOL RECORD

Enrollment 72 Years Ago Only 68-Five Branches Taught by
Pioneer Teacher in One-Room School

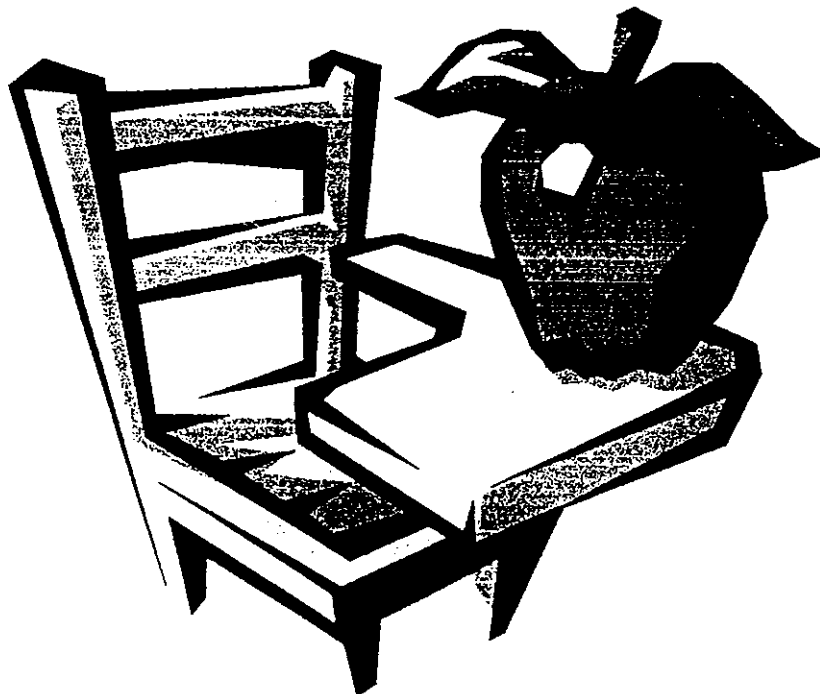
THE MAHONING DISPATCH MAY 8, 1925

Through the courtesy of I. Callahan, the Dispatch has been privileged to look over the records of an early school in Canfield. This record Mr. Callahan found among the books and papers of the late Judge Eben Newton, whose property on North Broad Street passed to his ownership nearly 30 years ago.

The record was kept by Miss Elizabeth Trevitt, the teacher who will be remembered by older residents of Canfield as having lived with the late William Schmick, merchant and banker, whose second wife was Miss Trevitt's mother. She died in Leetonia more than a quarter of a century ago. After completing her first term she indited the following at the close of her record not only the name and age of pupils but the names of parents or guardian, date pupil entered school, days present and times tardy: "Report of Elizabeth Trevitt, teacher in district No. 3, Canfield Township, Mahoning County, for the term commencing on the 8th day of November, 1852, and ending on the first day of April, 1853. The whole number of scholars enrolled was 38 males and 30 females; the average daily attendance was 21. 48/99 males and 14 93/99 females. The amount due is, from the public fund \$60, from other sources than public fund, \$44. The branches taught were orthography, reading, writing, arithmetic and geography, April 1, 1853." This record was kept in a decidedly neat manner, the teacher having vertically ruled her blank book so accurately that it has the appearance of having been done by machine rather than by hand, so evenly divided are the lines to record names, attendance, etc. The last entry in the book by Miss Trevitt is Sept. 2, 1854, and her work as an instructor may have ended on that date.

The ages of pupils ranged between four and 15 years, only one of the latter age, Franklin Parks, being noted; most of them were under 10 years old. Of all the pupils registered only two, Mrs. Sarah (Edwards) Jones and Miss Lucy Ruggles, are now living in Canfield. Mrs. Hannah (Fowler) Calvin resides in Los Angeles. Matilda (Toot) Kriner lives in Youngstown. Most of the others are long since dead. Some distinguished themselves in life, one of them, Col. William Brown, was at the head of New York News and wealthy when he passed on.

Among the names on this roster are those known to the present generation but most of them can only be recalled by old timers. Here they are: Mygatt, Sykes, Rohr, Mills, Kelley, Cunningham, Keck, Edwards, Strock, Willerson, Tomson, Cronk, Sonnedecker, Witherel, Casper, Alexander, Roller, Kiper, Bond, Arnold, Swank, Lee, Hofford, Robbins, Parks, Collar, Ruggles, Miller, Britton, Gray, Toot, Beecher, Moore, Warner, French, Schmick, Fowler, Close, Hartman, Menary, Johnson, Clark, Miner, Dustman, Holland, Ferrel, Kintner, Hyet, Phillips, Kikart, Gearhart.



NOTICE TO VAN DRIVERS

Notice is hereby given by the Board of Education of Canfield Township, Mahoning County, Ohio, that sealed bids will be received until 8 P. M., Monday, August 2nd, 1915, at the office of the clerk of said Board of Education, for the conveying of pupils on the several routes from districts number 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10 and 11, to the village schools (Normal and Union) in the Village of Canfield. Apply to the clerk for the description of routes, rules and regulations governing contract.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids. By order of the Canfield Township Board of Education this 14th day of July, 1915.

C. E. MISNER, Clerk



THE KIDWAGON AND KIDS

The kidwagon, with side curtains rolled up, and Wilmer Chubb handling the big team, turned at the Lutheran church at Cornersburg, the point on the route furthest removed from the Union School at Canfield. Here the first of the school kids, the Straley trio, more asleep than awake, dinner pails in hand, boarded the conveyance. It was early. Centralization of township schools and horse-and-wagon transportation spelled EARLY RISING, with capital letters.

Five- and- a-half miles to go, so up around the corner and out the short stretch of brick to where Annie Stickel awaited. Annie, plump and jolly, talked with a Dutch accent: She liked poetry, could recite from memory such toughies as "Thanatopsis" and "Annabell Lee."

Out past the Fink farm and down over the rusty, iron bridge, with its loose clattery planks, and just beyond; The Mellinger kids lined up. Helen Louise and Phyllis, wide awake, Bob supporting the mailbox and yawning prodigiously, still a little under the influence of King Morpheus.

The horses settled into their collars for the long grade ahead, stopping near the Burgett lane for another set of three school-bound youngsters: Randall Snyder, whose dog, Fido, resented, vociferously, his young master deserting him for the day; Goldie Messerly, small, energetic, colorful ribbons in her hair. Her dad raised berries galore. And Floyd Burgett, blowing into the kidwagon like a March wind - a big tease if ever there was one.

Wilmer, the driver, could sing (all the Chubbs could!) and so, on the long uphill stretch of road he would open up the valves and send the melodious strains of "Sweet Genevieve" or "There's a Quaker Down in Quaker Town" floating out over the fields and meadows.

Bovine listeners, ruminating at the bars, tossed their heads in approval, and later, perhaps, because of it all, would contribute a little more generously to the pail. Wilmer, or Chubby, as he was oft-times affectionately called, rendered occasionally a rather catchy ballad the kids called "Nellie." It seemed (in the song) this fellow, a wanderer, had a hankering to return to his girl friend, Moonshine Nell, because he (of all things) loved her father's still!

The top of the grade at last and the horses, under pressure, broke into an ambling, jangling trot. The harness creaked a protest; Tug chains clinked and jingled; Steelshod hoofs went clompity-clompity on the macadam; wheels clattered and rattled. Spoons and dishes in lunch pails set up a light, musical vibrato. Along this stretch, just east of the Johnson's one morning, a rear wheel parted company with the wagon, scaring everybody out of a year's growth.

Another time, a little farther on, Billy Fink's threshing outfit appeared, rounding the curve ahead. At that moment the whistle on the engine shrieked with all its might and main, scaring the horses half to death and Chubby was forced to direct the prancing, sideways - stepping, eyeball-rolling pair of hay-burners, as he called them, into a farmyard. Here he stood at their heads, holding onto their bridles until the puffing monstrosity, steam shooting all directions, had passed, pulling along with it the big red separator and followed more sedately by a team-propelled water-wagon.

Ward Lynn was next on the itinerary and was, always on hand ready and waiting. Distinctly not one of those last-minute types who, as the kidwagon pulled up, rushed from the house, hat or cap askew, one hand thrust into a coatsleeve and the other trying to cram a piece of pancake into a mouth already filled to overflowing.

(Raccoon Road from Lynn's Corners south to Leyda Corners at that time was unpaved. When it was dry, the dust was up to four inches deep. Down in the hollow below the Peters' place, the mud

was half-way to China and the stretch past the Chipmunk coal-mine was almost as bad. Sprinkle's Hill was steep as the roof of a barn, and rocks stuck out like plums in a pudding. A doubletree broke going up the hill one morning, and just a few days later, a tug parted while pulling through the deep mudhole in the hollow).

Just south of Lynn's Corners, the Chubb brood clambered aboard; Harland, Thelma and Thalís, Thora, and sometimes Russell. It seemed, all at once, the wagon was filling up, and a few rods farther on, down the hill, after Myrtle, Gladys and Roy Rhodes came in, the conveyance was pushing the saturation point. The pressure was commencing to be felt up front. Slates, on edge between the kids, were imperilled.

Three more to go! At the top of Sprinkle's Hill, George Miller, affable, likeable, sociable George, a copy of Lone Scout magazine generally in hand, hopped aboard and shrugged into the right hand seat. A little farther on Paul and Josephine Fink climbed in, snugly filling in the left side, and seating space "was something that wasn't."

The kidwagon bulged at the seams! Down past the deserted Mud schoolhouse and westward toward Canfield...Wilmer Chubb leaned back now and relaxed a little, spraddled his feet up on the dash-board a ways, inveigled the team into a shade more effort, and out through the open sides of the kidwagon, over the Riley and Penny pasture fields, went the rollicking notes of "It's a Long, Long Way to Tipperary."

And so to school - but that's another story.

By Carl Straley The Mahoning Dispatch March 3, 1968



Mr. Hake's Home on Wadsworth Street



**Mr. Flemming and later Mr. Frederick's home
corner of Wadsworth and Lisbon Street**

**BOROUGH SCHOOL FIRST SCHOOL ON WADSWORTH STREETS
(Two above pictures made up the Borough School)**

Canfield School Board Book of Minute Records
August 1867 to September 1901

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Canfield, Ohio April 1, 1871.

The Board met pursuant to a call of the President.

On motion it was Resolved that sale of the "Old School Building" take place on the 11th, Inst.

On motion it was Resolved that an order be drawn in favor of Mr. Arnold in the sum of thirteen dollars payable from contingent fund for chairs.

On Motion, Resolved that an order be drawn in favor of Mr. Edwards for ten dollars for expenses of Dr. Hailstrom defrayed by said Edwards.

Resolved that an order be drawn in favor of Phillips & Shook in the sum of four dollars for cleaning new School Building.

Where upon the Board adjourned.

P. E. Edwards, Pres.

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Contingent Fund

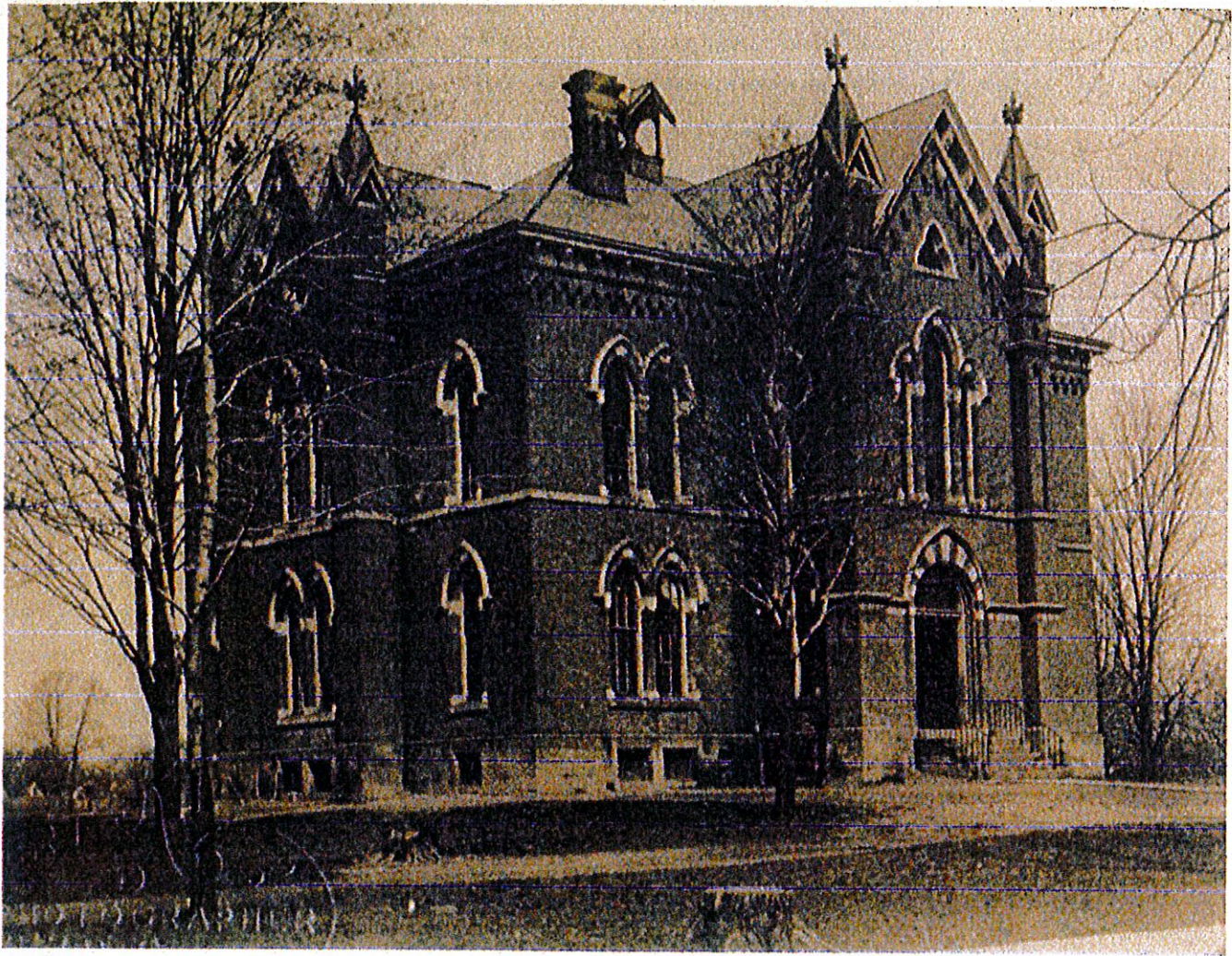
Aug. 29, 1871

Total Amt. Rec'd from sale of "Old School House" - \$ 406.25

FORMER CANFIELD TEACHER HAPPY AS SHADOWS LENGTH

THE MAHONING DISPATCH SEPTEMBER 17, 1926

Two miles south of Deerfield in a modest but comfortable home resides Mrs. S. B. Rieger, happy and contented with her only son, who was born in Canfield, as her companion. Close to 60 years ago Mrs. Rieger came to Canfield as Mary Lally, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Lally, sturdy Scotch-Irish people who resided just across the border from Canfield in Ellsworth township, as teacher of the primary department of the public schools in a frame building that stood south of the Union Building. After the erection of the brick structure the frame building was sold, cut in two, moved a few hundred feet south, converted into residences and now occupied as such by W. E. Hake and R. L. Fleming. While the bright-eyed, rosy-cheeked country girl was teaching in the primary grade Solomon B. Rieger, who had been brought to Canfield by David Hine as an instructor in the Mahoning Academy, and was placed in charge of the local schools after the old academy ceased to exist, wooed and won Mary for his bride. Mr. Rieger continued school work until elected county recorder, an office he filled when the records were removed to Youngstown 50 years ago last month. The pupils of Mrs. Rieger are widely scattered, one, however, Mrs. Irvin Diver, residing near Deerfield. She was a daughter of the late John Wilson and her early life was spent in Canfield. Another, who recently called on Mrs. Rieger found that despite her weight of years she is still quite active, vitally interested in current events, her mind as clear as when daily she called the roll in school. She talked interestingly of many of the older families of Canfield and those in the neighborhood of the Ellsworth Station school where she taught for a time. While seldom leaving her home she was well aware of the growth and progress Canfield has made in recent years with which she expressed her pleasure. That Mrs. Rieger has solved the philosophy of life in growing old gracefully no one who converses with her can doubt.



1869 -1956

Union School/Red Brick School

Old School Building's Days Numbered
The Mahoning Dispatch May 25, 1956

One of Canfield's best known landmarks will soon become only a memory. The Canfield Board of Education has awarded a contract to the Baker Construction Co. of Ravenna, O., for the removal of the old Union School building on Wadsworth Street, and razing of the eighty-five-year-old structure will get under way as soon as school closes for the summer.

Razing of the familiar red brick school house, where in retrospect, hundreds of Canfield area children put in the happiest years of their lives, became necessary so that a new east wing might be added to present high school facilities. A similar west wing has been under construction for nearly a year. Electors in 1954 approved a \$480,000 bond issue to finance construction and equip the two new wings.

Completion of the present project will mark the end of construction on the Wadsworth Street site, and future school buildings, when required, will have to be built in other locations.

The old building, which underwent considerable interior remodeling in 1939, has since been used by manual training, home arts and photography classes. When school resumes next fall these groups will be re-located in the west wing; now nearing completion.

EARLY SCHOOL

In 1821, the Ohio General Assembly enacted a law authorizing the formation of school districts, and ten such districts came into being in Canfield Township and village, which also had seven "fractional" districts, combined with adjoining townships.

These one-room schools proved not too satisfactory a plan for the education of area children, and in 1867 electors met to vote for or against adopting the union school law. Then, as now, citizens apparently were in favor of giving youth the best educational advantages possible, and the question was decided in the affirmative by a unanimous vote, and a board of education elected.

For several years, school was held in a one-story frame building on Wadsworth Street, but growth of the community made larger quarters necessary. Plans for a new building were completed, and work got under way in 1870.

CRONK AWARDED CONTRACT

The board of education awarded the construction contract to William Cronk of Canfield. Material used was almost entirely of a local nature. Brick were hand-made at a plant located south of Lisbon street, opposite the Newton street intersection, and oak, ash and walnut lumber used was cut from area woods. Stone, dressed on the job, came from a quarry in Ellsworth township.

Mr. Cronk was so sincere in fulfilling the terms of his contract, adding many details not included in the specifications, that his bankruptcy resulted. Total cost of the building, with fittings, was about \$30,000. The high quality of Mr. Cronk's work is still visible after many years of hard service.

The building had three large rooms. The three primary grades occupied the south room on the first floor, the three intermediate classes the room to the north, and the three grammar school grades and high school the second floor, which also had a "recitation" room on the east side.

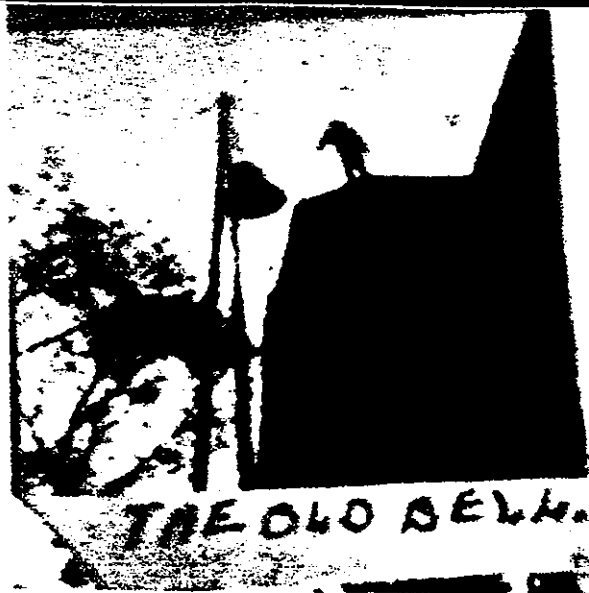
High school classes were moved to the old North Eastern Ohio Normal College, which came into being in 1881.

Following the completion of the mid-'30s building program, grade classes were moved to new quarters.

WILL KEEP BELL

As a memorial, the school bell will be retained, and brick from the old building used to erect a bell-tower, which will be located on the green in front of the main entrance.

Naturally, many will regret the passing of the old building, but realize that it has outlived its usefulness, and that changing times require new facilities.



ABOUT OLD COURT HOUSE BELL

Editor Dispatch - In the Nov. 3 issue of The Mahoning Dispatch I noticed an article relative to the removal of the old court house bell to its new quarters at the high school building now under construction. The statement that it was placed in the belfry of the court house in the year 1847 is, I think, correct. But I do not understand that this bell which we have now is the old original bell. In the first bell the names of the first commissioners of Mahoning County were cast on it. A number of years later, possibly some time in the sixties, the bell was cracked at the place where the aforesaid names were cast, which caused the original bell to be removed and the one which we now have, to be put in its place. I think the records will show that I am correct in my statement.

P. T. Jones

(There is no doubt about the bell in question being the second used in calling court sessions, the first one having cracked, as stated by Mr. Jones, but the story is told that on account of the scarcity of bell material at the time, the old bell was shipped back to Pittsburgh and recast into another. If this be true, then the old or original bell, in a material sense, is to be continued in use at the new high school building. -Editor Dispatch.)

Nov. 17, 1922



MRS. MARGARET SCOTT



Mrs. Scott was once principal of the old Union School, and when the red brick building was torn down and the old bell from that building mounted in front of the new school, a bronze plaque was placed beneath it, and engraved with a verse she had written.

1871 - 1956

SURVIVING RAVAGES OF TIME
 WINTER'S COLD AND SUMMER'S HEAT
 DEAR OLD BELL, YOUR MELLOW TONES
 HURRIED MANY LITTLE FEET.

OUR CHILDREN WILL EVER LOVE YOU
 AS IN DIGNITY YOU STAND
 FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS
 THE SYMBOL OF OUR FREE LAND.

MARGARET DIXEY SCOTT

GROUP HONORS RETIRING TEACHER
THE MAHONING DISPATCH - MAY 10, 1957

At the annual school employee's fish fry Friday evening, May 3, at the school, a special program was presented, honoring Mrs. Margaret Scott, who is retiring at the end of the school year. Mrs. Scott has taught forty-one years in Mahoning County schools, 37 of which were in the Canfield system.

Employees and their families numbering 180, and about 36 guests attended the event, many coming from distant points.

The program, arranged as a surprise, was patterned after the popular TV show, "This is Your Life," and placed emphasis on Mrs. Scott's dedication to service in the lives of young people, of whom she has taught over fifteen hundred.

Eighteen scenes depicted her life from her birth in Milan, Ohio (also birthplace of Thomas A. Edison) to her present preoccupation with her own grandchildren, and children of former students.

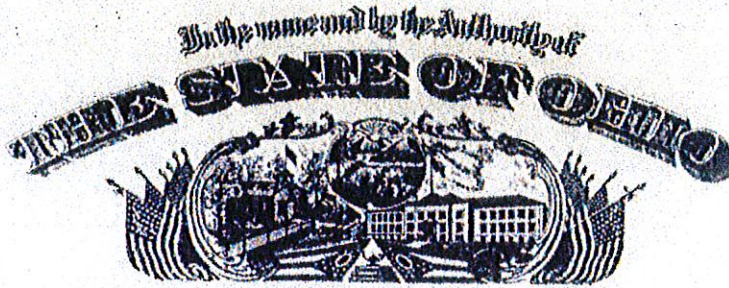
Mrs. Scott began her teaching career in a one-room building at Pine Hill school in Beaver Township, later coming to Canfield.

Phil Colgan, Canfield P. T. O. president, served as master of ceremonies, while Canfield teachers assisted in preparation of the script.

At the conclusion of the program Supt. C. M. Johnson presented Mrs. Scott with a diamond-set watch as a gift from present-day Canfield teachers.

Following the presentation, dessert was served in the school gymnasium, where Mrs. Scott cut the first piece from a mammoth cake, a replica of the old red brick school building, recently razed, which was made by Harry Baer, one of her neighbors and a former pupil.

On Wednesday, May 1, Mrs. Scott was an honor guest at the annual PTO President's Party, held at Firestone Park. This organization presented Mrs. Scott a silver tray in appreciation of her long service in Canfield Schools.



OFFICE OF
State Commissioner of Common Schools

By virtue of the authority vested in the State Commissioner of Common Schools by the Statutes of the State of Ohio, I do hereby certify that the board of education of the Canfield-Village Township School District in the County of Mahoning and State of Ohio, is maintaining a High School of the

First Grade

The said board of education is hereby fully authorized to collect tuition for attendance of pupils at said high school, to issue diplomas bearing the grade thereof, and is entitled to all the privileges and benefits conferred by the statutes of said state on boards of education maintaining such a school.

This certificate shall remain in full force and effect until revoked by the State Commissioner of Common Schools or until it is superseded by a later certificate issued by such authority.

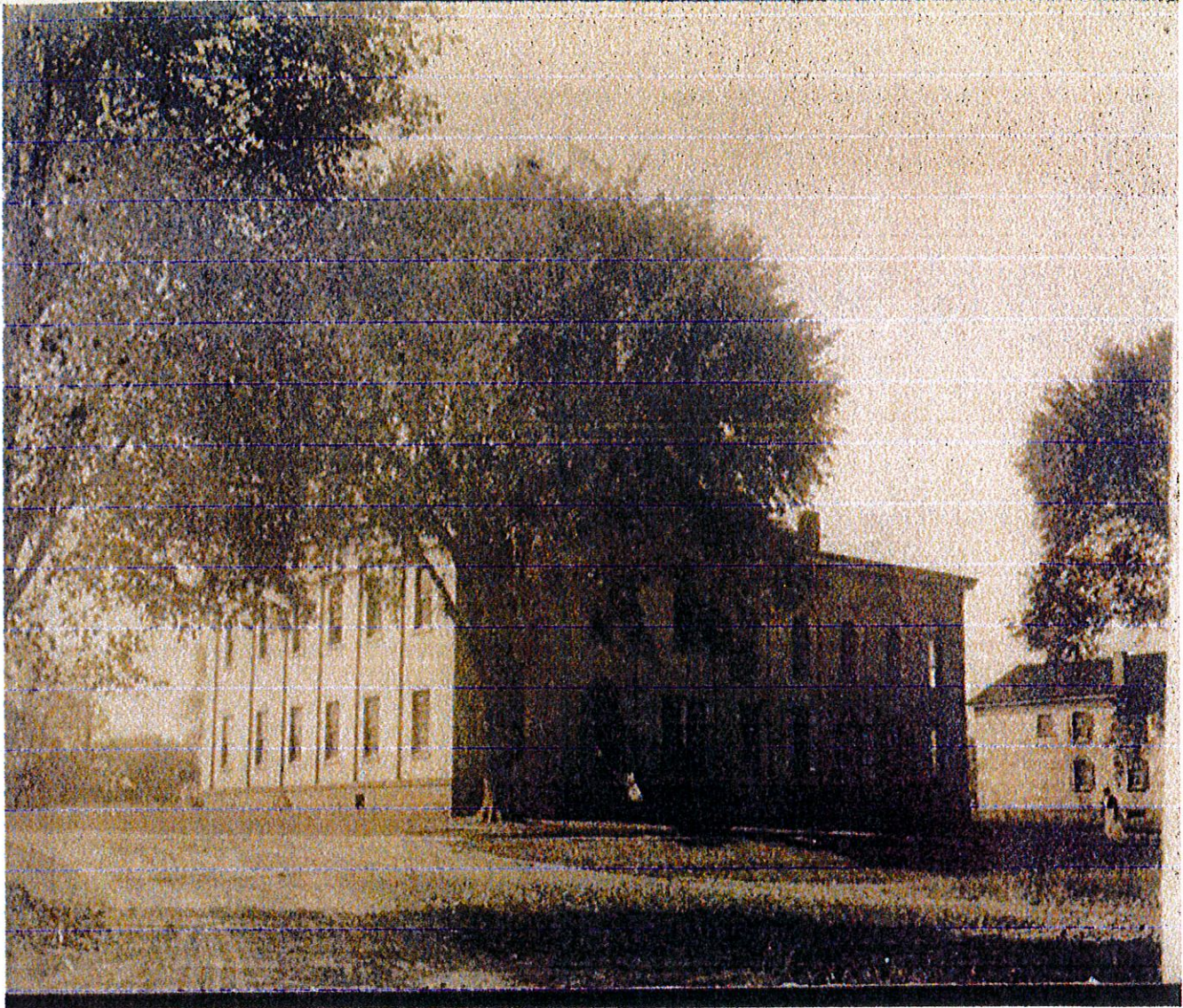


In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and caused my official seal to be affixed, at Columbus, the seventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eleven

John W. Zeller
State Commissioner of Common Schools

CHARTER OF 1911 MAKING CANFIELD A HIGH SCHOOL OF THE FIRST GRADE





North Eastern Ohio
Normal College
and
North Eastern Ohio
Normal School

1881-1914

NORTH-EASTERN OHIO NORMAL SCHOOL

We had the honor of addressing the students of the North Eastern Ohio Normal School, at Canfield, Friday evening, Feb. 22nd. This institution now only in its second year, seems to be prospering finely. The number of students is increasing, and Prof. Helman and his strong corps of teachers are evidently doing good thorough work. Very few schools of its kind are so well equipped. After the removal of the county seat from Canfield to Youngstown, the court house was devoted to the use of the school, and thoroughly fitted up for that purpose; and we do not see how it could have been better adapted, if it had been planned originally for its present use. There is a good supply of apparatus, and a reading-room with a library of several hundred new volumes.



The removal of the county seat, which the citizens of Canfield resisted so strenuously, has undoubtedly proved a blessing in disguise. We should say that, in exchanging the lawyers which the court house drew there, for Prof. Helman and his corps of teachers, Canfield has altogether the best of the bargain.

OHIO EDUCATIONAL MONTHLY

THE MAHONING DISPATCH MARCH 14, 1884

Excerpts From Charles Montelle Johnson's Thesis Written 1948

At the December 23rd (1881) meeting a letter from Mr. Richards was read, in which he suggested combining the Union School and the normal school under one management. The plan was discussed with the members of the Union School Board, who had been invited to the meeting. This discussion was the beginning of a unique phase in the history of education in the village of Canfield. The secretary, George F. Lynn, was instructed to write to Professor Richards and inform him that the proposition was moved and seconded, but the trustees desired a personal interview with him in regard to details, before voting. Mr. Richards attended the meeting on January 14, 1882, and outlined the plan of combining the Union School with the new normal. Dr. Dickson, H. A. Manchester, and David Clugston were appointed a committee to write up the proposal. The same committee was instructed to get a written proposition from Richards stating upon what terms he would superintend the Union School and conduct the new normal.

The Union School Board agreed to the plan of conducting the Union School under the superintendency of the normal school executive. The plan also provided that the "more advanced pupils of the Union School would receive the benefits of normal school instruction." The Union Board agreed to pay \$500 per year toward the salary of the college president, but they refused to pay any incidental expenses of the college other than those caused by activities of the Union School, where the use of the college building was required.

Excerpts of C. M. Johnson's Thesis Continued

The next important educational advancement, in Canfield, was a result of a proposal of Mr. Helman's successor, J. C. Ranson. President Ranson, after serving one year as the head of the normal and the Union Schools offered the following proposal to the Canfield Union Board:

I propose to accept the office of Superintendent of Schools of Canfield upon the following terms. I will receive into the N. E. O. N. S. all graduates of Canfield High School of the classes of 1884-1885-1886 respectively. They shall have the benefit of free tuition for three years from the time of entrance. I will agree to furnish regular instruction to these graduates and allow them all of the privileges of regular students in the N. E. O. N. S. I further agree to visit the grades of the Public School from time to time as my duties may permit and will render such assistance to the teachers in the Public School as circumstances may request. I will perform these duties to the best of my ability for a money consideration of Five Hundred Dollars. \$500 payable at such times as the salaries of your teachers are paid.

In addition to the above proposition to you I propose the following. That I will receive the present A and B classes into the N. E. O. N. S. upon the terms set forth in my former proposition except that the B class can remain in the N. E. O. N. S. for four years instead of three.

J. C. Ransom
Princ. N. E. O. N. S.

Excerpts of C. M. Johnson's Thesis Continued

The North-Eastern Ohio Normal School and the Canfield Village Schools had been under the same executive for four years before an agreement was reached between the township school system and the college president. After J. C. Ransom's proposal for superintending the village schools and permitting its grammar school graduates to pursue the high school courses in the college had been accepted, a similar offer was presented to the township board of education. This proposition, like the one offered the Union School Board, provided for a high school education for all pupils between the ages of fourteen and twenty-one, and for instruction for them in all branches of the "high school department" of the college. Individual training in music and work in the business school were considered as "extras," for which tuition would be charged. For the whole contract, the remuneration of the college president was not to exceed \$250. The township school officers did not accept the offer until August 3, 1886, and by that time Professor Ransom had been succeeded by E. B. Webster. Dr. Webster gained the distinction of being the first man to head all three school systems of the community.

When the institution was incorporated as the North-Eastern Ohio Normal School it was without power to confer degrees. A supplemental charter, which was to give that authority, was applied for in April 1883. It was approved by the secretary of state and signed by each member of the board of trustees a short time later. Many degrees were conferred before the name was changed, at a regular meeting of the trustees held September 13, 1887, to the North-Eastern Ohio Normal College.

PUBLIC SALE
OF
REAL ESTATE



The Canfield Village Board of Education will offer at public auction on the premises, on

SATURDAY, MARCH 17, 1923,

between the hours of 1 and 3 P. M., what is known as the N. E. O. N. C. building or old court house; also old jail building and portable school house 25x31; also at the same time and place will be offered for sale one lot on Lisbon street, containing approximately 1 1/2 acres and one lot on Wadsworth street of about 3/4 of an acre.

Said property is offered for sale in accordance with the provisions of Section 4756 General Code of Ohio.

The board reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Terms: - Cash.

Canfield Village Board of Education

By J. W. Baird, Clerk



MR. JEROME HULL

Jerome Hull began his career in education teaching 8 grades in a one-room schoolhouse in Berlin Township, and went on to become the first Mahoning County Superintendent of Schools in 1914. During this time he served as principal of Canfield's Union School for 4 years, and was instrumental in organizing and centralizing all schools in Mahoning County.

He served as Superintendent for 18 consecutive years, until 1932, when he headed Canfield Local Schools for three years before his retirement from the field of education.

His orchards and turkey-raising business were developing over these years on the Hull homestead on Youngstown-Salem Road, where he and his wife, a former school teacher, Doris Humes, raised nine children.



WHY CANFIELD NEEDS A NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING

1. The present building was never intended for a school building. To make it over into a modern school plant is an impossibility.
2. The State Fire inspector condemned the Normal building as a veritable fire-trap.
3. The State Department of Public Instruction sent one of the High School Inspectors to Canfield who generally condemned the building. He declared that the heating plant was unsafe that the arrangement of the rooms resulted in confusion and loss of time in pupils moving from one room to another; that the light in many cases came from the wrong side. The old building cannot be remodeled to do away with all these conditions.
4. The State Superintendent of Public Instruction has notified the board of education that unless something is done immediately to meet the requirements of the state, the result will be the withdrawal of the First Grade Charter, and the removal of the County Normal School. This will mean that our High School will drop back to a Second Grade School, and that our pupils will have to be sent somewhere else to finish their High School work.
5. Two different architects figured that it would cost from \$22,000 to \$27,000 to meet the demands of the Fire Inspector and the criticisms of the Department of Education. But both said that their firms would not care for the contract. Even if such were done in repairing the Normal building we would still have an old building. What would it still look like from the outside? Its old walls and foundation would in a few years again be ready for the State Inspectors' condemnation. A new building will give something permanent.

NEEDS A NEW HIGH SCHOOL

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6. The board of education has been notified that the jail building cannot be used for school purposes after this year. There are nearly fifty pupils in this building to be cared for. The Union building is badly crowded, there being sixty pupils in one of the rooms. The Fifth Grade is divided and one teacher is duplicating the work of another. A half day's work could be saved if all this grade could be seated in the same room. About a dozen pupils will be promoted to the High School from the Union building this spring while next year's beginning class coming into the building will number nearly fifty. Room must be made next year for all these pupils. A new High School building that will take care of at least two grades is the only way out.

7. Other High Schools provide a gymnasium for their boys and girls. Canfield has no gymnasium. The new School building provides for such. The pace of the twentieth century demands that schools turn out boys and girls not only with strong minds but strong bodies as well.

8. The village and township needs a larger auditorium for all kinds of public functions. When Governor Whitman visited Canfield the old auditorium could not comfortably accommodate even the older people who wanted to hear him. The school children were turned away for want of room. At many public functions women are kept standing on their feet through the whole evening. Less than two hundred can be seated in the auditorium as it is today. The auditorium in the proposed new building seats over three hundred.

NEEDS NEW HIGH SCHOOL

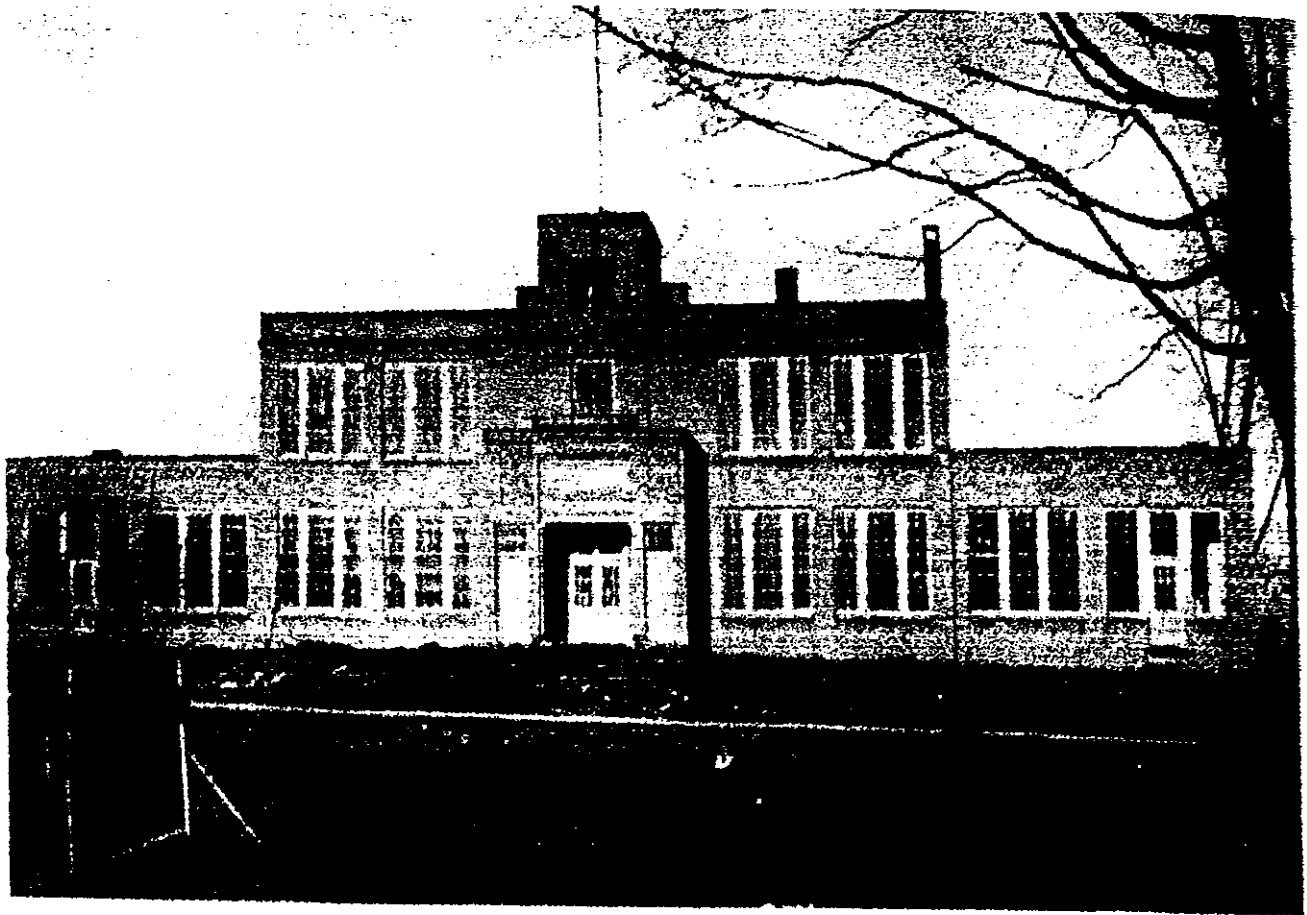
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9. The toilets of the present building are outdoor closets and like all such closets a menace to public health and an outrage to common decency. The new plant provides modern, indoor, sanitary toilets.

10. Canfield is surrounded with towns that have provided their boys and girls with modern school facilities. These facilities answer not only the present requirements but will meet the coming conditions. If other nearby villages and communities can pay for these things, can't Canfield do the same? Mr. Voter it is up to you!

THE MAHONING DISPATCH - MARCH 31, 1916



NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING

NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING DEDICATED LAST FRIDAY NIGHT. THE MAHONING DISPATCH MAY 23, 1923

Canfield's new high school building on Wadsworth Street was dedicated last Friday night with imposing ceremonies.

The first steps to secure this fine structure were taken seven years ago when the electors voted for the first bond issue by a large majority. About that time war conditions caused a decided advance in materials and it was thought best to defer building. Costs, however, did not fall as expected and a second bond issue was authorized by the electors. The contract was awarded in the spring of 1922 when material and labor costs were at the lowest point, with the result that the new building was completed and equipped at a saving of many thousands of dollars.

The building contains 18 class and other rooms, all equipped with the latest and most approved furnishings. The auditorium, with a stage, seats between 500 to 600 people, and the gymnasium, like the auditorium, is the largest in the county outside the city of Youngstown.

That interest in the new building is great was proven by the large crowd in attendance at the dedication. The program for the evening, with E. A. Arnold, president of the board of education acting as master of ceremonies, was pleasing throughout, consisting of music by the high school orchestra, community singing led by J. M. Minter, prayer by Rev. W. P. Hollister, report by President Arnold of building achievements, addresses by B. E. Helman of Cleveland, first principal of the N. E. O. N. C., attorney L. A. Manchester of Youngstown, a graduate of the institution, singing by a male quartet, piano duet, remarks by county superintendent of schools Jerome Hull, high school principal R. B. Snell and Mayor A. K. Osborn, all of which gave insight to matters of public concern. The addresses of Messrs. Helman and Manchester will be printed later in the Dispatch. After the benediction had been pronounced by Rev. Hollister hundreds accepted the invitation of President Arnold to inspect the building and he found it complete in every detail.

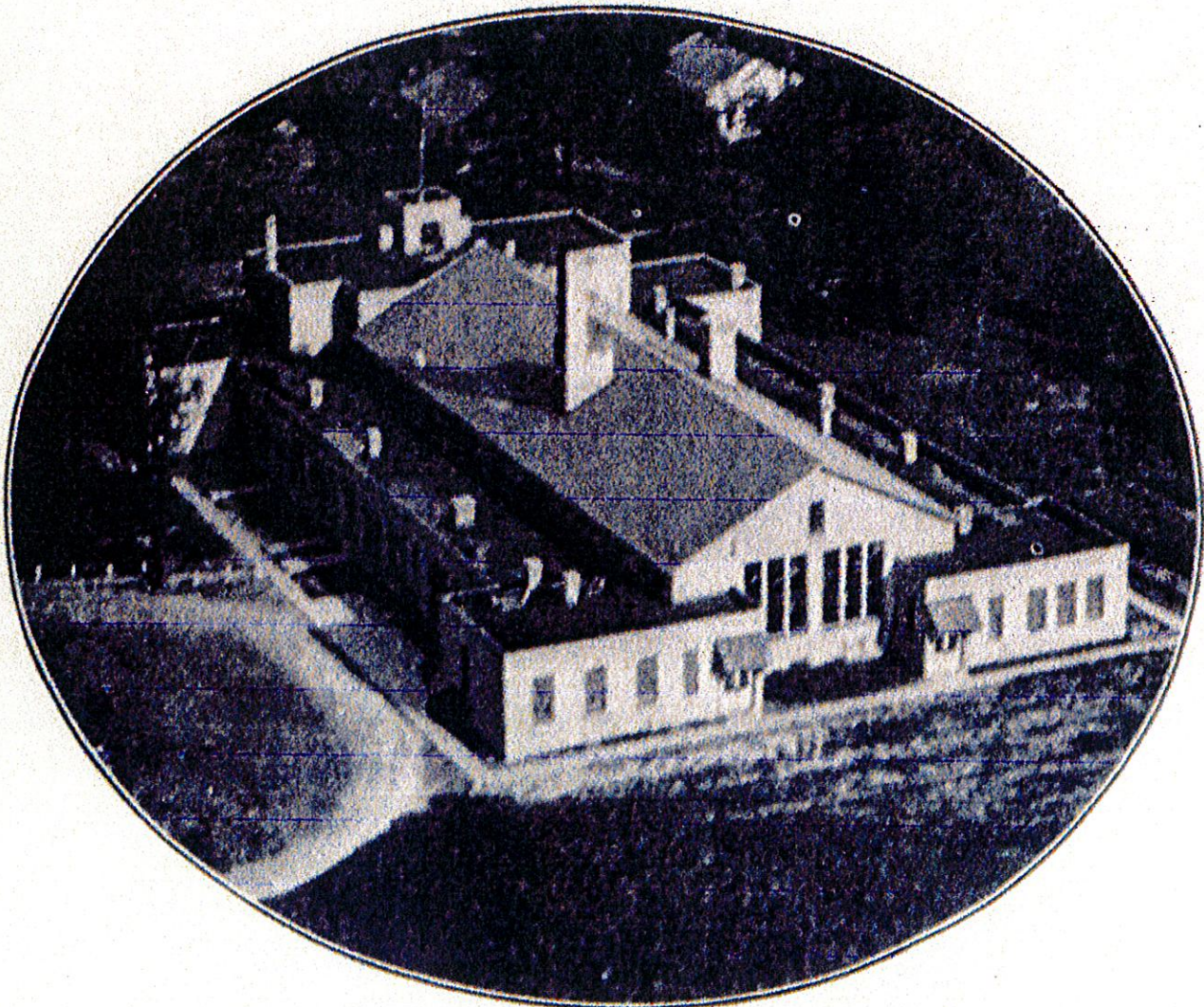


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CANFIELD SCHOOL ADDITION ASSURED

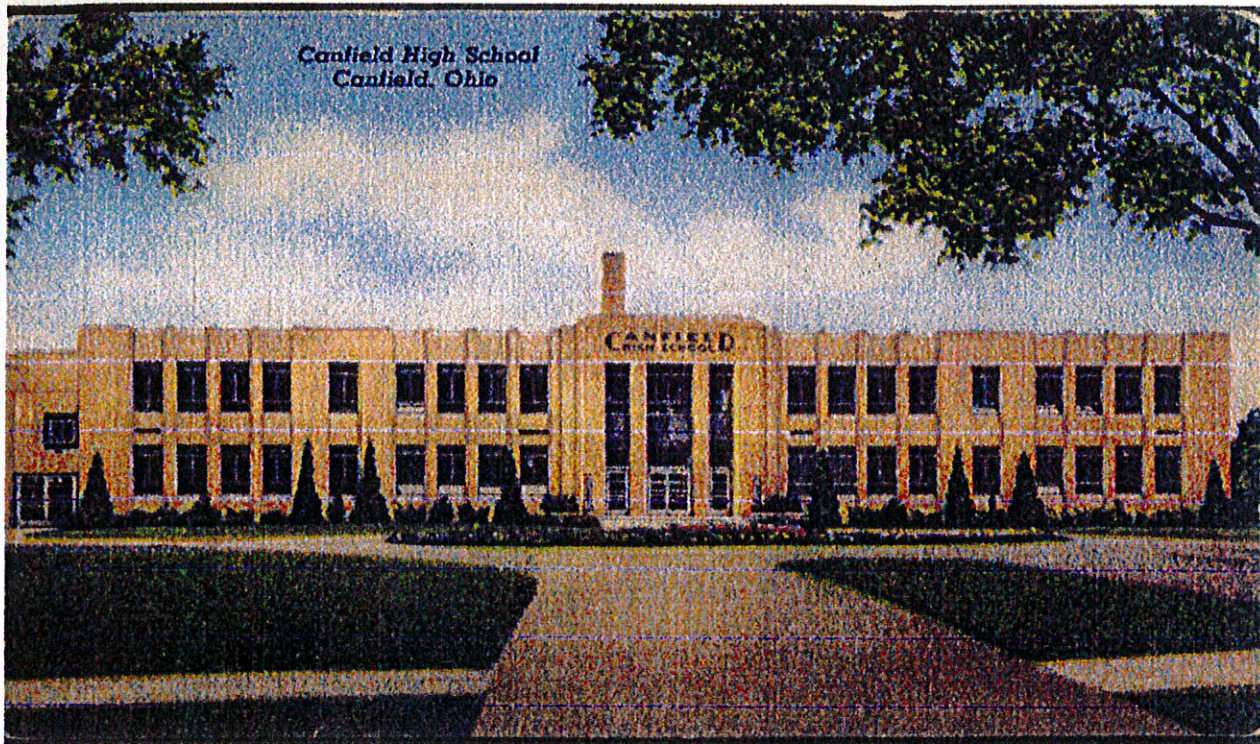
Assurance of the completion of the eight room addition to the Canfield High School was received today when the Attorney-Generals' office approved the legality of the school district notes in the sum of \$55,000.

The financing was approved by Canfield voters at the last election. The addition, which will bring the school capacity to 21 rooms, will be ready for the opening of the 1930-31 school term. The bonds were purchased by the retirement board of the state teachers retirement system.

Sept. 5, 1930 The Mahoning Dispatch
NEW ADDITION AT CANFIELD

That Canfield is definitely growing is shown by the fact that the voters found it necessary to vote in an additional bond issue of \$55,000 in the fall of 1929 in order to assure ample accommodations for 1930.

Eight new rooms, a girls' shower and locker; a boys' shower and locker; a set of bleachers to accommodate 550 spectators; and the gym lengthened approximately 15 feet. The 7th and 8th grades will be in a departmentalized unit to the front and north nearest the high school. This will place the grades in the new addition.



**NEW CANFIELD HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING DEDICATED
SATURDAY. THE MAHONING DISPATCH
NOVEMBER 10, 1939**

The new Canfield High School building was dedicated Saturday evening when over 1,000 persons visited the building and about 800 assembled in the auditorium for the dedicatory program. The building was opened at 6 o'clock when Hi-Y boys began escorting groups through the various class rooms and continued till after ten o'clock. There are offices near the main entrance, in one of which is a radio with loud speaker address system in each room of the building for radio programs or a means of the superintendent talking to all rooms. A typewriting room with 30 machines, eight class rooms, two science laboratories, a study hall seating 150, a library room, also dressing rooms and showers, and hall lockers, with the large gymnasium-auditorium, comprise the rooms in the building. The auditorium with a commodious stage on the west side of the room, can seat over 600 people, removable chairs being used,

and the balcony which serves as bleacher seats for gymnasium purposes has a capacity of over 500, thus giving the room more seating capacity than any in this vicinity. The main floor is completely covered with canvas when used as an auditorium. Cork composition used in the ceiling gives excellent acoustics, as a speaker talking in ordinary tones on the stage can be heard perfectly anywhere in the room.

All floors are asphalt tile and all lighting is indirect, giving proper light for reading, with all shadows eliminated. This new building is connected with the former high school (now the grade school building) by a second floor hall.

The old red brick Union building has been completely rejuvenated and is used as a vocational building. The first floor is given over to manual training with many motor driven machines of various uses. The second floor is the home economics department with a sewing room equipped with both electric and foot-power sewing machines, a dining room for class use and kitchen of six units, each with small gas or electric range, working cabinet and sink cabinet. The building, which was new about 70 years ago, is so modernized as to be strange to the many visitors, who had gone to school there in past years.

The dedication program was presented in the new auditorium with Dr. C. H. Campbell, president of the Board of Education, presiding. After the invocation by Rev. G. A. Gibson, Dr. Campbell presented the other members of the board, George W. Blunt, James M. Nash, J. W. Baird and Howard Clay, also Mrs. E. K. Nichols, president of the Parent-Teacher Association, C. C. Fowler, only surviving member of the Board of Trustees of the N. E. O. N. C., and Judge J. H. C. Lyon of Youngstown, a former student and teacher. Jerome Hull was introduced as the first county superintendent and former high school principal and he told of the early struggles in centralizing schools and transporting pupils and the difficulties of housing pupils until the new building of 1922 was constructed. Dr. George Wilcox, dean of Youngstown College, brought greetings from that school and told of their teachers' training department bringing classes here to observe because of the high standards of instruction.

J. B. Jones, in his usual style responded to his introduction with reminiscences of an earlier day in local education. Willard Barker, superintendent of Canfield schools, told of the problems and difficulties encountered in planning and building the new school, which was begun just one year and a week before dedication, and of the high hopes for future achievements.

C. B. Rayburn, county superintendent of schools, congratulated Canfield and Poland on giving the county two such fine schools this year and read an excerpt from Dr. W. H. Scott's dedicatory address spoken at the dedication of Clinton School in Columbus. It was so very fitting that it has been read at the dedication of every school in the state since. He then presented E. N. Dietrick, State Director of Education, who congratulated the village on such a fine school and said the vocational equipment was superior to that in any county school of the state. He spoke of the advisability of having courses that fitted pupils for the future and having the school so much like life that boys and girls would find on completing school that the outside world was not so different. Many things of the old school methods should be kept but new systems have something to offer and programs must be adjusted to a changing world. Young people must be trained to go into the world and follow the principles given by the Great Teacher in the Sermon on the Mount. He urged keeping our schools democratic, not giving authority afar off, but keeping it at home that the world may return to the American way of living. Rev. L. P. McCulloch pronounced the benediction.

During the program George W. Siddall, music instructor, directed the orchestra in three selections as well as the Girls' Glee Club and Mixed Chorus.

The stage was decorated with baskets of flowers presented by various firms connected with the construction and through the building were other floral gifts.

On Friday evening 40 county school and local officials were guests at a dinner presided over by C. B. Rayburn, served in the school by the home economics class under Miss Sally Leimbach. Following the dinner the guests were taken through the building in two groups escorted by Willard Barker and C. M. Johnson, principal.

HISTORY OF EDUCATION IN CANFIELD COMMUNITY THE MAHONING DISPATCH NOVEMBER 10, 1939

Canfield, known by the geographer as the center of Mahoning County, is better known to the historian as an educational and cultural center. The early settlers of Connecticut, from bleak hills to forbidding lowlands, were resolutely confirmed in a personal and civic conviction that neither poverty nor hardship could be an insurmountable barrier to the pursuit of learning. Hence the spirit of the colonist in the East dominated and exalted the ambitions of the pioneer in the West.

May 24, 1797, a company of civil engineers, worthy and heroic products of the early technical schools of Connecticut, penetrated the forest fastnesses of what is now Mahoning County. The metes and bounds of the central township unit were drawn during the following Summer. For this County sub-division a name honoring one of the surveyors was chosen. Soon followed the early settlers, all with the indomitable vigor and vision of Connecticut parentage and life.

Scarcely had three years elapsed when, in the winter of 1800 (went into 1801) a private school of three months term was organized and taught by Caleb Palmer in a school house erected a mile and a quarter East of the center of Canfield township. This school house, though soon to be converted into a dwelling house, continued never-the-less in the service for which it was originally designed. In the year 1806 or a short time previous thereto Elisha Whittlesey became school-master, who later, in 1822, was elected a Member of Congress, serving continuously sixteen years or until the time of his appointment to the office of Auditor of the Treasury for the Post Office Department.

The first school in Canfield Village was taught by Miss Getia Bostwick in an unfinished room in the house of Judson Canfield. Another school of this early period was organized in a small log building about two miles South of Canfield Village and was taught by Miss Olive Landon, regarded as one of the most efficient educators of her day. Thus the pioneers nobly struggled against illiteracy, content for the time with the institution of private schools located here and there and of uncertain term and tuition.

The ever-increasing aspirations of the community towards better and broader provisions for instruction, especially in normal training, found realization in the Mahoning Academy, organized in 1855 and chartered in 1857. This institution had every promise of growth and prosperity until suddenly terminated by menacing conditions and demands occasioned by the outbreak of the Civil War in 1861. Brief as was its existence its influence abides to this day. From its halls came teachers, lawyers, agriculturalists and many of other professions and trades or occupations who made inestimable contributions to moral and material progress far beyond local premises. The principal of this Academy was David Hine, A. M., a graduate of Williams College in Massachusetts. His influence and popularity drew about him a student body with an enrollment reaching at one time two hundred and forty, including the pupils of the music department. A prominent and profitable organization fostered by this school was a literary society known as the "Adelphic Union." Mr. Hine's untiring energies were not local in their exercise. During the Winter months he presided over a similar academy at Warren, Connecticut, to which place he went on horseback, driving before him large herds of cattle for Eastern markets. Young men from the Canfield academy were privileged to make the journey with him but going on foot as droviers and remaining over winter as students in the Warren academy. The Mahoning Academy was located in a building erected for this purpose in 1856 at the corner of High and Oak Streets, being later transformed into a commodious dwelling now the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Miller.

The public schools of Canfield Village were, since the close of the Civil War, even as now, embarrassed by a steady growth. In 1867 a new plan of organization known as the "graded system" was adopted as a most imperative need. A three room frame structure was erected on grounds opposite the present High School. This building continues to exist in the form of two dwellings. The first principal of the High School Division was S. B. Reiger, whose ability as an educator qualified him for many years of useful service. Three years later a crisis again came in the affairs of the Board of Education. The school enrollment far exceeded the capacity of the school house to shelter it.

In 1871 the red brick structure, still in service though just recently remodeled in its interior for purposes of vocational instruction, was erected. As regards a demonstration in structural precision and skill this building had no rival in the State of Ohio. Many masons and contractors have been drawn to a more than casual investigation of its construction. Its cost including grounds, furnishings and interest on bonds was about \$30,000. So intent and sincere was the contractor in fulfilling the terms of his contract, even contributing many enhancing details in excess of the specifications, that the Board of Education bestowed upon him an additional award of \$1,000. This gratuity did not, however, save him from dire bankruptcy, from which he never recovered.

In the Spring of 1881 an education venture worthy of a community of much larger population, was promoted. The Courts of Justice having been moved in 1876 from Canfield to Youngstown, thereafter to be known as the County Seat, the old Court House stood silent and unoccupied, eloquently mute in its testimony to the glory and glamor of former days. Here was an idea with a rational inducement for its realization. Enterprising and far-sighted citizens organized, established and chartered the North Eastern Ohio Normal College to shelter and service of which was dedicated the old Court House, legal and clerical activities thus being raised to broader complement in cultural achievement. This institution soon proved itself worthy of the thought and care which entered into its promotion. Students, many of them from beyond the bounds of our State, were drawn to its high standards. Graduates among them are still enrolled an ex-governor of the Empire State, prominent attorneys, ministers, physicians and educators. Unfortunately and regretably in later time competition with the larger and more heavily endowed and State subsidized colleges became so formidable that a continuance of collegiate programs and purposes had to be abandoned in 1909.

A Joint Township and Village High School Board of Education was formed in 1911 to be followed a year later by the centralization of all the schools of the Village and Township. Under this new directorate a first grade High School had its beginning within the crowded and antiquated confines of the old college building where school activities were pursued under most disconcerting conditions. In 1919 by a large majority vote of the citizens in both township and village, a bond issue was approved, thus insuring the erection of a new High School building at a cost of \$85,000 to be located on a lot recently acquired for that purpose and adjoining the present school lot on the South. This new High School Building opened its doors in 1922 to rooms which all too soon proved their inadequacy to meet the demands of a rapidly increasing enrollment. To the rear of this structure there was added in 1930 a classroom unit costing \$55,000.

The year 1939 now brings the further assuring material evidence that the spirit of the pioneers of Canfield is still vital in the lives of their successors. This new High School building costing over \$154,000, including a Federal grant of \$69,000, has been dedicated to the principle that freedom and progress, local and national, exist only as the citizens of a community are intelligently informed. Our local history of one hundred and forty years is, as we may see, largely a commentary of toil and sacrifice free and constant given for the enlightenment and righteousness of future generations. From the halls of this new building may there ever radiate a cultural influence which shall bless the world under the grace of the Great Teacher of Men.



The Mahoning Dispatch September 4, 1953
New School Additions Ready

The new additions and the remodeling program at the Canfield school will be completed by the time school starts, Wednesday, Sept. 9th, Superintendent C. M. Johnson reports.

The remodeling included an office for the elementary principal, two toilets in the front of the elementary wing, a new heating system in the ten rooms of the building which was constructed in 1922. Also some remodeling was done in the existing toilets in the section of the building which was built in 1930. An additional 90 horse power boiler was installed, which will bring the heating capacity up to a point which will handle all the buildings which will ever be constructed on the present school site.

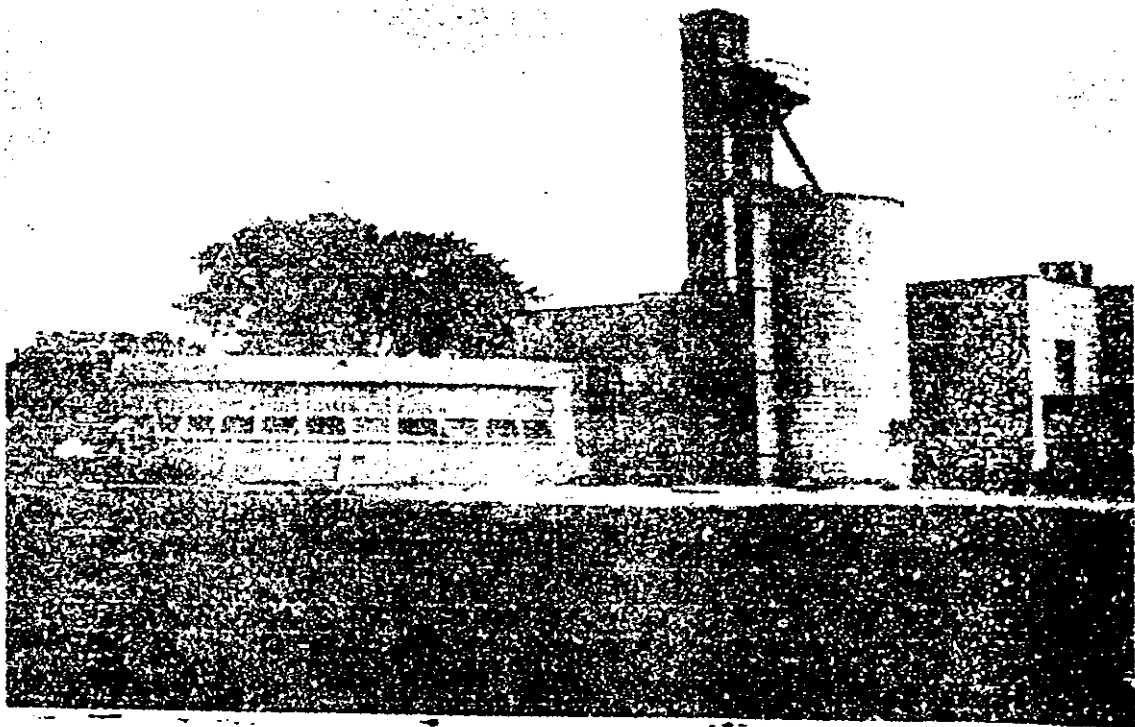
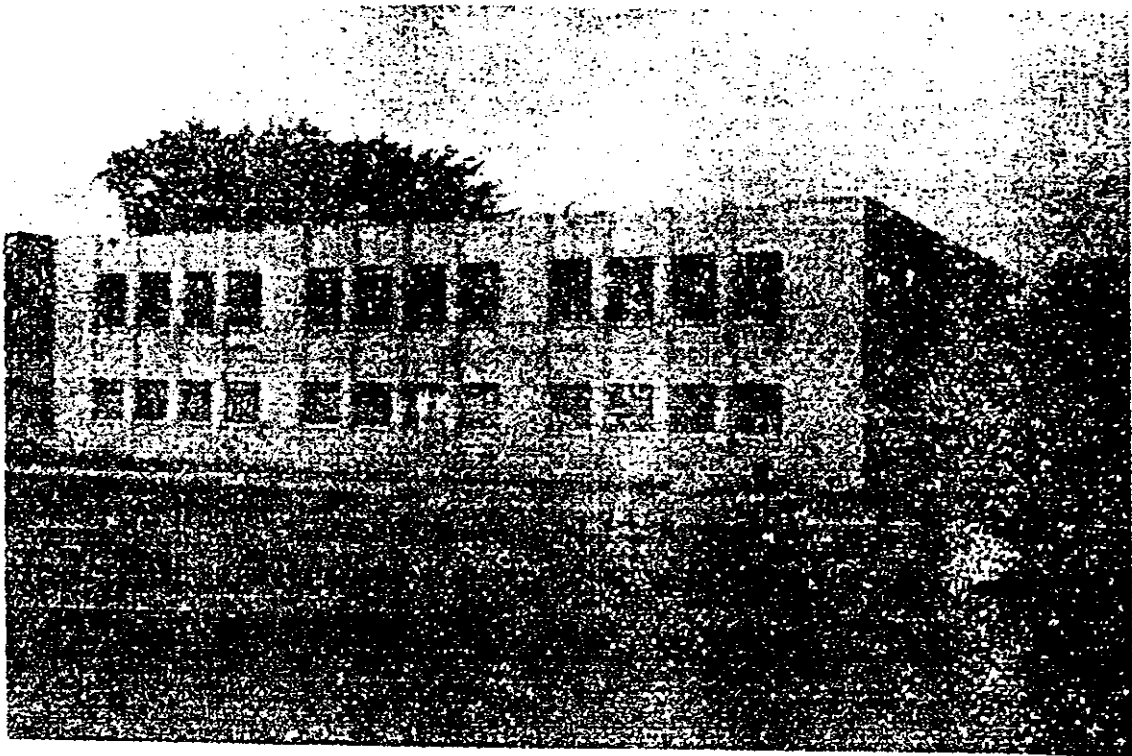
A modern fireproof coal storage and conveyor system has been installed. The former high school office has been remodeled into a classroom, as has the former music room.

The new additions consist of a music center, which includes an amphitheater, practice rooms, rooms for storage of band uniforms and musical instruments. This addition is at the west side of the existing high school building. A new wing has been added to the north and east of the high school building. This section consists of an office and health suite, two spacious storage rooms, six regular classrooms, and two large commercial studies classrooms.

Cost of the entire project is \$310,000, which was made possible by a bond issue approved by voters at the general election in November, 1951.

The general contractor was the E. Katzman Construction Co. of Youngstown, which started work on the project in May of last year.

New School Additions Ready



There are eight class and study rooms in the new wing of Canfield School just completed. (top picture)

The Music Center (below) includes amphitheatre, practice rooms and storage space for uniforms and instruments.

BIG ADDITION TO BE READY FOR FALL
The Mahoning Dispatch March 22, 1953



One of the oldest school buildings still in use in Mahoning County - the Canfield Union School built in 1869-will soon be torn down as the Canfield Board of Education continues its expansion program.

Enrollment in the Canfield Schools has increased from 680 in 1947-48 to 1,065 this year, with another 500 expected by 1958 and board of education members have been working steadily on adding facilities to keep up with the township's growth.

Now being completed from a \$310,000 bonds issue approved by residents is a 10-room addition to the main building which is to be ready in time for the fall opening of school. There is also a new music room and new boiler and coal storage silo under construction at the rear of the school.

New Heating System

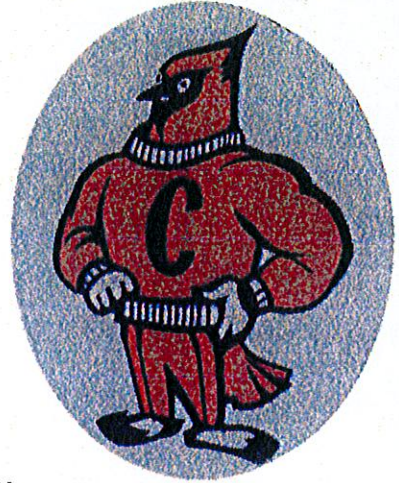
Already completed in the program is a new heating and ventilating system in the elementary school building; rewiring and modernization of the lighting system and installation of two new lavatories in the elementary school.

Canfield superintendent of schools, C. M. Johnson, said the new music rooms will be one of the finest in the area. Of cinder block construction it will be circular with lighting through glass blocks and individual practice rooms available.

Johnson said the present enrollment includes 700 elementary and kindergarten students and 375 high school pupils. Because of crowded conditions, one fifth grade class of 34 pupils holds its sessions at the Presbyterian Church on Route 224, one block from the school.

Patrolman Necessary

Heavy traffic on Route 224 has necessitated employment of a safety patrolman to protect the children as they march to the church classroom in the morning, return to the school for lunch, and in the afternoon when they return to get on the school busses.



Kindergarten for 107 children is conducted in the Methodist Church.

The old Canfield Union School, adjacent to the new addition, has not been used for classrooms since 1939 but at present houses the industrial arts, home economics, and photography departments.

Future plans call for razing this old building after construction of a new addition to the west to house these departments. Then additional classrooms will be added on the site of the old building.

Johnson believes that after this addition there will be no further construction at the Canfield educational plant. He looks for a new elementary school building northeast of Canfield where there would be sufficient students to justify a separate plant.

Would Ease Costs

The state department of education and researchers recommend a separate building when at least 300 children can be served. In this way transportation costs can be saved as the children can walk to school.



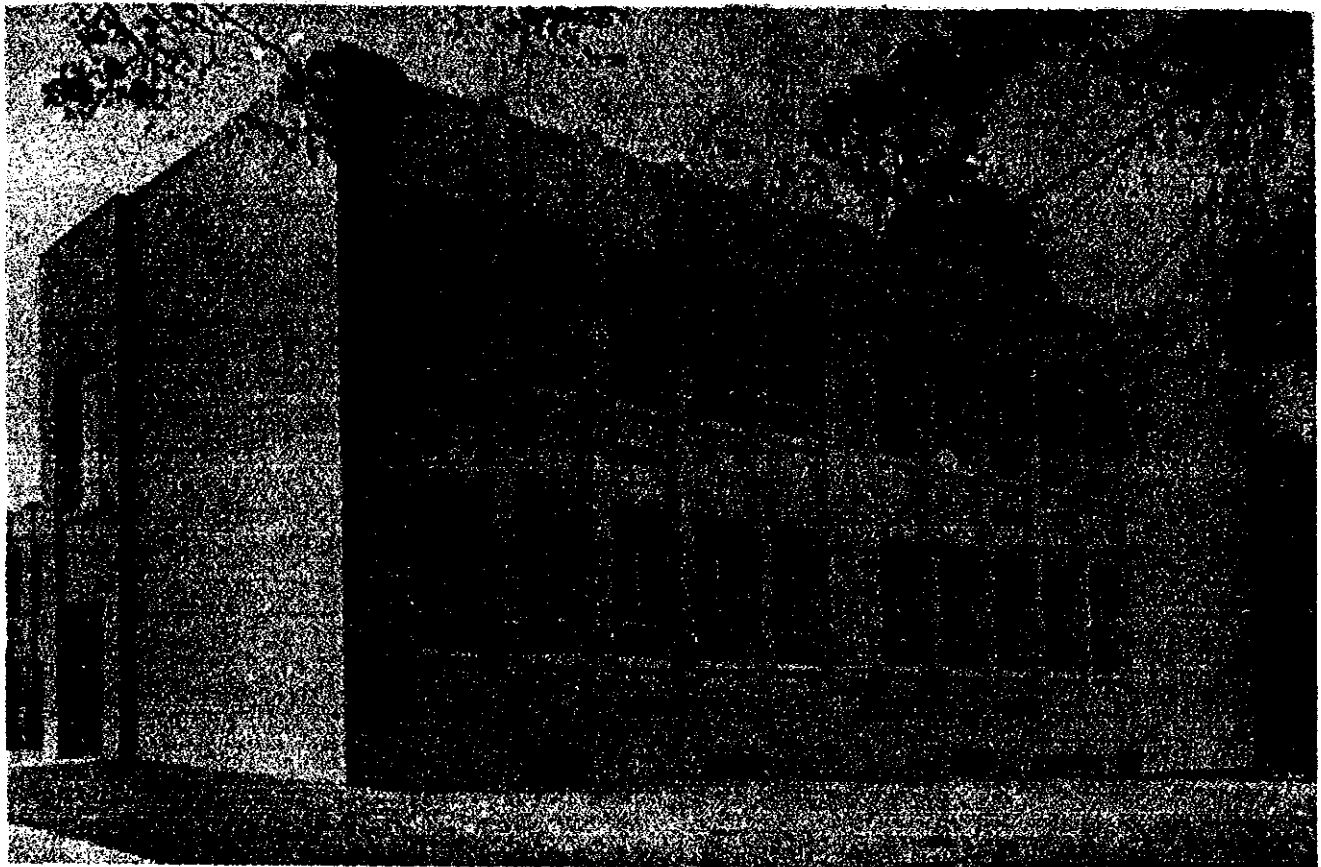
The old Union School, a typical red-brick structure of that era, was begun in 1869 and completed in 1871. The original contract was for \$30,000 and when the actual cost was \$33,000, residents of the village met and voted to pay the contractor's loss.

The present expansion program, when completed, will exhaust funds from the bond issue and any further improvements will require vote of residents of the school district on a new issue.

Members of the Board of Education are James Nash, president, George Blunt, C. K. Walter, and M. M. Diehl, clerk.

Union School





FINAL ANNEX TO CANFIELD SCHOOL BUILDING NOW IN USE

With the completion of a ten-room wing on the north-east corner of the school grounds, all classes are now being held at the Wadsworth Street location. For the past several years it has been necessary to rent outside quarters to take care of continued growing enrollment.

The new addition, final part of a \$480,000 building project the past two years, has space for shop, art and other classes.

Should population of the area continue to grow as rapidly as in the past and additional school facilities be needed, any new buildings would have to be erected elsewhere, as no more space is available on the present property.

September 13, 1957 The Mahoning Dispatch



CARL H. CAMPBELL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Located in the northwest section of Canfield, between Moreland Drive and Deer Trail.

SCHOOL DEDICATION PROGRAM ANNOUNCED THE MAHONING DISPATCH - OCTOBER 27, 1961

The program for the formal dedication of the new Carl H. Campbell Elementary School, to be held Sunday at 2:30 p.m., has been announced by Supt. of Schools C. M. Johnson, who will preside at the ceremony.

A flag will be presented to the new school by Mrs. June McCartney, president of Canfield American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 177, and it will be accepted for the school by Myron R. Leonard, vice president of the Canfield Board of Education.

Following songs by fifth grade pupils, the Rev. Garth Maynard, pastor of the Canfield Christian church, will offer prayer, after which guests will be presented.

Presentation of the building will be made by William Bergemann, of Bergemann & Smith, architects, and it will be accepted by Howard W. Clay, president of the school board.

The Rev. Blaine Pierce of Saint Michael's Mission will pronounce the benediction, after which tours of the building will be made until 5 p. m.

The new school was named in honor of the late Dr. Carl H. Campbell, who served on the board of education for thirty years, much of that period as president of the group. He died November 15, 1951.

Cost of the building, including the site and equipment was approximately \$682,000. Financing was made possible when school district voters approved a bond issue in November 1959. This issue also included funds for improvements on present buildings.

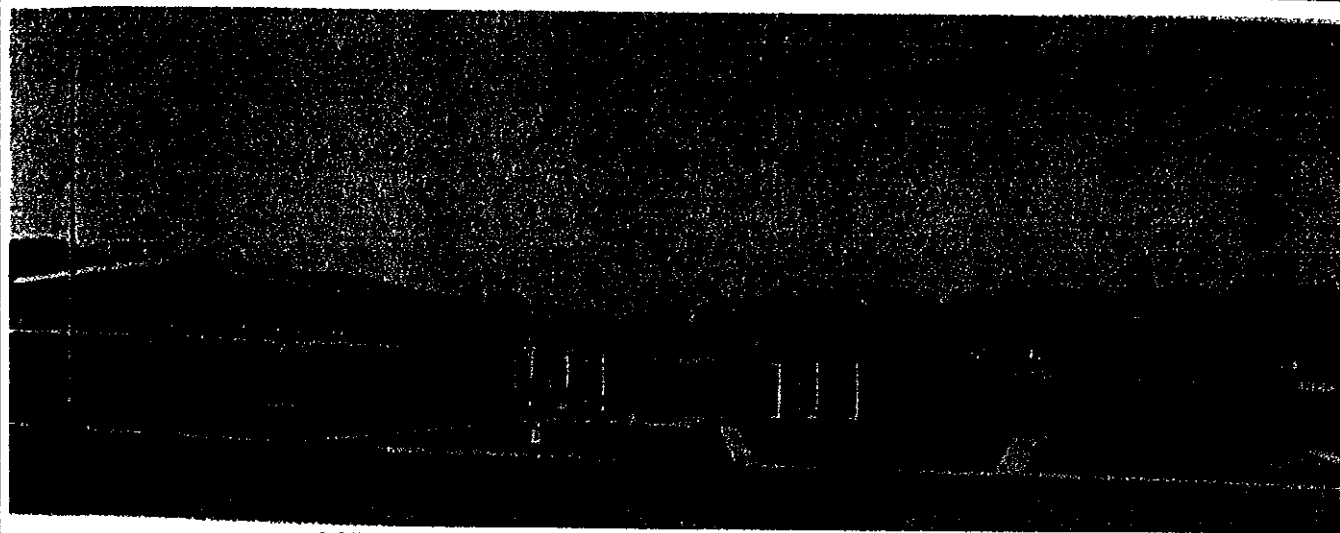
Work on the project got under way early in 1960, but material shortages delayed the completion date, and the first classes were held in the building last September.

The school can accomodate five hundred forty students in grades one through six, and there is also provision for one hundred and twenty kindergarten pupils.

The one-floor plan building is of modern design and arranged so that it may be easily expanded when the need arises.



CARL H. CAMPBELL



**NEW CANFIELD HIGH SCHOOL
DEDICATION HELD SUNDAY FOR NEW
CANFIELD HIGH SCHOOL**

THE MAHONING DISPATCH - OCTOBER 28, 1966

Canfield's new \$1,425,000 high school building, in use since Sept. 12th. was officially dedicated Sunday afternoon, with an estimated six hundred persons attending.

Construction of the building was made possible, when voters approved a bond issue Nov. 3, 1964, and ground was broken May 15, 1965 on the 30-acre tract of land off Cloverdale Drive, north of West Main street.

The former high school building on Wadsworth street, the first unit of which was dedicated in 1922 and to which there have been several additions added since that time, is now being used as a junior high school and elementary school.

Leonard Gagliardi, chairman of the Canfield School Citizens' Committee, a group which promoted the bond issue and assisted in many other ways during the construction period, served as master of ceremonies and welcomed those present.



The presentation of an American Flag for the auditorium was made by Mrs. Alfred Brooks, president of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 177 of Canfield. It was accepted by Principal E. E Francis, who announced that the Unit had presented 38 additional flags for classrooms and elsewhere in the building.

In behalf of the school board, John H. Rodgers acknowledged the assistance of the many service clubs, groups and individuals in completing the project, and for many contributions made by citizens. Special thanks was given Mrs. William H. Kilcawley and her daughter, Mrs. Byron C. Christman, for their contribution which made possible the sodding of the area at the front of the school, making it most attractive.

The prayer of dedication was made by the Rev. Alonzo Wise, pastor of the Christian Church, after which Superintendent C. M. Johnson outlined the history of schools in Canfield township, dating from 1800, only three years after this section of the Western Reserve was laid out by civil engineers from Connecticut. He also told of the North Eastern Ohio Normal College, which brought much fame to Canfield during its existence from 1881 until 1909, when it was abandoned. This led to the founding of a high school in the district.

Past and present school board members were introduced, as well as numerous educators and citizens of the area, and Mr. Johnson expressed his thanks to board members, past and present, for their cooperation.

Presentation of the building was made by Rebell Stollo of Hanahan and Stollo, building architects, and it was accepted by Myron Leonard, president of the board of education.

In his remarks, Mr. Leonard noted that Canfield's population has doubled in the past ten years, and that while the new building is now more than adequate, it is a question how long it will be, and that we must look to the future. He also urged electors to support the renewal of two school tax levies, totaling 5.6 mills, for a five year period, to be voted on November 8. He termed support a "must" if present school programs are to be carried on.

At the conclusion of his talk, Mr. Leonard asked for a few minutes extra time, and granted his request, announced that at a special meeting of the board of education just before the dedication ceremony, the following resolution had been passed by the board.

"Whereas Charles Montelle Johnson has been a member of the staff of Canfield Local School District for 32 years; and whereas Mr. Johnson has demonstrated his outstanding capabilities as a coach, teacher, principal and superintendent; and whereas Mr. Johnson has been an outstanding citizen of our community and was accorded the honor of being named the first Canfield Man of the Year; and whereas it is the desire of all students and employees, be it hereby resolved that from and after this minute the Canfield Local School district building to be dedicated on Sunday, Oct. 23, 1966, be known as the C. M. Johnson Building."

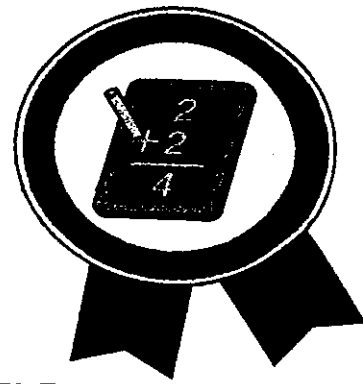
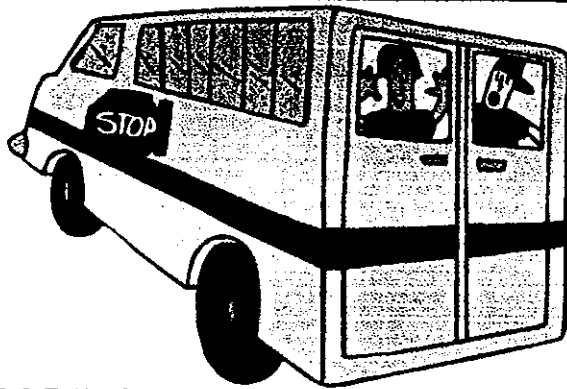
The action was a complete surprise to Mr. Johnson, who has headed the school system since 1949, and left him practically speechless. After receiving a standing ovation, he expressed his thanks for the honor conferred upon him.

Naming the building for Mr. Johnson will not change the name of the high school.

The Rev. Hugh F. Gallagher, minister of St. Michael Church, pronounced the benediction, after which those attending toured the building and were served refreshments by the Parent-Teacher Organization.

Ushers for the ceremony were Canfield members of the National Honor Society, and Key Club members had charge of parking cars.





GRADE SCHOOL IS DEDICATED AT CANFIELD

CANFIELD - The new \$1,034,000 Hilltop Elementary School, located on Hilltop Blvd., was dedicated Sunday at ceremonies attended by nearly 450 parents, teachers, board members and county officials.

The colorful multiple-use type structure, which has a capacity for 600 pupils, was designed by Hanahan & Strollo, architects. The project architect, Ed Rogers, is a Canfield graduate and grew up on Hilltop Blvd.

Supt. James Watkins presided while music was provided by the wind ensemble, directed by Anthony Cebriak, and the fourth grade choir, directed by Mrs. Margaret Fieger.

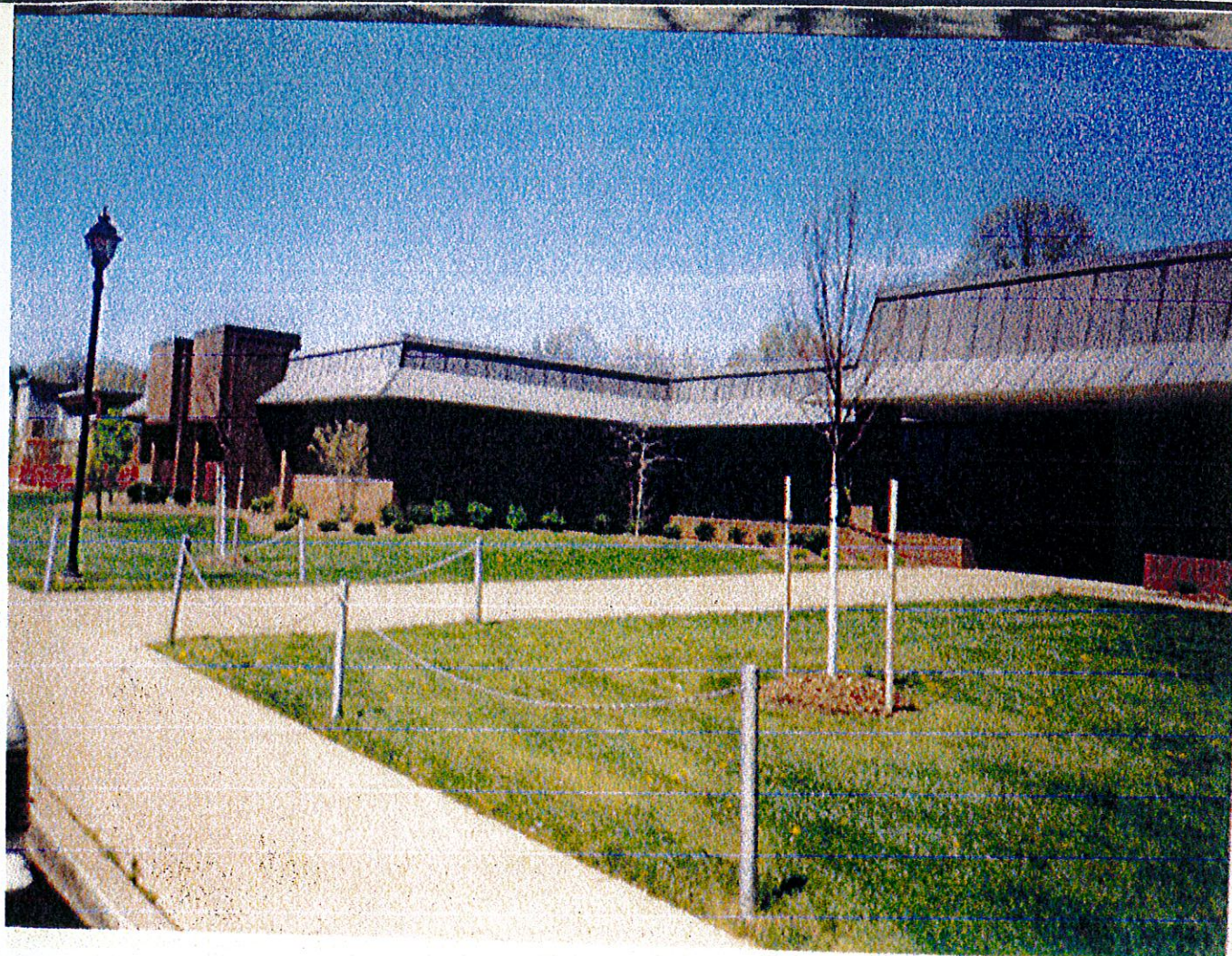
Flag Donated

Leonard Gagliardi, former Canfield board member, made the presentation of an American flag on behalf of Youngstown Elks Lodge 55 and the Canfield Kiwanis Club.

Rebell Strollo of Hanahan & Strollo, made the official presentation of the building to board President Richard Calvin.

Speaking briefly were Mayor Jack Eversman; Dr. Robert Shreve, Mahoning County Superintendent of Schools; and Principal Herb E. Bartlemay.

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Hilltop School - 1974

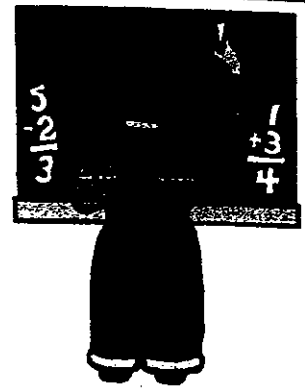
HILLTOP HISTORY

The doors of Hilltop School opened for the first students in September of 1974, Children previously attended the Village School built in 1922. The new building relieved overcrowded conditions caused by sharing facilities with the Middle School located at its present site. The design of this building incorporates flexible spacing which can accomodate the needs of both students and teaching staff. The conscious effort in flexible design leads to a facility which will remain modern throughout the life of the building.

Hilltop school contains twenty classrooms arranged in groups of five around a centrally located library. By means of movable walls, each classroom can be enlarged to make use of a common area if class activities require additional space. Workrooms and planning centers are also provided in each area. Additional features include two kindergarten classrooms, a reading room, a speech and hearing room, a clinic, a computer classroom, a vocal music room and a large multipurpose room with a stage designed to be used as a gym, auditorium, and cafeteria.



ALL FIFTH-GRADERS WILL ATTEND VILLAGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NEXT SCHOOL YEAR.



Canfield - The Board of Education has decided to reopen Village Elementary School to all of the district's fourth- and fifth-grade students.

Fifth-graders will be moved to the school, which is adjacent to the Canfield Middle School, next school year. Fourth-graders will be moved the following year.

The board adopted the plan after discussing options in a private session during Wednesday's meeting. Superintendent James Watkins said the discussion was closed to the public, because it involved hiring teachers. State law allows public bodies to discuss personnel in private meetings.

Hiring plans: Watkins said he expects an additional teacher each in first, third and fifth grades, because those have the most students. More teachers may be hired the following year, depending on enrollment.

More students: Village Elementary, which has been closed since 1974, is being reopened because of increasing enrollment. Kindergarten enrollment is projected to be 289 in 1993, compared with 176 this year and 135 last year. The school has 12 rooms, half of which will be renovated for the next school year.

Price tag: Watkins said he is not sure of the cost of the work, because some of it will be done by school employees. An architect said the cost would be between \$12,000 and \$20,000 per room. The architect's report said the building was structurally sound and suitable for use.

Watkins said most of the staff and district residents who attended recent public meetings on the proposed reopening favored moving fourth and fifth graders there. The second-most popular option was creating a new kindergarten through fifth-grade school.

STUDENT ENROLLMENT GROWING IN DISTRICT

Continued growth in the number of students is expected to continue because of the number of new housing developments in the district, Watkins said. The Stonebridge development alone has only 18 of more than 400 lots developed, he said.



Renovation: Before looking at building a new school or addition, school officials wanted to fill space that was available, he said. They did that by renovating Village Elementary School, which was closed 1974.

Fifth-graders moved into half the building this year, and fourth-graders are to move into the other half next year. The move is opening up space at C. H. Campbell and Hilltop elementary schools, which will house kindergarten through third grade after next year.

Oddity: Watkins said an oddity in this debate is that the district had about the same number of students 30 years ago and housed them all in the building that now contains the middle school and Village Elementary. The district had 92 teachers 30 years ago and has 134 today, he said.

He said the district needs more space and teachers than it did 30 years ago because of additional programs and smaller class sizes.

Items the PTO wants discussed include the possibility of changing how students are assigned to the elementary schools, how staff is evaluated, the district's rank in standardized tests, the possibility of art instruction in elementary schools, addition of computer instruction in the first and second grades, improving the quality of lunches and adding more nurses and guidance counselors.

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OTHER CANFIELD EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

CANFIELD, OHIO





**HINE MAHONING ACADEMY
1855**

**OLD-TIME MAHONING ACADEMY
THE MAHONING DISPATCH - APRIL 2, 1915**

**Educational Institution Presided Over By Prof. David Hine
Made Canfield Famous**

Canfield has long been recognized as an educational center, the best of schools having been maintained in the village for many years. The Mahoning Academy was one of the early institutions of learning and many men and women who attended it are still living but widely scattered.

A copy of the first catalogue issued by the Academy in 1857 recently came to the Dispatch from a reader who highly prizes it. The book was issued from the office of the Canfield Sentinel, published by the late John M. Webb, and the mechanical work which is very neat was evidently done by the late Henry M. Fowler, founder of the Dispatch. The contents of the catalogue follow:
First annual catalogue of the Mahoning Academy, for the Academic year, ending September, 1857, Canfield, Ohio.

Trustees

President, Hon. Elisha Whittlesey, Canfield.
Secretary, Hon. G. I. Young, Canfield
Hon. Eben Newton, Canfield
David Hine, Jr., A. M., Canfield
S. W. Gilson, Esq., Canfield

Faculty

Principal, David Hine, Jr., A. M.
Assistant teacher, and teacher of vocal music and drawing, Miss Ellen M. Wright.
Teacher of music-vocal and instrumental, Mrs. Frank Willey
There has also been associated with the Faculty at various times during the year:
Assistant teacher, Mrs. G. I. Young
Assistant teacher, Miss Libbie Woodcock
Teacher of French and drawing, Miss Annie Woodcock
Teacher of music, Miss Hattie Fenn

Students

Eli Arnold, Canfield
George M. Alexander, Canfield
S. J. Anthony, Jackson
Philo A. Beardsley, Canfield
Henry C. Beardsley, Canfield
William L. Brown, Canfield

Students Cont'd

John H. Berry, Kent, Conn.
Clinton Brainard, Boardman
Horace Boughton, Canfield
Charles L. Bingham, Canfield
Charles E. Bostwick, Canfield
James Bruce, Ellsworth
J. T. Brooks, Salem
S. W. Brainerd, Canfield
Charles H. W. Beecher, Canfield
Pitney Baldwin, Milton
George A. Beecher, Canfield
T. S. Carroll, Canfield
W. G. Cassaday, Canfield
George Casper, Canfield
Royal Collar, Green
Thomas Collar, Green
Jefferson Cronk, Canfield
S. E. Chidester, Canfield
Curtis Cook, Canfield
William Croy, Canfield
F. W. Collins, Ravenna
George F. Cotchell, Green
W. Bennet Cunningham, Wirtemberg, Pa.
Thorn Case, Hannas' Mills
Samuel Dickson, Canfield
Alexander Dickson, Canfield
James A. Davison, Jackson
S. G. Dean, Ellsworth
A. M. Dawson, Calcutta
Clark Ewing, Austintown
Austin Ewing, Ellsworth
Warren H. Ewing, Canfield
S. Ellis Fink, Pleasant Valley

Students Cont'd

John Gault, Jackson
R. G. Gault, Jackson
A. R. Gault, Jackson
James S. Geddes, Poland
William S. Howard, Ellsworth
Henry M. Hine, Canfield
D. E. Hoover, Austintown
J. G. Hise, Canfield
Edward P. Holcomb, Canfield
Charles H. Holcomb, Canfield
Cornelius Hunt, Canfield
Prior T. Jones, Canfield
William O. Johnston, Jackson
John Z. Johnston, Jackson
James F. Johnston, Jackson
Joseph R. Johnston, Jackson
A. R. Johnston, Jackson
Isaac A. Justice, Orange
James M. Kirk, Ellsworth
Thompson Kirk, Ellsworth
Robert A. Kirk, Ellsworth
Alfred Keck, Canfield
James M. Kenrich, Green
Martin Lazarus, Deerfield
H. Alexander Manchester, Canfield
James S. Morgan, Cleveland
Samuel Q. March, Cannon's Mills
James McCarkle, Jackson
William C. Meeker, Canfield
Lewis Meeker, Canfield
J. H. Miller, North Benton
Francis C. Nesbit, Mt. Jackson, Pa.
James K. Robbins, Canfield
Horace G. Ruggles, Canfield
Miron W. Sackett, Canfield

Students Cont'd

Simmons Sackett, Canfield
James L. Smedley, Williamstown, Mass.
Charles Schmick, Canfield
James Stafford, Springfield
S. Steele, Boardman
Emery C. Swank, Canfield
Clark Sackett, Tallmadge
A. B. Shields, Canfield
David Snyder, Beaver
David G. Scroggs, Keokuk, Iowa
R. S. Taylor, Ellsworth
Richard B. Treat, Tallmadge
Edward W. Tanner, Canfield
James L. Truesdale, Canfield
Hugh Wilson, Canfield
Clason L. Whittlesey, Canfield
H. A. Williams, Ellsworth
E. Wayne, Springfield
Luellyn Witherall, Canfield
Robert J. Woods, Salem
A. C. Wakeman, Jordan, New York
Total number of males, 95

Females

Jennie Alexander, Canfield
Mary Arnold, Canfield
Helen S. Avery, Milton
Julia Bostwick, Canfield
Mary E. Bostwick, Canfield
Matilda E. Bruce, Ellsworth
Mary Brainerd, Boardman
Hannah Bingham, Canfield
L. A. Beeman, Canfield
Achсах Bingham, Canfield

Students Cont'd

Ellen R. Bond, Edinburgh
Flora Cunningham, Canfield
Mary Collar, Canfield
Mary Clark, Canfield
Emma Coffin, Petersburg
Mary Clewell, Canfield
Adeline N. Cook, Hanna's Mills
Diana C. Cook, Hanna's Mills
Nancy A. Collar, Canfield
Cheney W. Comstock, Canfield
Lavina J. Close, Canfield
Mary N. Church, Canfield
Ellen R. Colton, Jonis, Michigan
S. E. Chidester, Illinois
Margaret Crumb, Austintown
Leonora Callahan, Canfield
Emma C. Dice, Atwater
Belinda C. Dean, Canfield
Lucy A. Davis, Berlin
Jane W. Ewing, Edinburgh
Amelia Ewing, Canfield
Sophia Errett, Warren
Hannah Fowler, Canfield
Margaret Gault, North Jackson
Margaret S. Gault, North Jackson
Anna L. Graves, Canfield
Achсах Hine, Canfield
Kate T. Hine, Canfield
Permelia W. Hine, Canfield
Sarah A. Hoover, Ellsworth
Dorcas C. Hitchcock, Canfield
Lucy E. Hine, Canfield
Emerett Hine, Ravenna
Mary C. Hartman, Canfield
Helen B. Hine, Canfield
Fannie C. Jones, Canfield
Louisa M. Johnston, North Jackson

Students Cont'd

Mary E. Johnston, North Jackson
Susan Kirk, Ellsworth
Margaret Knight, Ellsworth
Mary Knight, Ellsworth
Eliza J. Keck, Canfield
Mary A. Lee, Canfield
Ella Mygatt, Canfield
Elizabeth Mall, Canfield
Mary H, Mygatt, Canfield
Carrie McClelland, Canfield
Kate McFarlan, Canfield
Hannah Mygatt, Canfield
Maria Meeker, Canfield
Hannah K. Newton, Canfield
Sarah Roller, Mercer, Penna.
Eliza Peason, Edinburgh
Mary Roller, Canfield
Sarah Rose, North Jackson
Huldah Sackett, Canfield
Mary A. Swank, Canfield
Melissa A. Sykes, Canfield
Flora Sackett, Warren
Jane Sackett, Canfield
Achshah Sackett, Canfield
Ellen Sackett, Canfield
Sallie Swanston, Canfield
Isabel Swanston, Canfield
Mary Shellhorn, Cuyahoga Falls
Agnes Tomson, Austintown
Ellen Tomson, Austintown
Charlotte Vaughn, Warren
Hattie Whittlesey, Canfield
Mary E. Williams, Ellsworth
Libbie E. Woodcock, Williamstown, Mass.
Annie Woodcock, Williamstown, Mass.
Charlotte Wakeman, Auburn, N. Y.
Lavina Young, Canfield

Total number of Females, 85

Summary

Number of males, 95

Number of females, 85

Total number of males and females 180

Divisions of the Year

The Academic year is divided into two sessions of twenty-two weeks each. The first opening on the second Wednesday of August, at the close of which there will be a vacation of two weeks, and at the close of the second, a vacation of six weeks.

Terms

Tuition per quarter, in the primary branches, viz:
Orthography, Reading, Writing, Arithmetic, Geography, English Grammar and Vocal Music, \$4.00

For the same, including Algebra, Natural Philosophy, Physiology, and Astronomy, \$5.00.

For any of the aforesaid, including the higher Mathematics, Chemistry, Geology, Minerology; and the Classics, \$6.00.

Lessons in Instrumental Music, (piano and melodeon) at the usual rates.

Boarding

There has recently been opened a boarding house by Mr. Hitchcock, where students will find a pleasant home and good accommodations on reasonable terms.

Literary and Library

There is connected with the Institution a Literary Society-the "Adelphic Union," which was organized in 1856. Its course has been onward and upward until it can vie with any society of its age in Ohio. Its objects are Literature, Morality and Friendship.

There is also connected with the Institution, a Library of 20,000 volumes, of Historical, Political, Poetical, and Biographical works to which the students have free access.

Design and Location

This institution was organized in 1855. It has recently been incorporated, and is now under the supervision of five trustees. It is the constant aim of the Principal to surround the students with the benefits and restrictions of a Christian home, and to prepare them as far as possible for the active duties of life.

Canfield is the county-seat of Mahoning county, situated in a healthy and beautiful region, in the south-eastern part of the Western Reserve. The location is elevated and the surrounding country under a high state of cultivation, from which the markets are plentifully supplied with all the luxuries of the season. From the high tone of morality of the society and the moral influence exercised over the students, we recommend this institution to the cordial support of all those, who wish to receive a good education, and be free from the fascinating allurements by which the young are so frequently surrounded. The leading denominations have their respective places of worship in the village, and the students are expected to attend divine service on the Sabbath, and at all times to pay due and proper respect to the institutions of religion. The town is accessible by various lines of hacks and stages, running from Enon, Warren, Salem, Youngstown, Ravenna, etc.

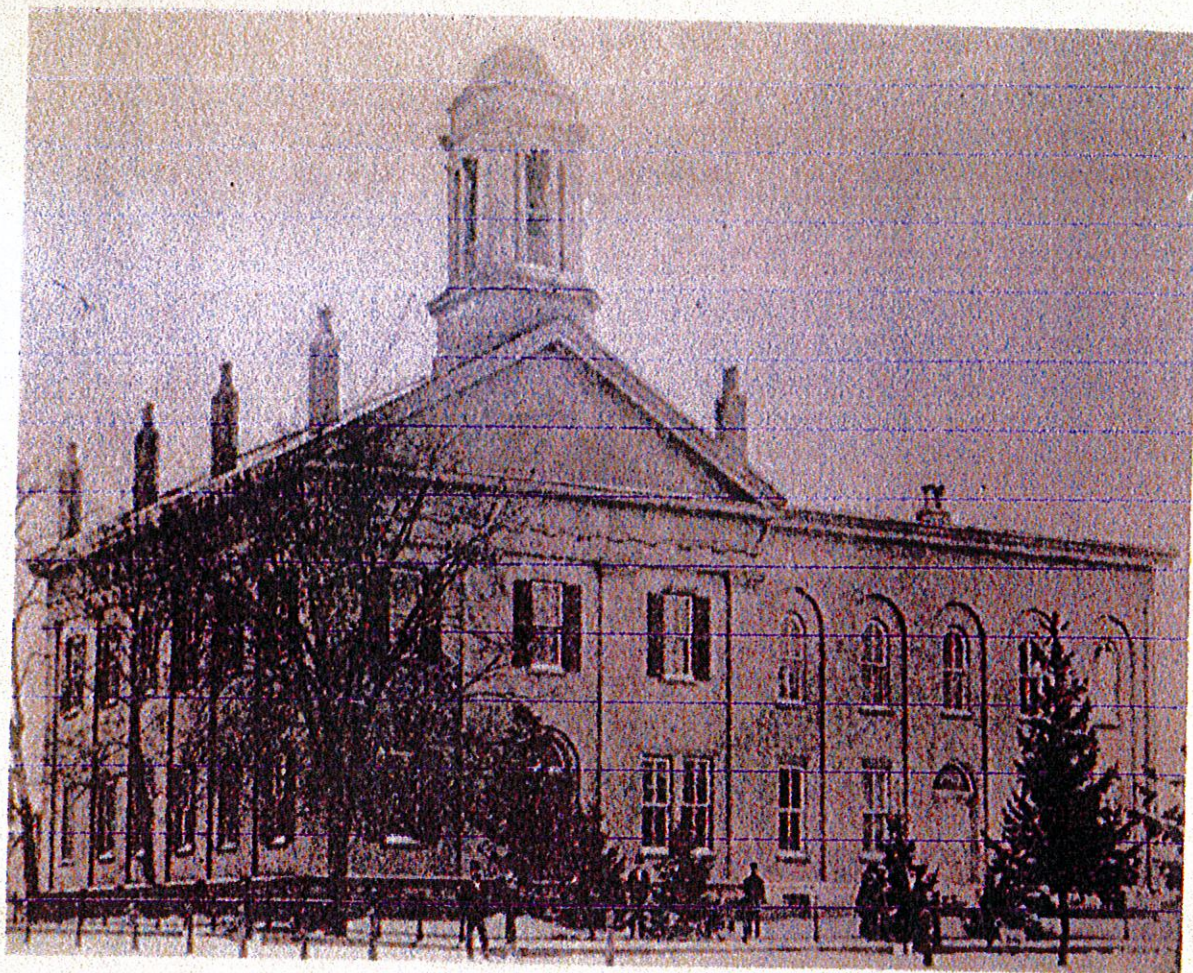
Students from a distance will find this a pleasant and agreeable home, its grand scenery, pleasant locality, broad and spacious streets, make it compare favorably with any other towns of similar size in this region of country.

References

Rev. Mark Hopkins, D. D., Pres. of Williams College, Mass.
Rev. Joseph Alden, D. D., Pres. of Jefferson College, Pa.
Rev. H. L. Hitchcock, D. D., Pres. Western Reserve College
Lorin Andrews, Pres. Of Kenyon College, Ohio
Hon. Lyman W. Potter, New Lisbon, Ohio
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THE BUILDING IN 1895

As the iron hitching-posts around the court house are being carted off by some of our citizens for private use, it has caused considerable talk and no little excitement. Some ask, by what right and upon whose authority has this been done? If the transfer of the buildings and grounds has been made to the Normal School Board, it is their business to see that such useful property is not carted off by private individuals. The lamps, clock, chairs, etc., belonging to the old court room, were taken some time ago, and now the iron hitching-posts, some thirty in number and costing \$7.50 each, are disappearing. Our attention has been called to this matter by interested parties who fear that some marauders may yet carry off the iron fence, and perhaps take the bell and cupola. All that is desired, is to know by what right such things are done, and certain parties ask to have it explained.

Oct. 14, 1881

THE NORMAL COLLEGE

At a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Normal College Association, an organization was effected by the election of Judge Giles Van Hyning President; Judge J. R. Johnston Treasurer, and Geo. F. Lynn Secretary. The Committee of the Board appointed to look after the business of the transfer of grounds and building from Judge Newton and wife to the Trustees, by warranty deed, report the consummation of that work by the drawing of a deed which will be duly signed, sealed and delivered in a few days, or as soon as the attornies prepare the papers and instruments neccessary for the transfer. Then the next business will most likely be that of putting the buildings in proper shape for College purposes, which is not neccessarily a long job; and if this is all, can't see anything in the way to hinder the opening of the College to students by Feb. 1st., 1882. Delays are sometimes dangerous and the sooner the school is started the better it will be for the town and all parties concerned. But we fear no unnecessary delay while in the hands of the present Board of Trustees, and we may look forward to a speedy completion of business, at no very distant day.



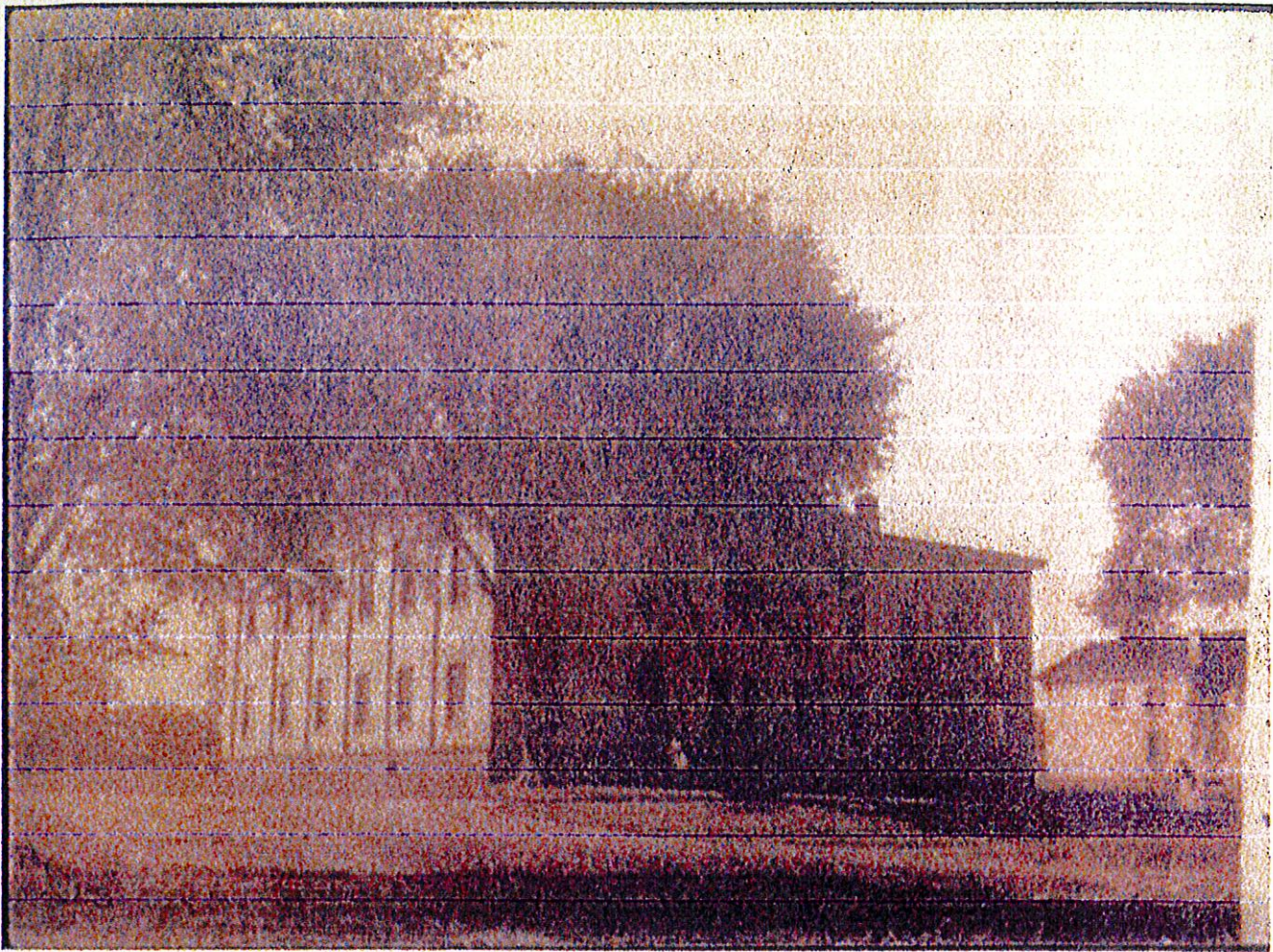
THE MAHONING DISPATCH NOVEMBER 18, 1881

HISTORY OF THE OLD N. E. O. N. C.

In 1846 the village of Canfield was, by an Act of the Legislature of Ohio, made the County Seat of Mahoning County. With all possible pride and vigor the citizens gave their aid and influence to the county authorities to the extent that a Court House was erected in 1846-7, to be remodeled and enlarged a few years later. In 1876 the rapidly growing city of Youngstown drew within its precincts the County Seat and attendant interests, leaving a vacant Court House and Jail. Acting on the principal that Halls of Learning have greater power in promoting and maintaining the moral and civic welfare of a community, than do Courts of Justice, the Hon. Eben Newton, to whom the Court House and the land which it occupies, reverted, gave this cherished possession to a Board of Trustees for the purpose of devoting same to the interest of a Normal College. The North Eastern Ohio Normal College was therefore incorporated in accordance with the laws of Ohio in the year 1881. The members of the Board of Trustees were the Hon. G. VanHyning, the Hon. J. R. Johnston, the Rev. William Dickson, D. D., Dr. A. W. Calvin, H. A. Manchester, Esq., David Clugston, Hiram N. Lynn, Russel F. Starr and George F. Lynn, the latter being only survivor at this date. The first class graduating consisted of the Misses Jennie Rummell and Anna Ramsey and the Messrs. Frank S. Masten, Harry T. Jones and J. Calvin Ewing.

Those who bear testimony to the efficiency of the North Eastern Ohio Normal College as an institution presenting the highest ideals toward which it faithfully directed its training, are almost legion. However, through lack of financial support, this institution was forced to surrender its collegiate charter, but ten years ago became a very creditable First Grade High School. From a College to a High School may not, in this case, be a backward step for that which best serves the immediate need of a community, makes for the progress of all

James Jones
1923



THE NORTH EASTERN OHIO NORMAL COLLEGE IN CANFIELD HAS DONE VALIANT SERVICE IN THE LAST QUARTER CENTURY - FRIENDS HOPE THAT LEGISLATURE WILL GIVE IT OPPORTUNITY TO DO MORE.

In case the state legislature decides to establish two additional normal schools, in Northern Ohio-and Dr. Chaney and others well posted on the educational needs of the state-believe that Canfield will be a candidate for one of the two.

Men who are interested in the Canfield institute-the North Eastern Ohio Normal College-are anxious to see it kept up and would be proud to have it grow into one of the notable schools of the state. They are using their influence to have the proposed state normal school united with the Canfield college. If this can be done Mahoning county would become an important educational center and there is no doubt that with the

energy with which great projects are usually carried out here, the college would win laurels for the county and credit and a royal name for itself.



As far as Youngstown is concerned, it could wish for nothing better than the establishment of a state normal school in Canfield. The material value of having four or five hundred students to Canfield to live for eight or nine months out of twelve would be appreciable. If the population of the village were increased by that number it would not be long before Youngstown and Canfield were connected by an electric line and a new wealthy part of the county opened up as a field for local business and a place of suburban residence. And the great advantage would be in the intellectual and spiritual uplift coming from the presence near the city of numbers of earnest, intelligent young men and women. The students would find in Youngstown the nearest city of size. Their support of this city's churches, of its lectures, its music, its charities and other causes that are worth while; this, together with their own presence ere and all that that implies would give a powerful impetus to the higher life of the city.

Canfield's interest in this matter is Youngstown's and this city will derive as much benefit from the normal school, if it is established there, as Canfield will.

The North Eastern Normal College has gone through more than a quarter of a century, quietly doing a great deal of good. Men of enlightenment and character have unselfishly devoted themselves to bringing up young people and those who have graduated from under their tuition have rendered useful, and in some cases brilliant, service to their fellows.

Judge Griffith, Alumnus Tells of Canfield Teachers

Judge David F. Griffith, president of the alumni association of the college, always speaks with enthusiasm of his alma mater and the men who were its leaders in his day. The good that he got out of his course there and that which he observed others get, make him eager that if there is to be a new normal school it be united with the college in Canfield. The traditions of the place, the economy, its ideal location, as well as the quality of the men who have served the college, are all good reasons, Judge Griffith believes, why Canfield is the best place for the school.



Judge Griffith spoke with a Vindicator reporter last week about the Rev. William Dickson, for many years at the head of the college and now, after long and valuable service, living a quiet, retired life in the village. Rev. Dickson's portrait is printed on this page. It appears to be that of a kind, fatherly old man. This would be Judge Griffith's description, except that Judge Griffith would say 'grand old man.' He himself studied Latin and Greek with the college president. He found him delightful to recite to, pleasant, approachable, full of sympathy and understanding of young men. He was always a deep scholar and a thinker, too, and his students all got the impression that he knew a great deal more than he needed to conduct his classes. This, it might be said in passing, is one of the characteristics of the good teacher; as a recent writer says, a teacher cannot teach right up to the edge of his knowledge without a fear of falling off; his pupils feel this and his words are ineffective, but when he moves freely across his subject, as if it mattered little upon which part of it he rests, they get a sense of assured power; "the subject acquires consequence, their minds swell and they are eager to enter regions of which they had not previously thought."

As one might expect from such a teacher, Rev. Dickson was an excellent extemporaneous speaker. Judge Griffith says he never heard a better. The old president's speeches were always the life of the commencement and alumni meetings. He was always a good preacher, too. Many people accustomed to hearing him have said they like him better as a man than as a teacher. Judge Griffith, for his part, does not agree; he believes this opinion arose from the fact that Rev. Dickson's sermons were always a little more scholarly than the average congregation is used to hearing.



An Anecdote of Dr. Sawvel and His Botany Class

Another man of whom Judge Griffith is frank in his admiration, is Professor Sawvel, who recently resigned from the college to go to Thiel college in Greenville. Had it not been for poor health, Judge Griffith believes, Canfield could not have held Dr. Sawvel, but sickness has so wasted him that physically he is now only a shadow of his former self. In character, Judge Griffith says, he did not at all resemble the venerable president. Instead of being easy to approach, a man whom a student would choose to confide in, he was, apparently, cold and reserved. This impression endured until his students were well acquainted with him. Then they would find him as genial as could be and full of fun. In intellect he had the fullness of knowledge that characterized the older man.

Judge Griffith tells a story of how, in his student days, when Dr. Sawvel taught him botany, he tried to play a trick. Stripping the common flag of its purple leaves, so that nothing but three waxen petals remained, he showed the flower to his classmaster as a find. He had done his work carefully and no one whom he did not let into the secret could tell what the flower was. A plodding fellow, whom no one would suspect of anything out of the way, was given the flower to take to Dr. Sawvel and discover the variety.

Dr. Sawvel did not hesitate a minute, looking over his glasses in a way that his students always felt disconcerting and cutting, and with all the force of his two hundred and ten pounds back of him, he remarked, "Baker"- that was the man's name-"Baker, this flower's been tampered with." Unluckily a girl in the class whispered, so that everyone could hear "Why, that's one of Griffith's flowers" and Dr. Sawvel knew the author of the hoax.



But Judge Griffith likes to quote the story to show that his old teacher knew his subject. Since then Judge Griffith has become well acquainted with him, has known him as a keen student and clear thinker and as a lecturer of distinction; he has had no reason to change his early impression.

The Hon. Hugh Manchester and Dr. D. Campbell, both men of long connection have contributed to the Vindicator interesting historical sketches of the North Eastern Ohio Normal College and they are published herewith. They give a good idea of the vicissitudes of the school in its early days and of the men who worked to establish and maintain it.

THE FOUNDING OF THE SCHOOL

Early Days Recalled by One Who Worked Hard for the Project.
(By Hugh A. Manchester, President of the Board of Trustees.)

In April, 1877, a bill introduced in the legislature by Hon. J. R. Johnston, then a citizen of Canfield and member of the state senate, representing the Mahoning and Trumbull county senatorial district, was enacted into law permitting the electors of Canfield township to decide by a majority vote whether they would raise a fund of \$15,000 by taxation to establish and maintain a normal school.

After much discussion and some necessary delay an election was finally called by the trustees of the township at which it was decided by an overwhelming majority-nearly four to one-to bond the township for this amount to aid in support of the school and for repairs and changes necessary to fit the old court house for use as a school building. Judge Newton, to whom the court house had reverted when the county seat had been removed to Youngstown, generously donated to a board of trustees the old county buildings and grounds to be used for educational purposes.



The Normal school was incorporated in 1881 and chartered as the North-eastern Ohio Normal College in 1883. Its first board of trustees consisted of the following nine citizens of Canfield to-wit: Hon. G. Van Hyning, Hon. J. R. Johnston, Rev. Wm. Dickson, D. D., Dr. A. W. Calvin, H. A. Manchester, David Clugston, George F. Lynn, Hiram N. Lynn, and Russell F. Starr. They were chosen by and from the board of twenty incorporators who were among the best and most prominent people of the township. They organized by electing Dr. Wm. Dickson president and G. F. Lynn secretary and treasurer of the board.

First Term in August 1882-Successful From the Start

Professor Byron E. Helman, A. M., a graduate of Western Reserve college, was chosen as the first president of the Normal school, who with able assistants, including Prof. Franklin B. Sawvel, began the first term of the Normal school August 11, 1882. The school was successful from the start and proved to be of inestimable advantage not only to the town and vicinity but to this and adjoining counties. It has furnished an opportunity to many a boy and girl to obtain an education in the higher branches of learning that would otherwise have been entirely beyond their means.

The school has continued in successful operation for more than 26 years. In that time many distinguished educators have been connected with the institution as members of its faculty. Among the number I recall the names of Rev. J. C. Ransom, Prof. Webster, Prof. Weaver, Prof. F. E. Miller, Prof. Hole, Prof. J. B. Bowman, Prof. Cummins and Prof. A. O. Allaman who has been president of the faculty and instructors for the last six years.



In addition to the preparatory high school and normal courses of studies the college provides three courses—the classical course, the scientific course, and the pedagogical course, in which the degrees of A. B., B. S. and B. Ped. are conferred upon students who successfully pursue and complete the necessary studies to entitle them to diplomas corresponding to the course of study followed in each case.

Scores of young men and young women have been graduated during the more than a quarter of a century since the school was organized, and all so far as we know are acquitting themselves in their life work with credit to self and honor to their alma mater. The alumni are doing good work in all the learned professions and are represented in every section of the country. They seem to get to the front wherever they go, thus showing the excellent training and equipment received at this school. Among them are ministers of the gospel, physicians, attorneys, teachers and school superintendents, book keepers, clerks and progressive farmers, all doing excellent work in their different professions and callings, and demonstrating the careful and thorough preparation received at school.

The one great aim of the school has been from the first and still continues to be the training of young men and women thoroughly for the profession of teaching and business pursuits but as stated above many graduates from the different collegiate

courses have been called and are creditably filling positions of trust and honor in the learned professions of the Christian ministry, law, medicine and journalism. Many of them received no other scholastic training than what they obtained at the Normal while others got here the needed preparation for entering other and larger colleges.



In these and many ways the Canfield school has demonstrated its usefulness and its right to public patronage and support.

If the legislature at the present session decides, as they should, to establish two more state normal schools, Canfield can offer as good a location for one of them as can be found in the state.

SCHOOL'S EARLY STRUGGLES

Many Difficulties Had to Be Overcome During the First Few Years
By Dr. D. Campbell Canfield

The land upon which the North Eastern Ohio Normal school buildings stand originally belonged to the late Hon, Eben Newton and by the terms of conveyance made by him to the county commissioners, in trust, soon after the organization of Mahoning county the title to the land with all improvements reverted to Judge Newton.

In December, 1881, it was by Judge Newton and his wife conveyed to the board of trustees of the North Eastern Ohio Normal College, to be used for school purposes.

On April 27th, 1887, an act was passed authorizing the township trustees of Canfield to issue bonds for the repairing of buildings and for defraying other necessary expenditures looking towards the establishment of a normal school in the township.

The sum was not to exceed \$15,000 and was made payable within 10 years from the date of execution. All was conditioned upon the consent of the voters expressed at some general-election.

Progress in the direction of founding a school was delayed for two or three years pending the final decision of the courts, in regard to the county seat removal question which was rendered in 1880, settling all questions relating to the future need of the old court house for county purposes. Not discouraged by the failure of several plans proposed by different citizens and found unsuitable, an important citizens' meeting was held in the old court house, September 16, 1881, at which after mature deliberation, and a free interchange of views it was unanimously determined to found a strictly nondenominational institution.

To this end steps were taken at once to organize a corporate body under the laws of the state.

The Incorporators Selected;

Name of the College Decided Upon.

A committee was appointed to suggest the names of twenty persons who should constitute said corporate body. The committee reported to the acceptance of the meeting the following names: Jackson Truesdale, Peter Gee, Wm. Schmick, Warren Hine, Wm. B. Dawson, Wm. Dickson, D. D., David Clugston, D. J. Church, Hon. J. R. Johnston, J. W. Canfield, George R. Edwards, A. W. Calvin, M. D., Giles Van Hining, H. A. Manchester, Esq., George F. Lynn, Hiram H. Lynn, Geo. E. Harding, R. F. Starr, John M. Osborn, and R. J. Crockett.



The first meeting of the board of incorporators was held September 23, 1881, when J. R. Johnston, G. Van Hining and H. A. Manchester were appointed to draft the proper papers for the procurement of corporate privileges.

On November 5, 1881, the first board of trustees was elected, and were the following named persons: R. F. Starr, H. H. Lynn and David Clugston to serve one year, Hon. J. R. Johnston, Wm. Dickson, D. D., and A. W. Calvin, M. D., for two years and G. Van Hining, H. A. Manchester and G. F. Lynn for three years.

This board met November 8 and elected permanent officers: Giles Van Hining, president; Hon. J. R. Johnston, treasurer, and Geo. F. Lynn, secretary.

During the spring and early summer of 1882, an earnest canvass was made by the board of trustees in reference to the selection of the proper person to act as principal of the school and the choice fell upon Byron E. Helman, who opened the school on August 21, 1882, supported by an able corps of teachers of his own selection. The opening day was one of great interest to the people of Canfield.

It marked the consummation of an enterprise that had cost much effort on the part of many of our active citizens.

The attendance of students from the first fully met the expectations of the friends of the school.

Old Members Still on the Board; Memories of Able Men

The twenty-seven years of life of the North Eastern Ohio Normal college have seen many changes, both in members of the boards and faculty. Giles Van Hining, the first president of the board of trustees died in January, 1884.



Hon. J. R. Johnston, the first treasurer, resigned in October, 1888, and Geo. F. Lynn as secretary of the board resigned in 1892.

Dr. William Dickson was elected to succeed Giles Van Hining as president of the board of trustees which position he very capably and satisfactorily occupied from February, 1884, until November, 1907, when on account of failing health the board very reluctantly accepted his resignation.

Dr. D. Campbell was elected treasurer in 1888 to succeed Hon. J. R. Johnston and secretary in 1892, to succeed Geo. F. Lynn, and has served in the double capacity of secretary and treasurer of the Board of Trustees continuously since first elected.

Hon. H. A. Manchester was elected in 1907 as president of the Board of Trustees to succeed Dr. William Dickson.

Dr. Jackson Truesdale and Hon. H. A. Manchester are the only members of the first board of incorporators, remaining on the board at the present time.

Dr. Truesdale was elected president of the board of incorporators Oct. 15, 1881, and held the position continuously until November 1907, when on account of failing health he was relieved of said duty. Dr. Truesdale filled the office very acceptably, and usually treated the members to one of his very interesting stories. Hon. H. A. Manchester was elected president of the board of incorporators November 1907, and Dr. Campbell has enjoyed the privilege of being secretary of the board since November 1892.





Time, and your patience would not permit me to tell of the various members of the faculty who have so faithfully and efficiently filled the corps of teachers all these years. And much less of the grand procession of young men and women who have filled our halls and gone out to fill the responsible positions in life. The memory of many of the teachers and scholars who have gone, some to that bourne from whence no traveler returns and others to new fields and activities, still remains with us an inspiration to renewed endeavor for the future of the school so dear to our hearts.

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