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SCHOOL SECTION NO.9 SOUTHWOLD

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School Section No. 9 Southwold is situated on No. 3 Highway, in the County of Elgin and in the thriving little village of Shedden, Ontario.

Between the years 1814 and 1817 settlers came to this district and among them were the first doctors and school teachers. A man named Lohman Ladd taught school in the log schoolhouses. When he came to the Shedden area, he covered a distance as far as he thought the children could walk, and asked their parents if they would let the children come for the year at the rate of 75 cents per scholar and board him part of the term. As the school master got about 13 scholars to attend, his salary amounted to about ten dollars. In those days the school books were very different from today. First they studied from the Cobb spelling book, then the New Testament of the Bible and finally in the English Reader and then learning to write. This ended their education.

Many years later Mr. Waugh, a Scotchman, taught in a small log house on his farm.

While teachers were busy instructing the children, ministers of the gospel were busy instructing the old and young in the path of virtue and truth.

In 1832 Mr. Gilbert taught school at a salary of 10 shillings (\$1.20) per quarter for a scholar.

In 1840 we hired a man by the name of Carting, teaching at a salary of \$250 a year in an old log parsonage, upon which ground now, stands the Shedden Cemetery. Before this, loved ones who died were buried on their farms or at Frome.

Later on in the year the first schoolhouse was erected on Waugh's farm (now Teetzel's). It was 24 feet by 30 feet and cost about \$250. School started in this same year but no record was kept until 1850. David Wallace was the first teacher in this school and was hired at a salary of \$20 a month.

It is interesting to note some of the early teachers and salaries they received.

- 1851 -- Benson -- 4 lbs. 10 shillings per month.
- 1852 -- 1854 -- 35 lbs. and all public money.
- 1855 -- Birch -- 6 lbs. per month.
- 1856 -- Trebel -- \$24 per month.
- 1857 -- Silcox -- \$25 per month.
- 1858 - 1860 -- Vanselor -- \$25 per month.
- 1860 -- McCallum -- \$20.50.
- 1861 -- McTavish, 1862 -- McBrayne, 1864 -- R. N. Stafford

In 1866 the brick school was built in the village of Shedden. It consisted of one room and the teacher was R. N. Stafford. He was paid a salary of \$336 a year. He taught here until 1868. The teachers who followed were: J. Williams, R. Williams, J. Fulton, R. Williams, Ralph Stafford, Mr. Delton, Mr. Stacey, Mr. Graham, Mr. Peets, T. Williams, Mr. McPhail, Ellison, McColl, Lipsey, Lockhart, Rose, Black, Batchelor, Chalk.

A new part was built on the school; it is now the Junior Room. Since then there have been lady teachers. This room accommodates the junior pupils from Grade one to Grade five. The first lady teacher was Miss L. Teskey, Charilla Stafford and Theresa Deacon.

In 1904 the minutes read as follows:

"Moved and seconded and carried that the transfer of school property deeds be given to Manson Horton who shall pay for the writing of deeds and each party pay for the registering." The secretary was Dr. W. L. Silcox.

Later teachers were as follows:

- 1896-1907 -- J. W. Brown
- 1902-1907 -- Bertha Burwell, Kate Doolittle, Doyle, Moorehouse, M. B. Edmonds, Edith Grantham, Jack Graham.
- 1908-1910 -- Donald McArthur, Bertha Brown,
- 1910 -- Margaret McKenzie
- 1913 -- Stella Stafford, Archie Blue
- 1916 -- O. M. Stonehouse, Miss Celia McRae, Stella Stafford, Elva Bernath
- 1917 -- Mabel Beattie, Alice Campbell,
- 1919 -- Miss Snetzinger, Dorothy Curtis,
- 1921--1922 - Annie Fergusson, Dorothy McGaw, Leda Fergusson
- 1923-1928 -- Barbara Leitch, Alva Childs, Kathleen Mitton, Miss Rooks, Freda Binks,
- 1929-1937 -- Beulah Small, Helen Glasgow, Erie McGugon Edna Arscott,
- 1939-1941 -- Harold Stephenson, Wm. Duncan
- 1942-1944 -- John Balcarras, Isabelle Hale, Margaret McIntyre
- 1943-1948 -- Margaret McIntyre, Helen Richards, Lyla Rowe, Alice Telford.

Mrs. Colley was janitor at a wage of \$7 a month also Mrs. Miller was a janitor.

In 1927 Mrs. Arthur McIntyre was elected a trustee.

In 1928 John Trace was hired as janitor at a salary of \$18 a month later succeeded by W. Trace.

In 1932 Hydro was installed in the school. Trustees

Liability Insurance on school children was introduced. In this year teachers salaries were reduced and janitors wages were reduced.

In 1935 the Shedden Women's Institute held a Public Speaking contest for the children in the schoolhouse.

Miss Beulah Small taught music in both school rooms and at her retirement James Medlyn was hired as music instructor.

In 1937 Mrs. Clarence Orchard was appointed permanent secretary.

In 1938 Grade V was promoted to the Senior Room. Immunization of school children was begun and school board donated \$10 to the Public Library. This donation has been given every year since. It entitles the school children to free membership in the library.

In 1940 Miss Parsons was hired as music instructor. A new furnace was installed in the Senior Room.

In September 1942 Daylight Saving was adopted.

In September 1942 at a meeting of trustees a motion was made as follows:

"Whereas a rule was made in 1933 for S. S. No.9 Southwold that pupils must be six years of age by opening day of school in September. According to other schools in city and county the trustees of 1941-42 make a new rule, we hereby affirm that no child who is not six years of age on January 1st or first day of school opening in the following year shall be allowed to attend."

In 1943 Mr. Garbutt was hired as music instructor. The school Nurse and doctor were introduced.

In 1945 Mrs. Ada Silcox was hired as janitor, and Semi-Direct lighting system introduced and junior room replastered.

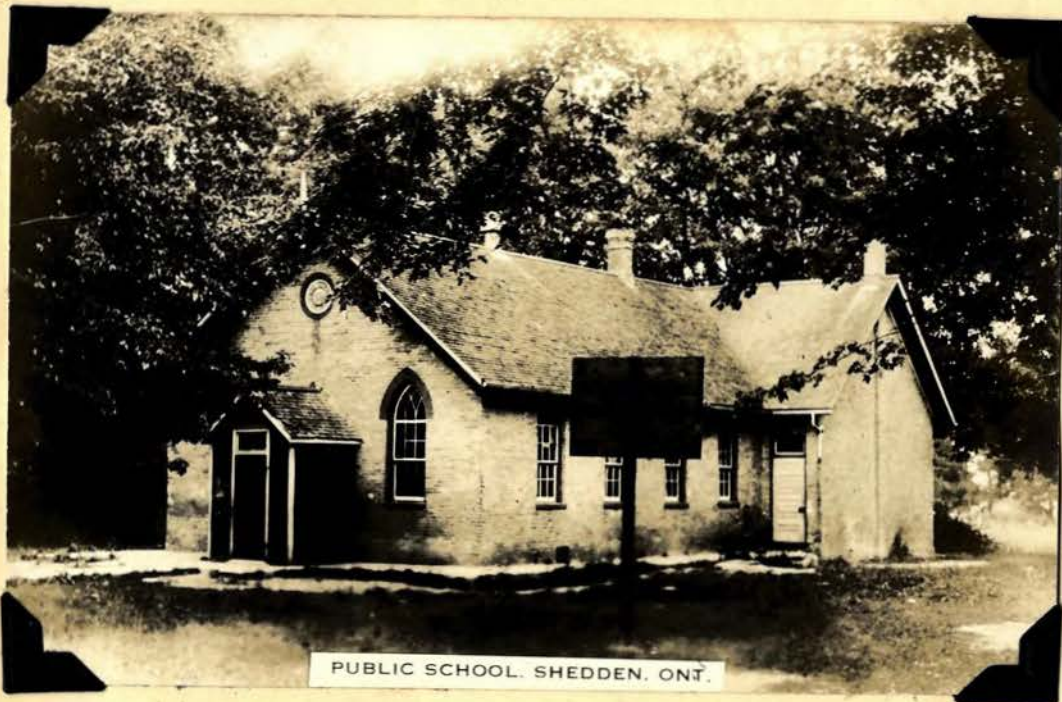
In 1943 the indoor toilets were installed. In 1944 Mrs. Welch was hired as music instructor

In 1946 an additional premium for Voluntary Compensation benefits for two teachers and reimbursements of expense benefits for pupils were purchased by trustees at request of ratepayers.

In 1947 County Health Equipment was bought. Since 1902 teachers salaries have risen from \$300 to the present 1947 salaries of \$1650.

Fine boys and girls have graduated from this Public School and fitted themselves for life as farmers, housewives, businessmen and women, Professional men and women. The late Alex Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Martin, was a Professor and a fine example of the former students of S. S. No. 9 Southwold.

A number of young men have served in World War I and II, and several have paid the supreme sacrifice.





J. Alex Martin Ph.D.

Alex Martin Ph.D., resident master and professor of Chemistry in Brandon University, Brandon, Manitoba, died suddenly in Brandon in his thirty-fifth year. He was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. James C. Martin, and received his early education at Shedden Public School. He taught school for a number of years, and attended Queens and Chicago University, where he obtained his Ph.D.



Shedden Public School. 1913.

1st Row; Albert Orchard; Kenneth Clunas; Eugene McArthur; Wilfred Bawtinheimer; Colin Martin; Frank Miller; Ina Stafford; Helen White; Gladys Colley; Audrey Storms; Rita Clunas; Irene Holborn; Cassie Francis; Elizabeth Tanner; Gladys Tanner; Vera Schrader; Edna Jackson.

2nd Row: Hartley Hyde; Wilfred Sells; Archie McTavish; Ernest Wride; Fred Schrader; cont'd

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Lloyd Comfort; Kenneth Hopkins; Lorne Lampman; Douglas Hopkins; Jonena McArthur; Kathleen McMackon; Ruth Keillor; Blanche Martin; Albert Bawtinheimer; Lawrence Stafford; Eula Francis; Ross Schrader.

3rd Row; Franklin Orchard; Isabelle Orchard; Willie White; Leroy Plain; Ted Lampman; Muriel Kerridge; Mary McTavish; Ruby Wride; Dorothy Wride; Ruth Wride; Mary Humphries; Leora Tanner; Morley Stafford.

Stella Stafford Jr. Teacher; Archie Blue Sr. Teacher.

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The first School Bus



DRIVER - 1948, 49, CHARLES MOORE
1950 WITH

(SONNY) JESTON MOORE



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FRONT ROW:

Archie Teetzel, Louise Keiller, Ralph Keiller, Vivian Turcott, Ronald Keiller, Margaret Stover, Jean Plain, Alma Clubb, Alice Smith, Lillian Turcott, (Behind Alice Smith)-Lillian Moore, (Behind Lillian Turcott) -Marion Orchard, Marie Smith, Lillian Atkinson, John Berdan, Lawrence Silcox.

SECOND ROW:

Elmer Clubb, Howard Clubb, Lorne Turcott, Frank Plain, Clifton Holborn, Hilton Plain, Wells Keiller, Dorothy Horton, Daisy Lampman, Helen Wright, Marion Smith, Ilene Mabee, Mary Caswell, Violet Mabee, Howard Teetzel.

Third Row:

Eric Stafford, Beverley Teetzel, Alvin Keiller, Allan Turcott, Walter Moore, Roy Caswell, Francis Clements, Billy Moore, Jean Trace, Grace McCormick, Marion Atkinson, Bill Morin, Francis McIntyre, Arthur Smith, George Moore.

FOURTH ROW:

Jack Creigh, Beulah Small (Teacher), Franklin Small, Warren Caswell, Mack Galbraith, Beatrice Clements, Nellie Croft, Catherine Stover, Zelma Wright, Billy Croft, George Sells, Clarence Palmer, Helen Glasgow (Teacher).



Shedden Public School, Senior Room, June 1948

Row 1 Paula Davis; Newton Telford; Isabel Campbell, Nancy Carr
Jacqueline MacIntyre.

Row 2 John Hall; John Stafford; Violet Marr; Isobel Brown;
Douglas Silcox; Ada Jean Wride; Helen Sims

Row 3 Frank Henry; Bruce Stafford; John Wilson; Barbara MacLean;
Jean MacIntyre.

Row 4 Ivan Berdan; Joyce Hyde; Marilyn Sells; Joyce Stafford; Ned Hall

Row 5 Shirley Henry; Peter Morrow; Bruce Marr; Marion Kilmer

Teacher - Margaret McIntyre - Shedden, Ont.