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We dedicate this book to all those  
that have gone before us in being a guid-  
ing light and help in the upbuilding of  
Central School.

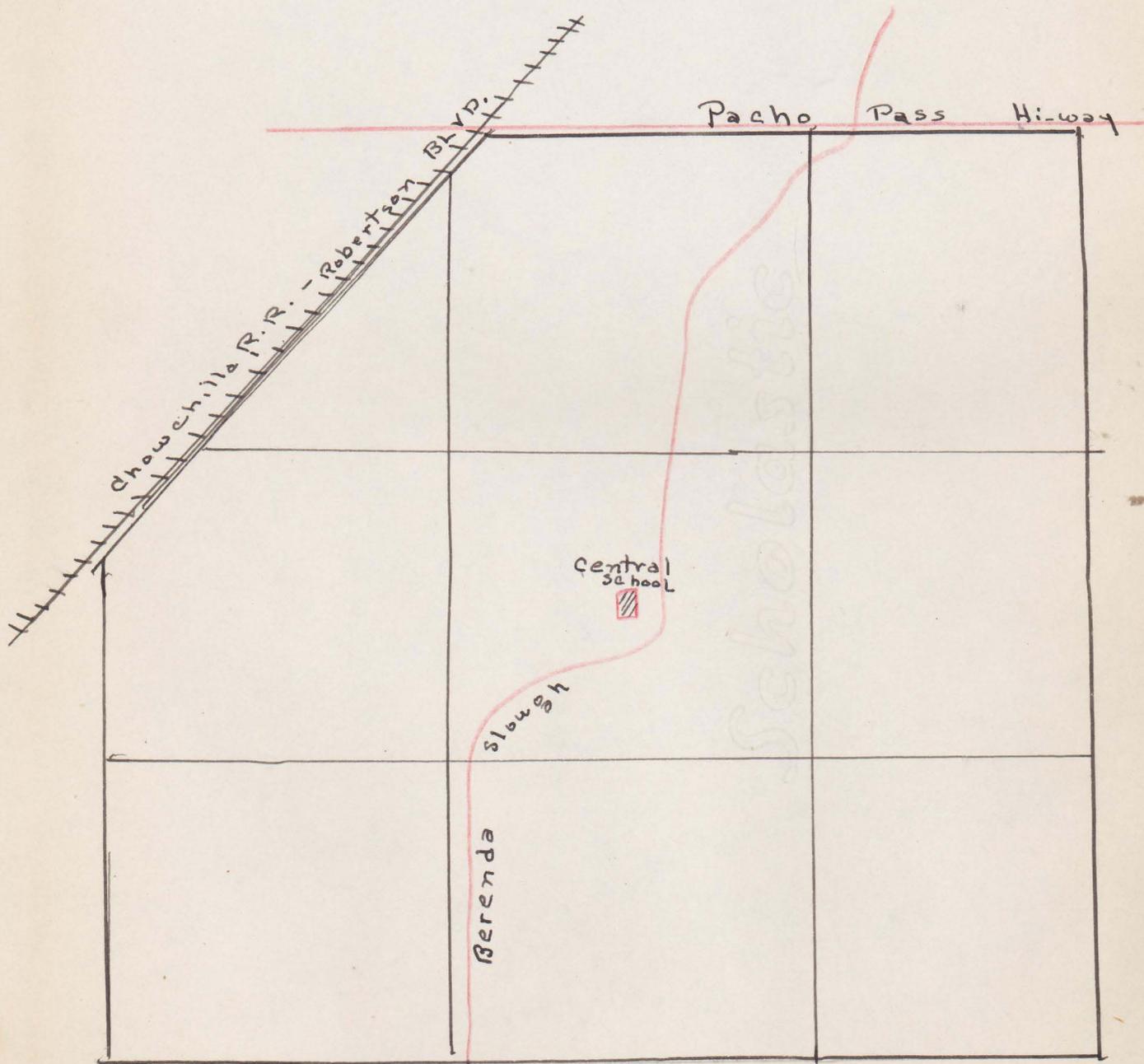
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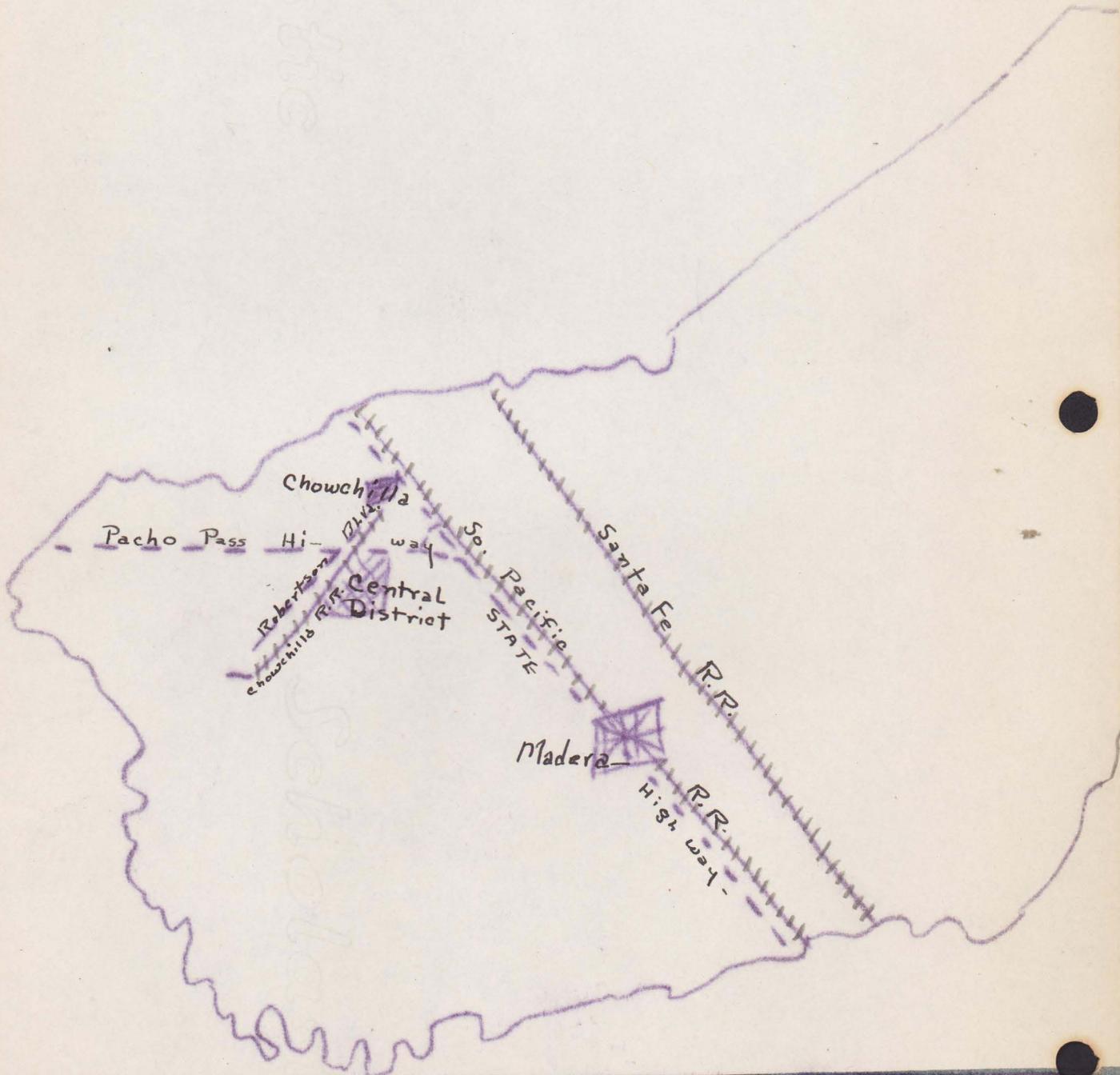
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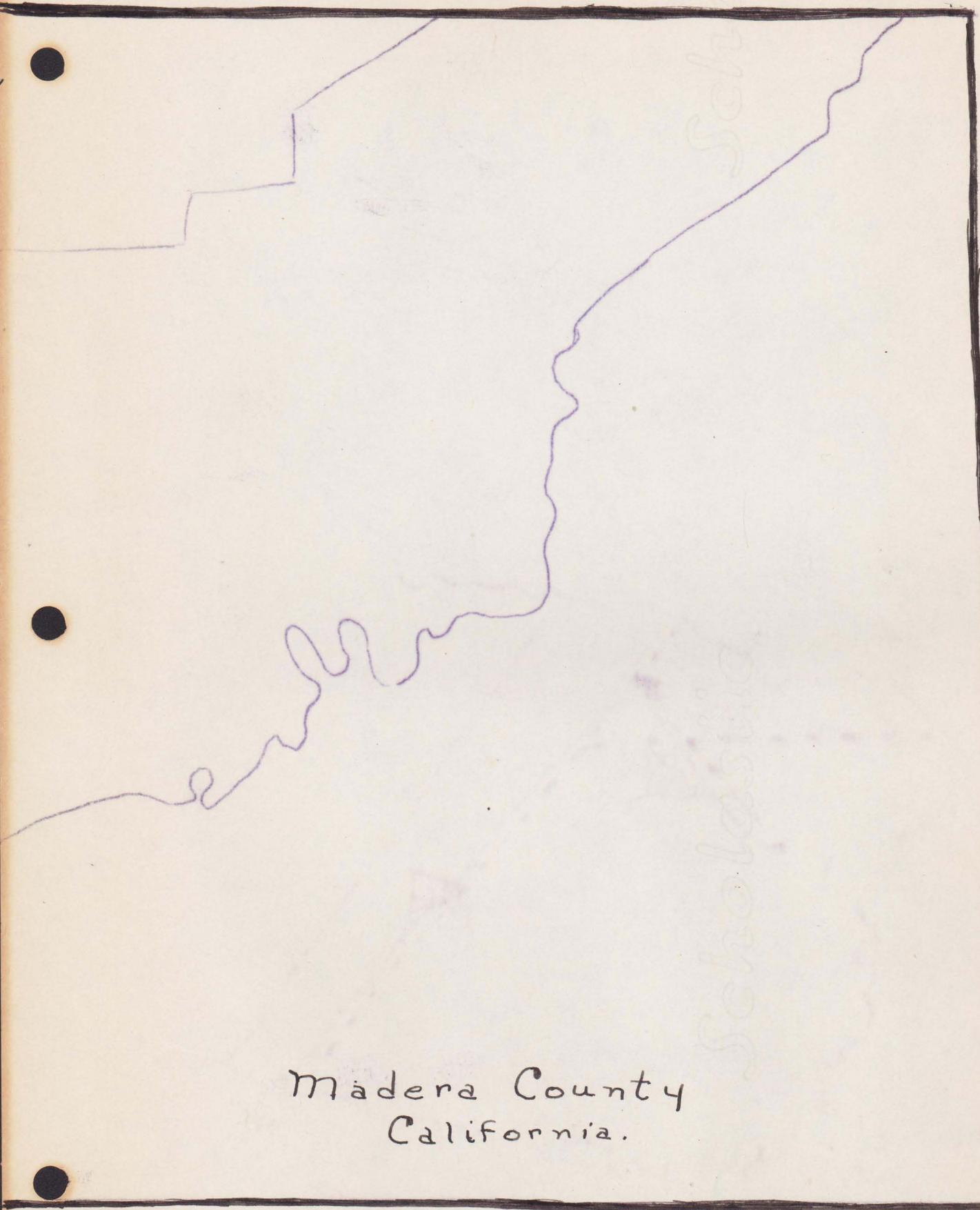


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# CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT







Madera County  
California.

EARLY HISTORY

The first settlers and explorers that lived in what is now the Central District were the Indians. This was quite a long time ago. Several of the old timers in the community have plowed up Indian mortars. The Indians were later driven out by the white men who settled there.

For many years after this the land in the district was a Spanish grant. On this big ranch the people ran cattle. There were no houses but there was a large ranch a few miles away where the men lived in small bunks. The old members of the community have found artisan wells in the ground that were used for the cattle.

Later Mr. O. A. Robertson of the United States Farm Land Company came to prospect in this part of Chowchilla. It seemed to be a good investment and he went back to the head office in Sacramento very enthused. He proposed bonds in order to be able to buy this land. These bonds were held mainly by the Federal Land Bank. The United States Farm Land Company now had one large ranch composed of 130,000 acres. This included a very large area all around Chowchilla. All this land was sub-divided into parts with the head office at Alamo.

Around 1912 the Chowchilla Colonization Company saw good prospects in the land around the Central District. Mr. Barrows, president, and Mr. Witesman, sales manager, of the Chowchilla Colonization Company bought from the United States Land Farm Company four thousand acres.

This was the Central Colony sub-division number one. However, other sub-divisions which were owned by others came to belong to the Central District. Now there is approximately 5,280 acres in the district.

It was through the efforts of the Chowchilla Colonization Company that the Central District became settled. Much advertising was done in Southern California. People realized that there was much rich soil and soon came to build their homes. However, there was no power of any kind at this time. Water had to be pumped by engines. The first sub-station in the district was built around the year 1915.

From a map of 1907 we find that all sections that now belong to the Central School District at one time belonged to the Berenda and Minturn School Districts. The Minturn School was the first school to the extreme west of Madera County. Sections 12, 13, 14, 23, 24, and part of 11 which are now in the Central District Township 10, Range 15 belonged to the Minturn District. Sections 7, 18, 19, which are now in the Central District Township 10, Range 16 belonged to the Berenda District. Later this district was absorbed into the Chowchilla District. In 1919, when a need arose in the district for a school the Central District was formed. However, it has been proved that a school was in much demand and has been a help and asset to the community.

## PRODUCTS AND INDUSTRIES

The Central School District is approximately 5,280 acres in size. Out of this we find dairying, cotton, alfalfa, fruits, hogs, and poultry to be the main undertakings. Cotton and dairying take the lead at the present time.

Because of the excellent, rich soil in the district, dairying was the main reason why the first people settled. The ranches could raise whatever they needed for the stock right on their own land. In the beginning the cream and milk was separated before it was sold to the creameries. Now the farmers sell the whole milk because of the many uses that it is now used for. Today the milk is sold to the Danish Creamery and the Golden State Creamery.

Hogs and poultry were also raised on the side by the farmers. Beginning in the year 1921, hogs were sold at public auction sales. This was held under the sponsorship of the Farm Bureau Hog Auction House. The hog sales were held at the Cardwell ranch in the country. The buyers would come in from surrounding towns and buy whatever they wanted. A few years later, the grain elevator burned. This was then used for the place of the hog auctions.

A few years later the trend turned to the raising of grapes. Many farmers put in grape vines. At the time the grape industry was at its height, the farmers received

seventeen cents a pound. This was reason enough for the farmers to be anxious for the planting of grape vines.

In a short time fruit trees, consisting mainly of peaches, plums, and apricots, were planted and used to good advantage. Most of the fruit was dried and then sold to the large packing houses in Madera, Fresno, Merced, and Modesto.

Within the last few years cotton has taken a great hold in the district. Again many farmers took out their orchards and replaced them for cotton. Because of the need for help, many new people have come into the community. The cotton from the district is sold mainly to the California Credit Corporation, San Joaquin Cotton Corporation, and Producers' Cotton Corporation.

## TEACHERS

The following is a list of all the teachers that have taught in Central School.

October 18, 1920--June 3, 1921	Grace C. Villiers Mrs. V. Massenge Alice Hyde
September 12, 1921--June 2, 1922	Orma Ross Cora Knight Ida Davis
September 18, 1922--June 4, 1923	Pearl Cronkite Esther Gaupp Ida Davis
September 17, 1923--May 23, 1924	Kate Livingston Grace Rector Ida Davis
September 15, 1924--May 28, 1925	Ruby Jones Grace Rector Edith Bigelow
September 14, 1925--May 28, 1926	Ruby Jones Grace Rector
September 13, 1926--May 27, 1927	Mr. Hall Shirley Ayers
September 12, 1927--June 8, 1928	Mrs. L. Shirley Shirley Ayers
September 17, 1928--May 29, 1929	Elizabeth Pyne Shirley Ayers
September 16, 1929--June 5, 1930	Marie Tonkin Shirley Ayers
September 18, 1930--May 29, 1931	E. Lischefsky Evelyn Hanson Helene Zwick Shirley Ayers
September 14, 1931--May 26, 1932	Jessie Sutherland Marie Tonkin
September 12, 1932--May 26, 1933	Jessie Sutherland Marie Tonkin
September 18, 1933--May 29, 1934	Jessie Sutherland Marie Tonkin Miss Hahn

September 10, 1934--May 21, 1935	Jessie Sutherland Alice Lewis Beatrice Rea
September 9, 1935--May 21, 1936	Jessie Sutherland Alice Lewis
September 14, 1936--June 9, 1937	Gladys Chalfant Alice Lewis Florence Terry
September 20, 1937--June 7, 1938	Shirley Ayers Ruby Carlson Florence Terry

## FIRST PUPILS

The following is a list of the first pupils that attended Central School.

## 6, 7, 8 grades

Iva Bennett  
 Ulisse Cornaggia  
 Thomas Evans  
 Thelma Gregor  
 Via Hanson  
 Fred Jones  
 Rose Jones  
 Ann Kuhlemeier  
 Jean Laur  
 Nellie Mattox  
 Marjorie McCollum  
 Josephine Pimentel  
 Edith Reaves  
 Elma Reimann  
 Leon Rector  
 Ormond Rector  
 Elbert Reed  
 Roland Reed  
 Lillian Stagtegger  
 Frances Thompson  
 Oakley Wyatt  
 Ethel Meisenheimer

## 1, 2 grades

Manuel Alves  
 Mary Alves  
 Margaret Boyle  
 Kenneth Grimes  
 Elsie Jones  
 John Kingdon  
 Andrew Olivero  
 Mona Mae Peterson  
 Arno Salaberry  
 Tony Aimonetti  
 Norman Glider  
 Lawrence Gallarda  
 Bruna Aso  
 Cyrul Bollinger  
 Joe Leal  
 Clifford Mesenheimer  
 Peter Aimonetti  
 Claude Cocannouer  
 Carmen Aso  
 Lucille Cobb

## 3, 4, 5 grades

Carl Alves  
 Mabel Barnett  
 Frances Boyle  
 Paul Boyle  
 Thelma Brown  
 Hazel Coconaner  
 Pete Cornaggia  
 Rose Cornaggia  
 Eddie Evans  
 Helen Greger  
 Isabel Hijas  
 Ella Kuhlemeier  
 Martha Kuhlemeier  
 Charles Laur  
 Julia Leal  
 Louisa Leal  
 Wallace McPheeters  
 Adolph Mertlik  
 Teresia Mertlik  
 Charlotte Peterson  
 Mary Pimentel  
 Alfred Pimentel  
 Thelma Van Gundy  
 Boyd Wyatt  
 Raymond Yearout  
 Thelma Yearout  
 Marie Aimanette

## 1, 2 grades (con't)

Ida Cornaggia  
 Marguerite Evans  
 Elsie Gordo  
 Frank Leoni  
 Corbett Mattox  
 John Olivero  
 Milton Peterson  
 Frances Piedrafita  
 Matilda Pimentel  
 Walter Reimann  
 Charles Stadtegger  
 Doris Stadtegger  
 Gertrude Glider  
 Reata Denis  
 Margaret Wetter  
 Grace Jones  
 Paulina Olivero  
 Arlene Rector

## CENTRAL COLONY PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION

During the second year of Central School's existence, there were expressions of interest from several patrons of the district in the organization of a Parent-Teacher Association. The matter was discussed at the Central Colony Woman's Club and it was decided to issue a call to all parents and patrons of the district to meet with the teachers on April 22, 1921, at the schoolhouse.

At this meeting, which was well attended, the advantages which would result from a P. T. A. were presented by several who had been affiliated with Associations in other communities, among those were Mrs. C. K. Vierhus, Mrs. J. K. Van Gundy, Mrs. F. E. Smith and Mrs. C. C. McCollum. After deciding to organize, the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. G. W. Heer, 1st Vice Pres. Mrs. F. E. Smith, 2nd Vice Pres. Miss Grace DeVilliers, the principal, Sec. Mrs. H. E. Cocannouer, Treas. Mrs. A. V. Peterson, Auditor, Mrs. C. C. McCollum, Historian, Mrs. Will Tucker. (It makes one feel very much like a pioneer to be the only one of this group who has not passed away or moved from the community.)

On account of ill health, Mrs. Cocannouer never served as Secretary and Mrs. H. C. Hartzell was selected to fill the vacancy. She served efficiently for two years.

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Our great enthusiasm in the new work and lack of experience led us to attempt too wide a diversity of activities and interests. Nineteen committee chairmen were appointed to carry on various phases of P. T. A. work. Many of these did not function and we learned that in our second year that we should concentrate on a few of the outstanding needs of our district. A sewing class for girls was organized, aid given to a newly organized Boy Scout Troup, Christmas treats provided for the children, the school grounds were levelled by the fathers, a stage built, scales and playground equipment purchased, trees planted and finally, after considerably opposition had been overcome, hot lunches were provided for the children.

Although disappointments and discouragement seemed to appear rather frequently, an occasional survey of accomplishments convinced us that our pioneering efforts were not in vain. The shrubs and trees, planted and watered by hand during a long hot summer, finally died because of inadequate water supply, and for several years, until the district was able to install the present pressure system, the grounds remained barren.

From the first the President and other representatives attended District meetings and received from these conferences inspiration and ideas for carrying on our work for

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the children of Central District. District officers occasionally visited us and inspired the group to adopt as our main aim--Parent Education. With this idea in mind we included in each meeting some demonstration of school work in order that we might better understand modern teaching methods and at almost every meeting conducted a discussion of some phase of child training.

After leaving the District in 1930, I was not very closely in touch with the activities of Central P. T. A., but know that the work was carried on until about 1934, when the personnel of the district had so changed and so few of the workers of former years were left, that it was decided to discontinue the organization. I realize that this is a very feeble attempt at summarizing the work of this P. T. A. unit and know that many important accomplishments have been omitted, but hope that it will provide some of the information which you wish to use in formulating a history of Central District.

(signed) Mrs. George Heer

# California Congress of Parents and Teachers, Inc.

CHARTER FOR LOCAL ASSOCIATION

This Certifies that the *Central Colony Parent Teacher Association*  
is a member of the California State Branch of the National Congress of Parents and  
Teachers and is empowered with authority to conduct all departments of the work.



*Mrs. E. Q. McLeod*  
State President

*Mrs. G. M. Bartlett*  
State Recording Secretary

## AGRICULTURE CLUB

During the fall months of the year 1927, the Chowchilla Farm Bureau Center "Junior Ag Club" helped the plant trees around Central School. This was a project for their fall work in their agricultural club program. Under the supervision of their agricultural leaders, Mrs. Paul Innes, the club cooperated with the Central P. T. A., Central Colony Federated Woman's Club, and the County Farm Bureau Farm Advisor Ed Garthwaite, in landscaping the school yards. Mr. Charles Aills, custodian of Central School district started many of the sycamore trees from cuttings. It was these strong rooted trees that the Chowchilla Ag Club helped to transplant.

The Central P. T. A. and the Central Colony Federated Woman's Club planted two evergreen trees in the front yard of the school on an Arbor Day program. The school pupils and club members were present at the planting.

Not enough praise can be extended to Mr. Aills and the school district for their hearty cooperation in keeping these trees and shrubs in healthy condition. The trees are now large enough to give plenty of shade and the shrubs add greatly to beautifying the school yard.

Mrs. Paul Innes,  
Central Agriculture Leader

1925-1927

Chowchilla Farm Center

The following stories have been written by the early settlers in the Central School District.

All are personal impressions and each has tried to bring out the most impressive and interesting happenings in our school history.

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The Central School District was organized in the spring of 1919. We had quite a time breaking away from the Chowchilla District and we met with much opposition. The Chowchilla School District thought that by building a new school it would hamper their school.

The Chowchilla School had bought busses for the means of conveying the children to and from school. They argued that they would have a better school and the children would have a much better advantage by the graded school instead of a small rural school.

The Central School District formed however, into an organization. The first trustees of the school district were elected at this time. Mr. Glen Rector and Mr. Trine put in the lowest bid for a school and so ~~were~~ awarded the job.

The present building was put up of concrete blocks. The Central School has been a great asset to the community.

Glen Rector

Madera Cal July 24-20

Board of Trustees Central School  
District

We submit bid of \$9,000<sup>00</sup> for  
Building School house of four rooms  
according to plans & specifications  
made by Wm Irvine

Glenn Pector  
W B Hamilton  
per J

Bid For Building Central School

Madera Cal  
July 30-1920

To Board Trustees  
Central School  
Dist

I submit bid of \$350<sup>00</sup>  
for building Teachers  
Dormitory at Central  
school house

Wm Irvine

In 1916 the only school was in the town of Chowchilla. Our two sons, Roland and Elbert, attended this school. They were six and eight years of age at the time. Our home was in the country four miles from Chowchilla.

The transportation to and from the Chowchilla School was very unsatisfactory. Sometimes our children would not be home until late and after dark. The bus was very crude. It was a big truck with seats on the side and no protection over their heads. In those days travel was very hard over dirt roads. This condition caused the parents to feel the need of a school.

All the people in the community soon began talking about building a school. It took perseverance on the part of the parents to put the idea across. Mr. Cunningham, the school superintendent, helped to put the plan across for us.

The reason we chose the location of the school was because it was more centralized for all at this time. Central School received its name from Central Colony.

During all our efforts we went through many difficulties. The Chowchilla schools fought against us very bitterly. However, in the year 1919 we started the school. The first teachers lived in the home that the Begleys' now occupy.

The Mothers of Central Colony had a Club called "Let's Be Neighborly." Our aim was to help out wherever we could. The first thing needed was a piano. Our club gave a food sale in Mr. Bob Young's hardware store. At this sale we made \$20.00. This was a very good start on the first payment. I believe we paid over a hundred dollars or more for it. By giving supper socials this swelled our fund and soon we had it all paid for. This piano is still in use at Central today.

Our one son, Roland, graduated from Central School with high honors. This shows what the pioneer spirit can do by perserverance.

(signed) Mrs. Ray Reed



Central School

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of Central School district of the County of Madera, State of California, that in accordance with the provisions of the Political Code of the State of California, an election will be held on the 26 day of March, 1920, at the residence of Anton V. Peterson, corner Birch and Harrison Roads, in said District, between the hours of eight o'clock a. m. and six o'clock p. m., during which period and between which hours the polls shall remain open, at which election the question of issuing and selling bonds of said district to the amount of Twelve Thousand Dollars, for the purpose of raising money for purchasing a school lot, for building one or more school buildings, for insuring school buildings, for supplying school buildings with furniture and necessary apparatus, and for the improving of the school grounds will be voted upon.

The said bonds thereunder to be issued and sold, shall be of the denomination of One Thousand Dollars each, and shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, payable annually, and said bonds shall be numbered from 1 to 12 consecutively, payable as follows:

Bond No. 1, One Thousand Dollars, to run one year.

Bond No. 2, One Thousand Dollars, to run two years.

Bond No. 3, One Thousand Dollars, to run three years.

Bond No. 4, One Thousand Dollars, to run four years.

Bond No. 5, One Thousand Dollars, to run five years.

Bond No. 6, One Thousand Dollars, to run six years.

Bond No. 7, One Thousand Dollars, to run seven years.

Bond No. 8, One Thousand Dollars, to run eight years.

Bond No. 9, One Thousand Dollars, to run nine years.

Bond No. 10, One Thousand Dollars, to run ten years.

Bond No. 11, One Thousand Dollars, to run eleven years.

Bond No. 12, One Thousand Dollars, to run twelve years.

That Ida E. Peterson will act as Inspector and Ray E. Reed and Lawrence D. Kaliher will act as the Judges of said Election, and conduct the same, said Inspector and Judges being competent and qualified electors of said School District.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, we have herunto set our hands this 21 day of February, 1920.

C. C. McCOLLUM,  
E. O. REIMANN,  
GLEN RECTOR,  
Trustees of Central School District,  
Madera County, California.

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### School Bond Election

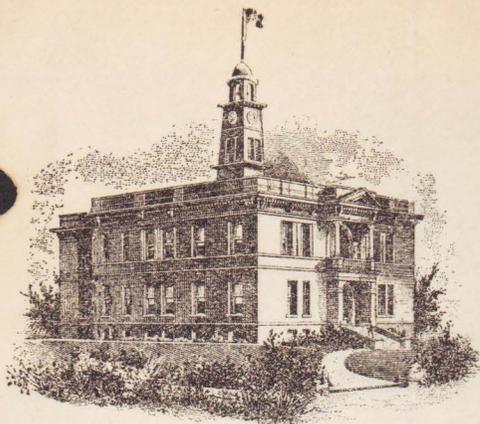
The 1919, Mrs. Glen Rector, Mrs. Ray Reed and others circulated petitions for a school in Central Colony. After some time we were successful and the building was started.

Mr. Trine was the architect. Mr. Glen Rector and Mr. Trine were the contractors. The men who did the carpentering were: Ed Rector, Chas. F. Lawe, L. M. Coy, John Ringdon, J. W. Cocanouer, and Claude Straw.

In 1926, the teachers, Mrs. Ruby Jones and Mrs. Grace Rector gave an operetta to raise funds to buy the bell which now summons the children to school.

(signed) Mrs. Metha Brown

OFFICE OF  
**F. E. BRISCOE**  
 ASSESSOR OF MADERA COUNTY  
 CALIFORNIA



MADERA, CAL., January 27th...1920.

C. C. McCollum, Clerk,  
 Central School District,  
 Chowchilla, California.

Dear Sir:

The assessed valuations were finished this morning, so am sending them to you. The Bethel School District seemed to think you had agreed to them having the four lots. However that must be taken before the Board of Supervisors next week. The statements were sorted as Mr. Loper had Mr. Briscoe mark the map. Those four Lots (345, 346, 353 & 354) are assessed for \$3810. with the improvements \$650, making a total of \$4460; which will either be added to your amount or taken from theirs. I will give you both assessed district values, so that you may see the comparison in valuation.

Central School District.
Land.....\$212,000.00.
Imp.....34,385.00.
<u>Total.....\$246,385.00.</u>

Bethel School District.
Land.....\$127,430.00.
Imp.....19,895.001
<u>Total.....\$147,325.00</u>

Trust that the above figures will be of assistance to you.

Yours very truly,

F. E. Briscoe, County Assessor.  
 by *Etta M. Ladd*, Deputy.

In 1920, in order to get the state allotment for the Central District, school was held on the lawn of the Brumby Place (where Mr. Gilbert Witesman now lives). It was held after the school was out in the City of Chowchilla. As I remember it, there was an enrollment of 99 or enough for three teachers.

The trustee trustees were E. O. Reiman, C. C. McCollum, and Glen Rector.

In order to bid on the building, Mr. Glen Rector resigned as a trustee. He was awarded the contract to build the school building.

(signed) Mrs. F. R. Grimes

Chowchilla Cal  
March 4 1922

I here by agree to sell to the Central  
School District Two acres of land  
for the sum of \$700<sup>00</sup> per acre.

One & one half acres adjoining the west  
side of school property and One half  
acre adjoining the south side of school  
property.

Peto Aimonetto

### Early Land Sale

buildings, and for improving school grounds will be voted upon.

The said bonds thereunder to be issued and sold, shall be of the denomination of Five Hundred Dollars each, and shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and said bonds shall be numbered from 1 to 5 consecutively, payable as follows:

Bond No. 1, Five Hundred Dollars, to run 1 year.

Bond No. 2, Five Hundred Dollars, to run 2 years.

Bond No. 3, Five Hundred Dollars, to run 3 years.

Bond No. 4, Five Hundred Dollars, to run 4 years.

Bond No. 5, Five Hundred Dollars, to run 5 years.

That Mrs. Ida E. Peterson will act as Inspector and Mrs. Susie P. Hartzell and Mrs. Nellie M. McPheeters will act as the Judges of said Election, and conduct the same, said Inspector and Judges being competent and qualified electors of said School District.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this 27th day of March, 1922.

C. C. McCollum,  
E. O. Reimann,  
Glen Rector.

Trustees of Central School District,  
Madera County, California.  
Mar. 30, Apr. 6, 13, 20.

## School Bond Election Notice

Notice is hereby given to the qualified electors of Central School District of the County of Madera, State of California, that in accordance with the provisions of the Political Code of the State of California, an election will be held on the 24th day of April, 1922, at the schoolhouse in said District, between the hours of eight o'clock a. m. and six o'clock p. m., during which period and between which hours the polls shall remain open, at which election the question of issuing and selling bonds of said district to the amount of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars, for the purpose of raising money for purchasing school lots, for making alterations or additions to the school

### School Bond Election

Central School with the aid of the Parent-Teachers' Association did much for the school.

One big undertaking was the hot lunches started under the direction of Mrs. Rector and Mrs. Jones. The older girls of Mrs. Jones' class assisted in preparing and serving the food.

An operetta was given in the year 1925. This was for the purpose of raising enough money to buy the bell which now is in our school. The operetta was excellent and very elaborate for the size of the school. In August, 1926, the bell was installed. It was shipped from a factory in Frederickton, Ohio. The freight amounted to \$13.65, which was <sup>about one third</sup> ~~more than~~ half the cost of the bell.

Late in the year of 1926, a group of representatives from forty-three organizations met with the supervisors for the purpose of getting a nurse. At first it was feared that no nurse could be gotten. Many thought the school was too small. However, due to transients that had come in, a great need arose for one. Miss Curtes was finally chosen to fill the vacancy left by Miss Farnsworth.

In the year 1926, a special meeting was called to make plans for the immunization of school children against diptheria. This disease had spread very rapidly throughout the county. At a special meeting, Dr. Wisner was the speaker

He offered his services free in administering the serum. Dr. Martin also gave freely of his time. The Chowchilla High School trustees donated the use of buses and drivers to transport the children to the doctor's offices in town and back to the school. In charge of this work were Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Lloyd, and Mrs. Maxfield.

In 1927, plans were under way for improving the school grounds. A system of underground pipes was installed to supply water to the trees and shrubbery. The cement, which now is around the school, was placed there by Mr. Glenn Rector. Two nurserymen, Mr. E. L. Garthwaite and Mr. Frank Bollinger, met with a committee from the Parent-Teachers' Association and the school board for the purpose of planning the landscaping of the school grounds. A blue print was prepared by Mr. Garthwaite. This was accepted by the board and the P. T. A. Mr. Williams, the County Superintendent, approved the amount of the budget needed to purchase trees, shrubber, and materials. All of the labor for this work was donated. The trustees at this time were Messrs. Thomas Maxfield, R. H. Yates and Roy Bollinger.

Also in 1927 the Central Colony Woman's Club donated one of the evergreen trees. The other tree was donated by the P. T. A. Mr. Aills was hired as general custodian of the school and grounds.

(signed)

Mrs. T. Maxfield

In the beginning Central School held a trial school. This trial school was held for three weeks in order to guarantee an average attendance of eighty students. The attendance was accomplished during the course of the three weeks. This trial school was first held at the Williams place, where Glen Rector now lives. A few days later the school was moved to the shade trees and lawn on the old Brumby place.

A few of the early settlers which I might mention are: Rectors, Wyatts, Grimes, Reeds, Williams, McPheeters, Olivero, Cocanouer, Boyle, Leoni, Cornaggia, Bollinger, Lauer, Bennett, Yearout, Thompson, Misenheimer, Kuhlmeier, Jones, M. Evans, S. H. Evans, Hansen, Reiman, Reives, J. P. Brown, August Brown, Azeoidi, Piedrafita, A. V. Peterson, Heer, McCollum, Buffington, Brumby, and Harliers.

Mr. Glen Rector received the bid for the building. The school was built with much sand used from the slough nearby together with cement and other building materials. The school was completed and opened in the fall of 1920.

(signed) Tommy Evans

The Central School began in the fall of 1920 in a small house of Glen Rector's. This house is now torn down. The new school building, while being finished at the time, was ready in a few weeks. The grammar grades had one end of the primary room and the little children the other end while the auditorium was being completed.

Wilton McCollum, an eighth grader was janitor. No sweeping compound was provided and the dust affected his throat so he had to wear a dust protector.

The Central Colony Woman's Club invited the teachers to all their meetings. They provided a treat for the children at the Christmas program.

A school picnic was held once a year under the trees at a nearby reservoir.

The first teachers were:

Grace De Villiers, principal, Mrs. Victor Massenge, intermediate, Alice Hyde, primary.

(signed) Alice Hyde

## Old-Timers' Signatures

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 Joe Cornaggia  
 Mrs. Cornaggia  
 Pete Cornaggia  
 Ida Cornaggia

T. B. Maxfield  
 Elvora E. Maxfield

Glen Pector  
 Emma Pector

Charles F. Laur

Mrs. Paul Inna.

Aug Brown

Mrs J W Colman  
 J. W. Colman  
 Mrs Mose Evans,

Mrs Mitha Brown

Charles A. Law Jr

Hennetta Law

Francis Bollinger

B. J. Bollinger

W. E. Bollinger

Sinthe Bollinger

Mrs Ray & Reed  
 R. E. Reed

Genevieve G. Heer

Alice F. Hyde

R. O. Bollinger

R. H. Yates

