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To all who assisted
in furnishing material
pertaining to the
history of the Marysdale
School - this book
is affectionately
dedicated.



"Just some of us - 1939"

*A souvenir of Marysdales
early days.*

Pupils.

Grace Wainscoat
Ada Wainscoat
Emmett Wainscoat
Abbie Wainscoat
Belle Wainscoat
Harry Barkway
Edna Barkway
Belle Wood
Amos Week
Mabel Russell
Hampton McKenzie
Roy McKenzie
Bert Chapin
Chester McDonald
Ada Witt
Ora Cobb
Walter Cobb
Marion Garner
Jessie Garner
Clarence Russell
Wiley Russell

Early history of Marys Dale School.

In very early days the original school was in Mariposa County.

Later it became part of Fresno County.

How it got its name.

A Mr. Allen, who was County surveyor, settled near Bellview. He was instrumental in forming the district.

His wife's name was Mary. She named the school after herself - Mary's Dale, or as we write it - Marys Dale.

She was a mute but was a very well educated person.

Location and moving of School-house.

Its original location was in the vicinity of Jack Oyler's present home.

Due to families moving it was deemed best to move the building.

It was placed near Table Mountain.

It was moved approximately 1891 or 1892.

Before it was moved Mr. Charles Armstrong was at one time the teacher.

Mr. Alec Gordon was trustee.

The building was located on a round acre which was traded for the present square acre on which it now stands.

The land belonged to
a Mr. Miller whose
daughter - in - law, is
Mrs. Lill Miller now at
O'Neals.

The building was moved
by Mr. Clapp and two
of the Russell brothers
Charlie and Elmer
Russell, who is now de-
ceased.

They are brothers of
Frank Russell who is
the caretaker of the
Madera Park.

It was moved on two
wagons drawn by sixteen
mules.

It was moved and set
up for seventy-five
dollars.

Early Teachers.

A Mr. Redding, Mr. Charlie Armstrong, Miss Annie Jungemann and a Miss Martin were some of the early-day teachers.

Miss Marien Barnes who married William Barkway was one of the early teachers. It is her daughter who gave me considerable help in compiling these facts.

Trustees at the time she taught were

Mr. Thomas Barkway
(deceased) and

Mr. William Barkway.

The pupils at that time were -
Edna Barkway, now
Mrs. William Peverill
of Fresno.

May Barkway, now Mrs.

Frank Russell of Madera.
Lulu Barkway now Mrs. Frank
Henderson of Oakland.
Harry Barkway, deceased.
Ernest Klette - a judge
in Fresno.

During its early history
it nearly lapsed. In
order to prevent such a
thing occurring a few
of the older people at-
tended for awhile.

Among these was
Thomas (Tommy) Edwards,
called Old Uncle Tommy.
He was about seventy-
five years of age.

At that time the
school site was still
part of Fresno County.

The Rolsing nursery
gave the district trees.

Map. 1

The Marysdale School was
in existence before the
Spring Valley School (at O'Neal),
and the Triant School.
After the building
was moved the Russell
children, the Barkways,
the Haincoats, the Harner,
Bert Chapin, now on the
police force in Fresno,
Belle and Amos ~~Wick~~^{Wood}
Kitty and Stella Bratton,
(now Stella Duren of
Triant) attended as
pupils.

Other teachers were
a Miss Kelly and Miss
Katie Coates. Miss Coates
married Mr. A. J. Cobb,
brother of Senator
Charles Cobb.

Names of some of the
early-day trustees as
given to me are - C. D. Armstrong,

Marian Garner and Ezra
Chapin.

A later teacher was
Miss Mabel Jones now de-
ceased.

She was the daughter
of John Jones and Kate
Wagner. She was a cousin
of Jack Ogler, Jr.

Hampton and Roy
McKenzie, former pupils
in Marydale School
are sons of Edward
McKenzie and Clara Hampton.

Their grandfather, W. H.
Hampton, had the first
post office in Triant
when Triant was known
as Hamptonville.

Hampton and Roy
McKenzie are cousins to
the present owners of
Fort Miller.

The school always had
the name of Marysdale.

Though the building was
moved the name remained
unchanged.

The children of Will
Russell's family attended
the school at a later
date.



Activity on Holland worked
out in Marysdale school yard - 1939

