

PREFACE TO THE HISTORY OF THE ONE ROOM SCHOOLHOUSE
ENTITLED THE BARAGAR SCHOOL STANDARD # 6

IT WAS LOCATED IN SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP . CURRENTLY THE
ADDRESS IS 2661 64 th ST. , FENNVILLE, MICHIGAN

IN THE EARLY 1870'S THE STATE LEGISLATURE MANDATED THAT
EVERY TOWNSHIP IN MICHIGAN MUST ASSIGN AT LEAST 6 LOCATIONS
WITHIN EASY WALKING DISTANCE FROM THE STUDENTS HOMES. ALL
THESE SCHOOLS MUST PROVIDE A STANDARD OF EDUCATION TO THEIR
STUDENTS.

THUS EACH SCHOOL WAS GIVEN A NUMBER FOR THE TOWNSHIP
WITHIN THE LOCATION. SCHOOLS WERE NAMED AFTER THE EARLY
SETTLERS, FRUIT THAT PREVAILED THE AREA, AND OTHER CIRCUM-
STANCES THAT PREVAILED.

PRIOR TO THE STREETS AND AVENUES BEING ASSIGNED AS
THEY ARE TODAY. THE TWO TRACKS AS THEY WERE REFERRED TO
BACK THEN, WERE FREQUENTLY NAMED AFTER THE FIRST FAMILY
TO PURCHASE LAND AND SETTLE ON THE ROAD.

HENRY AND MARTHA BARAGAR FIRST SETTLED ON WHAT IS KNOWN
AS 64th ST.. ACCORDING TO A MAP OF SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP DATED
1873 THE ROAD WAS LISTED AS THE BARAGAR ROAD. THEIR DAUGHTER
ABBIE DECIDED TO BECOME A SCHOOL TEACHER. THUS SHE STUDIED
AND PASSED THE TEACHING CERTIFICATE IN 1872.

THERE WERE NO STRUCTURES AVAILABLE TO HOUSE THE STUDENTS
THUS SHE HELD SCHOOL AT THE LARGEST HOME AVAILABLE. AT THE
TIME THE SCHOOL WAS TO BE CONSTRUCTED. IT WAS DISCOVERED
THAT THE DEED WAS IN A RAVINE. THE PROPERTY WAS REDEEDED TO
THE NORTH OF THE RAVINE. SINCE THE ROAD ONWHICH THE SCHOOL
WAS LOCATED AND THE FIRST TEACHER FOR THAT AREA. THE SCHOOL
WAS NAMED THE BARAGAR SCHOOL.

THROUGHOUT THIS STUDY I HAVE LEARNED THAT THE BARAGAR
SCHOOL AND IT'S TEACHERS OVER THE YEARS HAVE A UNIQUE
CONNECTION.

IN 1877 ABBIE BARAGAR MARRIED JOHN CHAPMAN. THEY HAD
TWO CHILDREN, JOSEPHINE GLADYS AND CHARLES GRAYDON. BOTH
KNOWN BY THEIR MIDDLE NAME.

MARRIED GLADYS CHAPMAN A WIDOWER NAMED THOMAS GOODING WITH
THREE CHILDREN FROM HIS FIRST MARRIAGE. THEIR SON MARRIED
FLORINE JOHNSON A BARAGAR TEACHER. KIRBIE'S 1/2 SISTER MARRIED
PETE FISHER , THE BROTHER OF LENA FISHER, ANOTHER TEACHER.

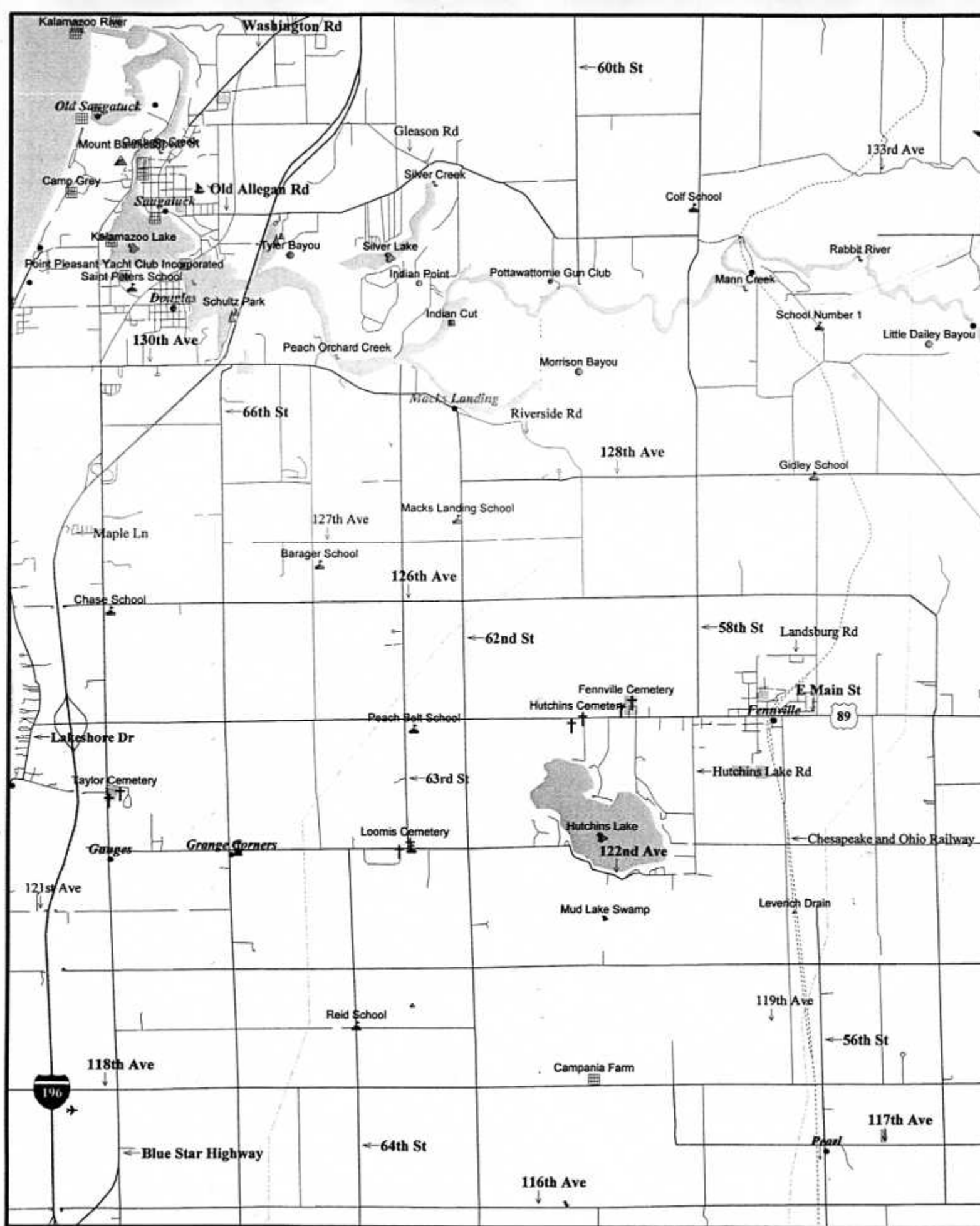
GRAYDON CHAPMAN GRADUATED FROM FENNVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
WITH WALTER WIGHTMAN, WHO LATER MARRIED ALICE RAPLEE.
THE WIGHTMAN'S DAUGHTER MAE WINNE WAS MY MUSIC TEACHER.
MAE'S DAUGHTER KAY AND I STARTED GANGES UNION SCHOOL IN 1955

GLADYS ATKINS MARRIED GRAYDON CHAPMAN IN 1926. A CLASS-
MATE OF MOTHERS (BLANCHE GOODWINE) TAUGHT IN 1935 AT
BARAGAR SCHOOL. THERE WERE OTHER CONNECTIONS SUCH AS I WORKED
AT HOLLAND HIGH SCHOOL WITH A TEACHER I LEARNED WAS THE
DAUGHTER TO THE FENNVILLE SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT THAT ANNEXED
BARAGAR TO FENNVILLE. WAYNE WOODY

WITHOUT THE PARTICIPATION OF MAE WINNE AND FLORINE
GOODING, I WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO OBTAIN MUCH OF THIS
INFORMATION. THANK YOU.

Donald Chapman
DONALD CHAPMAN
GRANDSON OF ABBIE BARAGAR

AUGUST 13 , 2005



I WISH YOU TO HAVE
and a Happy New Year.



Iddles



Anderson



Gidley

Miss Fennil



Loomis



Reid



Macks Landing

Memor-
arch br



Darling



Belknap



Barager

GANGES UNION

PEACH BELT

FRUIT LAND
FRUIT



Fennville Public Schools
Annexation Dates

Mackw Landing	Saug. 4	June 27, 1950
Round Lake	Clyde #2	June 1952
Oakwood	Clyde #6	Dec. 20, 1955
New Richmond	Manlius #1	June 12, 1956
Barrager	Saug. #6	June 14, 1956
Chase	Saug. #5	June 29, 1956
Anderson	Manlius #8	Sept. 14, 1957
Hilton	Lee-Clyde #6	Sept. 25, 1957
Oakgrove	Clyde #1	Jan. 29, 1960
Gidley	Manlius #4	July 11, 1960
Fruitland	Ganges #7	Aug. 8, 1960
Ganges Union	Ganges #6	Oct. 19, 1960
Loomis	Ganges #9	Oct. 26, 1960
Peachbelt	Ganges #1	Mar. 6, 1961
Iddles	Casco #3	May 29, 1962
Belknap	Ganges #8	June 19, 1962
Darling	Ganges #3	July 3, 1962
Reid	Ganges #5	June 6, 1963

Pearl

June 15, 1970



RULES FOR TEACHERS

1872

1. Teachers each day will fill lamps, clean chimneys.
2. Each teacher will bring a bucket of water and a scuttle of coal for the day's session.
3. Make your pens carefully. You may whittle nibs to the individual taste of the pupils.
4. Men teachers may take one evening each week for courting purposes, or two evenings a week if they go to church regularly.
5. After ten hours in school, the teachers may spend the remaining time reading the Bible or other good books.
6. Women teachers who marry or engage in unseemly conduct will be dismissed.
7. Every teacher should lay aside from each pay a goodly sum of his earnings for his benefit during his declining years so that he will not become a burden on society.
8. Any teacher who smokes, uses liquor in any form, frequents pool or public halls, or gets shaved in a barber shop will give good reason to suspect his worth, intention, integrity and honesty.
9. The teacher who performs his labor faithfully and without fault for five years will be given an increase of twenty-five cents per week in his pay, providing the Board of Education approves.

Dear Donald,

02/06/97

How interesting that your family is connected to the history of the Badger school. Yes, my mother taught there for three years in the early twenties & then my aunt, Mrs. Wm Van Hartsvelt, Jr. taught there the following eight years. In fact she was the only teacher that beginning class had for those years before they went to H. B. Victor Egelkraut, Gladys P Shea, & Thelma Rainey Browner who lives at 135 W. 31st St, in Holland were in that class. I talked to my aunt who lives now at Freedom Village in Holland & is 93 yrs. of age now. She thinks her beginning salary was \$90 per mo. at first & later \$100 per mo. Before she went to Western for her teaching certificate she cared for my brother & me for ^{of the} one year my mother taught at Badger. I remember her telling about a time when the snow was so deep the car couldn't get thro' so she waded in snow up to her hips to get from the main road on 89 to the school. Gene Beiler & Victor Egelkraut were on the school board I remember. I don't think I have any mementoes of her days at the school except maybe some old Normal Instructor magazines which were

Teacher's help Magazines of that time. I will keep it in mind if I run on to anything in the future I'll let you know.

Yes, my Dad was the longest surviving member of that class ¹⁹⁰⁸ Graydon was it. He died at 96 & lasted a few hours longer than Nellie Wolters. The correct spelling is WIGHTMAN not WHIGHTMAN.

In talking to my aunt I don't think your information about the school closing in 1927 could be correct because I think the 8 yrs. she taught there ran thro' & up to the Fall of 1931.

Two students I remember my mother talking about were Ranney & Donald Scott. Their mother was a piano teacher. Possibly my aunt remembers more. I'll check with her again.

Yes, I can still remember you as you looked in class. Those were good & special days in my life. However if I saw you now I might not be able to make the thirty some years jump it would take to recognize you. With help it's always fun to renew those acquaintances. Evidently I haven't changed that much because I often run in to people who remember me from those days.

I hope this will be of some help to you. Genealogy & history are fascinating topics. I have a lot of family history on both sides of my family dating back to their arrival in this country & before. Good luck with your endeavors.

Sincerely,

May Winne

Jennville, Michigan
15 February 1997

Dear Donald;

In reply to your letter regarding the Baragar School, my one year teaching there was 1938-1939.

My salary was \$75.00 per month. For this I not only taught all 8 grades, and "Beginners", but did the janitor work - firing the furnace, cleaning, and filling a tank for drinking water fountain.

Mrs. Augusta Krikelbine was treasurer and Mrs. Dornan (Lloyd's mother) was also a board member. Mr. Taler was the County School Superintendent, an office he held as long as when our children were in grade school at Gargen Union.

Lena Fisher (deceased) taught the year or years before me.

I do not have any records or anything that I might have saved from there, not even pictures.

Kirby is in advanced stage of Alzheimer's, but I feel sure he knows me.
Sincerely Florine Gooding

Teacher's Contract.

It is Hereby Contracted and Agreed, between the District Board of School District No. 6
in the Township of Sayre County of Allegan and State
of Michigan, and Alice Wightman a legally-qualified teacher in said
Township, that the said Alice Wightman shall teach the Barager
school in said District for the term of 9 months, commencing on the 4th
day of September A. D. 1922 And the said Alice Wightman
agrees faithfully to observe and enforce the rules and regulations established by the District Board and to
comply with the requirements of law. The said District Board, in behalf of said District, agrees to keep
the school house in good repair, to provide the necessary fuel, and to pay the said Alice
Wightman for said services as teacher, to be faithfully and truly rendered and performed, the
sum of 10.00 Dollars, monthly at the end of each month, (being a total sum
of 1.000 Dollars), the same being the amount of wages above agreed upon.
And \$2.00 additional for janitor work
Provided, that in case said Alice Wightman shall be dismissed
from school by the District Board for gross immorality or violation of this contract, or shall have her
Certificate annulled or suspended by the County Board of School Examiners, or other lawful authority, or
shall permit her Certificate of authority to expire, then She shall not be entitled to any
compensation from and after such annulment, dismissal or expiration.

Edward Mark TREASURER.
Alice Wightman TEACHER.

Benjamin DIRECTOR.
Ossis C. Scott MODERATOR.

TEACHER'S THIRD GRADE CERTIFICATE.

No.

Allegan

County.

Public Schools of Michigan.

TEACHER'S THIRD GRADE CERTIFICATE.

Office of County Superintendent,

Allegan

County,

Douglas Oct 2d

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This Certifies, That *Abbie Baragar* is a person of good moral character, and has passed a satisfactory examination upon all the branches required by law to entitle *her* to a **Third Grade Certificate**. *She* is therefore deemed qualified to teach in the Township of *Saugateck* in this County, for six months from this date, unless this Certificate shall be sooner revoked.

Orthography.....

Reading.....

Theory and Art of Teaching.....

Penmanship.....

Mental Arithmetic.....

Written Arithmetic.....

Grammar.....

Geography.....

E. S. Linsley

County Superintendent of Schools.

At a joint meeting of the Boards of Education of Saugatuck # 6 and Fourth Class School District # 5 of Allegan County, The Board of Education turned over as their last official act a check for \$703.76 which represented the balance in the treasury of Saugatuck # 6.

The undersigned hereby signify this act as compliance with annexation of the two districts which was initiated by the Board of Education of Fourth Class School District # 5 of Allegan County and ratified by the voters of Saugatuck # 6 at an election on June 14, 1956.

For Board of Education of Saugatuck # 6

Victor E. Egelkraut Jr.
Victor Egelkraut Jr. Director

Ruth E. Leach
Ruth E. Leach Treasurer

Ruth I. Pshea
Ruth I Pshea Moderator

For Board of Education of Fourth Class School District # 5

Ned H. Bale
Ned H Bale President

Richard G. Barron
Richard G. Barron Treasurer

Elwin Johnson
Elwin Johnson Trustee

Historical 1913 Please Note She's Been In School 50 Years Fennville Area Woman Cited For Dedicated Service

By JOAN PROSCH-JENSEN
 Gazette Correspondent

FENNVILLE — Her first year's salary as school board member was \$6.50. Even though the pay has increased over the past 50 years it could never reimburse Mrs. Walter Wightman for a half century of service to the community.

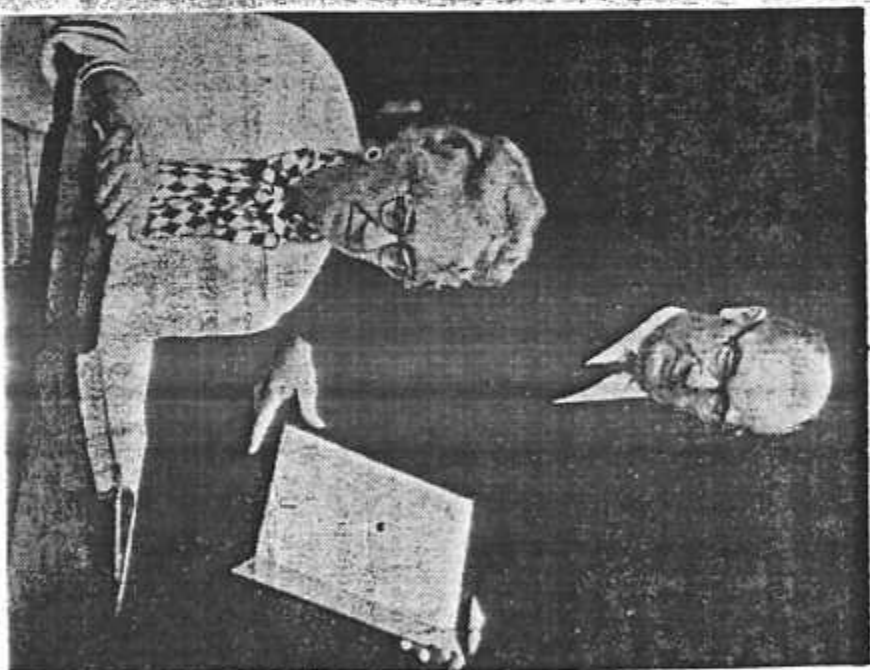
William Sexton, superintendent of Allegan County Intermediate Schools says, "As far as I can determine, there is not another person actively serving in the state who has been on a school board for this length of time."

Sexton checked the records back to 1959, when he was appointed to his position and found that of the 186 regular and special meetings of the county board Mrs. Wightman had missed only three. During this same period she was also serving on a township board.

The dedicated woman was born Alice Raplee in Allegan County and spent eight years in the Chase school, a one-room building where she later taught. She graduated from Douglas High School and received her teaching certificate from Allegan County Normal. Advanced classes were taken at Western Michigan University, the only one of her alma-maters still existing as a separate entity.

Over the years Mrs. Wightman taught all grades of elementary classes in the Chase, Fruitland, Loomis, Barre and Ganges schools, which are now part of the Fennville School District.

In the early years of her career the township schools were all under one board, an



MRS. WALTER WIGHTMAN WITH SUPR. SEXTON
 Many Schools Have Benefitted From Her Guidance

arrangement called the unit system. This proved to be an unsatisfactory, so the districts again elected a board for each school.

While still a teacher (although not at the same school) she ran for school board of Saugatuck Township No. 5 — Chase. The job lasted 36 years.

In 1951 the rural Fennville woman was elected to the Allegan County Intermediate Board of Education and has served ever since. She has been president for the past five years.

Mrs. Wightman also feels teaching methods have changed. She explains, "I don't believe I could teach nowadays. The children are allowed more freedom and noise. We used to have jolly good fun on the playground but when the bell rang it was time to work."

Many other organizations and clubs have benefited by Mrs. Wightman's membership.

For the past eight years she has represented the counties of western Michigan on the Kale-mazoo Child Guidance Clinic Board.

She and her husband, a fruit and cattle farmer, were charter members of the Michigan Farm Bureau in 1919 and she became the first president of the women's groups. Many offices have been held since.

A past matron of OES River-view chapter and past president of the county lodge, she is also active in the Womens Guild of her church.

Although most women would start thinking of a little less civic duty, Alice Wightman recently accepted an appointment as Allegan County chairman of Michigan Women for Highway Safety.

At a recognition dinner last month, a gold plaque expressed the sentiments of the community. "In recognition for 50 consecutive years as an elected member of a Board of Education in Allegan County. For unselfish and dedicated service to the boys and girls of Allegan County we make this presentation to Alice Wightman."

Slightly embarrassed by all the attention, Mrs. Wightman said simply, "We have always been interested in children."

The Teacher Should Preserve This Statement
as Evidence of Payment Into The Mich-
igan Teachers' Retirement Fund.

STATEMENT OF SCHOOL BOARD TO TEACHER SHOWING THE AMOUNT DEDUCTED
FROM SALARY FOR THE

No.

MICHIGAN TEACHERS' RETIREMENT FUND

To Alice Wightman May '19 1924

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the School Board of District No. 6, Township of Janigauch,
County of Allegan, State of Michigan, has deducted Four Dollars

(\$ 1000), from your salary, in accordance with Act No. 174 of the Public Acts of 1915, the same being
1 per cent of your contractual salary of One Hundred Dollars (\$ 1100) for teaching in said

Public Schools for 9 months, from Sept 1923, to May 1924

Number of months in school year in said district is nine

By order of the School Board.

Bessie Biber, Director.
Address Knappville R. F. D. 4

All spaces must be filled in fully and accurately.

WINNERS IN MEMORY CONTEST

The following pupils were winners in
the Music Memory Contest:

Class A.

Harold Hoover - Loomis school - 1st
prize.

Mamie Belobrad-Baragas school- 2nd
prize.

Class B

Marje Little - Fennville - 1st prize

Evelyn Bushee- Fennville- 2nd prize.

Class C

Marion Link 1st prize

Mildred Galbreath 2nd prize

Class D

Miss Emily Benson winner

Baraga school, Alice Wightman tea-
cher won the prize for highest average
among rural schools (77.25), while Gan-
ges, Mrs. Sheehan teacher, led a close
second with 77.

Besides the other prizes all contest-
ants will receive tickets to Michaelson
Concert.

Prizes will be presented to winners
at the Michaelson concert. Mrs. Orris
Eosfield, Mrs. Andrew Larson and Miss
Rulison acted as judges of winning pa-
pers. Further information of contest
will be printed next week.



MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
LANSING

CLAIR L. TAYLOR
SUPERINTENDENT

March 26, 1956

Barragen

Mr. Wayne Woodby
Superintendent of Schools
Fennville, Michigan

Dear Wayne:

We have a request from Saugatuck #6 asking for permission to annex with Fennville.

If you are interested in annexing this district, we will need to have an official resolution from you signed by the secretary of your board stating that you will annex Saugatuck #6 and further direct the secretary of the board to secure the necessary approval from the State Superintendent.

As soon as we are in receipt of this resolution, we will be in a position to take formal action on this proposed annexation.

Sincerely yours,

Roland

Roland S. Strolle, Chief
School District Organization and Plant

RSS:Mh

cc: G. Ray Sturgis
Victor Egelkraut

1955-1956

SCHOOL DIRECTORY

FOR

ALLEGAN COUNTY
MICHIGAN

OFFICE

Old County Building Telephone

G. RAY STURGIS, A.B., M.A.

County Superintendent of Schools

Residence, 429 Monroe St.

Allegan, Michigan

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Kalamazoo, Michigan 49008-5081
(616) 387-8490

Refer to Number: A-280 Box 203

Barager School

Saugatuck Twp., No. 6
Allegan County, Michigan
May 22, 1931



Gertrude Van Hartesvelt,
Teacher

School Board

Benj. Bieler	Director
Will Rainey	Moderator
Geo. Pshea	Treasurer

Pupils

Katherine Bieler
Alice Marie Dornan
Donna Dornan
Victor Egelbraut, Jr.
George Kupres
Mildred Kupres
Howard Meles
Robert Moles
Helen Paquin
Alfred Pshea
Alice Pshea
Gladys Pshea
Ila Rainey
Thelma Rainey
Harold Scott
Hewitt Septer

BARAGER SCHOOL

District No. 6
Saugatuck Twp., Allegan Co., Mich.
1925-1926

GERTRUDE RAPLEE, Teacher

PUPILS

Donald Scott	Edward Purdy
Charles Karbusicky	Ranney Scott
Warren Pshea	Lloyd Purdy
Eugene Bieler	Marie Erlewein
Mildred Karbusicky	Thelma Rainey
Margaret Purdy	Gladys Pshea
Victor Eglekraut	

Mr. G. V. Fales, Co. Supt.

SCHOOL BOARD

Mrs. R. Scott, Moderator
Benj. Bieler, Director
George Pshea, Treasurer

Barrages School - District No. 6 - Saugatuck Twp

No. 5-BEECHWOOD, Rt. 3, Holland
Valuation \$498,419 Mill Rate 5.23 Census 49
Average Membership 22
President, Raymond Busscher, Rt. 3, Holland
Secretary, Edward Ginzink, Rt. 3, Holland
Treasurer, Harvey Kollen, Rt. 3, Holland
Teacher, Miss Amy Merlau, Rt. 3, Holland, CL

No. 5-HIGH POINT, Hamilton
Valuation \$388,010 Mill Rate 5. Census 44
Average Membership 32
President, Marvin Berens, Rt. 1, Hamilton
Secretary, George Berens, Rt. 1, Hamilton
Treasurer, Willis Essink, Rt. 1, Hamilton
Teacher, Mrs. Hazel Berens, Hamilton, SL

No. 6-PERSHING, Rt. 1, Hamilton
Valuation \$569,682 Mill Rate 5. Census 89
Average Membership 65
President, Harvey Lampen, Rt. 1, Hamilton
Secretary, John Boerman, Rt. 1, Hamilton
Treasurer, Harold Brenner, Rt. 1, Hamilton
Teacher, Harold Lampen, Rt. 1, Hamilton
Teacher, Miss Dorothy Immink, Rt. 2, Hamilton, SLR

SALEM TOWNSHIP

No. 2-SANDHILL, Dorr
Valuation \$170,498 Mill Rate 5. Census 40
Average Membership 26
President, Clare Newell, Rt. 1, Hamilton
Secretary, John Wyckoff, Rt. 1, Dorr
Treasurer, Ruby Warren, Rt. 1, Hamilton
Teacher, Miss Marella Clawson, Rt. 2, Hopkins, CLR

No. 4-INDIAN TRAIL, Dorr
Valuation \$171,406 Mill Rate 5.46 Census 68
Average Membership 27
President, Lawrence Palm, Rt. 2, Dorr
Secretary, Clare Lowe, Byron Center
Treasurer, Paul Lowe, Rt. 2, Dorr
Teacher, Mrs. Vesta Heasley, Dorr, L

No. 5-FRANKLIN, Dorr
Valuation \$319,396 Mill Rate 5. Census 40
Average Membership 21
President, Melbourne Raab, Rt. 1, Dorr
Secretary, Gerald VerBeek, Zeeland, Rt. 1
Treasurer, William Duimstra, Rt. 1, Dorr
Teacher, Miss Lavina Blecker, Hamilton, CL

No. 6-MAPLE GROVE, Dorr
Valuation \$297,944 Mill Rate 7.04 Census 42
Average Membership 25
President, Arthur Schipper, Rt. 2, Dorr
Secretary, Harvey Brower, Rt. 2, Dorr
Treasurer, Arthur Nykamp, Rt. 2, Dorr
Teacher, Mrs. Lulu Moul abelt, Rt. 1, Hopkins, SL

No. 7-NEW SALEM
[Closed School]
Valuation \$345,107 Mill Rate 0 Census 67
Average Membership 0
President, Otto Hornich, Rt. 1, Dorr
Secretary, Edward Fein, Rt. 1, Dorr
Treasurer, Jacob Thomas, Rt. 1, Dorr

No. 8 FR-DIAMOND SPRINGS, Rt. 1, Hamilton
Valuation \$132,644 Mill Rate 5. Census 45
Average Membership 28
President, Harold Blocker, Rt. 1, Hamilton
Secretary, John LeYoung, Rt. 1, Hamilton
Treasurer, Owen Appley, Rt. 1, Hamilton
Teacher, Mrs. Margaret Shank, Rt. 1, Hopkins, SLR

No. 9-PLAINVIEW, Dorr
Valuation \$162,495 Mill Rate 5.43 Census 69
Average Membership 20
President, Otto Beard, Rt. 1, Dorr
Secretary, Harold Stewart, Rt. 1, Dorr
Treasurer, John Funk, Rt. 1, Dorr
Teacher, Mrs. Beatrice Shields, Rt. 1, Dorr, L

SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP

No. 5-CHASE
[Closed School]
Valuation \$446,244 Mill Rate 9.03 Census 59
Average Membership 0
President, Chester Wightman, Rt. 2, Fennville
Secretary, Alice Wightman, Rt. 2, Fennville
Treasurer, Otto Heinze, Rt. 2, Fennville

No. 6-BARRAGER
[Closed School]
Valuation \$196,029 Mill Rate 5. Census 17
Average Membership 0
President, Ruth Phee, Rt. 2, Fennville
Secretary, Victor Eslekraut, Jr., Rt. 2, Fennville
Treasurer, Ruth Leach, Rt. 2, Fennville

TROWBRIDGE TOWNSHIP

No. 1-PROUTY, Rt. 3, Allegan
Valuation \$301,976 Mill Rate 5.16 Census 60
Average Membership 37
President, Albert Kizer, Rt. 1, Allegan
Secretary, Colburn Garlock, Rt. 1, Allegan
Treasurer, William Lane, Rt. 1, Allegan
Teacher, Mrs. Belle Lane, Rt. 1, Allegan, L

No. 2-BLACKMAN, Rt. 2, Allegan
Valuation \$839,973 Mill Rate 5.20 Census 90
Average Membership 57
President, Lyle Smith, Rt. 2, Allegan
Secretary, Arlo Crowell, Rt. 2, Allegan
Treasurer, Allan Carpenter, Rt. 2, Allegan
Teacher, Mrs. Winifred Ferris, Rt. 4, Allegan, SL
Teacher, Mrs. Doris Miller, Rt. 4, Allegan, CLR



BARAGAR SCHOOL CIRCA 1925 - 1928

TEACHER MISS GERTRUDE RAPLEE WHO BECAME MRS. WM VAN HARTESVELT
SISTER TO ALICE RAPLEE WIGHTMAN

BACK ROW LEFT TO RIGHT

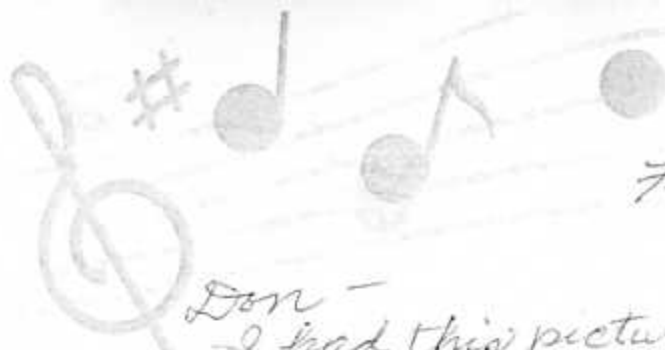
FRED NELSON , EUGINE BIELER, GEORGE NELSON, RANNY SCOTT VICTOR EAUGLEKRAUT

MIDDLE ROW

GLADYS PSHEA, THELMA RAINY, (NOW MRS. RALPH BROUWER), ALICE PSHEA, DOROTHY NELSON,
CLARA NELSON

FRONT ROW

ALFRED PSHEA, HAROLD SCOTT, ROBERT NELSON



Feb. 22 -

Don -

I had this picture made up & enlarged for you. In the front row on the right end I recognize Eugene Bieler. You'll notice his Dad, Ben Bieler was Director on the School Board at the time. Eugene had a sister Katie who went to the school too. Next time I visit my aunt I'll ask her the names of some of the others because she

-- had some of these same pupils since she taught there the 8 yrs. Following my mother. I also ask Thelma because she went to school with some of them. She might still be in Florida as yet.

My aunt might possibly have some pictures but her eyesight is not very good. When her daughter gets home from Florida I'll ask her about it. That Person Scott listed as moderator on the school Board was a well known piano teacher in the community. I notice Baraga, is spelled with an E on the contract & is that an error? See Mrs. Mark's husband was Treasurer -

May Winnie

BARAGAR SCHOOL STANDARD # 6 SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP
TEACHERS AND BOARD MEMBERS AS OF 10/11

- 10/11 BENJAMIN F. BEILER TEACHER
- 16/17 HENRIETHA OOSTEMA TEACHER
VICTOR EGELKRAUT SR. DIRECTOR
- 18/19 MARGUERITE HEINEN TEACHER
- 19/20 GERTRUDE RAPLEE VAN HARTESVELT TEACHER
VICTOR EGELKRAUT SR. DIRECTOR
- 2021 GERTRUDE RAPLEE VAN HARTESVELY TEACHER
VICTOR EGELKRAUT SR. DIRECTOR
- 22/23 ALICE RAPLEE WIGHTMAN TEACHER
BENJAMIN BEILER DIRECTOR
EDWARD WORK TREASURE
- 23/24 ALICE RAPLEE WIGHTMAN TEACHER
BENJAMIN F. BEILER DIRECTOR
- 24/25 ALICE RIPLEE WIGHTMAN TEACHER
BENJAMIN F. BEILER DIRECTOR
- 30/31 GERTRUDE RAPLEE VAN HARTESVELT TEACHER
BENJAMIN F. BEILER DIRECTOR
WILL RAINEY MODERATOR
GOERGE PSHEA TREASURE
- 31/32 GERTRUDE RAPLEE VAN HARTESVELT TEACHER
- 32/33 MURIE WALKLEY TEACHER FROM GLENN , MICH.
EDWARD WARK DIRECTOR
- 34/35 BLANCHE GOODWINE TEACHER
EDWARD WARK DIRECTOR
- 36/37 LENA FISHER TEACHER
GRACE WELES DIRECTOR
- 38/39 FLORINE JOHNSON TEACHER
RENA DORNAN MODERATOR
EDWARD WARK DIRECTOR
CHERRIE G. SEPTER TREASURE
- 39/40 MARY MOORED TEACHER
RENA DORNAN MODERATOR
EDWARD WARK DIRECTOR
CHERRIE S. SEPTER TREASURE
- 40/41 MARY MOORED TEACHER
RENA DORNAN MODERATOR
W.W. WELCH DIRECTOR
OTTO HEINZE TREASURE
- 41/42 MABLE ZIETSCH TEACHER
RENA DORNAN MODERATOR
VICTOR EGELKRAUT JR. DIRECTOR
GRACE MELES TREASURE

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43/44 MRS. J. CARETON ANDERSON TEACHER
SAM WARK MODERATOR
VICTOR EGELKRAUT JR. DIRECTOR
GEORGE W. PSHEA TREASURE

45/46 KATHYRN WARNER TEACHER
SAM WARK MODERATOR
VICTOR EGELKRAUT JR. DIRECTOR
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