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In 1869 District #3 consisted of Sections 19, 20, 21, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33 and the west half of 27, Township 13, Range 9. The boundaries were changed in 1873 and 1878.

On April 7, 1873 the citizens of the district with school board members, Albert H. Gould, James Perine and Henry S. Hovey voted to build a schoolhouse 18' x 24' with 10 ft. studding. It was also voted to levy a 10 mill tax for this purpose. Work was assigned to patrons in the district who agreed to perform said work before July 1, 1873.

W. P. McMullin - 2 days with team or self
Thomas Fox - 6 days work as carpenter
J.C. Anghe - All the mason work
John Duncan - 6 days work as carpenter
Several were assigned the hauling of stone and lumber.

Several locations for the schoolhouse were discussed and it was finally decided to locate it on the Northeast corner of Mr. Black's farm. The school was finished on July 28, 1873. Mr. Black gave the land to the district as long as it would be used for a school.

The first teacher was Adda Black who taught a 3 3/4 month term with a salary of $25.00. She also taught a 1 1/2 month term in 1874. Mr. A.D. Fraser taught a 3 month term in 1874 for $40.00. Both had second grade certificates.

At the County Institute the teachers resolved that pay should be the same for male and female teachers with equal qualifications.

In 1875 the length of term was increased to 6 7/10 months.

In 1895 the school census showed 43 children of school age and 31 taxpayers. The levy was 10 mills.

In the early 1900's the records filed showed 35 to 50 children of school age. The school term was now nine months.

In 1910 the school enrollment was 67 pupils. The building was too small so a new school was built. The report showed 88 books in the school library. Attendance was quite poor and many pupils quit school even before finishing grade 8.

In the 1920's enrollment decreased. Salaries were from $80.00 to $100.00.
The original schoolhouse was moved and is now Cooper's Garage. It is 103 years old.

(The facts in this history were taken from early reports of the school board meetings and records filed in the office of the County Superintendent.)
Section 32, Township 13, Range 9
Clear Creek Precinct
1 mile North, 3 3/4 miles West of Ashland

School Board -
- Pat Gautier
- Harold Todd
- James Regner

Teachers -
- Geraldine Sladky (1st semester)
- Joyce Sawyer (2nd semester)

Pupils

Betsy Snell
Sandy Regner
Wendy Hageman
Joe Regner
Curtis Franks
Timmy Snell
Sharon Shandera
Scott Gautier

Jim Regner
Randy Todd
Danny Wigle
Ronny Wigle
Donald Shandera
Irene Snell
Danny Todd
Ricky Wigle