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District #18 - Mt. Zion

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The first school term in District #18 was in 1893. There were twenty pupils taught by Newton A. House. The term was from April 10 to June 2.

Hoboes often slept in the schoolhouse at night. When they saw the teacher coming in the morning they would jump out of the window and go up the hill.

The schoolhouse burned down during Christmas vacation in 1912. It was rebuilt early in 1913 at a cost of $758.23.

Many pupils sixteen or seventeen years old would attend school in the winter months when their farm work was done.

The largest enrollment on record was twenty three pupils. The smallest was three or four.

Salaries paid varied from $32.50 in 1900; $100.00 in 1928; $40 in 1934.

Many teachers taught only a few years. The longest record for any teacher is twelve years, taught by Mrs. Janice Odvody.
SE_{1/4} Section 17, Township 13, Range 8
Oak Creek Precinct
1 mile North, 3 miles East of Valparaiso

School Board -
Erwin Matulka
Vi Skibinski
Lawrence Masek

Teacher -
Paul Lorenz

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Mark Masek
Larry Wolf
Dale Masek
Laura Wolf
David Masek
Linda Skibinski

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