transferred to the Fisher district, Number 13. The building is still in use at this time, on the farm of Henning Malmberg.

District number 39 was organized in 1893, and located in Section 8, Roome Township, and contained sections 4, 5, 8, 9, 16, and 17.

Albert Arness had been settled on his new farm just one year when he, with several of his neighbors, decided that the district must build and maintain a school so that their children could be properly educated. Albert offered free of charge a parcel of land that might be used as a building site. This was accepted, and in the summer of 1898 the building was completed. Later one of the teachers was to be his sister, Ingeborg Arness. Usually the teacher roomed and boarded at the Arness home, and during the entire period from 1898 to 1940, when the school was discontinued, there was an Arness on the school board. In 1952 the district was dissolved and consolidated with District 13, at Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Gordon, of Climax, purchased the school building and made it into their home. It is still in use. Some of the teachers who taught there were Ingeborg Arness, Carrie Hegg, Gladys Wastewet, Edith Gast, Mildred Peterson, and Katherine Horde.

School district number 110, located in the southeast corner of Section 1, Roome Township, was organized in 1884, and contained Sections 13 and 14 of Roome Township, and 6, 7, 18, and 19 of Andover Township. The school was called the Burnham Creek School because of its location near Burnham Creek. Alexander Burnham, for whom this creek was named, was the first settler in Andover Township.

Records show that Mr. R. B. Gates built the school, and Mr. Charles Mattson was the first treasurer. Clerk was Mr. G. Davis, with A. W. Peterson as director. The teachers' salary was $25.00 per month. Teachers were also the janitors, and oftentimes it was impossible to get the school room warm enough for students to remain in their seats, so they would gather around the stove with its big metal jacket to hold classroom sessions. Teachers would then serve a large kettle of hot soup or a hot dish (enough to feed everyone) to supplement the cold sandwiches. This was heated on top of the stove, and the aroma was most pleasant.

School District 110 closed in 1953, and the pupils were transported to Crookston. In 1955 it was dissolved and attached to district 1, Crookston. The building is still in use at this time on the farm of Ernest Radi, who purchased it and moved it to his farm yard.

Bondurant is a part of a list of teachers: Julia Brummen, Elizabeth Lommen, Emma Sylvester, Sally Simonson, Valla Alderman, Ada Houston, Elmina Reber, Eva Buckler, Esther Johnson, Esther Blomgren, Mary Sullivan, Mabelle Cederlund, Eva Duval, Nora Shegurd, Mildred Tiernan, Myrtle Tweten, Alyce Strady, Marius Musselman, Ione Mossefin, Doris Duval, Elsie Graham, Edna Bredie, Evelyn Roberts, Edla Johnson, Violet Leikness, Mildred Sheflloe, Violet Knight, Evelyn Breken, John Bruer, Pearl DeBoer, Delores Gustafson and Maureen Leikness.

School district number 150, known as the Krogan School, was organized in 1885. It was located in the southeast quarter of section 22, Roome Township, near the present Allan Dragseth homestead. Only a few records were available, but we found some of the early teachers at this school: Anna G. Wilson, John Saugstad, S. P. Boughman, H. P. Boukind, Florence Marlette, Emma Nyen, Hannah Bennen, Agnes Bardson, Pauline E. Hanson, Anna Eickhoff.

A great many of the area families were represented in the students roll call: Arness, Bangen, Davis, Eide, Krogan, Peterson, Thoreson, Paulson, Elg, Leikness, Hansell, Gustavson, Lonne, Jobe, Dragseth, Boucher, Glaserud, Stubson, Bergland, Vigan, Gilbert, and Mariner — to name a few. The school was consolidated on March 16, 1912, with the Eldred School, so it was actually in operation only 27 years.

District number 41 was organized May 7, 1899 and contained sections 19, 20, 29, 30, 31, and 32 of Roome Township. The officers chosen at this meeting were: director, H. H. Thoreson; treasurer, T. Boukind; and clerk, A. Elby. These officers served only until July, and at that time Oliver Bones was elected director, H. H. Thoreson treasurer, and T. Boukind clerk.

It was decided that the school should be built on the southwest corner of the Northwest Quarter of section 29, and the sum of $20.00 was paid to K. H. Valor for one square acre of land. Mr. F. Hamilton of Fisher, Minnesota, furnished the lumber and built the schoolhouse for the sum of $375.00. Fixtures in the school cost $274.40. It was resolved that school begin January 6, 1890 for a period of two months, weather permitting. Teacher's salary was $35.00 per month. The first teacher was J. Walseth. Julie Brunner was the second instructor. Others who taught there in the early days were E. A. Marigard, Mathilda Johnson, Peter Finseth, Mary K. Knudson, T. J. Malone, J. Saugstad, H. F. Boukind, P. H. Solstad, Otto F. Neuman, Julia F. Thompson, Olga Skyberg, Ellen B. Merrill, and Hannah Lund.

An interesting item noted in the minutes of the July 15, 1900 meeting stated as follows: "Resolved to have the board put in a bridge to the schoolhouse, and have four 12-foot crader posts put down at the schoolhouse for horses."

In March of 1912, all of district 41 was consolidated with school district 281 of Eldred, under strong opposition from some of the school board members. Consequently, on July 9 of the same year, several sections of the land were withdrawn from district 281, and returned to district 41. The school continued to operate until 1954 when the district was dissolved and all of the territory thereof attached to district 245 of Climax. Vernon Ostgaard purchased the building and moved it to his farm, where it is still in use.

School district 33 was located along the western edge of Roome Township. Organized in 1895, it contained sections 6, 7, and 18 of Roome Township, and sections 1, 12, and 13 of Tynsid Township. Known as the Gudvangen School, it was located in the northwest corner of the southwest Quarter of Section 7, Roome Township. We were unable to locate any records or pictures of the school. However, in 1952 the district was consolidated with district 13 of Fisher, and the building was sold to Telbert Grove. Later it was purchased by Gerald Bruin and moved to his farm where it is now a part of his home.

School district 281, Eldred, organized March 16, 1912, was the second consolidated school in the state of Minnesota. Districts 41 and 150 of Roome Township, 254 of Vineland, and 68 of Andover were included in this consolidation. One of the main instigators of this venture was Toston Johnson, and he was assisted by C. J. Gilbert, H. P. Boukind, and others. There was strong opposition to this move, but the school was built and dedicated January 31, 1914. A modern building, equipped with a fan ventilation system, indoor flush toilets, pressure water fountains, and an electric lighting system was built in Eldred. The school, with its large auditorium and modern lunch room was to become an important center, not only for school, but for many community activities such as church, 4-H meetings, Farm Bureau, Homemakers, and many other activities.

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