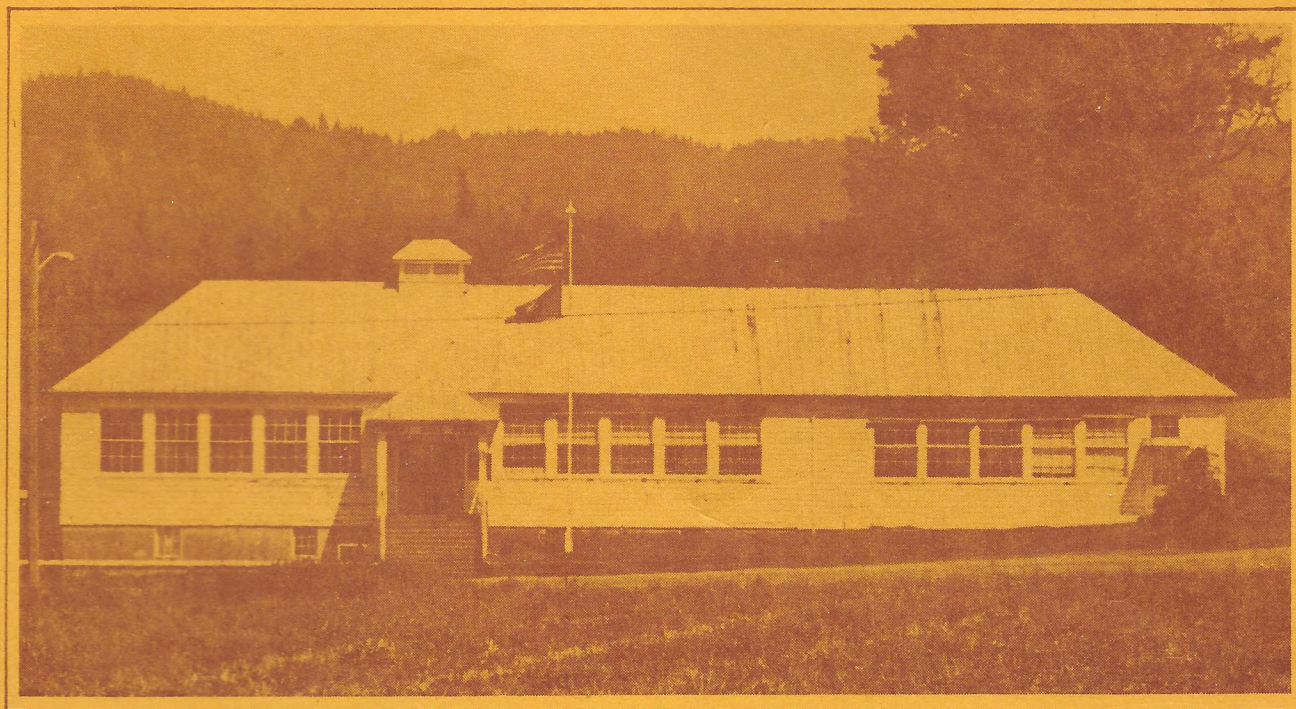


IN
REMEMBRANCE



OF
FOREST DALE





Good-bye to Forest Dale School

We are writing this book because we like our school. At the end of this year the school will be closed forever; the school building will be torn down. When Scoggins Dam is finished the school land will be flooded by the lake behind the Dam.

This year at Forest Dale is a little bit different than last year. The classes that were here last year were Kindergarten; First, Second and Third Grades; and Fourth Fifth and Sixth Grades. There were three classrooms. The kids that came to Forest Dale lived in Scoggins Valley. A few children were bussed from Dilley if there was no room for them. All Scoggins Valley and Dilley Kindergarten children came to school at Forest Dale.

The Kindergarten children all go to St. Anthony's School now. The first,

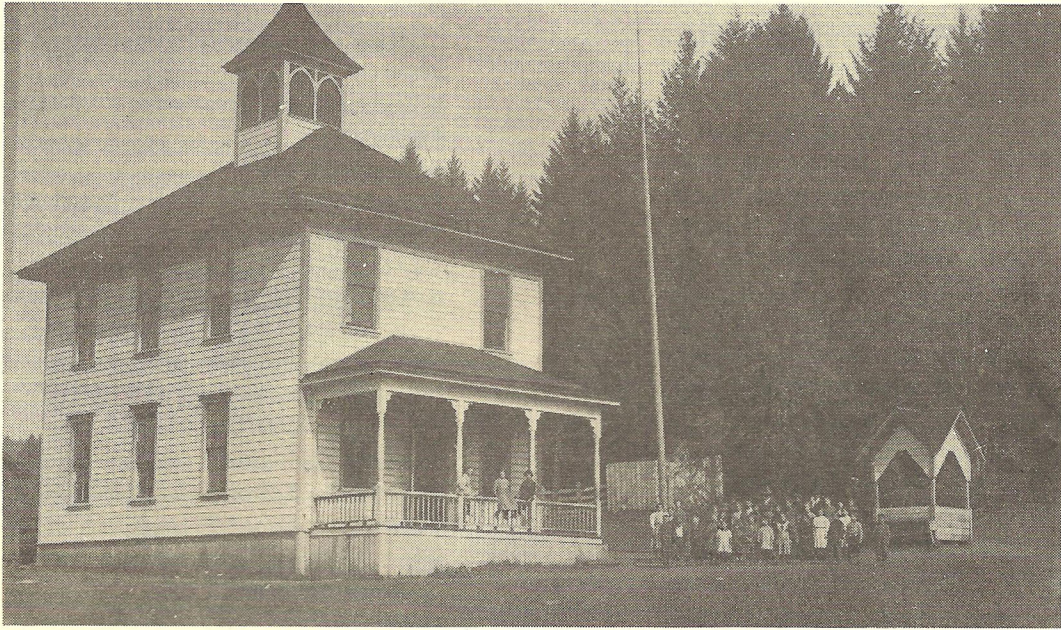
second, fifth, and sixth graders from Scoggins Valley are at Dilley this year.

Now there are only third and fourth graders at Forest Dale. These are Scoggins Valley and Dilley kids. There is not enough room at Dilley for all the classes so we are being bussed to Forest Dale.

A new wing is now being built onto Dilley School so we can go to school there in September 1973. There will be three new classrooms and a library.

It is a sad thing that Forest Dale School has to be torn down.

Fourth Grade Class of
Forest Dale School
1972-73



ONE HUNDRED FOURTEEN YEARS

Forest Dale School District 16 was organized in 1859. The district included all of Scoggins Valley and extended into Patton Valley. Administration of the district rested in a three-man Board of Directors. Annual School District meetings were held in March or April and special meetings were called to handle emergency business. All district residents attending these meetings had voting privileges.

The first known school in Scoggins Valley was constructed in 1859. It was erected on the original W.G. Scoggin land claim. This was a log structure situated east of the present Herr Road and north of Scoggins Road.

On September 30, 1874 a deed by Sanford E. Wilcox donated an acre of land to Forest Dale School District. The deed stipulated that the land was to be used for school purposes. If not used for schooling, the land was to revert to the family heirs. On this site, approximately one-fourth mile west of the original building, a second school was constructed. It was a box-type building in which 1 x 10's or 1 x 12's were placed upright and 1 x 4's placed at the horizontal seams. This building was placed close to the southwestern boundary of the school property.

A third school building was erected on the original Wilcox grant in the late 1880's or early 1890's. It

was situated slightly north and west of the present building. This was a two-story structure with the lower room used for class and the second floor used for play area. When school attendance increased, both rooms were used for classes. Grades one through five met downstairs and six through eleven convened upstairs. Two pot-belly stoves provided heat for the rooms. Water from the Hillsboro reservoir was piped into the school about 1915.

In 1938, the third Forest Dale School was torn down and a new building constructed. The first phase of this building included two classrooms, an auditorium and restrooms. This was the first Forest Dale School to boast of indoor plumbing. A wood furnace was installed in the basement below the east room.

Much of the credit for urging construction of this building goes to the school clerk, Mrs. Alice Wilcox. In the early 1900's, School Director Arthur Knox had been instrumental in extending the School District boundary to the Tillamook County line. The extended property was rich timber land. Mrs. Wilcox informed the Board that the timber lands to the west were going to be logged. As the area was logged off, the assessed valuation would decrease and funds available for construction would be lowered. Therefore, at a cost of about \$8,000 a new school was built. Approximately \$2,000 was

on hand and the bonded indebtedness on the remainder was paid off over a three year period.

In 1947 additions were made to the existing building. The original one acre deed was supplemented by the purchase of two and one-half acres on the north side. This purchase was made from Marion and Sanford Matteson. Two classrooms, an office, and a health room were built on the east end. The auditorium was enlarged into a gymnasium and the restrooms were moved to the west end of the building. A furnace room was added to accommodate the boiler for steam heat. This is the building that will be demolished at the end of the 1972-73 school year.

From 1859 to about 1885, children in Scoggins Valley attended school for six months during the spring and late summer. School began in March or April and ended in October. A summer recess allowed the children to help with the farm work. By 1885 the school year had been lengthened to the middle of December. On March 5, 1888 the Board of Directors voted to conduct an eight month school year. By 1900, this had evolved into the current nine-month year.

In the very early years of School District 16 there was no formal requirement for length of school attendance. Children went to school until they were needed to help at home and on the farm or until they got married.

With a few exceptional years, Forest Dale was a one-teacher school from 1859 to 1935. In 1911, Miss Frances Sharp received permission from the County School Superintendent to teach classes equivalent to the first three years of high school. For the next few years there were two teachers at Forest Dale. One of them taught the first five grades and the other taught sixth through eleventh grades. After completing the high school instruction at Forest Dale, students were eligible to finish the fourth year in any high school in the state.

Instruction in the first three years of high school was available to the Scoggins Valley students until 1916 or 1917. Then all high school age residents went to high

school anywhere they chose. The choice of attending high school anywhere in the state existed until 1930. In that year a Union High School District was organized in the Forest Grove area. This district included Scoggins Valley. From that date, Forest Dale children attended high school in Forest Grove.

Forest Dale enrollment was affected by the formation of two new districts in the area. In February 1913 some of the Scoggins Valley children began attending Deerlick School District #109. Deerlick School was built in the west end of the valley and was in operation until the 1935-36 school year. That year there were no students in District 109. In 1937, Deerlick consolidated with the Forest Dale District.

Another School siphoned off some valley children in 1917. This was Mountain View School District #85 (Roberts School). Mountain View operated yearly until 1931 when the school was closed and the children went to Gaston Grade School. During the 1933-34 school year Mountain View reopened for one year. In 1934 the school finally closed and District #85 was dissolved in 1944.

In 1916 (or 1917) when high school classes were no longer taught at Forest Dale, the school once again had one teacher instructing grades one through eight. In 1935 two teachers were employed because of increased enrollment. By 1947 the increased attendance necessitated hiring a third teacher. This arrangement existed until 1962 when the last eighth grade class was graduated from Forest Dale.

In 1963 all seventh and eighth grade students from Forest Dale were enrolled in junior high in Forest Grove on a tuition basis. Forest Dale was then attended by children in grades one through six with two teachers. From September 1969 to May 1972 a third room housed kindergarten classes for children of the Scoggins Valley and Dilley attendance areas.

An election on May 12, 1968 approved the annexation of Forest Dale School District No. 16 to Forest Grove School District No. 15.

In the beginning of Forest Dale School District, school support funds were paid by the County Treasurer upon directives from the County School Superintendent. As early as 1878, the Board of Directors tried to levy a tax to supplement the County funds. At the annual Directors meeting of April 1, 1878 a levy of $1\frac{1}{2}$ mills for school support and $\frac{1}{4}$ mills for a contingent fund was approved five to two. A special meeting on July 13 repealed the millage levy and unanimously approved a total of \$100 in taxes for school support and \$15 for contingent fund. This was to cover the three month period of August, September, and October 1878. At another special meeting on July 23, 1878 the tax rolls were equalized and a warrant for collection of taxes was issued. There were twenty-five individuals and one railroad listed on the tax rolls with tax amounts due ranging from 23 cents to \$20.32. Before the taxes could be collected a directive from Washington County stated that the order for collection of taxes must be recalled. The taxes were declared "not lawful as decided by the Supreme Court of the State of Oregon."

Further attempts were made to levy a local tax; in 1879 and 1880 tax proposals were defeated. On March 7, 1881 the patrons of District Number 16 voted unanimously to tax themselves a total of \$100. It was recorded that the "Directors of School District No. 16 be authorised to levy a tax of one hundred dollars on the taxable property of the District for the support of school during the ensuing year which was carried Unamously nine Votes being Cast ayes nine noes none." These taxes were collected and the amounts ranged from 13 cents to \$22.51.

No tax proposals were voted on in 1882 and 1884. In 1883 and 1885 tax levies were vetoed. On March 1, 1886, after defeating a \$200 tax, a tax of \$100 was passed eight to three. This tax was collected from twenty nine individuals and one railroad in amounts ranging from 30 cents to \$17.92. Taxes in the amount of \$140 were collected in 1887 from twenty-seven individuals and one railroad. Amounts ranged from 30 cents

to \$16.39. By 1888 the district patrons were back to defeating tax levies.

Revenue for operation of Forest Dale School was used primarily for teachers' salaries. In 1878 District 16 paid its teacher \$150 for the six month summer term. When the length of the school year was extended in 1885, total teachers' salaries fluctuated for the next four years between \$175 and \$280.

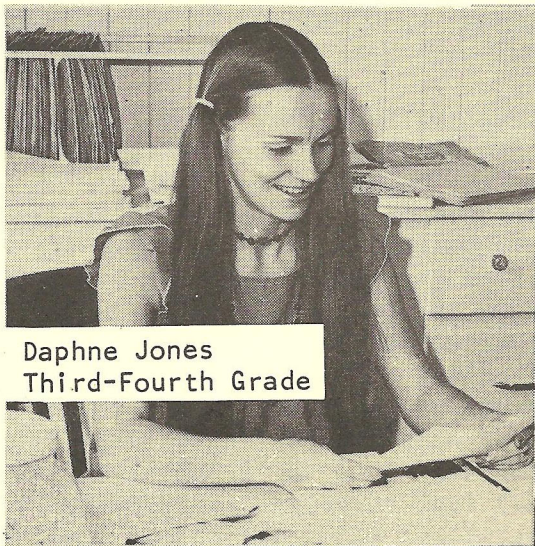
Other expenses for the district included wood for heating the school. Six cords of wood in 1885 cost \$12.00. In 1927 fuel cost \$25; in 1928 the fuel bill was \$40. Incidental items were purchased, such as a twelve quart bucket which cost 75¢ in 1880. In 1881 a wash "baison" cost 50¢; a door lock purchased April 8, 1882 cost 75¢; six "pains" of glass in 1885 totaled 90¢; a rope for the school house bell in 1886 required a 25¢ expenditure.

The purchase of instructional materials was limited to one or two boxes of crayons per year. The price of crayons varied from 20¢ to 50¢ between 1878 and 1888. Some crayons were purchased for 37½¢ a box. All other school materials were supplied by the individual families until the late 1930's. Text books were available from a bookstore in Forest Grove.

Another expenditure in the early district finances was a fee paid to the district clerk for his services. On December 30, 1878 the District Directors agreed to allow the clerk a fee in the amount of "five per cent of all money coming into his hands." Over a period of ten years, from 1878 to 1888, the clerk's fee would have ranged from \$5.00 or \$6.00 to \$17.18 paid in 1887.

Land acquisition for the construction of Scoggins Dam forced the sale of Forest Dale School. At a price of \$100,000 the school building became the property of the U. S. Government. The original S. E. Wilcox land donation was deeded to the government by the family heirs, Marion and Sanford Matteson.

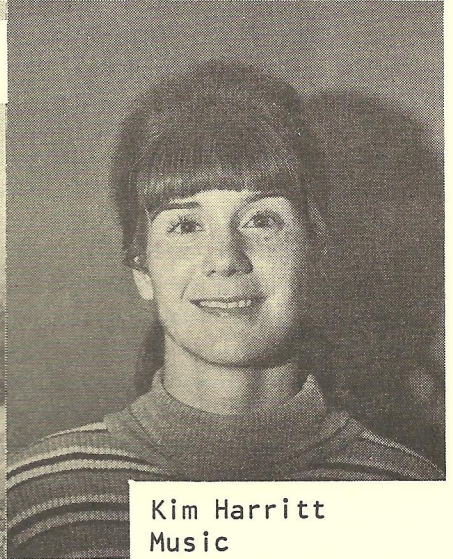
On June 1, 1973 the students and faculty at Forest Dale School regretfully close the school forever.



Daphne Jones
Third-Fourth Grade



Larry McMacken
Principal

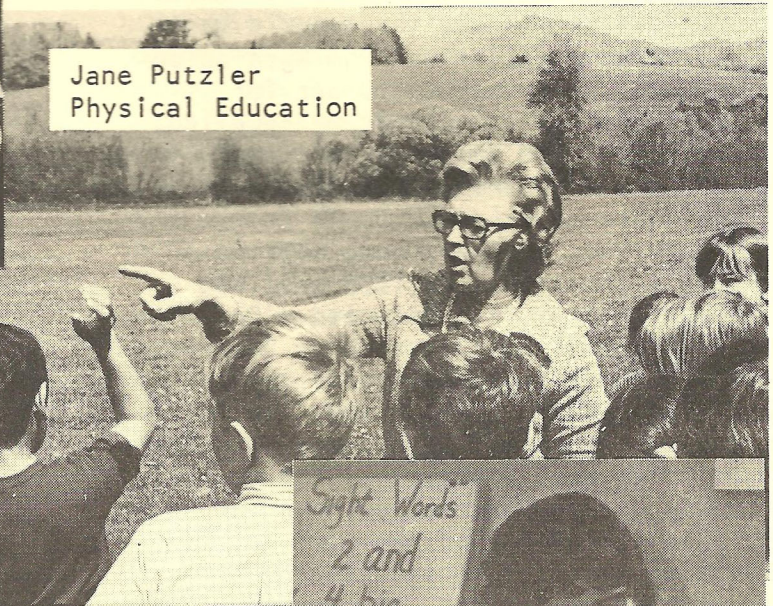


Kim Harritt
Music

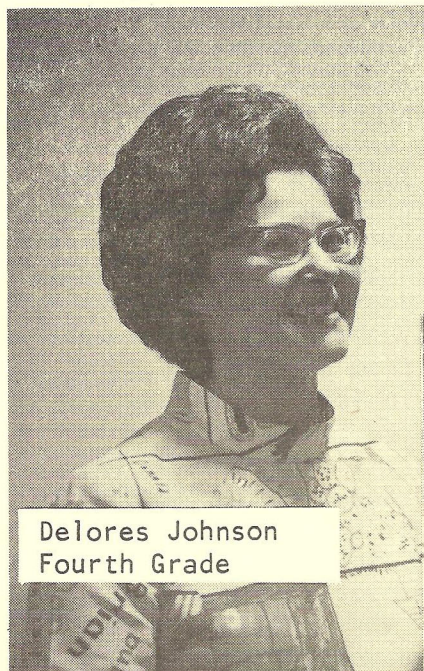


Ruth Bentley
Third Grade

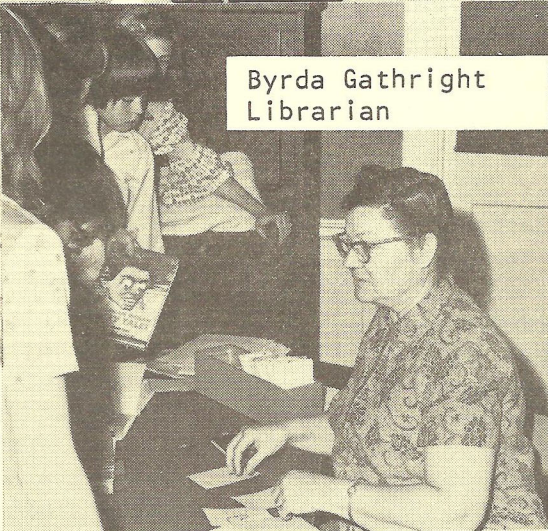
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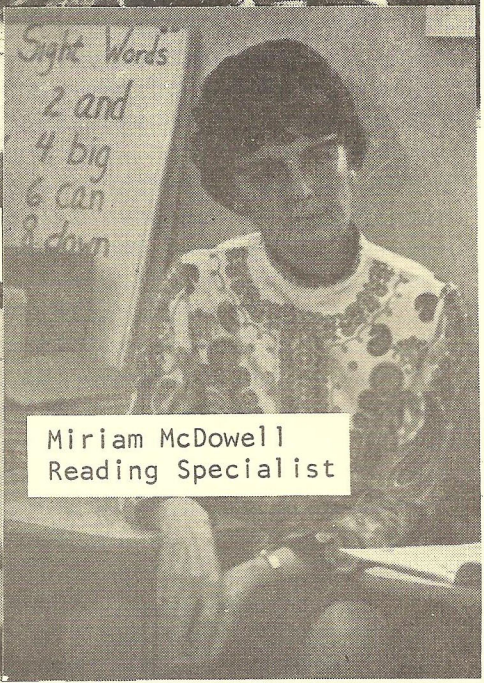
Jane Putzler
Physical Education



Delores Johnson
Fourth Grade



Byrda Gathright
Librarian



Miriam McDowell
Reading Specialist



Alice Vaandering
Librarian's Aide

Blanche Thomson
Teachers' Aide



Sharon Wilcox
Lunch and Playground
Assistant



Mr. Thomson

Mr. Thomson used to build houses in the Scoggins Valley area. When the school was remodeled in 1947, he helped finish the office and two classrooms. He also changed the stairway from the front hallway to the west end of the building.

In 1951 Mr. Thomson began working at the school as a janitor. He has made repairs on the building and furnace, and kept the school clean. For the first seventeen years he also drove the school bus. Four years ago, when Forest Dale consolidated with Forest Grove, Mr. Thomson became janitor of both Forest Dale and Dilley Schools. Mr. Thomson is retiring this year.

I've enjoyed working here and I have seen many faces in the twenty-one years. I've met many good and bad kids, but mostly good. I guess it will be rather sad that Forest Dale School has to be torn down, but I realize that it's part of progress.

Lyde Thomson

4th GRADE

The fourth graders saved bones and studied about them. Some of us found bones at home and brought them in. Gene H., Patti, Billy, Don, James, Scott, Kim and Diana found some bones down by the creek. One day we all went out to a field close to school and looked for bones. We didn't find many. Melanie found a bird nest made of leaves, ferns, grass, mud, branches and moss.

For math, we made shapes with rubber bands on the geo-boards. A geo-board is a 12" by 12" board with nails pounded in a five, six, or seven array. The nail heads stick up so we can put rubber bands on them. We used the geo-boards for finding the area of different shapes.

In March we made pictures of our feelings about the dam and the valley. These pictures were made for the Scoggins Dam Symposium held in Forest Grove. Kim, Scott, Lorrie, Renee', Billy, Don, Gene H., Brian, and John had their pictures on display at Pacific University.

We made straw structures on April 23rd. They were made from twenty plastic straws and straight pins. We were to build the tallest and strongest structure we could. They had to be self-supporting.

On April 25th we had Open House. We showed the straw structures.

We went on a field trip on May 3rd to Champoeg Park. We gave a play, visited the museum and pioneer house. Then we had lunch and played softball.

During the Gay Nineties, the fourth grade class went to the gem show in Forest Grove. We stopped to study some rocks on the way back.

When we were studying about the Northwest Indians, Mrs. McCornack



Top Row: Lorrie Verboort, Melanie Leamon, Rebecca Brown, Jenice McCathron, Gene Elyerud 4th Row: Diana Spiering, Penny Dargatz, Tommy Coe, Rodney Johnson 3rd Row: Billy Sundermeier, Don Smith, Patrick Miller, Mike Dedrickson 2nd Row: Gene Hubel, Brian Rollier, James Gifford, Doug Weitzel 1st Row: Kim DeLashmatt, Renee Scheuffele, Scott Andrews, Chris Curington Not Pictured: Glenn Ellis, Patti Farrin, John Stephens

We've had fun here at Forest Dale and we're going to miss this school.

We have done plays for our class and other classes. The Ventures reading group put on a play called, "White House Christmas." Open Highways I reading group put on a play named "Just Call Me Rob." Open Highways II put on a play called "First in Peace." On May 3 we did a play at Champoeg Park. The name of the play was "Pioneers Form Their Own Government."

came to visit us. She was taken into the Chehalis Indian tribe when she was about ten years old. She brought lots of old Indian things to show us.

Mr. John Oneida came out to show us the plans for Scoggins Dam. He works on Scoggins Dam and he brought drawings to show what the dam will look like.

An ex-POW came out to talk to us. His name is Captain James Sehorn. He is a pilot of an F-105 Thunderchief in the United States Air Force. He told us how the North Vietnamese captured him, what the camp was like, what clothes he wore, and what he ate and drank.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Knox came to our class to talk about old Forest Dale schools. It was very interesting.

Mrs. Johnson read us a book called The Wheel on the School. We drew pictures of the part of the story we liked best. The pictures were drawn with charcoal. She read Misty of Chincoteague, Trumpet of the Swan, Charlotte's Web, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory and some other stories. After Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Mrs. Johnson gave us candy bars.

Three people from our room have moved since school started. Keith Semmel started school with us; he left on November 3rd. Clifton Turner came to our school on September 28th. He transferred to Central School on November 14th. John Nell started school here on October 10. He moved to Portland on December 7th. John Stephens started school here after Christmas Vacation.

Near the beginning of school, the old Scoggins Valley Church was torn down. It was close to the school.

Some machinery is stored by the school. It will be used in building the road around the lake behind the dam.

We have seen elk by the school many times. When the dam is built the elk will have to move to another place. We saw a Red-Tailed Hawk in the field behind the school. When we went out for recess we saw its tracks. We have seen some deer, too.

We had a school cat named Tigger. She had six kittens. There was another cat named Charlene. Jenice took her home.

We made potato prints. With knives we cut designs on the potatoes. We dipped the potatoes in paint and stamped it on paper.

We had a Halloween Party on October 31st, a Christmas Party on December 22nd, and a Valentine's Party on February 14th. Kim brought a tree for our Christmas Party.

John Stephens Gene Elverud
Kim DeLashmuth Penny Dargatzis
Diana Spiungris Curington
James Tappin
Brian Rolier & Lenn
Lorrie Verboort Ellis
Rebecca Brown
Tommy Coe Jenice McLaughlin
Mike Pedrickson
Billy Sundermeier Miller
Patti Loring Don Smith
Gene Hald Rodney Johnson
Melanie Lemon
Doug Datzel Scott Andreas
Bene Scheuffele



3rd & 4th GRADE

I like this school because its the first year and the first time I have ever went to a school with a gym in it.

Greg LaMont

I like this school because there's not much kids.

Terry Bagan

All the tractors will be tearing down the school. They will have to make another part of school at Dilley.

Curt Gerdes

I don't really like that they're going to tear down the school and they're going to have to chop down all the trees.

Michele Gifford

The school has been here a long time and now it has to be torn down.

Jodi Woodruff

Some people will feel bad about the school being torn down.

Ricky Romero

You come home from school one day and houses are there. The next day on the way to school, they are not.

Tim Perkins

Top Row: Greg LaMont, Milissa Meek, Dallas Ettinger, Curt Gerdes 4th Row: Jill VanDyke, Tim Perkins, Jodi Woodruff David Murray 3rd Row: Brian Johnson, Dan Spiering, Marie Smith, Ricky Romero 2nd Row: Tami Britton, Terry Bagan, Diana Meza, Ralph Reyes 1st Row: Kayla Scrivner, April Durst, Michele Gifford, David McKenny

The Third-Fourth grade class discussed their feelings about the dam construction and the destruction of their school. Here are some of their comments.

I like this school because my father went here when he was little and he lived by it and helped make it.

Milissa Meek

I don't like the dam because they'll have to tear down the school and tear down other people's houses so the people will have to move away.

April Durst

The flowers and grass are going to be destroyed when the dam is through and it's going to take a long time for it to grow back.

Marie Smith

I think the dam will be neat because you won't have to have a swimming pool.

Diana Treza

I don't like the dam because they have to tear down the trees and bird nests.

Kayla Scribner

The dam will be nice. It will give people water but it will also take away the valley and the trees.

David Murray

I like the dam because all I will have to do is ride my bike to the dam and fish.

Brian Johnson

I like the dam so our family can go skiing and swimming.

Dallas Ettinger

When the dam is finished it will be very beautiful on the water and there'll be lots of camps and water sports.

David Mc Kenney

Scoggins Dam will be very beautiful when they're through with it and if it wasn't for the machines, it would probably take twenty to thirty years more to build the dam.

Daniel J. Spiring

When the dam is finished some people will be happy because they can go camping and swimming and hiking. Some people will not be happy. They have to move out of their farms and houses and find another one they like.

Tami Britton

It's in the summer. The birds are singing a sad song about the houses and school being torn down.

Bill Van Dyke

When they finish the dam the animals have gotta find a new place to live.

Ralph Reyes

3rd GRADE

scrapers, and skidders gathering to work on the dam.

Every morning there were new changes. We saw trees go down and logging trucks gathering up the trees that had been felled. Another day we saw them clearing houses and barns. Some days there were huge fires burning up the houses. Once there was a huge fire in the field across from school and we all got hot. We watched the cat cross our road on rubber tires and clear more land. We saw them tear down the old Scoggins Valley Church and build the new one. We watched them build the new road and rode on it in November. We got a beautiful view of the dam. Sometimes the bus driver stopped and let up see the dam.

In December we watched the first snow. Jeff was so excited as he saw snow for the first time. In the early afternoon the bus came and took us to Dilley. We were scared as cars slid in the ditch. Our teachers didn't arrive. Mrs. Johnson's car slid into the ditch. For weeks we went to school at Dilley but our Scoggins Valley students couldn't get out of the Valley and went sledding all week.

Many of us look back on the fun days of kindergarten through second grade when we raced cars in the gym, played in the woods, climbed trees, and built clubhouses and forts.

On our way to school we saw deer and often saw a herd of fifty elk.

Our playground was the greatest! We found spiders and spider eggs that we watched hatch. We caught spider webs with paint. We found a turtle's nest, animal bones, and Indian arrow heads.

The girls liked to sit out on the mound and look up at the sky.



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4th Row: Laurie Martin, Lauri Rice, Teri Tilson, Tina Ross 3rd Row: Lori Hedin, Jeff LaMont, Tony Loomis, Charles
Elverud 2nd Row: Kelly Shafer, Traci Ritchey, Ricky Jackson, Steve Hooker, Mike Luebke 1st Row: Danny Boag, Doris
Bradley, Chad Haws, Ronnie Wilcox, Maureen Bagan Not Pictured: Sandra Ellis

This Fall the first thing we did was go into the gym and meet our new teacher. Our classroom was the last year's first, second and third grade room, and we chose our own seats. Many of our friends were new and some were old chums. For some of us it was the first time at Forest Dale School and we were excited.

It was Fall and the leaves were turning colors and the bus went up the old road. Each day we saw earthmovers, caterpillars, bulldozers, tractors, dump trucks,

Mary Ann Davis Bradley Danny Boag
 Ritchey Ronald Wilcox
 Kelly Shaper Ricky Jackson Paul Cornell
 Robin Scott Tina Chad Haues
 Lori Hedin Steve Hooker Teri Tilson
 Mike Luelke Sandra Ellis
 Traci Ritchey Carl Van Loon
 Jeff LaMont Laurie Martin
 Maureen Bagan Laurie Rice Martin Romero
 Bruce Vandekerckhove Tom & Loomis

Charles E. Lerner

DIARY OF A YEAR

- September 5 - First Day of School
- October 13 - No classes for kids; Teachers' Conference Day
- 25 - Grandparents came to visit and have lunch
- 27 - Dilley Forest Dale Carnival at Dilley
- 31 - Class Halloween Parties
- November 7-10 - Half-day of school; parent conferences in afternoons
- 23-24 - Thanksgiving Vacation
- December 5 - Started to snow; we were taken to Dilley School in the afternoon.
- 6 - No school because of snow

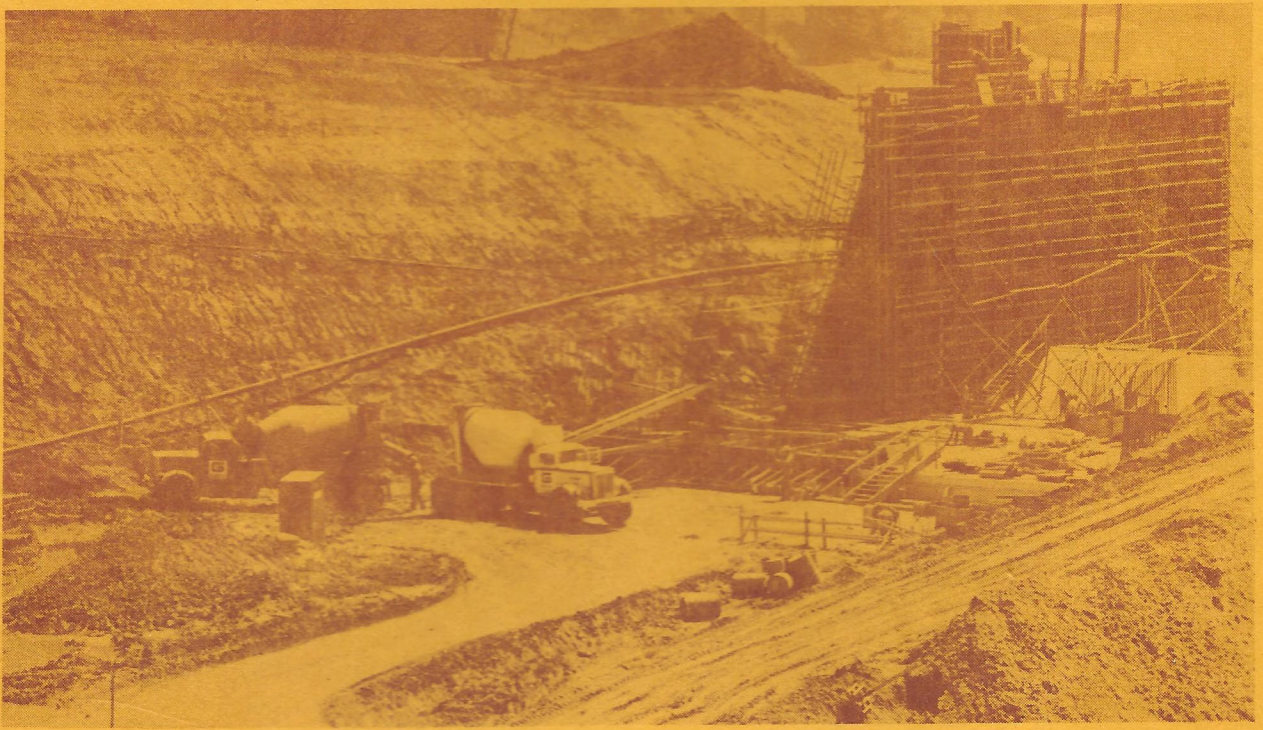
- 7, 8, 11 - Forest Dale classes met at Dilley School because of road conditions.
- 12 - No school because of snow
- 13-15 - Forest Dale classes met at Dilley School because of road conditions.
- 15 - Old-Fashioned Christmas poster contest
- 19 - Christmas Program
- 21 - Class Christmas Parties
- 22 - No school; Christmas Vacation began.
- January 2 - Back to school after Christmas Vacation
- 9, 10, 11 - Forest Dale classes at Dilley because of road conditions
- 16 - Herd of about 50 elk seen in valley
- 18 - No school; Teachers' work day
- 24 - We watched James Ball's house being moved down Nelson Road past the school.
- February 1, 2 - We watched plane take off and land in field across from school during spraying of John Mulholland's timber in Patton Valley.
- 14 - Valentine's Day Parties
- 23 - Gay Nineties Day
- March 14 - School cat, Tigger, went home with Sandy Ellis.
- 16 - Magic Show, Emerico The Great
- 18 - School cat had six kittens
- 19-23 - Spring Vacation
- 29 - Half-day of school; parent conferences in the afternoon.
- 30 - Captain James Sehorn returned home after being a prisoner of war for more than five years.
- April 6 - Elk seen near school
- 16 - Captain James Sehorn came to visit with each class
- 25 - Open House
- May 8 - Fourth Grade Track Meet
- 28 - Memorial Holiday
- June 1 - Last day of school
School Picnic

"WE WILL MISS..."

Mr. Thomson. . .the beauty of the forest and the countryside. . .
deer, elk, and other wild animals. . .the little school. . .Scoggins
Valley. . .open space. . .quietness and peacefulness. . .the best
school we've ever been to. . .trees. . .wild plants and flowers. . .
big playground. . .having just a few kids in school. . .the creek. . .
free space to run. . .the view. . .birds singing. . .big, rolling hills
. . .the little log church. . .the houses that were here. . .the ride
out here. . .



THE DAM



The End