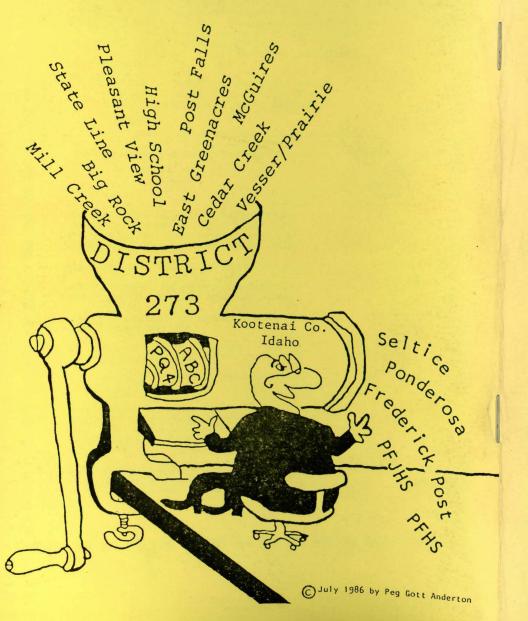
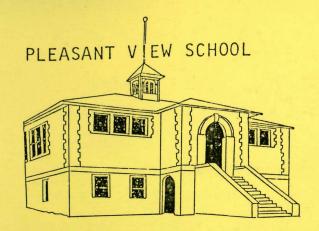
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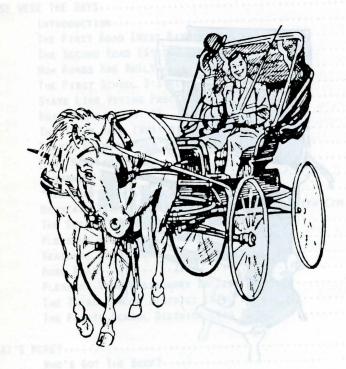
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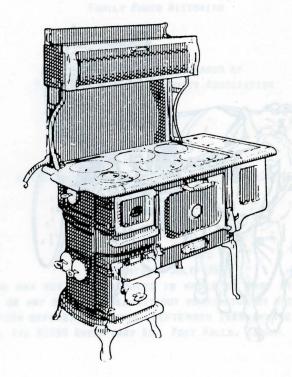


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TO THE
RESIDENTS
OF
PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY

AND

TO THE

STUDENTS FROM ALL THE SMALL

PRE-CONSOLIDATION COUNTRY SCHOOL DISTRICTS OF

STATE LINE, PLEASANT VIEW, MILL CREEK, BIG ROCK

PLUS

POST FALLS, RURAL HIGH SCHOOL, CEDAR CREEK,
PRAIRIE, EAST GREENACRES, MCGUIRES



Progress Of A Project!

WHERE IS PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY? IN KOOTENAI COUNTY. IDAHO. WHERE SPECIFICALLY? ITS SECUSION AND OBSCURITY ARE A COUPLE OF REASONS WHY ITS RESIDENTS LIKE IT! AH CUMMON, TELL ME! MAYBE YOU HAVE SEEN I-90'S PLEASANT VIEW EXIT NO. 2 WEST OF POST FALLS? YES. PLEASANT VIEW ROAD LEADS YOU TO THE NORTH BANK OF THE SPOKANE RIVER. THE "REAL" PLEASANT VIEW IS ACROSS THE RIVER. AND.... MAYBE YOU HAVE STUMBLED UPON PLEASANT VIEW AFTER LEARNING ABOUT ANTI-GRAVITY HILL? HUH? WHAT IS THAT?! How about while driving along scenic West RIVERVIEW DRIVE? WHA...WHERE?? LET'S PUT IT THIS WAY: PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY IS SOUTH OF THE SPOKANE RIVER, WEST OF POST FALLS AND EAST OF THE WASHINGTON/IDAHO BORDER. IN THAT AREA, HISTORIC RELICS HINTING ABOUT ITS RICH PAST CAN BE LIKE MUD-TRACKS ON A CLEAN KITCHEN FLOOR. YOU MEAN LIKE, WHO? WHY? WHEN? WHERE? YES. THE OLD SCHOOL HOUSE, THE VACANT NARROW STEEL BRIDGE SPAN, THE OLD CHURCH, THE CEMETERY, OLD HOUSES AND INTERESTING BUILDINGS. NEW CONSTRUCTION PROVIDES A SHARP CONTRAST. WOW! SHOW ME ON A MAP! Use the Self-GUIDED SCENIC SAFARI MAP FOUND IN THE CENTER FOLD OF THIS BOOK THANK YOU!

FROM THE TIME OF THE AUTHOR'S INTRODUCTION TO PLEASANT VIEW, SHE DOUBLED RESEARCH EFFORTS WITH "GREEN'S FERRY AND CEDAR CREEK SCHOOL FROM 1883". IT WAS JUST AS EASY TO DIG WITH TWO SHOVELS IN THE HARD-TO-FIND, BUT LUCRATIVE, HISTORICAL GOLD MINES AS WITH ONE SHOVEL!

GLEN MADISON LEARNED ABOUT MS. ANDERTON'S DOUBLED EFFORTS. MR. MADISON, FOUNDER AND FIRST PRESIDENT OF THE PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION [PVCA] FROM 1973, BECAME THE MAJOR GO-POWER BEHIND ORIGINAL RESTORATION EFFORTS TO THE OLD SCHOOL BUILDING. HE UNITED A COMMUNITY. IN SPRING 1985, MR. MADISON ASKED PEG, "WHEN ARE YOU GOING TO PUBLISH THE HISTORY FOR PLEASANT VIEW? THE ASSOCIATION

WOULD LIKE TO SELL IT." PVCA, A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, IS SUPPORTED 100% BY DONATION AND A FEW FUND-RAISING PROJECTS. IT NEEDS MORE DONATIONS OF TIME, TALENTS, SUPPLIES, AND, OF COURSE, MONEY. MONEY FOR MAINTENANCE AND RESTORATION PROJECTS AND THE EVER-INCREASING INSURANCE PREMIUM. SHE AGREED. AND, HERE IT IS!

RALPH DAVIDSON SUCCEEDED MR. MADISON IN APRIL 1985. BOTH MEN ARE RADIATING EXAMPLES OF GENEROSITY. SOMETIME, ASK ONE OF THEM ABOUT PVCA'S OBJECTIVES. THEIR ATTITUDES OF SELFLESSNESS AND BENEVOLENCE ARE CONTAGIOUS.

MR. MADISON, MR. DAVIDSON, AND PVCA'S TREASURER, JULIA HOLLAND, INCITED ENTHUSIASM BY INVITING LONG-TIME LOCALS AND FORMER RESIDENTS TO A SPECIAL MEETING IN JUNE 1985. IT WAS AN EVENING OF MEMORIES, STORIES AND LAUGHS. AFTER NEARLY-TWO HOURS OF SITTING ADJACENT FROM ONE ANOTHER, VERN ASBURY AND HERMAN ADKINS SUDDENLY RECOGNIZED EACH OTHER.

TO STIMULATE ADDITIONAL INTEREST, RALPH DAVIDSON ASKED PEG TO SPEAK AT THE COMMUNITY'S 1985 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS POTLUCK DINNER - AFTER THE PRESENTATION OF THE PVCA'S PLAQUE OF RECOGNITION TO GLEN MADISON. WHILE PEOPLE CLEANED UP, MANY EXPRESSED EXCITEMENT AND ENCOURAGEMENT. ONE WOMAN SAID IT BEST: "WHEN RALPH ANNOUNCED A PLEASANT VIEW HISTORY, I GROANED. I THOUGHT A HISTORY OF THIS AREA WOULD BE BOOORRRING. NOW I KNOW I WAS WRONG! I CAN HARDLY WAIT UNTIL YOU'RE FINISHED!"

WITHOUT THE AID OF GRANTS, DONATIONS, DOWRY, INHERITANCE, LOTTERY, OR ANY OTHER FINANCIAL WINDFALL, ANDERTON GENEALOGY SERVICES HAS INTERVIEWED, RESEARCHED AND PUBLISHED PLEASANT VIEW'S STORY - ALL FOR THE LOVE OF HISTORY. ON THE DATE OF PUBLICATION, ANDERTON GENEALOGY SERVICES HAS DONATED LITERALLY HUNDREDS OF HOURS, THOUSANDS OF MILES (FROM KELLOGG TO SALT LAKE CITY), MANY LONG-DISTANCE PHONE CHARGES, AND BUNDLES OF DOLLARS. PEG HAS THROWN IN HER REGULAR PROFESSIONAL RESEARCH FEES AND WORD-PROCESSING CHARGES. LYNN WRESTLED HIS COPY-CAMERA EQUIPMENT FROM HITHER TO YON COPYING OLD PHOTOGRAPHS IN PEOPLE'S LIVING ROOMS. IF IT WERE NOT FOR HIS EXPERTISE AND CONTRIBUTIONS, THERE WOULD NOT BE AS MANY PICTURES IN THIS HISTORY.

KOOTENAI COUNTY, AS A WHOLE, IS STARTING TO CARE ABOUT

PRESERVING THE PAST. SUCH HAS NOT ALWAYS BEEN THE CASE. UNTIL THE LAST DECADE OR SO, LITTLE ATTENTION HAS GONE INTO PUBLISHING KOOTENAI COUNTY HISTORIES. NOW, THERE ARE A FEW TENACIOUS HISTORIANS AND SOCIETIES IN DIFFERENT SECTORS OF IDAHO'S PANHANDLE PIECING TOGETHER SHREDS OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INFORMATION.

THIS BOOK WILL BE THE FIRST EFFORT AT AN IN-DEPTH PRESENTATION OF PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY'S EARLIEST DAYS. THAT IS, UNLESS SOME FELLOW HISTORIAN AND/OR GENEALOGIST PRODUCES A BOOK ABOUT PLEASANT VIEW BEFORE THIS CHRONICLE GETS INTO PRINT, OR UNLESS SOME LONG-BURIED MANUSCRIPT COMES TO LIGHT MEANWHILE. FOR THIS REASON, HERE IS A BRIEF DISCUSSION OF THE SOURCES USED:

COUNTY RECORDS (SCHOOL, COMMISSIONERS', LAND, AND VITAL), SCHOOL DISTRICT RECORDS, MICROFILMED COPIES OF OLD NEWSPAPERS (RATHDRUM AND SPOKANE), FEDERAL CENSUS ENUMERATIONS (1880, 1900, 1910), THE HISTORY OF NORTH IDAHO (1903), IDAHO STATE ARCHIVES IN BOISE, LDS GENEALOGY LIBRARY IN SALT LAKE CITY, KOOTENAI COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARIES, PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY TRUSTEE AND BURIAL RECORDS.

THE BEST PART OF THIS FETE WAS INTERVIEWING REAL-LIVE-PERSONS! EACH HAD A STORY TO TELL, AN ARTIFACT OR OLD LETTER TO SHOW, AND PICTURE(S) WORTH A THOUSANDS WORDS. THE LIST OF CONTRIBUTORS GREW DAILY. MUCH THANKS GO TO THEM! NAMES INCLUDE (IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER): HERMAN ADKINS, ROY AND CECYLE ASBURY, VERN ASBURY, ETHEL BLOSSOM, RALPH AND CARLEEN DAVIDSON, ELLA INSKO, ICIE FISHER, FLOYD AND MARY HINES, BEN AND JULIE HOLLAND, TED LADKE, GLEN AND EVA MADISON, GLENYS WAGGONER PETERS, BESSIE PLONSKE, CHET AND ALICE (MILLSAP) REYNOLDS, HOMER REYNOLDS, BILL AND MARILYN STEINPREIS, GRACE THOMPSON, MIKE WAGGONER, AND MANY, MANY OTHERS.

OF COURSE, A GREAT DEAL OF ACCURACY AND VALIDITY COULD NOT HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED WITHOUT A SMALL ARMY OF WILLING PROOF-READERS. HOW WE APPRECIATE THEM! THOSE WHO READ THE BIOGRAPHICAL PORTIONS WERE: ROY AND CECYLE ASBURY, ICIE BROOKSHIRE FISHER, AND BEN AND JULIA HOLLAND. IT WAS TED LADKE, BLESS HIS HEART, WHO WILLINGLY UNDERTOOK THE BEGINNING-TO-ENDING PROOF-READING JOB, NOT ONCE BUT THREE TIMES. MR. LADKE QUIETLY ADMITTED, IN A CHOKED-UP VOICE, THAT PARTS OF THE HISTORY "GOT UNDER MY SKIN A LITTLE". IT MADE HIS BRAIN WORK LIKE A RERUN MOVIE, THINKING ABOUT PEOPLE AND

ACTIVITIES OF A BY-GONE ERA. HE BELIEVES THIS HISTORY A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY AND SAYS HE THINKS "IT SHOULD SELL A THOUSAND COPIES".

WE ALL APOLOGIZE IF WE HAVE MADE ANY GRAVE ERROR BUT WE CLAIM THAT WITHIN OUR POWER AND KNOWLEDGE AND RESOURCES, WE DID THE BEST WE COULD DO. SENSITIVE MATERIAL WAS SCREENED OR EDITED.

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STORIES, JOKES, AND VIVID BLOW-BY-BLOW DETAILS ABOUT YESTERYEAR ARE STORED IN EVERY PLEASANTVIEWITE'S MEMORY. EACH MEMORY IS A PRECIOUS BOOK IN A PRICELESS COLLECTION. IF THESE MENTAL MANUSCRIPTS ARE NOT CATALOGUED, INSURED, GUARDED, PRESERVED, AND COPIES PASSED AROUND, THEN, IN ALEX HALEY'S WORDS, "WHEN AN OLD PERSON DIES, IT'S LIKE A SMALL LIBRARY BURNING."

IN THE HILLSIDE LIBRARY, BETWEEN THE TREES AND ALONG THE STREAMS, ARE SCATTERED PAGES FROM NEAR-CENTURY-OLD PUZZLE BOOKS. WHO CAME AND DREAMED AND HOPED? WHY DID THEY GO? WHO PLANTED THESE LILACS? WHY WAS THIS ROAD ABANDONED? WHEN...?

MARY KNUDSEN HINES, A WELL-LOVED AND MUCH-MISSED NATIVE, DEPARTED FROM THIS FRAIL EXISTENCE ON 10 JUNE 1986. SHE BEQUEATHED TO US HER POETRY - A PEEK INTO HER LIBRARY OF MENTAL MEMOIRS:

YESTERYEAR

No wagon tracks . . . No hoof beats sounds . .

ONLY INSTINCT AND MEMORY,
GUIDE MY WAY TO A TREASURED SPOT

OVER A ROAD THAT USED TO BE.
I SEARCH IN VAIN FOR FAMILIAR THINGS
NOW ERASED BY TIME . . . BUT WAIT . . .
A SWEET SCENT BECKONS, AND THERE I FIND

NARCISSUS, BY A GARDEN GATE
THAT STANDS NO MORE, YET FLOWERS BLOOM
ON THE BANKS OF A STREAM STILL CLEAR,
THE CURTAIN OF TIME SWINGS OPEN AS I . . .
CATCH A GLIMPSE OF MY YESTERYEAR.

AT THE APPOINTED HOUR OF COMPILATION AND WRITING, IN JUNE OF '86, THE ANDERTONS SOLD THEIR HOME AND THE PHOTOGRAPHY PORTION OF THEIR BUSINESS TO BOYD AND SHARLYN MERKLEY (SHARLYN BECAME THE AREA'S NEW FAMILY PHOTO HISTORIAN). LYNN AND PEG WILL FOLLOW THE BIRDS IN SEPTEMBER. THE "OVER-STUFT" PLEASANT-VIEW FILE FOUGHT AGAINST A PRESSING CALENDAR DEADLINE AND A CONSTRICTING BUDGET. WHAT THIS IS LEADING UP TO IS: UNIVERSAL READERSHIP, A TICKING CLOCK, AND DOLLARS AND 'SENSE' LIMITED THIS EDITION TO THE "EARLY DAYS" MORE THAN "RECENT DAYS".

THE MAIN OBJECTIVES HAVE BEEN: CLARITY, IMPARTIALITY, PEOPLE, THOROUGHNESS, DETAILS, STORIES, NAMES, AND EVERY-NAME INDEX.

THE USE OF THE OPENING DIALOGUE IS THE AUTHOR'S TOOL TO ADD VARIETY IN PRESENTING HISTORICAL NAMES AND INFORMATION. THE FACTS CONTAINED IN THE CONVERSATIONS ARE AS CORRECT AS HUMANLY POSSIBLE AFTER NEARLY-100 YEARS. IT IS HOPED THE NARRATIVES ALSO DO JUSTICE TO THE REAL PEOPLE AND TO THEIR TIMES.

TOMORROW'S GATE

YESTERDAY THEY PASSED THIS WAY... KOOTENAI COUNTY PIONEERS, WITH HARDSHIPS AND TOIL ... THEY WORKED THE SOIL THROUGH ROUGH ... RAW ... RUGGED YEARS. TODAY WE STAND AT THE OPEN GATE LEFT AJAR BY THOSE GONE BEFORE... THEY BLAZED A TRAIL THROUGH THE WILDERNESS TO SWING WIDE NATURE'S DOOR. STRONG MEN ... BRAVE WOMEN SIDE-BY-SIDE THEY MOLDED A GOLDEN KEY ... UNLOCKING THE TREASURES HERE AT HAND FOR PROGRESS AND PROSPERITY. THEY FORESAW... WHAT WE NOW SEE, WHEN THEY FACED THIS VAST UNKNOWN; THE FRUITS OF THEIR LABORS WE'RE HARVESTING AS WE REAP FROM THE SEEDS THEY'VE SOWN. MOUNTAINS PRIMITIVE ARE UNCHANGED ... LAKES STILL MIRROR THE SCENE,

FORESTS OF STATELY TREES REMAIN STANDING IN POSE SUPREME. NO WAGON WHEELS LEAVE IMPRINTS NOW ... NO HORSES HOOF BEATS SOUND, BROAD CONCRETE HIGHWAYS STRETCH TO HIDE THEIR TRACKS ALONG THE GROUND. NO LONGER DOES THE LANTERN SWING... No MORE THE PIONEER'S SONG ... NEON LIGHTS IN BRIGHT ARRAY NOW SHINE FROM DUSK 'TIL DAWN. WE THANK YOU...HARDY PIONEERS, FOR INSCRIBING ON EACH HEART THE WORDS ... WE GROW IN IDAHO ... YOUR COURAGE WAS THE START. NOW UNSEEN EYES ARE LOOKING DOWN, CALLOUSED HANDS THAT WATCH AND WAIT... TO GREET NEW GENERATIONS AS THEY COME AND PASS THROUGH TOMORROW'S GATE. BUILDINGS ... BUSINESS ... BUSTLING THRONGS, HAVE SETTLED AND PROSPERED HERE ... OVER ROADS OF THE FUTURE, THAT FIRST WERE BUILT, BY KOOTENAI COUNTY PIONEERS. -- MARY (KNUDSEN) HINES

Am. 16

These Mere The Days!

PLEASANT VIEW'S HISTORY OPENS IN A THICK UNINHABITED FOREST OF YELLOW PINE. IT BELONGS TO THE COEUR D'ALENE INDIANS WHO PURSUE FLEET-FOOTED DEER AND RABBIT DOWN A TRAIL FROM WHAT WE CALL SIGNAL POINT (OR, MICA PEAK) TO THE SKEETSHO [SPOKANE] RIVER. THE CRY OF COUGAR AND THE HOWL OF COYOTE ARE AS COMMON AS THE SOUND OF TODAY'S AUTOMOBILE HORN.

1858 BLEEDS FROM INDIAN WARS. BATTLE OF STEPTOE, BATTLE OF FOUR LAKES AND, FINALLY, THE BATTLE OF THE SPOKANE PLAIN. THE COEUR D'ALENES AGREE TO MOVE ONTO A RESERVATION SOUTH OF THE SPOKANE RIVER IN NORTHERN IDAHO.

KOOTENAI COUNTY IS CREATED IN 1864 THE COMBINED SIZE OF TODAY'S BOUNDARY, BONNER, KOOTENAI AND BENEWAH COUNTIES. IT STAYS THIS SIZE UNTIL 16 MARCH 1907 WHEN BONNER (THE SIZE OF BONNER AND BOUNDARY) ORGANIZES. BENEWAH COUNTY FORMS ON 23 JANUARY 1915.

IN 1890, Idaho gains statehood, and in 1891, Congress ratifies a 1889 Coeur d'Alene Indian Treaty. The tribe moves to a smaller reservation by Worley and Pleasant View Community opens for white settlement.

REASONS JUSTIFYING MIGRATION INTO THE PLEASANT VIEW AREA ARE AS INDIVIDUAL AS EACH PERSON. SOME RUSH TO MINERAL PROSPECTING, OTHERS SEEK TIMBER, CHEAP LAND, FARMING AND RANCHING, NEW BEGINNINGS, AND/OR ADVENTURE.

ONE THING THAT WEIGHTS THEIR DECISION TO SETTLE IN PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY IS THE PROXIMITY TO SPOKANE BRIDGE (*)

(*) Spokane Bridge, a town and first white settlement, preceded Spokane, Post Falls, and Coeur d'Alene. It was in Washington northwest of Pleasant View Community. In 1972-ish Spokane Bridge was buried under asphalt. The Spokane Bridge story has been thoroughly reviewed in another inexpensive booklet titled, "800 horses and a ghost town buried on the Washington/Idaho border and

INTERSTATE-NINETY". THE BOOKLET IS ACTUALLY "CHAPTER ONE" OF PLEASANT VIEW'S STORY. IF YOU DON'T HAVE A COPY, YOU WILL NEED ONE TO COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND PLEASANT VIEW'S ROOTS.

LEVERITT LYON SWATS AT A STICKY FLY. THE CANADIAN-BORN BACHELOR FEELS AS LAZY AS THE INSECT ON THIS HOT INDIAN SUMMER DAY IN 1891. HE HAS JOINED OTHERS FOR A MID-SEASON INTERLUDE FROM THE CLEARING AND THE BURNING AND THE PRE-WINTER WORK. HE HELPS HIMSELF TO ANOTHER PIECE OF MRS. OAKLAND'S CHICKEN.

"MA'M, BESIDES YOUR WELL-KNOWN POLITICAL DISTINCTION, YOU KNOW HOW TO FRY A CHICKEN THE WAY I LIKE IT."

"TANK YOU, Mr. LYON," SHE RESPONDS IN HER LINGERING SWEDISH ACCENT. LAST YEAR (1890), Mrs. GRACE OAKLAND WAS ELECTED SCHOOL DIRECTOR AND BECAME THE FIRST WOMAN IN KOOTENAI COUNTY POLITICS.

"LEV, WHAT IS THIS YOU SAY ABOUT A ROAD TO POST FALLS?"
AUGUST OAKLAND QUERIES.

"GUST, IT IS NOT ONLY FOR ME. THE LAND IS CHEAP. YOU KNOW THERE WILL BE MANY HOMESTEADERS COMING HERE. WE OUGHT TO PETITION COMMISSIONERS FOR A ROAD. WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THIS, WILL?"

"Mebbe so, mebbe so," William Cable Responds. "It would shorten a ride considerable through 'The Bridge' [i.e. Spokane Bridge] and along the other side of the river to 'The Falls'. Specially for elections. It can cut a drive to Rathdrum [Kootenai County seat], too, for hauling cord-wood an' produce to market, catchin' the Northern Pacific, buying supplies an' doing business."

"AH'M A-WISHIN FOLKS COULD GIT TOGITHER EASIER," MARTHA CABLE ADDS-

"THE CHILDREN NEED FRIENDS TO PLAY WITH." IRVINA LOAN SAYS IN HEAVY IRISH. "MAYBE WE SHOULD START SOME KIND OF SCHOOLING FOR THEM....WHO WANTS DESSERT?" SHE OFFERS HAND-CRANKED VANILLA ICE CREAM. THE CHILDREN HAVE ALREADY EATEN AND ARE SQUEALING AND SPLASHING IN THE WATER.

"My son, Will, AIN'T NO STRANGER TO THESE HERE PARTS," JOHN CABLE BOASTS. "HE COME TO SPOKANE BRIDGE IN '88 AND LIVED IN STEVE LIBERTY'S HOUSE BY LIBERTY LAKE. LAST YEAR, I MOVED IN WITH HIS

FAMILY THREE-MILES SOUTH OF HERE BY THE CREEK. IF YOU ASK ME, THE FIRST ROAD OTTER RUN NORTH AND SOUTH ALONG THE STATE LINE."

"GENTLEMEN, I AGREE WITH MR. LYON. A ROAD TO POST FALLS SHOULD BE FIRST." CHRISTOPHER LOAN SAYS IN HIS IRISH BROGUE. "IT CAN FOLLOW THE TRAIL WE HAVE BEEN USING."

"You are all correct, of course." August Oakland Says. "However, we have to start somewhere. I make a motion we petition commissioners for the first road to start about 1/2-mile southeast of Cowley's Bridge [i.e. the bridge in Spokane Bridge Township] on the state line and end up somewhere between Frederick Post's house and the Mill Dam at third channel.(*) After that, let's start working on Mr. Cable's road and a school....Looks like we have our work cut out for us."

THE FIRST ROAD [WEST RIVERVIEW DRIVE] COMES TO PASS. THE PETITION IS APPROVED BY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON TUESDAY, 13 OCTOBER 1891.(*) IT IS DECLARED A PUBLIC ROAD THREE MONTHS LATER. IT WILL BE KNOWN AS: POST FALLS SPOKANE BRIDGE ROAD, POST FALLS STATE LINE ROAD, AND WEST RIVERVIEW DRIVE. SURVEYOR, WILLIAM ASHLEY, JR.; VIEWERS, LEVERITT LYON AND HIGH HARRIS. INCIDENTALLY, ON 27 APRIL 1910, COMMISSIONERS RECORD FURTHER CONSTRUCTION ON THIS ROAD. L. V. LYON AND CHARLES WAGGONER BID \$1,000.

ON 1 FEBRUARY 1898, PETITIONERS WIN COMMISSIONER'S APPROVAL FOR THE "ERECTION OF A (SIC) BRIDGE" AT POST FALLS. ON APRIL 21ST, IT IS AGREED A COMBINATION PRATT TRUSS BRIDGE WILL BEGIN FROM THE END OF THE POST FALLS STATE LINE ROAD AND CROSS FIRST CHANNEL. THEN, PILE BRIDGES WILL CROSS SECOND AND THIRD CHANNELS.

THE SECOND ROAD [STATE LINE ROAD] APPROVAL COMES ON 13 APRIL 1892, TO RUN FROM COWLEY ROAD [I.e. AT THE IDAHO/WASHINGTON BORDER AND END OF W. RIVERVIEW DRIVE] AND TRAVERSE MOSTLY DUE-SOUTH FOUR MILES ALONG THE STATE LINE. STATE LINE WAGON ROAD IS DECLARED A PUBLIC HIGHWAY ON 14 JULY 1892. BUT, FOR NEARLY A DECADE, SOME WRINKLES MUST BE IRONED OUT BEFORE IT CAN BE HUNG UP.

^(*) THE ROAD IS THE FIRST ENTRY REGARDING PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY IN COMMISSIONER'S BOOKS - INCLUDING THE EXACT ROUTE DESCRIPTION (BK-A).

HERE ARE SOME NAMES ASSOCIATED WITH THE STATE LINE ROAD PROJECT: ROAD VIEWERS, JAMES H. KENEDY AND WILLIAM BROOKS. SURVEYOR, CHARLES A. SCHUTZ IS REPLACED BY J. E. DYKE ON 17 MAY 1892 (BECAUSE MR. SCHUTZ MOVES OUT OF THE COUNTY). WORKMEN, HERMAN WILDE, WILLIAM PLONSKE, HENRY CABLE, WILLIAM JUSTIER [JUSTICE?], AND JOHN ERICKSON. ON 11 JANUARY 1894, JAMES H. FISHER, WILLIAM H. CABLE, HIRIAM HERRON [HEARING], WILLIAM JUSTICE [JUSTIER?], AND NICHOLAS HITE PRESENT ITS NEW LAYOUT TO COMMISSIONERS. IT IS REFERRED TO CHARLES L. HEITMAN, ESQ., LEGAL ADVISOR FOR THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS. THREE MONTHS LATER, A RESURVEY IS ORDERED. CHAIRMEN, H. HERRING [HEARING] AND JOHN HAYNES; FLAGMEN, JAMES A. FISHER AND W. H. CABLE. AGAIN, ON 22 APRIL 1899 AND IN JANUARY 1901, COMMISSIONERS REITERATE THEIR ORDER: STATE LINE ROAD MUST CONFORM TO THE SURVEY ALONG THE BOUNDARY LINE.

HOW ROADS ARE BUILT: ROAD BUILDING REQUIRES BLASTING CAPS, ARM-STRONG PICKS AND SHOVELS, AND A HORSE-DRAWN PLOW/GRADER. A PLOW/GRADER IS A SIMPLE PIECE OF EQUIPMENT MADE OUT OF TWO 2"X10" PLANKS. THE PLANKS FORM A LARGE V. ONE LEG OF THE V IS NEARLY 16-FEET LONG; THE OTHER ABOUT 8-FEET. THE HORSE PULLS IT FROM THE POINTED END OF THE V. THIS SAME IMPLEMENT CAN DOUBLE AS A SNOW PLOW. IN DEEP AND HEAVY SNOW, A HORSE STUMBLES AND FLOUNDERS SO CATTLE ARE HERDED DOWN AND BACK TO TRAMPLE THE SNOW BEFORE PLOWING. STUDDED HORSE SHOES AID TRACTION ON STEEP ICY TERRAIN.

THE FIRST SCHOOL DISTRICT ISTATE LINE I IS ESTABLISHED AND DESIGNATED AS DISTRICT NO. 22 ON 12 APRIL 1892 FROM THE CEDED COEUR D'ALENE RESERVE. THIS ACTION COMPLIES WITH THE STATE-WIDE COMPULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE LAW (1887) ORDERING ALL CHILDREN BETWEEN THE AGES OF 8-14 TO ATTEND AT LEAST 12-WEEKS OF SCHOOL, EIGHT OF THEM CONSECUTIVE.

PARENTS PROBABLY ASSESS THEMSELVES FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF THE SCHOOL. MATERIALS AND TEXTBOOKS MAY BE LITTLE MORE THAN ODDS AND ENDS FAMILIES HAPPEN TO HAVE WITH THEM.

IN THE BEGINNING, IT CALLS ITSELF "SPOKANE BRIDGE" SCHOOL BECAUSE THE AREA'S MAILING ADDRESS IS SPOKANE BRIDGE, WASHINGTON. BUT, BY 1 JUNE 1895, THE RATHDRUM SILVER BLADE MENTIONS A "SPOKANE Bridge" school [Washington] and a "State Line" school [Idaho](*).

THE FIRST STATE LINE SCHOOL IS UNDOUBTEDLY A CRUDE LOG HOUSE. IT IS CONSTRUCTED ON NON-PATENTED OR UNCLAIMED LAND. LATER, IN 1902, WHEN AUGUST PLONSKE RECORDS HIS CLAIM, THE SCHOOL IS PASSE'. THE FIRST HARD EVIDENCE OF ITS LOCATION APPEARS YEARS LATER IN A ROAD DESCRIPTION BY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.(**) [USING TODAY'S MAP, ITS SITE IS NEARLY ONE-MILE SOUTHEAST FROM HOLLAND ROAD ON WEST MILLSAP LOOP AND ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE ROAD.]

IN 1892, AND FOR ANOTHER THREE-PLUS YEARS, THERE IS NO ROAD TO STATE LINE SCHOOL. THIS MAY SEEM STRANGE TO AN AUTOMOTIVE SOCIETY THAT DEPENDS ON ROADS. TO A PEDESTRIAN COMMUNITY THAT BLAZES TRAILS IN EVERY-WHICH DIRECTION THROUGH THE WOODS, THE SCHOOL IS CENTRAL.

FALL 1893, CURT BENHAM BILLS THE DISTRICT \$7 FOR REPAIRS.

APRIL 1897, STATE LINE'S NEW SCHOOL HOUSE IS A PRIDEFUL
SIGHT. JAMES H. BURNS DONATES THE ACRE BUT DOES NOT RECORD IT. (***)

(*) STATE LINE DISTRICT SOUTH OF THE RIVER IS NOT TO BE CONFUSED WITH STATE LINE VILLAGE NORTH OF THE RIVER (INCORP. 1947)! STATE LINE DISTRICT WAS ONLY A SCHOOL DISTRICT AND VOTING PRECINCT.

(**) 12 May 1908: J. B. MILLSAPS, ETAL, PETITION FOR A ROAD BEGINNING AT GATE 300-FEET WEST OF OLD SCHOOL HOUSE AT SOUTH END OF PLONSKE ROAD [MORE ABOUT PLONSKE ROAD ON PAGES 14-15] IN SW-1/4 OF NW-1/4 R5 T50 S19, GO SW TO SECTION LINE, THEN SOUTH TO THE ORCHARD OF H. FALKNER, GO TO TUCKER AND REYNOLDS ROAD, THENCE TO E. HAVERSTOCK'S, J. A. BENSON'S AND END AT A. M. BUTLER'S. VIEWERS: GEORGE S. TITUS AND T. A. BLOSSOM. (GLENYS WAGGONER PETERS REMEMBERS THE OLD SCHOOL FROM HER CHILDHOOD AND CONFIRMS ITS LOCATION.)

(***) JAMES H. BURNS SOLD TO WALTER M. BURNS, WHO THEN SOLD TO THEO EASHOLD (ALSO THORE EASTVOLD). MANDIUS G. "MG" HOLLAND BOUGHT FROM EASHOLD/EASTVOLD. JANUARY 1909, MR. HOLLAND DEEDS THE ACRE TO THE DISTRICT (SITUATED NORTH OF WHERE STATE LINE AND HOLLAND ROADS TINTERSECT TODAY) WITH THE STIPULATION THE LAND WILL REVERT TO THE LANDHOLDER WHEN, AND IF, IT IS NO LONGER USED AS FOR A SCHOOL.

THE NEW FRAME WHITE SCHOOL HOUSE MEASURES ABOUT 25'Wx40'L. ITS LARGE WINDOWS - THREE ON THE EAST AND THREE ON THE WEST SIDES - ALLOW AMPLE LIGHT EVEN ON THE DREARIEST WINTER AFTERNOON. PRIVIES AND A COMMUNAL WATER BUCKET WITH DIPPER ARE STANDARD. THEY HAUL DRINKING WATER FROM TWO WELLS, ONE AT HOLLAND'S AND ANOTHER ACROSS THE ROAD. THE DISTRICT EVENTUALLY DIGS A WELL AND ENCLOSES THE FRONT PORCH FOR A CLOAK ROOM.

IN 1902, NEW SCHOOL FURNITURE (VALUE: \$81.45) AND A FIRE EXTINGUISHER (\$3) ARE ORDERED THROUGH, AND DELIVERED BY, WILLIAM F. PLONSKE, OWNER AND OPERATOR OF A DRAY SERVICE. THE PROMINENT FLAG POLE (\$3.50) IS PROVIDED BY W. H. SMITH IN SEPTEMBER 1908. A SCHOOL BELL (\$14.05) COMES FROM NW FURNITURE COMPANY IN AUGUST 1912.

BETWEEN APRIL 1892 AND APRIL 1897, THERE ARE NO STATE LINE TEACHER'S RECORDS FILED IN THE KOOTENAI COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE. NONE. SIMILARLY, MOST TEACHERS AND TRUSTEES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY KEEP POOR, IF ANY, RECORDS UNTIL 1898. IN 1897 (APRIL 26TH THROUGH JULY 30TH), THE FIRST STATE LINE TEACHER'S, AND TRUSTEE'S, RECORDS APPEAR. TRUSTEE'S RECORDS INDICATE A TEACHER TAKES CHARGE ON APRIL 26TH FOR A TERM OF 69-DAYS, SALARY \$40/MONTH. THIS TEACHER IS F. U.MCCALL.

SOME TEACHER'S NAMES FOUND IN COUNTY SCHOOL RECORDS: WALTER S. CHAPMAN (1893; PAID \$25/MONTH), MARION A. HAYNES (1894), CARRIE McKinzie (1894), Ella McKinzie (1894), Ole Snodgrass (1894-95), J. M. GLEASON (1895), CORDELIA MURPHY (1895), E. C. SNODGRASS (1895; PAID \$35/MONTH). F. U. McCall (1897), WILLIAM F. WALLACE (1898), JAMES D. NEAVILLE (1898-99), NORA M. MURRAY (1899-1900), ALICE I. PLOWMAN (1900-02), SAMUEL J. MORLEY (1902-03), D. McCALL (1903), WINNIFRED C. Moss (1903-04), Nelle J. Wells (1904), Julia Boggs (1904-05), G. B. HANSON (1905), MARIE OLSON (1907), ALICE WILLIAMS (1907-08), LUCRETIA NOGLE (1908-09), GLADYS V. CHANDLER (1909-10), BERNICE FITZSIMMONS (1910), JAMES F. ABNER (1911), AVA KLEVER (1911-12), JOHN B. FANTON (1912-13), INEZ B. MOORE (1913-14), VERNON E. BEAVERS (1914-15), R. A. POCHEL (1915-16), JEANNETTE FRASIER (1916-18), Freeda Anderson (1918-19), Mrs. Etta Hall (1912-21), Mrs. Benge (1921-22), HELEN SIMPSON (1922-24), Mrs. EDWIN HOLLAND (1924-27,33-34), VERDA GARDNER (1926-27), GRACE SALSCHEIDER (1927-29), RUBY STRANDBERG (1929-30), DORTHA CARPENTER (1930-31), CECIL ANDERSON (1931-33), IDA COBBETT (1934-37), GENEVIEVE BRAUNE (1937-39). [THERE ARE OTHERS BUT THE BOOK COVERING 1939-1944 COULD NOT BE LOCATED-] ICIE FISHER ADDS THE NAME "WOLLIN".

MANY STATE LINE TEACHERS BOARD AT EDWIN E. AND MAUDE KYLE'S HOME. THEY SHORT-CUT TO SCHOOL THROUGH A BARBED-WIRE FENCE WHERE MR. KYLE HAS WRAPPED IT WITH BURLAP. MR. J. B. HANSEN, ANOTHER TEACHER, LIVES IN A TENT IN THE WOODS BEHIND THE SCHOOL. TEACHER, JEANNETTE FRASIER, RIDES HER HORSE FROM THE HILL AT THE SOUTH END OF CARPENTER LOOP.

ONE ENTERTAINING EXAMPLE OF THREATENED CORPORAL PUNISHMENT COMES FROM ROY ASBURY: BILL BROOKS IS CALLED TO THE TEACHER'S DESK TO EXPLAIN WHY HIS HANDS ARE SO BLACK. "IF YOU COME TO SCHOOL TOMORROW WITH YOUR HANDS THIS BLACK," SHE WARNS, "YOU'LL GET A LICKING." THE NEXT DAY, HIS HANDS ARE JUST AS BLACK AS BEFORE. THE TEACHER, TRUE TO HER WORD, CALLS HIM FORWARD. SHE HOLDS ONE HAND AND SAYS, "IF YOU CAN SHOW ME ANOTHER HAND AS BLACK AS THIS ONE, YOU WON'T GET A LICKING." HE QUICKLY PRESENTS HIS OTHER HAND AND DOESN'T GET THE LICKING.

HOW ABOUT MR. CECIL ANDERSON'S METHOD FOR KEEPING CLASS-ROOM ORDER: HE LEANS BACK IN HIS CHAIR, CROSSES HIS FEET ON HIS DESK AND BANGS A THICK, HOLE-RIDDLED PADDLING BOARD ON THE DESK TOP.

ANOTHER TEACHER METES DISCIPLINE WITH A STINGY BUTCH BRUSH SWITCH.

ONE OF ICIE FISHER'S KIDS-WILL-BE-KIDS STORIES TELLS ABOUT PRISCILLA, MABEL AND ISABELLE BENSON WHO RIDE THEIR RECENTLY-FOALED WHITE MARE TO SCHOOL. DURING LUNCH RECESS, THE GIRLS FORCE ANOTHER KID TO MILK THE HORSE AND DRINK IT.

THE BEAUTIFUL SCHOOL IS THE COMMUNITY HUB. IT HOLDS SCHOOL DEBATES, RECITALS, RECITATIONS, AND BEES TO EXHIBIT LEARNING PROWESS. THE SCHOOL HOUSE IS THE COMMON MEETING PLACE FOR SOCIALS AND THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY. PICNICS ARE POPULAR BEHIND THE SCHOOL IN THE WOODS - THAT IS, BEFORE THE TREES ARE CLEARED. FUNDRAISERS, SUCH AS BASKET-SUPPER AUCTIONS, ICE CREAM AND PIE SOCIALS DRAW CROWDS. IN THE EARLY YEARS, THE WINTER LITERARY SOCIETY MEETS WEEKLY AT THE SCHOOL HOUSE. FOR A TIME, A CHURCH GROUP MEETS HERE.

YEARS LATER, THE RINKEY DINK LADIES CLUB USES THE BUILDING.

STATE LINE SCHOOL HOLDS REGULAR CLASSES UNTIL MAY 1944 BUT WILL NOT OFFICIALLY CONSOLIDATE WITH POST FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT UNTIL 1948. AFTER THAT, THE SCHOOL HOUSE SERVES AS A STORAGE UNIT UNTIL IS TORN DOWN.

STATE LINE VOTING PRECINCT: STATE LINE SCHOOL DOUBLES AS A VOTING PLACE AS OF 12 JULY 1894. UP UNTIL THIS TIME, MEN TRAVEL TO CONNER'S BUILDING IN POST FALLS TO VOTE. STATE LINE VOTING PRECINCT NO. 22 IS APPROVED BY COMMISSIONERS. FIRST JUDGES OF ELECTION, HENRY BARKER, SAMUEL GREEN, AND DUNCAN NASON; FIRST REGISTRAR, WILLIAM H. CABLE; DISTRIBUTING CLERK, HERMAN WILDE. ON 4 JUNE 1895, JUDGES, M. A. HICKEY, W. H. CABLE; CLERK, WILLIAM BROOKS.

EVENTUALLY, PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL (MORE LATER), WHICH IS MORE CENTRALLY LOCATED TO THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE, WILL BECOME THE POLLING PLACE.

ROAD DISTRICT NO. 23 GETS APPROVAL ON 12 APRIL 1894-(*) THE FIRST FOUR ROAD OVER-SEERS ARE: #1) DUNCAN NASON (1894); #2) L. V. LYON (1894-5); #3) GEORGE TITUS (1895); AND #4) WILLIAM H. CABLE (1895-96). A ROAD OVERSEER RECEIVES \$3/DAY; HIS MEN \$1/DAY.

15 NOVEMBER 1911, THE PLEASANT VIEW HIGHWAY DISTRICT ORGANIZES AFTER 52 UNANIMOUS VOTES-(**)

THE THIRD ROAD [WEST MILLSAP, PLUS], ORIGINALLY CALLED "PLONSKE ROAD", EARNS COMMISSIONER'S APPROVAL ON 16 JULY 1895. IT SHALL RUN FROM AUGUST PLONSKE'S [IN WHAT WE CALL THE UPPER MILLSAP LOOP AREA], WEST PAST STATE LINE SCHOOL HOUSE, NORTHWEST PAST EMMETT L. DENNISON'S, MICHAEL A. HICKEY'S, R. L. HUDSON'S AND W. A.

HUDSON'S, AND END AT A PLACE KNOWN AS THE BIG PINE TREE [ONE-MILE SOUTH OF THE SPOKANE RIVER ON THE STATE LINE]. CHAIRMAN, AUGUST PLONSKE; WORKERS, FRANK ALLEN AND EMMETT L. DENNISON. VIEWERS, JAMES A. FISHER AND W. H. CABLE. SURVEYOR, WILLIAM ASHLEY, JR. [TODAY, WEST MILLSAP LOOP FOLLOWS A SIMILAR COURSE, BUT NOT THE EXACT SURVEY FOR PLONSKE ROAD.]

THAR'S GOLD IN THEM THAR HILLS! EVIDENCE ALLUDES TO GOLD DIGGING EFFORTS ALL OVER THE HILLS SOUTH OF THE RIVER.

IN THE 1890'S, TWO MEN ALLEGEDLY PACK PURE-GOLD ON MULES AND HORSES FROM A SECRET CLAIM ON THE VALLEY SIDE OF BIG ROCK MOUNTAIN. THE GOLD IS REPORTED TO BE SO PURE A SPOKANE BANK ACCEPTS IT WITHOUT SMELTERING. ONE DAY, THE PARTNERS AND PACK TRAIN ARE AMBUSHED. ONE IS KILLED, THE OTHER DIES FROM HIS WOUNDS. THE LOCATION OF THEIR CLAIM DIES WITH THEM. THE STORY CONTINUES.

IN 1922, SEVEN-YEAR OLD TED LADKE SHOWS HIS FATHER, FRANK, A HORIZONTAL EXCAVATION(*) FILLED WITH ROCKS LOCATED AT THE HEADWATERS OF MILL CREEK'S MIDDLE BRANCH IN A FORESTED CANYON ON BIG ROCK. HE AND HIS FATHER AGREE, WITH PICK AND SHOVEL IN HAND, THAT IT MIGHT BE THE LOST PURE-GOLD MINE. MRS. JULIA (SWOBODA) LADKE'S STERN ATTITUDE ABOUT THE TORN CLOTHING AND NO MONEY TO REPLACE PANTS AND SHIRTS POSTPONE DIGGING OPERATIONS. SEVERAL YEARS LATER, A FOREST FIRE OBLITERATES ALL CLUES OF THE PURE-GOLD MINE.

ANOTHER MYSTERY-STUDDED LEGEND TELLS ABOUT A "DIAMOND DICK"

OWEN.(**) IN 1909, W. J. OWEN [WILLIAM JENNINGS OWEN ACCORDING TO

^(*) Its 120-square-mile district covered everything east of the states' border to Huetter Road and south to the Coeur d' Alene Reservation-

^(**) IT CONTAINED 23,000-ACRES. FROM ABOUT 1/2-MILE SOUTH OF THE HEADWATERS OF CABLE CREEK, NORTH ALONG STATE LINE TO POLE LINE ROAD, EAST TO INCLUDE ROSS POINT, JOG WEST TO RIVER AND TO GREENS FERRY ROAD, SOUTH TO INCLUDE COUGAR GULCH, AND WEST TO THE BEGINNING.

^(*) IN MINING TERMINOLOGY: A SHAFT IS A VERTICAL EXCAVATION; A PROSPECT IS A HORIZONTAL EXCAVATION USED FOR EXPLORING MINERAL DEPOSITS AND NO ORE IS REMOVED; AN ADIT IS A DEVELOPED PROSPECT; A TUNNEL IS A FULLY-DEVELOPED ADIT WITH AN OPENING AT EACH END; A MINE IS WHERE VALUABLE MINERAL DEPOSITS ARE REMOVED.

^(**) LOCATIONS OF DIAMOND DICK OWEN'S MINES REMAIN CONTROVERSIAL. THE POST FALLS TRIBUNE (3 MARCH 1977) REPORTED TUNNELS, DRIFTS, MINE TAILINGS, AND PROSPECT HOLES ON PRIVATE PROPERTY ONE-MILE SOUTHWEST OF SPOKANE BRIDGE. MRS. GLENYS PETERS AND HER BROTHER, MIKE, SAY

THEIR FATHER, CHARLES WAGGONER, OWNED THE SE-QUARTER IN SECTION-8. DIAMOND DICK LOCATED JUST EAST OF THE SECTION-8/9 LINE - THAT IS, NORTH OF SIGNAL POINT ROAD AND BY THE RIVER, SAYS MIKE WAGGONER. "LOST MINES ROAD", EXITING WEST RIVERVIEW DRIVE TOWARD THE RIVER, SUPPOSEDLY COMMEMORATES OWEN'S MINING ACTIVITIES. LAND RECORDS (1907 AND 1911) SHOW A "JOE W. OWEN" SETTLING IN SECTION-7 BETWEEN THE PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY AND THE RIVER. BUT NEITHER MRS. PETERS NOR MR. WAGGONER KNOW THAT NAME.

GLENYS WAGGONER PETERS] FLAUNTS STICKPINS AND RINGS WITH FLASHY JEWELS THAT, AS THE STORY GOES, ARE FRUITS OF HIS LABORS. DIAMOND DICK CLAIMS ONE OF HIS DRIFTS CONTAINS GARNETS, RUBIES, SAPPHIRES, GOLD, SILVER, AND COPPER. IN MORE THAN THIRTY-YEARS, HE FILES EIGHT CLAIMS ON HIS 157-ACRES. HE NAMES THEM: THE S.M.G., ROSE GOLD, LEFT WING, COPPER QUEEN, CENTER RIDGE, PAY WELL, TRUCK PATCH, AND KOOTENAI. THE KOOTENAI IS A RICH PLACER MINE.

MANY NEW FAMILIES MOVE INTO STATE LINE TO SACRIFICE, SWEAT, AND TOIL. FROM SUN-UP TO SUN-DOWN. AXING THE FOREST, TILLING THE FIELDS, PLANTING THE ORCHARDS, BUILDING THE ROADS AND SCHOOLS, ROCKING THE CRADLES, AND DREAMING THE DREAMS.

MOONSHINE HOLDS A CERTAIN FASCINATION, SCANDAL, MYSTIQUE, OR INTRIGUE TO THOSE OF AN ERA OF 24-HOUR CONVENIENCE STORES, WHERE ANYONE OF LEGAL AGE CAN QUICKLY BUY INEXPENSIVE BEER AND WINE.

THE EARLIEST MAN OF THE HILLS IS PROUD. HE SOLVES HIS OWN PROBLEMS, PAYS HIS OWN WAY, AND NEVER TAKES HANDOUTS. THE WELFARE OF HIS FAMILY COMES FIRST. HIS FIERCE PASSION FOR PERSONAL INDEPENDENCE IS EQUAL TO THAT OF HIS FOREFATHERS WHO FOUGHT FOR THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE.

SEASONALLY, FRUIT CULTURE - BERRIES, APPLES AND PRUNES, MOSTLY - BRING A CERTAIN INCOME. GEORGE TITUS, AUGUST PLONSKE, HIRAM HEARING, SAM WEBB, JOHN THURLEEN, WILLIS CARTER AND HARVEY REYNOLDS RAISE AND SELL FRUIT. OTHER TRADES INCLUDE FARMING AND RAISING STOCK, POULTRY, SPUDS, PIGS, HORSES, CATTLE, SHEEP, AND MARKETING CORD WOOD. ED BIERMAN RAISES HONEY, SORGHAM, PORK AND FRESH-GARDEN PRODUCE. JOHN WILLIS HAS A LARGE HOG AND HORSE RANCH.

IN THE OLD DAYS, THERE ARE MORE TRAILS THAN ROADS IN THE MOUNTAINS. AT BEST, ROADS ARE NARROW AND ROUGH. A WAGON CAN ONLY HAUL A LIMITED NUMBER OF BUSHELS OR CRATES. MOST OF THE TIME, IT IS QUITE A DISTANCE TO A LUCRATIVE MARKET. HARVEY REYNOLDS, FOR INSTANCE, TRUCKS PEACHES AND APRICOTS 25-TO-30 MILES - ONE WAY - BY HORSE AND WAGON TO CRAIG'S STORE IN SPIRIT LAKE FOR \$1/CRATE. HOW MANY TREKS DOES HE MAKE TO GROSS \$60 IN ONE SEASON?

IF THE YEAR IS POOR, A MEAGER YIELD NEVER PROVIDES ENOUGH MONEY TO BUY SUGAR, SALT, GUNPOWDER, OR CALICO. MOUNTAIN FARMS ALSO GRIND TO A HALT IN WINTER.

THE POINT IS, THE PROBLEMS OF EARNING CASH FOR YEAR-AROUND NECESSITIES IS DIFFICULT TO SOLVE. MANY MEN SIMPLY CAN NOT FIGURE OUT ANY OTHER WAY TO EARN A SUBSISTENCE INCOME EXCEPT TO SELL GOOD WHISKEY TO OUTLANDERS. SUPPOSE INSTEAD OF TRANSPORTING THE ANNUAL CROP, A HIGHLANDER CONVERTS HIS HARVEST INTO "MOUNTAIN DEW" WITH A LITTLE HOME STILL. THE SAME HORSE, OR MULE, AND WAGON CAN CARRY X-NUMBER OF GALLONS IN FEWER TRIPS, AND THE VALUE OF THE LIQUOR IS DOUBLE, OR TRIPLE, THE VALUE OF RAW PRODUCE!

MOST OPERATING STILLS NEED AT LEAST THREE PEOPLE AND QUANTITIES OF FREE-FLOWING COLD WATER FOR DISTILLING AND CLEAN UP. ON MILLSAP LOOP, A BOILER AND COOKER ARE NEAR A SPRING. A BIG ROCK BUSINESS PIPES SPRING WATER DOWN TO A DENSE THICKET. A STATE LINE MAN PIPES SPRING WATER INTO HIS BASEMENT ENTERPRISE.

AN EFFICIENT WOOD-BURNING FURNACE MUST BE CONSTRUCTED A CERTAIN WAY. THE BOILER AND CONDENSER MUST BE OF COPPER, ANYTHING ELSE WILL RUIN OR TAINT THE LIQUOR.

EACH MAN HAS HIS OWN RECIPE. ONE MAKES A MASH FROM GROUND-UP CORN SPROUTS (WHICH HE SPROUTS HIMSELF) AND PRE-COOKED CORN MEAL. ANOTHER MIXES YEAST WITH DARK-BROWN CORN SUGAR AND RYE.

THE FERMENTING LIQUID MUST BE CAREFULLY MONITORED. IT WILL TURN BAD IF IT GOES ONE DAY BEYOND 'READY'. DURING DISTILLING, "YOU HAVE TO BE CAREFUL TO NOT OVER HEAT IT CUZ IT WILL BURN EASY AND TASTE AND SMELL BURNED," MR. ANONYMOUS SAYS.

THE FINISHED 200-PROOF WHISKEY MUST BE CUT TO 60-100 PROOF.

A GLASS THERMOMETER-SHAPED DEVISE READS THE STRENGTH. CUTTING
REQUIRES EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE. AGING TAKES PLACE IN WELL-

HIDDEN-AND-NOT-ALWAYS-FOUND CHARRED OAK KEGS OR BARRELS. ONE MAN MAKES A "117-DAY BREWERY". AFTER AGING, LIQUID LIGHTNING CAN BE BOTTLED IN CLEAN ONE-GALLON CROCK OR GLASS JUGS, FRUIT JARS, FLAT PINT BOTTLES, OR BUYER-BEWARE UNWASHED KEROSENE CANS.

BEER IS BREWED WITH YEAST AND BARLEY, AND FRUIT BRANDY WITH APPLES OR PEACHES.

CLOAK-OF-NIGHT MARKETING STORIES INCLUDE ONE ABOUT A HORSE AND BUGGY CLIP-CLOPPING DOWN MILLSAP LOOP TO TRANSFER CORKED TREASURES INTO AN AWAITING SPOKANE-BOUND CAR AT PLEASANT VIEW CHURCH. GLENYS PETERS TELLS ABOUT SEEING AN UNUSUAL HORSE-DRAWN TWO-WHEELED MIDNIGHT-TRANSPORT CART RATTLING DOWN FROM BIG ROCK. IT RESEMBLES A CIVIL WAR CANNON BUT HAS A TEN-GALLON KEG WHERE THE CANNON SHOULD BE. ROY ASBURY TELLS ABOUT A YOUNG COUPLE WHO, AT 2:00 AM, STAND AT HIS DOOR HOLDING A SICK BABY WRAPPED IN A BLANKET. WOULD YOU PLEASE DRIVE US TO SPOKANE? SURE. DON'T TAKE US TO EMERGENCY, TAKE US TO A FRIEND'S HOUSE ON THE SOUTH SIDE. LATER, ROY LEARNS THE "SICK BABY" WAS ACTUALLY TWO GALLONS OF WHISKY!

EARLY PLEASANTVIEWITES SEE NOTHING CRIMINAL ABOUT STILLING-TRY TO UNDERSTAND THEIR POINT OF VIEW. THE KNOW-HOW HAS BEEN HANDED DOWN FOR CENTURIES. WHISKEY HAS BEEN USED AS A COMMON DRUG FOR EVERYTHING FROM COLDS AND "RHEUMATIZ" TO HEART TROUBLE. TO THEM, MOONSHINING IS JUST AS NATURAL AS THEIR WIVES MAKING PRESERVES IN THEIR KITCHENS OR LYE SOAP IN THEIR YARDS.

THE FEDS, SHERIFF, OR REVENUER, IN THE MINDS OF THESE FOLKS, ARE OBSTACLES IN THE PATHWAY TO FOOD AND NECESSITIES FOR THEIR FAMILIES. WHEN THE BIG ROCK WIFE SIGHTS TROUBLE, SHE BLOWS A SHRILL WHISTLE TO ALERT HER HUSBAND AND SONS OF PENDING DETECTION. THE STATE LINE BASEMENT MOONSHINER SETS HIS LITTLE GIRLS TO WATCH FOR THE SHERIFF AND KEEPS HIS QUICK-GET-AWAY HATCH UNOBSTRUCTED WHICH IS IN THE FLOOR UNDER THE MASTER BED.

YET, IN SPITE OF ALL THE PRECAUTIONS, A PERSEVERING MAN LIKE JULIUS JOHNSON, A GOVERNMENT REVENUER, OCCASIONALLY WINS A ROUND OF HIDE-AND-SEEK. "OH, HE'S A MEAN ONE," MR. ANONYMOUS SAYS. MR. JOHNSON SETS UP HIS CAMP IN THE MOUNTAINS BEHIND PLEASANT VIEW AND LISTENS FOR TELL-TALE THUMPING NOISES CREATED DURING DISTILLING PROCESSES. HE WATCHES FOR SUSPICIOUS SMOKE CURLING ABOVE TREES

WHERE HE KNOWS NO ONE LIVES. (THE BASEMENT MAN HIDES HIS SMOKE BY VENTING IT THROUGH A HOLE CUT IN THE STOVE UPSTAIRS - ONE CHIMNEY DOES DOUBLE DUTY.) MR. JOHNSON SEARCHES FOR IMPROPERLY DISPOSED SLOP. THE CLEVER BASEMENT OPERATOR PIPES HIS SLOP OVER A CLIFF. MOST BURY IT. IF JOHNSON IS LUCKY, HIS HORSE MAY FIND A SLOPTAINTED STREAM. HORSES HATE SLOP AND WILL REFUSE TO DRINK THE DEFILED WATER. MR. JOHNSON WILL FOLLOW THE SUSPICIOUS STREAM HOPING TO FERRET OUT A STILL SITE.

JULIUS JOHNSON IS NOT ABOVE USING A BANANA-IN-A-CAGE-TO-CATCH-A-MONKEY TRICK TO CATCH A MOONSHINER. MIKE WAGGONER SAYS MR. JOHNSON PLACES A JUG IN THE MIDDLE OF A SUSPECTED OFFENDER'S ROAD. WHEN THE MAN STOPS TO PICK IT UP, HE GETS PICKED UP BY MR. JOHNSON!

BEFORE PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY'S CONCEPTION, AUTHORITIES
TRIED TO MOP UP ILLEGAL LIQUOR ALL OVER THE COUNTY. NEWSPAPERS
REPORT ACTIVITIES IN ALL HILLY AREAS. RATHDRUM, POST FALLS, ETC.
EVEN IN COEUR D' ALENE, UNSTAMPED LIQUOR IS SEIZED.

FEDERAL PROHIBITION (16 JANUARY 1920 TO 5 DECEMBER 1933)

DOES NOT CHANGE MANY LOCAL RESTRICTIONS. FROM ABOUT THE BEGINNING

OF IDAHO'S STATEHOOD IN 1890, KOOTENAI COUNTY AND EVERY TOWN THEREIN

COULD (AND WOULD) ESTABLISH ITS OWN PROHIBITION MANDATES. THE "DRY"

RULINGS CREATE A LUCRATIVE MARKET FOR SMOOOOOOOOTH HOME-BREW.

THE TWO BIGGIE DEPRESSIONS, THE PANIC OF 1893/94 AND THE GREAT 1930'S DEPRESSION, HEAP ADDITIONAL HARDSHIPS UPON FOLKS IN PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY. MOONSHINING MEANS FUNDS. PERIOD.

"PLEASANT VIEW", THE NAME: WILLIAM F. PLONSKE CAN BE CREDITED FOR THE NAME. AS HE GAZES ACROSS THE SPOKANE RIVER FROM HIS HOMESTEAD AT THE CHARMING SCENERY, THE LEVEL MEADOW, THE PLEASING VISTA OF ROLLING PEAK-LIKE FOOTHILLS, LOFTIER MOUNTAINS DAZZLING IN WINTER WHITENESS, AND THE PLEASING CONTRAST OF PINE-GREEN, ROCK-GRAY AND SKY-BLUE, HE OFTEN SAYS, "THIS IS A PLEASANT VIEW." BY 1905-06, LOCAL ACCEPTANCE TAKES HOLD, BUT "PLEASANT VIEW" DOES NOT APPEAR IN COMMISSIONERS' RECORDS UNTIL 12 MARCH 1908.

YEARS LATER, MARIE BRUNSON WRITES A POEM REITERATING MR.
PLONSKE'S FEELINGS. IT IS ENTITED "BEAUTIFUL PLEASANT VIEW":

WITH TREES SO STRAIGHT AND TALL
TRIMMED WITH SILVER IN THE SPRING
AND GOLD IN THE FALL.
OUR VIEW'S OF FAR AWAY MOUNTAINS
WITH FERTILE VALLEYS BELOW
AND THE BEAUTIFUL SPOKANE RIVER'S
RED BRIDGE AGLOW.
ALL THE GOOD THINGS OF GOD
CAN BE FOUND IN THE HILLS
WHEN WE LOOK AT HIS BEAUTY
WE FORGET ALL OUR ILLS.

MOUNTAIN VIEW CEMETERY [RENAMED PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY] IS A 'GRAVE SIGHT'. NELSON AND NETTIE MELLICK DONATED THE LAND, SAYS AL MELLICK, THEIR GREAT-NEPHEW. FIRST CEMETERY ASSOCIATION TRUSTEES: JAMES BURNS, WILLIAM F. PLONSKE AND CURTIS A. BENHAM.

ON A MARBLE-SLAB GREY DECEMBER AFTERNOON IN 1899, A CREW CLEANS THE NEW CEMETERY GROUNDS. "YOU KNOW, I'LL PROBABLY BE THE FIRST ONE BURIED HERE," ROY ASBURY QUOTES ARTHUR MELLVILLE 'MEL' BENHAM. TRUE TO HIS OWN PREDICTION, MR. BENHAM DIES OF SMALL POX ON 31 DECEMBER 1899.

THE ASSOCIATION'S FIRST FUND-RAISING PROJECT IS A NAME QUILT. THE NAME OF EACH PURCHASER (52 TOTAL) IS EMBROIDERED ON A BLOCK. SEAMSTRESSES ASSEMBLE THE BLOCKS INTO A SERVICEABLE SOUVENIR PATCHQUILT WHICH TRUSTEES AUCTION AT THE NEXT PARTY. DURING ONE OF THEIR BASKET-SUPPER AUCTION SOCIALS, THIRTY-FIVE BASKETS ARE SOLD-A "FISH POND" IS ANOTHER POPULAR MONEY MAKER.

MAY 1902, C. H. DENNISON DEEDS PROPERTY TO THE CEMETERY. 1903, WILL PLONSKE AND JAMES BURNS ARE REAPPOINTED TRUSTEES. JANUARY 1906, THE CEMETERY IS RENAMED PLEASANT VIEW. 1911, JOHN F. SHERWOOD DEEDS TWO MORE PIECES OF LAND TO ENLARGE THE CEMETERY TO ITS PRESENT SIZE.

THE ANNUAL CEMETERY ASSOCIATION TRUSTEE MEETINGS DO NOT RECONVENE AFTER OCTOBER 1972. But, the cemetery remains, as always, a free burying ground for past-and-present Pleasant View residents only.

THE SECOND SCHOOL DISTRICT [PLEASANT VIEW] PETITION IS APPROVED BY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ON 18 AUGUST 1904. THE CONTINUING INFLUX OF POPULATION NECESSITATES A DIVISION OF STATE LINE SCHOOL DISTRICT. AT A SPECIAL MEETING IN DECEMBER, 17 PERSONS DISCUSS A SCHOOL SITE. EDWIN C. AND MAUDE KYLE DEED ONE-ACRE.(*)

The small frame one-room school, located next to a peach orchard, (*) serves multiple duty: a school, a church, a community hall, a voting place, and a funeral parlor. Trustees rate it to be "fair"-to-"good". A new stove and stove pipe is purchased in March 1905 from Lake City Hardware for \$15.60. Mr. Andrew ("Andy") J. Pasenger builds a log fence in spring, 1906.

IN 1908, MAURICE V. DAVIDSON (SON OF TEACHER MRS. LAURA WILLIAM) RECEIVES THE FIRST EIGHTH-GRADE DIPLOMA FROM PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL.

On 3 June 1909, Pleasant View District's New-school-house bond issue passes with majority vote. Chase, Gard and Martin constructs the four-class-room brick-and-stucco school on 1-1/4 acres donated by William F. and Nancy A. Plonske. The gala dedication picnic is held Thanksgiving, $1910\cdot(**)$

Some of the teachers found in county and district records: Macy Ferris (1905), Lucretia Nogle (1905-07), Grace Hubbard (1906-08), Kathryn Nogle (1907-09), Mrs. Laura Williams (1907-12), Delia _____ (1908 part), C. A. Payne (1909-11), Warren Thomas (1910-1913), Helene M. Schemel (1910-11), O. P. Payne (1910), George Morbeck (1910-11), Charles Waggoner (1911 part), Millie Iden (1911-

^(*) In the south-west corner of the intersection of West Carpenter Loop and W. Riverview Drive - in Grace Thompson's north yard. On 22 October 1917, this school house is deeded to the Charles H. and Betty Asbury family who use it as a residence. Years later, it will accidentally burn down.

^(**) THE SCHOOL HOUSE STANDING ON WEST RIVERVIEW DRIVE IS ON THE NATIONAL REGISTRY, LISTED WITH THE IDAHO HISTORIC PRESERVATION COUNCIL, AND SERVES AS PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY HALL-

12), N. E. McCall (1911-12), Vernon E. McPherson (1912-14), Carlotta Wood (1912-13), Irene B. Wood (1912-13), Lelia Thomas (1913-14), Mrs. George Dolau (1914-15), Charles Milliron or Millison (1914-15), Bess McGaughy (1914-17), Ida Addington (1915-37), T. A. Graham (1915-16), Madge Hepburn (1915-16), T. A. Graham (1916-17), Mabel Schilling (1917-18), Esther Thorne (1917-18), Miss Warren (1917-18), Lucille Broadhead (1918-20), Elizabeth Talbot (1918-19), Jean Ryan (1920-21), Hazel Ottosen or Otteson (1921-22), Minnie B. Kyle (1922-24), Delphine M. Goulet (1923-34), Maud Eichner (1924-26). Alice Falk (1924-26), Mr. G. B. Harbison (1926-34), Helene Beachelsburg (1934-35).

IN THE BEGINNING, THIS SCHOOL HAS: TWO TEACHERS, PLUS A PRINCIPAL/TEACHER, A LARGE AUDITORIUM (EAST DOWNSTAIRS), A FURNACE ROOM (WEST DOWNSTAIRS), A TEACHER'S APARTMENT (REAR WEST DOWNSTAIRS), TWO CLASS ROOMS (EAST AND WEST UPSTAIRS), HIS-AND-HERS CLOAK ROOMS (FRONT UPSTAIRS), A WIDE HALL (STRAIGHT THROUGH UPSTAIRS), A BELL TOWER AND FLAG POLE (THROUGH ATTIC). [SEE SCHOOL'S FLOOR-PLAN ON PAGE A-4.]

Between January-May 1910, Charles Asbury receives \$25/month for custodial services. Maurice Davidson, teacher Laura William's son, receives \$22/month for Janitoring (winter 1910-11).

ON 13 AUGUST 1910, 12 OUT OF 13 VOTES CREATE "PLEASANT VIEW INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT". MRS. LAURA WILLIAMS HAS BEEN THE SPOKESWOMAN, INFLUENTIAL TEACHER, AND GO-POWER BEHIND THIS ISSUE. ELECTION JUDGES: MRS. LAURA WILLIAMS, WILLIAM F. PLONSKE AND J. FRAISIER. TRUSTEES: J. F. FRAISIER, CHARLES M. TRIGG, CHAS. WAGGONER, H. B. BARNES, W. NOAH GILES, AND WILLIAM F. PLONSKE.

STUDENTS AND TEACHERS SHARE A WATER BUCKET AND DIPPER UNTIL AFTER PETER MATSON DONATES HIS SPRING ABOVE THE SCHOOL ON 15 MARCH 1912. WATER PIPED INTO THE BUILDING IS FOR DRINKING, NOT RESTROOMS. THE TWO (GIRLS' AND BOYS') DOUBLE-HOLER BACK-HOUSES HAVE CUPOLAS MATCHING THE SCHOOL'S BELL TOWER.

By 1912, THE ORIGINAL CENTRAL HEAT-CIRCULATING FURNACE THAT BURNS FOUR-FOOT CORD-WOOD IS REMOVED AND THE FURNACE PIT IS COVERED WITH PLANKS. TWO NEW LOOK-ALIKE SMITH SYSTEM FURNACES (HUGE POTBELLIED WOOD BURNERS) GO INTO THE AUDITORIUM AND THE WEST UPSTAIRS

CLASS ROOM. EACH IS ENCIRCLED WITH AN EVEN-BIGGER ORNATELY-TOOLED DOUBLE-WALL BLACK METAL SAFETY-SHIELD AND HEAT-DEFLECTOR.

THE PRIMARY (GRADES 1-3) MOVES INTO THE FORMER FURNACE ROOM THAT NOW HAS A SMALLER WOOD-BURNING SPACE-HEATER. GRADES 4-8 MEET IN WEST UPSTAIRS AND THE HIGHER GRADES MEET IN EAST UPSTAIRS. CA 1925, THE TEACHERS' APARTMENT DISCONTINUES. Too, ALL EIGHT GRADES MEET IN THE WEST-UPSTAIRS ROOM. THE EAST-UPSTAIRS ROOM SERVES AS A MULTI-PURPOSE RECREATION AND DANCE HALL.

PLEASANT VIEW'S SQUEAKY-CLEAN ACTIVITIES AT THE SCHOOL ARE WHOLESOME FAMILY FUN. THERE ARE RECEPTIONS, ANNIVERSARY AND BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS, CONTESTS, LADIES' CLUB MEETINGS, AND FARMERS' EDUCATIONAL AND CO-OPERATIVE UNION OF AMERICA DINNERS. THEY HOLD GREAT PUBLIC DANCES FOR PEOPLE FROM AS FAR AS MILL CREEK, POST FALLS, AND ALL AROUND.

BASEBALL GAMES ARE HELD ON JOHN "SCOTCH" PETERS' FARM NORTH OF THE BRIDGE (ONE LOOK AT PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL'S HILLSIDE PROPERTY EXPLAINS WHY). THE PETERS BOYS ARE THE BEST REASONS WHY THE TEAM IS SUCH A WINNER! GEORGE PLAYS FIRST BASE, JIM CATCHER, JACK PITCHER, ART OUTFIELDER, AND.... "THEY CALLED US CLOD-HOPPERS, AND EVERYTHING ELSE," KEITH PETERS SAYS ABOUT THE GAME AGAINST THE MOOSE LODGE (SPOKANE). "BUT THEY CHANGED THEIR MINDS WHEN THEY COULDN'T GET TO FIRST BASE!" JULY 1916, THE TEAM WINS EIGHT GAMES AND LOSES TWO. BY THE END OF THE SEASON, IT EARNS THE CHAMPIONSHIP. NO ONE ADMITS WHETHER OR NOT PITCHER JACK PETERS SLIPS IN A FEW OF HIS FAMOUS CURVE AND FAST BALLS. JACK GOES ON TO PLAY FOR POST FALLS CITY BEES.

PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL CLOSES ITS DOORS TO REGULAR CLASSES IN SPRING 1937, BUT THE DISTRICT DOES NOT OFFICIALLY CONSOLIDATE WITH POST FALLS UNTIL 26 JUNE 1940. THEREAFTER, THE SCHOOL STANDS SUBJECT TO VANDALISM, PERIL AND GENERAL DETERIORATION. THE LADIES' CLUB AND 4-H CAN NOT KEEP UP WITH THE MASSIVE MAINTENANCE AND RECONSTRUCTION PROJECTS. IN 1971, GLEN MADISON TAKES AN ACTIVE INTEREST IN THE RELIC AND GOES TO WORK TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT (MORE ABOUT THIS SUBJECT LATER).

PLEASANT VIEW BRIDGE: A PETITION FOR THE FIRST BRIDGE ACROSS THE SPOKANE RIVER AT [OLD] PLEASANT VIEW, AND 1/2-MILE SOUTH

OF McGuires railroad station, is approved by commissioners 25 November 1907. Messres. Giles, Wallace, Knapp, Frazier, and Plonske spear-head the issue as early as 23 February 1906 (per THE RATHDRUM TRIBUNE). Midland Bridge Company bids \$3,087 and wins. The combination wood-and-steel bridge [built slightly to the west of Pleasant View Bridge Road], is ready for use on 24 August 1908.

THIS BRIDGE IS A VITAL YEAR-AROUND LINK WITH HIGHWAY AND RAIL SERVICE ON THE NORTH SIDE, ESPECIALLY THE ELECTRIC COMMUTER TRAIN BETWEEN SPOKANE AND COEUR D'ALENE, VIA LIBERTY LAKE. FOR EXAMPLE, IN THE SUMMER, THE COMMUTER MEANS QUICK TRANSPORTATION TO FROLICKING AT LIBERTY LAKE OR LAKE COEUR D'ALENE. LIBERTY LAKE ATTRACTS MANY TO ITS BEAUTIFUL PICNIC GROUNDS AND PARK, BASEBALL DIAMOND, AND THE DANCE PAVILION BUILT OUT OVER THE LAKE.

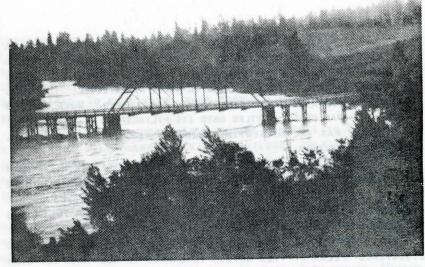
ON 25 MAY 1903, AND AGAIN IN 1912, PRESIDENT THEODORE "TEDDY" ROOSEVELT CAMPAIGNS FROM THE REAR PLATFORM OF A SLOW-MOVING TRAIN. PEOPLE OF ALL AGES WALK ACROSS THE BRIDGE TO SEE HIM WAVE. OTHERS CLOSER TO STATE LINE GO TO SPOKANE BRIDGE. THEY SEE HIM SMOKING A CIGAR WHILE SEATED IN A WICKER CHAIR.

IN 1908, WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT CAMPAIGNS FROM THE BACK OF THE ELECTRIC TRAIN. "HE WAS A BIG SON-OF-A-GUN," SAYS MIKE WAGGONER ABOUT THE 300-POUND PRESIDENT-ELECT. "HE MADE A BIG IMPRESSION, I'LL TELL YOU THAT," HIS SISTER, GLENYS PETERS QUIPS.

IN DECEMBER 1924, CHARLES WAGGONER'S FACE FREEZES IN A WALK FROM GRAND JUNCTION(*) TO HIS HOME IN PLEASANT VIEW DURING A BLIZZARD [PER THE RATHDRUM NEWSPAPER].

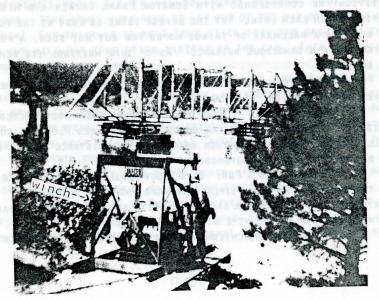
IN THE 1920'S, A SECOND COMBINATION STEEL AND WOOD BRIDGE RISES A SHORT DISTANCE UPSTREAM. IT HAS NO STRAIGHT-ON ACCESS AT EITHER END. THIS WILL PROVE A REGRETABLE DESIGN YEARS LATER.

1952, ON A FRIDAY, POST FALLS HIGHWAY DISTRICT'S HEAVY FOUR-WHEEL-DRIVE TRUCK AND BULLDOZER ON A TRAILER CROSS THE BRIDGE-TUESDAY, FIVE-DAYS LATER, THE EMPTY 180-FOOT MID-SECTION MYSTERIOUSLY COLLAPSES.



ABOVE: June 1909. The first Pleasant View Bridge. (Compliments of Fred and Bessie Plonske)

BELOW: 1953. REASSEMBLED PLEASANT VIEW BRIDGE SPAN FLOATING ON PONTOONS. ON-SHORE WINCH AND CABLE GUIDE IT INTO PLACE. WWP AT POST FALLS MANIPULATE WATER LEVELS. (COMPL. EVA MADISON)



^(*) GRAND JUNCTION IS WHERE SEVERAL RAILROAD LINES INTERSECT ON POLELINE ROAD JUST EAST OF MCGUIRES AND WEST OF POST FALLS.

THE FOLLOWING YEAR, A REPLACEMENT SPAN FOUND ON THE YAKIMA RIVER IS DISMANTLED, TRUCKED TO PLEASANT VIEW, AND REASSEMBLED PIECE-BY-PIECE NEAR THE RIVER BANK. WASHINGTON WATER POWER AT THE DAM IN POST FALLS OPENS FLOOD-GATES TO RAISE RIVER LEVEL. THE SPAN, FLOATING ON PONTOONS, IS JOCKEYED INTO POSITIONED. WHEN THE DAM CLOSES, THE SPAN NEATLY SETTLES ONTO ITS PILINGS.

"IT WAS AN INTERESTING THING TO SEE," SAYS ROY BODINE, HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER.

LOOKING AHEAD TOWARD THE LAST SECONDS IN HER TWENTY-FOURTH HOUR, PLEASANT VIEW BRIDGE TAKES THE BRUNT OF NEARLY ALL SOUTH-SIDE TRAFFIC AFTER MIDNIGHT 27 MARCH 1971 - AFTER POST FALLS BRIDGE COLLAPSES. GREENS FERRY BRIDGE, 1-1/2-MILE UPSTREAM FROM POST FALLS AND CONDEMNED IN 1967, IS DEMOLISHED IN APRIL OF '71.

5 May 1971, A ROTTED AND BROKEN SUPPORT MEMBER IS DISCOVERED. PLEASANT VIEW BRIDGE IS BARRED TO ALL TRAFFIC, EVEN PEDESTRIANS. DESTROYING THE SOUTH END STOPS IRRESPONSIBLE USAGE.

A STUDY FOR A NEW BRIDGE AND SAFE-AND-LEGAL STRAIGHT-ON BRIDGE APPROACHES CONCLUDES: 1) REALIGN THE ROADS, OR 2) BUILD A NEW 400-FOOT BRIDGE ON A 50-DEGREE ANGLE.

GLEN MADISON GATHERS MANY SIGNATURES ON A SAVE-OUR-BRIDGE PETITION. HE CORRESPONDS WITH SENATOR FRANK CHURCH AND HIGHWAY OFFICIALS ON EACH LEVEL. BUT THE BRIDGE ISSUE IS LOST AT THE POLLS. IT BECOMES A HALLMARK OF THINGS HOPED FOR BUT NOT SEEN, A PUBLIC ATTRACTION, A DANGEROUS NUISANCE. AS OF THIS WRITING, ITS REMOVAL IS EMINENT.

"IT'LL BE A SAD DAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF PLEASANT VIEW WHEN IT COMES DOWN," SAYS MR. MADISON,

"IT'S NOT LIKE IT USED TO BE -- WHEN EVERYBODY NEEDED THE BRIDGE TO GET THEIR HORSE AND BUGGY ACROSS," FRED PLONSKE, SON OF WILL PLONSKE, PRESENTS ANOTHER OPINION. "THE DISTANCE AROUND ISN'T SO BAD WHEN YOU OWN AN AUTOMOBILE."

SEASONAL KID'S FUN: BOYS SHOOT MARBLES AND PLAY TUG-OF-WAR IN THE SPRING AND FALL. GIRLS SKIP ROPE AND PLAY HOP-SCOTCH. BOTH PLAY POM POM PULL AWAY, A GAME OF AGILITY AND DARTING SPEED RACING BETWEEN POINT-A AND POINT-B WITHOUT BEING CAUGHT.

IN THE WINTER, CHILDREN STOMP A CIRCULAR PATH WITH CRISS-

CROSSING PATHS (LIKE A WAGON WHEEL AND SPOKES) IN THE SNOW TO PLAY FOX AND GEESE. SOMEONE IS THE "FOX" WHO CHASES THE "GEESE" AROUND THE MAZE OF PATHS. WHEN A GOOSE IS TAGGED, S/HE GOES "OUT". ALICE (MILLSAP) REYNOLDS ALSO RECALLS COASTING PARTIES DOWN PLEASANT VIEW BRIDGE ROAD. TO KEEP WARM, THEY CUDDLE A HOT ROCK WRAPPED IN A BLANKET.

IN SUMMER, THERE ARE OUT-DOOR CONCERTS IN POST FALLS, HIKING, AND WILD-FLOWER PICKING. CHILDREN SPLASH IN THE OLD SWIMMING POOL, A NATURAL POOL PROTECTED FROM THE RIVER CURRENT [JUST NORTH OF GLEN MADISON'S]. ANOTHER FAVORITE NATURAL SWIMMING HOLE IS IN THE CREEK BY PLEASANT VIEW CHURCH.

Shinny, a variation of an old indian game by the same name, closely resembles hockey. Every player has a shinny stick. The object is to knock the can over the opponent's goal line. Shinny starts with two players who "Shinny Off". That is, each hits the ground with his stick, hits each other's stick, then shouts, "Shinny one!" They repeat this two more times....."Shinny two!"...... "Shinny three!" After "Shinny three!", sticks flail in the sun, and dust and dirt fly. There is much racing and screaming and shouting and cheering. It takes complete team-work to make a goal or prevent an opponent's goal. "It is called Shinny because," Roy Asbury explains, "the other guys have to get out of the way or get hit in the shin! The trick is to poke your stick into the ground so the other guy will hit your stick instead of the can. Then you quick hit the can over the line."

MUMBLETYPEG, OR MUMBLE-THE-PEG, OR MUMBLE PEG, IS A FAVORITE BOYS' KNIFE GAME. THE PHRASE, MUMBLETYPEG, REFERS TO THE LOSER HAVING TO PULL OUT WITH HIS TEETH A PEG DRIVEN INTO THE GROUND. THE PLAYERS TAKE TURNS FLIPPING A POCKET KNIFE FROM VARIOUS POINTS ON THE BODY (FINGERS, WRIST, FOOT, HIP, ETC.) SO THAT THE BLADE STICKS INTO THE GROUND.

MORE ROADS: By this time, roads have been developing all over the hillside. Examples include the following:

10 June 1904, W. H. Smith and others petition for a road to start in the SW corner of the orchard of H. Faulker [Falkner?], go south through C. B. Childs', John Peters', J. A. Benson's, and end

MINIATURE (BY FLAT-LANDER'S STANDARDS) LEVEL PLAY YARD. NO DOUBT, A CELEBRATION RINGS IN ITS OCCUPANCY.(*)

TEACHERS OF THE NEW SCHOOL AS RECORDED BY THE COUNTY AND DISTRICT: SYLVIA KOCH (1908-09), LIZZIE PIGGOTT (1909), FRANCES RHEA (1909-10), MYRLE SEYMOUR (1910-11), SADIE STEWARD OR STUART (1910-11,1915), JOHN B. FANTON (1912), ETHEL B. MARTIN (1912), VERNA ANDREW (1913-14), AGNES MILLER (1914), JEANNETTE FRASIER (1915-16), CAROL E. LESTER (1916-17), ADA MARTIN (1917-18), HILDUR ANDERSON (1918-19), FLO NEWCOMB (1919-20), H. A. SHANNON (1920-21), CORA MCCAW (1921-22), BLANCHE MARSTON (1922-23), MRS. VIO ALLEN (1923-24), EMMA SATHER (1924-25).

CHILDREN USE TRAILS LIKE MOUNTAIN GOATS TO ATTEND MILL CREEK SCHOOL. ROY ASBURY SAYS HE DOESN'T REMEMBER ANYONE USING A SADDLE HORSE. ITS OUTHOUSE IS DOWN BEHIND THE SCHOOL. DRINKING WATER IS HAULED UP FROM DAUGHERTY'S.

ONE STORY CIRCULATES ABOUT A RUFFIAN KID WHO CONTINUALLY HARASSES HIS NOT-TOO-TALL MILL CREEK SCHOOL MASTER. THE TEACHER, AFTER HIS PATIENCE WEARS THIN, TAMES THE STUDENT WITH AN OBJECT LESSON. HE PLACES A CARD AT ONE END OF THE SCHOOL, WALKS ACROSS THE ROOM, TURNS, AIMS, AND SHOOTS A HOLE IN THE CENTER OF THE CARD!

MILL CREEK'S DANCES ARE GREAT FUN! ROY ASBURY SAYS "I DROVE A SLEIGH TEAM TO DANCES." HERMAN ADKINS SAYS: "THAT'S WHERE I LEARNED THE TWO-STEP. WE DANCED TO A PHONOGRAPH. THERE WAS NEVER ANY LIQUOR THERE."

THERE ARE NO CLASSES HELD AFTER SPRING, 1925. THE FINAL STUDENT BODY CONSISTS OF SUSAN DAUGHERTY, AND TED AND HELEN LADKE-TRUSTEES DO NOT CLOSE THE DISTRICT, NOR DO THEY COMPLY WITH THE SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT'S RULE TO KEEP THE DISTRICT "OPEN". THAT IS, THEY DID NOT TAKE AN ANNUAL CENSUS OF ALL CHILDREN IN THE DISTRICT BETWEEN THE AGES OF 6-21. ON 13 SEPTEMBER 1932, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' ORDER THE DISTRICT LAPSED. IT WILL NOT BE UNTIL 18 SEPTEMBER 1939 THAT MILL CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICIALLY ANNEXES

WITH POST FALLS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5.

IN THE MID-1930'S, FEMALE JUVENILES TORCH THE VACANT AND FULLY-FURNISHED SCHOOL, JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT. TED LADKE, A WITNESS, SWEARS THE ARSONISTS ARE NOT FORMER STUDENTS.

THE FOURTH SCHOOL DISTRICT [BIG ROCK] ORGANIZES 16 APRIL 1909. BIG ROCK ACQUIRES ITS IDENTITY FROM A LARGE 4,868-FOOT-HIGH BARE BOULDER WHICH IS VISIBLE TO THE SURROUNDING VALLEY AND WITHIN SPITTING DISTANCE OF THE 5,250-FOOT-HIGH MICA PEAK [SIGNAL POINT MOUNTAIN]. THE NAME "BIG ROCK" IS NOTED IN PUBLIC RECORDS BY 1914.

WHEN THE COUNTY FINISHES DUMPING LAND INTO THIS DISTRICT, IT GROWS TO 13+ SQUARE MILES AND HALF-CIRCLES OVER, AND AROUND, SIGNAL POINT TO COUGAR GULCH. IN AUGUST, STATE LINE GIVES BIG ROCK \$113.73. PLEASANT VIEW SELLS THEM SECOND-HAND SCHOOL SEATS.

THE FIRST ROCK SCHOOL HOUSE IS ON THE OLD HANSEN PLACE -- ALMOST AT THE TOP OF THE STEEPEST SOUTH-END OF STATE LINE ROAD.

IN 1912, THE TRUSTEE-RATED "POOR" LOG SCHOOL HOUSE IS REPLACED WITH A NEW FRAME BUILDING ON LAND DONATED BY JOHN "DUTCH" PETERS. THE NEW SCHOOL IS A LITTLE NORTH, BUT MOSTLY WEST ABOUT 1/3 TO 1/2 MILE, FROM THE OLD BIG ROCK SCHOOL HOUSE. [I.E. 3-1/2 CROWFLYING MILES SOUTH OF I-90 ON STATE LINE ROAD. TODAY, SPRING LILACS BLOOM AROUND THE OLD FOUNDATION.]

THE RUSTIC-SIDED SCHOOL HOUSE BEGINS AS A ONE-ROOM STRUCTURE. LATER, A PARTITION CREATES A TEACHER'S APARTMENT. OUTHOUSES AND WATER HAULED FROM A NEAR-BY SPRING ARE NORMAL.

THE FERRY CHILDREN SLIP OVER THE BORDER FROM WASHINGTON, WITH FULL APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT.

THOSE WHO TEACH IN THE NEW SCHOOL HOUSE AS RECORDED IN COUNTY AND DISTRICT RECORDS: 0. Q. MARTIN (1909-10), NORENE O'KEEFE (1910-11), MISS FRANCES HATCH [MARRIED NAME: MRS. DEMOREST] (1911), MILDRED LOUISE GUILE (1911-12), SAMUEL J. FLINT (1912-13), FANNY MELLICK (1913), ADA M. CARPENTER (1913-14), SADIE STEWART (1914-15), VERA BRUNNER (1915-16), MRS. ELLA HALL (1916-18, 21-22), HILBUR ANDERSON (1918-19), BERTHA HATCH (1919-20), MRS. ELVA MAY ROOD (1920-21), ANNA MAY WILCOX (1922-23), GLEN G. CUTTER (1923-24), HENRY BLANCHE (1924-25), VERDA GARDNER (1925-26), WINNONA SCHMITT (1926-28), E. LOUISE LAY (1928-29), AUGUSTA M. DAVIS (1929-32), IDA

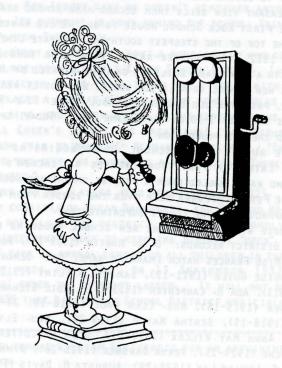
^(*) Please telephone William Steinpreis for an appointment to see the foundation.

B. COBBETT (1932-34), LORRAINE WELLS (1933-34).

A STORY ABOUT LEE REYNOLDS: HE SCARES HIMSELF INTO A TREE AFTER THROWING A ROCK AT THE SCHOOL HOUSE. A FULL-FIGURED NONONSENSE TEACHER TALKS HIM DOWN...THEN SPANKS HIM!

ANOTHER STORY CLAIMS THERE IS A CERTAIN TEACHER WHO DEFUZZES HIS ARMS BY PUTTING THEM INTO THE WOOD-BURNING STOVE.

BIG ROCK PERMANENTLY DISCONTINUES CLASSES IN SPRING 1934 BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF STUDENTS, BUT THE DISTRICT WILL NOT CONSOLIDATE WITH POST FALLS UNTIL 30 DECEMBER 1939 - AFTER THE AUGUST 12TH FOREST FIRE BLAZES OVER THE HILL FROM LIBERTY LAKE AND INCINERATES EVERYTHING IN ITS PATH.



Mhat's Mare?!

WHO'S GOT THE BEEF? JACOB "JAKE" BECK DRIVES A MEAT WAGON AROUND THE AREA AFTER 1909. ROY ASBURY LIKES TO TELL HOW JAKE SELLS ON-THE-SPOT SPECIAL-CUT MEATS. HE TRAVELS THE ROADS, STOPPING IN FRONT OF EACH HOUSE AND HOLLERING, "YOU WANT ANY MEAT?!!" HE PULLS BACK A CANVAS PROTECTING THE CARCASS FROM DUST AND FLIES AND CUTS OFF A STEAK, OR ROAST, OR WHATEVER. THEN HE WIPES HIS MEATY-AND-BLOODY HANDS AND KNIFE ON THE HORSE'S TAIL, THROWS BACK THE CANVAS AND TAKES OFF.

STORES IN PLEASANT VIEW: ABOUT 1908, WILL PLONSKE BUILDS A STORE SLIGHTLY WEST OF THE BRIDGE. HIS OPERATION HAS BECOME A GRADUAL EXPANSION OF THE BLACK-SMITH AND CUSTOM-ORDER-AND-DRAY BUSINESS HE HAS BEEN OPERATING SINCE THE TURN OF THE CENTURY. HE OFFERS ANIMAL FEED, GROCERIES AND GENERAL MERCHANDISE. CUSTOM-ORDER ITEMS CAN BE AS DIVERSIFIED AS THE MARKET WILL BEAR. A CASKET? SURE. SCHOOL FURNISHINGS? NO PROBLEM. MR. PERIGO BUYS THE DRAY SERVICE ABOUT 1918. [CHARLES?] AMEL BUYS THE BLACKSMITH SOMETIME FOLLOWING 1910. AFTER THE ADVENT OF THE AUTOMOBILE, MR. PLONSKE INSTALLS A GASOLINE PUMP.

PLONSKE MAKES WEEKLY TRIPS TO SPOKANE FOR SUPPLIES. IT IS A TWO-DAY JOURNEY BY HOOF POWER. LATER, HE BUYS A MODEL-A TRUCK. ARTHUR JONES IS ONE OF HIS DRIVERS. BECAUSE MR. PLONSKE SELLS FEED AT 5-TO-10% DISCOUNT TO FARMERS' UNION MEMBERS, MANY BELIEVE IT IS A FARMERS' UNION STORE. NOT SO, SAYS THE PLONSKE FAMILY.

MR. PLONSKE, A TRUSTING GENEROUS-HEARTED INDIVIDUAL, SOMEONE EVERYONE LIKES, WILLINGLY EXTENDS CREDIT (SOMETIMES TOO MUCH) TO HIS CUSTOMERS. DURING THE DEPRESSION (1930'S), HE, LIKE SO MANY OTHERS, CLOSES HIS BUSINESS TO HARD TIMES. THE FICKLE FINGER OF FATE TWISTS HIS DREAM OF PROSPERITY INTO INTERESTING-LOOKING BUILDINGS THAT TEMPT TOO MANY UNINVITED CURIOSITY SEEKERS TO TRESPASS UPON PRIVATE PROPERTY FOR A CLOSER LOOK.

JOSEPH G. WILLIAMS, ENUMERATED AS A TRAVELLING ADVERTISING SALESMAN IN 1910, OPENS A GENERAL-GOODS STORE JUST WEST OF PLEASANT

VIEW SCHOOL HOUSE ABOUT 1908. WILLIAM'S AND PLONSKE'S STORES, ALTHOUGH ABOUT A CITY-BLOCK APART, DO NOT DIRECTLY COMPETE WITH EACH OTHER. RATHER, THEY ENHANCE THE SERVICES AVAILABLE TO THE COMMUNITY. IN 1912, MR. WILLIAMS HOSTS A NICE PARTY CELEBRATING WOODROW WILSON'S PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION. WILLIAM'S STORE GOES OUT OF BUSINESS SHORTLY THEREAFTER.

SAWMILLS: PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY HAS ALWAYS BEEN THICK WITH TREES. TREES, AND MORE TREES. NEARLY-THREE-FEET-IN-DIAMETER TREES. RAISE-HALF-WAY-TO-THE-SKY TREES. A-BLESSING-AND-A-CURSE TREES.

TREES CAN BE CRUEL AND SAVAGE - A POISON - TO A FARMER WHO WANTS TO PLANT CROPS OR AN ORCHARD, FEEL FREEDOM FROM THE GLOOM OF DEEP WOODS, SEE MORE SUN DURING THE DAY, COUNT A FEW MORE STARS AT NIGHT, BREATH A LITTLE MORE AIR, FEEL THE WIND. HE HAS TO FIGHT TREES LIKE A NATURAL ENEMY. MEN, WOMEN AND/OR OLDER CHILDREN CHOP, SLIP, HAUL, LIFT, ROLL, AND BURN TREES UNTIL NOTHING REMAINS.

ON THE OTHER HAND, MANY STALWART MEN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE NATURAL MONEY-MAKING RESOURCE BY CUTTING CORDWOOD AND POLES, MAKING LUMBER, ETC. ROY ASBURY AND CHET REYNOLDS RECALL SELLING CORD WOOD AT SPOKANE BRIDGE FOR \$4 A CORD. THE FOLLOWING LISTS MAJOR SAWMILLS IN THE COMMUNITY: R. F. BARNES MILL (1912), GEORGE D. COWDEN MILL (1904-1946), FRED DAUGHERTY MILL (1923-1929), WILLIS CARTER SAWMILL (1907-12), THOMAS GERMO MILL (1910), ALBERT SIMMEL SAWMILL (1919-23).

POSTAL SERVICE IN SPOKANE BRIDGE, SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON, SERVES LIBERTY LAKE (IN WASHINGTON), AS WELL AS PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY AND MCQUIRES (IN IDAHO). MRS. FINCH IS THE LAST POST MISTRESS AND HER BROTHER IS THE FIRST MAIL CARRIER BETWEEN SPOKANE BRIDGE AND LIBERTY LAKE, ACCORDING TO ICIE FISHER. BEFORE THEN, PEOPLE PICK UP AT THE POST OFFICE. IN THE LATE-TEENS, POST FALLS BECOMES THE NEW MAILING ADDRESS FOR PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY AND A HORSE-DRAWN MAIL WAGON DELIVERS THEIR LETTERS AND PACKAGES.

THIS ONE'S FOR THE BIRDS: ONE OF THE MICHAELS BOYS HAS A GIRL FRIEND IN SPIRIT LAKE. "SPIRIT LAKE WOULD BE A GREAT PLACE TO RAISE POULTRY," ICIE FISHER QUOTES HIM. "YES," THE GIRL FRIEND AGREES, "BUT ONLY IF THE CHICKENS DON'T EAT THEM UP."

CHINESE PHEASANTS ESCAPE THEIR PENS EAST OF POST FALLS ONE NIGHT IN THE EARLY-TEEN'S. MARY (KNUDSEN) HINES RECALLS THEM ON THEIR ROOF: "I WOKE UP THE NEXT MORNING AND IT SOUNDED LIKE HORSES UP THERE."

SWEET SMELLING ROSES: ONE SUNDAY IN 1911, FOUR-YEAR-OLD MARY KNUDSEN FINDS SEVERAL ROSE STARTS ON THE SIDEWALK IN SPOKANE. SHE CARRIES THEM TO MILL CREEK BY HORSE AND BUGGY AND PLANTS THEM BESIDE THE CABIN DOOR OF HER GRANDFATHER, SAMUEL SMITH. THE BUSH GROWS UNCONTROLLED WITHOUT HUMAN INTERVENTION FOR THREE-QUARTERS OF A CENTURY. TODAY, IT IS A MAMMOUTH TRIANGLE-SHAPED ROSE PATCH, MEASURING (FROM ITS LONGEST POINTS) 72-FEET WIDE BY 95-FEET LONG! IT COVERS THE ENTIRE CABIN SITE - PLUS. IN JUNE, MILLIONS (NO EXAGGERATION) OF BEAUTIFUL YELLOW FRAGRANT BLOSSOMS ARE A SIGHT TO BEHOLD! BILL STEINPREIS SAYS THEY ARE INSECT AND DISEASE FREE.

THIS ONE IS COVERED WITH HARE: CHET REYNOLDS' HUNTING FEVER HITS HIM AT AGE FIVE - IN THE WINTER OF 1914-15. HE JOINS HIS FATHER (HARVEY REYNOLDS) AND BILL HANSEN AND A COUPLE OF AIREDALE DOGS TO HUNT WHITE SNOW-SHOE RABBITS. BILL HANSEN'S MUZZLE-LOADING GUN BRINGS DOWN THE FIRST RABBIT. WHILE CLEANING HIS KILL, ANOTHER RABBIT SPEEDS AROUND A TREE. QUICK-WITTED BILL HANSEN, SINGLE FOOTED IF YOU PLEASE, KICKS THE RABBIT HIGH IN THE AIR! A DOG CATCHES IT. MR. HANSEN HAS ANOTHER RABBIT TO CLEAN.

ACCIDENTS AND WEATHER CAN HAPPEN ANYWHERE AT ANY TIME. FOR EXAMPLE, ROY ASBURY TELLS ABOUT THE GUY WHO SUPPOSEDLY HANGS HIMSELF AT SPOKANE BRIDGE ABOUT 1920. NO ONE UNDERSTANDS HOW HE BEATS HIMSELF WITH A ROCK AND THEN HANGS HIMSELF AFTERWARDS.

THERE IS ANOTHER STORY ABOUT A RAILROAD BOSS ARGUING WITH A RAIL EMPLOYEE. THE EMPLOYEE PULLS A GUN AND SHOOTS THE BOSS THROUGH THE NECK. IT TURNS OUT TO BE A NASTY FLESH WOUND. THE EMPLOYEE LANDS BEHIND BARS AND THE BOSS MOVES TO WASHINGTON.

HOW ABOUT THE VERY-TIPSY MAN FROM A SPOKANE BRIDGE BEER PARLOR WHO DRIVES HIS HORSE AND WAGON THE FULL LENGTH OF THE RAILROAD BRIDGE.

MARGARET COWDEN LOSES CONTROL OF HER TEAM. MEANWHILE, HER SKIRT SOMEHOW TANGLES IN THE WHEEL AND THROWS HER OFF THE WAGON. IN THE PROCESS OF LANDING, HER LEG IS BROKEN. ROY ASBURY AND SOME OTHER

BOYS DISCOVER HER IN THIS CONDITION AND SUMMON AID. HER JAGGED BONE REMAINS PROTRUDING UNTIL THE LONG-SUFFERING WOMAN IS FINALLY DELIVERED TO A COEUR D'ALENE DOCTOR THE NEXT DAY.

IN JUNE 1918, THE MELLICK BOYS' TRACTOR BLOWS UP NEAR GREEN ACRES, WASHINGTON. CAUSE UNKNOWN.

PAT CENTERS, OWNER OF PAT'S PLACE, BLACKSMITH, AND THE DANCE HALL AT SPOKANE BRIDGE, BREAKS HIS RIGHT ARM CRANKING HIS CAR IN AUGUST 1922.

MG HOLLAND, PROUD OWNER OF ONE OF THE FIRST CARS IN PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY, TRULY LOVES HIS AUTOMOBILE. HE PROTECTS IT, POLISHES IT, DUSTS IT, AND NEVER DRIVES IT OVER 35 MPH. AT NIGHT, HE IS ESPECIALLY CAREFUL BECAUSE THE HEADLIGHTS ARE NOT TOO BRIGHT. BEN HOLLAND SAYS, AFTER PRAYER MEETING AT BYE'S HOUSE ONE EVENING, HIS GRANDPA HOLLAND STOPS AT THE RAILROAD TRACKS, LOOKS BOTH WAYS, AND DRIVES SMACK-DAB INTO THE SIDE OF A BOX CAR.

MRS. MILLSAP, WHILE LEARNING TO DRIVE IN THE EARLY-'20'S, RUNS OVER A PIG PEN - PIGS A-SQUEALING EVERY WHICH-WAY - AND BOUNCES DOWN THE HILL. SOON AFTER THIS INCIDENT, MA BROOKSHIRE AND THE MILLSAP KIDS ARE TO GO SOMEWHERE WITH MRS. MILLSAP. "WE'LL MEET YOU DOWN THE HILL," ICIE BROOKSHIRE FISHER QUOTES HER MOTHER. "IF YOU KILL SOMEONE, WE WON'T BE WITH YOU!"

During a Christmas Day flood in 1933, Keith S. Peters, a WWP employee, remembers packing sand bags from 7AM to 8PM. It may be during this same flood that lumber floats down stream from Blackwell Lumber Company in Coeur d' Alene and a Post Falls man retrieves all of it and builds himself a barn.

A DEVASTATING WINDSTORM IN 1933 UPROOTS PINE TREES.

CHARIVARI OR CHIVAREE IS NOT TOO UNLIKE A WEDDING RECEPTION, EXCEPT NOISIER. LOTS OF REFRESHMENTS (CANDY, COOKIES, CAKE) AND CIGARS ARE PROVIDED BY THE COUPLE. HOWLERING AND NOISEMAKING (WITH POTS, PANS, TUBS, BELLS AND A FEW SHOT-GUN ROUNDS) ARE PROVIDED BY THE UNINVITED, BUT EXPECTED, GUESTS.

WORLD WAR I HONOR ROLL (PER HANGING ON PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL WALL): NAVY: LEROY CROUCH, EVERETT DODGE, ELVIN AND JOHN HEARING; ARMY: GEORGE DODGE, JAMES GOUMAS, PATE HAMPTON, LAWRENCE HARTLEROAD, JOHN IVANOFF, GEORGE AND JAMES PETERS, WARE SANFORD, RAY

SMITH, ANDREW STAYANOFF, BURT E. AND JOHN WARE; AVIATION: SYDNEY OAKLAND, AMOS SMITH; SPRUCE DIVISION: ARTHUR CHANDLER.

IRRIGATION: ALL EARLY HOMESTEADERS RAISE PRODUCTIVE DRY-LAND GARDENS AND ORCHARDS. MR. IVANOFF, OF MILL CREEK, HAS AN IRRIGATION FLUME FROM A SPRING. GLEN MADISON SAYS HE HIMSELF IRRIGATES IN THE EARLY-1940'S. ROY ASBURY BELIEVES IN 1951, ON THE FIRST PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL SITE, THE FIRST DRILLED WELL COINCIDES WITH ONE OF THE FIRST PRESSURIZED SPRINKLING SYSTEMS.

RURAL HIGH SCHOOL, A CONSOLIDATED HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR POST-FALLS-AND-VICINITY EIGHTH-GRADE GRADS, IS PETITIONED FOR BY CHARLES WAGGONER [OF PLEASANT VIEW], PAUL DRYDEN, D. W. SOMMERS, E. H. BRICKETT, AND H. S. WETHERALL [EDITOR OF THE THE POST FALLS ADVANCE]. PRIOR TO THIS TIME, SEVERAL DEDICATED AND TENACIOUS STUDENTS FROM PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY CROSS THE BRIDGE AND CATCH THE HOURLY ELECTRIC TRAIN AT MCGUIRES TO ATTEND POST FALLS HIGH SCHOOL. VOTING JUDGES IN PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY: J. A. MCNALL AND WILLIAM PLONSKE. COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WAVE A GO-AHEAD IN MAY 1924. THIS SAME YEAR, A SCHOOL ELECTION ELECTS CHARLES WAGGONER, FROM PLEASANT VIEW, AS ONE OF THE RURAL HIGH SCHOOL TRUSTEES.

WINTER 1924/25, THE NEW \$45,000 SIX-ROOM RURAL HIGH SCHOOL FACILITY IS COMPLETE FOR OCCUPANCY. IT HAS A 120-SEAT ASSEMBLY HALL, A GYMNASIUM, AND A MANUAL-TRAINING ROOM IN THE BASEMENT, PLUS REGULAR CLASS ROOMS. [FACING MULLAN ROAD BEHIND TODAY'S POST FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY.]

THURSDAY AT 5:30 AM, ON 15 DECEMBER 1955, A FIRE ORIGINATES IN THE NORTH-WEST CORNER OF THE BUILDING, IN THE FURNACE ROOM. AT 6:30 AM, JANITOR CAL WEEKS DISCOVERS IT. POST FALLS' VOLUNTEERS, PLUS A TRUCK AND TWO MEN FROM COEUR D'ALENE, PROVIDE EXCELLENT, BUT INADEQUATE, MANPOWER AND EQUIPMENT. OFFICE RECORDS AND CLASS PICTURES ARE SAVED, BUT THE BUILDING IS A TOTAL LOSS. SOLUTIONS FOR HOUSING 175 STUDENTS INCLUDE SPLIT-SHIFTS AND HOLDING CLASSES ELSEWHERE IN TOWN. ABOUT 1956/57, THE MODERN 14-ROOM \$158,893.00 HIGH SCHOOL [TODAY'S JUNIOR HIGH] HOLDS CLASSES FOR THE FIRST TIME.

TELEPHONES: THE FIRST TELEPHONE INSTRUMENTS ARE LARGE HEAVY-OAK OR HEAVY-WALNUT WALL-HANGING BOXES WITH A RECEIVER WHICH GOES TO THE EAR AND A MOUTHPIECE TO SHOUT INTO. THERE ARE NO PUSH

BUTTONS OR A DIALING MECHANISM, JUST A CRANK. WHEN TURNED, IT ACTIVATES A VIBRATING, CLANGING BELL. IN 1937, THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES, THERE IS ONLY ONE TELEPHONE INSTALLED IN EVERY THIRTEEN HOMES.

ABOUT 1910, STATE LINE AND BIG ROCK COMMUNITIES AGREE ON A ROUTE FOR TELEPHONE POLES AND WIRES. THERE IS NO PROBLEM FINDING VOLUNTEERS OR GAINING PERMISSION FROM LAND OWNERS TO CUT THE NECESSARY STRAIGHT TREES FOR POLES (INSULATORS AND PINS CAN NOT BE FASTENED TO LIVE TREES). SKINNED AND SMOOTHED POLES ARE PLANTED FROM SPOKANE BRIDGE TO AS FAR SOUTH AS CABLE CREEK. MEANWHILE, BRANCHES OF ANY LIVING TREES THAT MIGHT SWING AGAINST THE WIRES ARE HACKED OFF.

ONLY ONE LINE SERVES THE ENTIRE STATE-LINE/BIG-ROCK MULTI-SUBSCRIBERSHIP. THIS ONE SERVICE IS CALLED A "PARTY LINE". THE IDEA OF A TINY WIRE CARRYING A VOICE SEEMS INCREDIBLE BUT EVERYONE QUICKLY ACCEPTS IT.

PRETTY SOON, A SECOND ONE-PARTY-LINE RUNS THROUGH PLEASANT VIEW AND MILL CREEK DISTRICTS.

"CENTRAL" (AND THE SWITCH BOARD) FOR STATE-LINE/BIG-ROCK LOCATES IN SPOKANE BRIDGE. FOR PLEASANT-VIEW/MILL-CREEK, IT IS IN POST FALLS. THE SWITCH BOARD, USUALLY IN A HOME OR AT A BUSINESS, OPENS AND CLOSES AT DESIGNATED HOURS EXCEPT BY PRIOR ARRANGEMENT OR APPOINTMENT.

CENTRAL'S BASIC JOB IS TO BE VERRRRY ACCOMMODATING, LIKE A PRIVATE RECEPTIONIST TO EACH SUBSCRIBER. SHE CAN - IF ASKED TO - SCREEN, CONNECT, OR REDIRECT CALLS. SHE IS A DIRECTORY, LONG-DISTANCE AND OPERATOR ASSISTANT; BUSINESS AND SERVICE REPRESENTATIVE; TIME-OF-DAY, WAKE-UP, MESSAGE, AND ANSWERING SERVICE; BULLETIN BOARD AND INFORMATION CENTER; AND MUCH, MUCH MORE.

She will do most anything requested of her. Just ring her and say, "I'm going to Liberty Lake for the day, please take messages." Or, "We're going to Holland's. I'm expecting a long-distance call from my son in Seattle. Please ring there." Or, "Because Plonske's line is busy, will you please keep trying to get through and call me back." Or, "My baby just swallowed a pin, send the doctor quick!" Or, "Our house is on fire, find help!"

BECAUSE OF RENDERING THESE KINDS OF SERVICES, CENTRAL KNOWS JUST ABOUT EVERYTHING. WHO HAS A BABY, WHO IS SICK, WHO IS INJURED, WHO IS GETTING MARRIED, WHO IS OUT OF TOWN, WHO HAS FAMILY PROBLEMS. [FORTUNATELY, FEW CENTRALS ARE NOSEY LIKE THE MRS. OLSEN CHARACTER IN "LITTLE HOUSE ON THE PRAIRIE".]

EVERY BELL ON A PARTY-LINE REVERBERATES AT ONCE. THERE MUST BE INDIVIDUAL RINGING-CODE ASSIGNMENTS. A RINGING CODE IS A VARIETY OF LONG AND SHORT RINGS. EXAMPLES PER GLENYS PETERS AND MIKE WAGGONER: WAGGONER'S IS A SHORT-LONG-SHORT, PETER'S LONG-LONG-LONG-SHORT, AND PLONSKE'S LONG-LONG-SHORT. ONE LONG RING ALWAYS ALERTS CENTRAL. MOST EVERYONE HAS THE RINGING CODES MEMORIZED FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES.

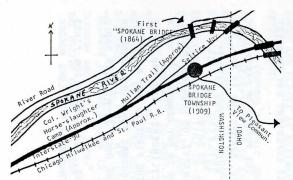
FEW PEOPLE MAKE AND RECEIVE CALLS. WHEN A RINGING CODE IS HEARD - SHORT-SHORT-SHORT-SHORT FOR EXAMPLE - EVERY PARTY-LINER COMMENTS: "I WONDER WHO'S CALLING LYONS AT THIS HOUR?" MANY TIMES PEOPLE ARE CURIOUS ENOUGH TO RUBBERNECK. RUBBERNECKING BECOMES A FAVORITE PASTIME. IT CAN BE ENTERTAINING AND INFORMATIVE.

A JANGLING BELL LATE AT NIGHT USUALLY SPELLS TROUBLE OR EMERGENCY, ESPECIALLY IF THE RINGING IS HARD, EXAGGERATED, UNUSUAL, REPEATED, AND/OR SOUNDS KIND OF PANICKY (FOLKS RECOGNIZE THE DIFFERENCE). MOST PEOPLE PICK UP THE RECEIVER TO FIND OUT IF THEY CAN BE OF ANY ASSISTANCE, WHICH IS A MOST EXPEDIENT WAY TO ALERT VOLUNTEER FIREMEN OR A RESCUE TEAM!

RECEPTION DETERIORATES EQUAL TO THE NUMBER OF PARTY-LINE RECEIVERS OFF THEIR HOOKS. ONE DAY, JULIE, BEFORE SHE IS MRS. BEN HOLLAND, STRAINS TO HEAR A BOYFRIEND. "WHAT DID YOU SAY?!!" SHE SHOUTS. A RUBBERNECKING CENTRAL ASSISTS: "HE SAID,"

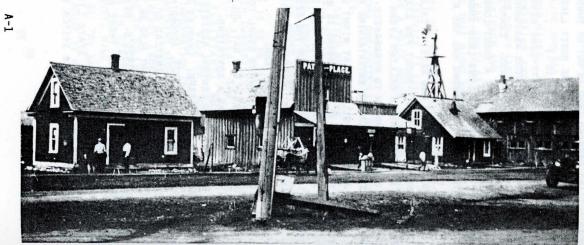
RADIO AND PHONOGRAPH: CHARLES SWARTZ, OF SPOKANE BRIDGE, HAS THE FIRST PHONOGRAPH BY 1903, ACCORDING TO ROY ASBURY. IT HAS A HORN BUT PLAYS FLAT RECORDS INSTEAD OF CYLINDERS. BEN AND JULIE HOLLAND BELIEVE MR. SWARTZ MIGHT ALSO BE THE FIRST TO OWN A CRYSTAL HEAD-PHONE RADIO IN THE MID-1920'S. NEIGHBORS PURPOSELY DROP IN DURING BROADCAST TIME. IN 1937, THERE ARE ONLY 22-MILLION RADIO RECEIVERS IN THE UNITED STATES.

INDOOR PLUMBING: AT STATE LINE, ALICE HARDISON FINDS EVIDENCE OF A GRAVITY-FLOW WATER SYSTEM THROUGH A MILE-LONG WOODEN



LEFT: MAP SHOWING PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY IN RELATIONSHIP WITH SPOKANE BRIDGE TOWNSHIP. (RESEARCHED, DRAWN, COPYRIGHTED BY PEG GOTT ANDERTON)

BELOW: MAIN NORTH-SOUTH STREET IN SPOKANE BRIDGE TOWNSHIP. CA 1920. (L-R): FRANK ROLLANG'S RESIDENCE, PAT'S PLACE (BLACKSMITH BEHIND, GARAGE FRONT), PAT CENTER'S RESIDENCE, PAT'S DANCE HALL. (COMPLIMENTS OF ROY ASBURY)





CA 1895-1900. WILL PLONSKE'S HOMESTEAD ON SPOKANE RIVER IN PLEASANT VIEW DISTRICT. BARN LEFT; HOUSE RIGHT. (COMPL. FRED & BESSIE PLONSKE)



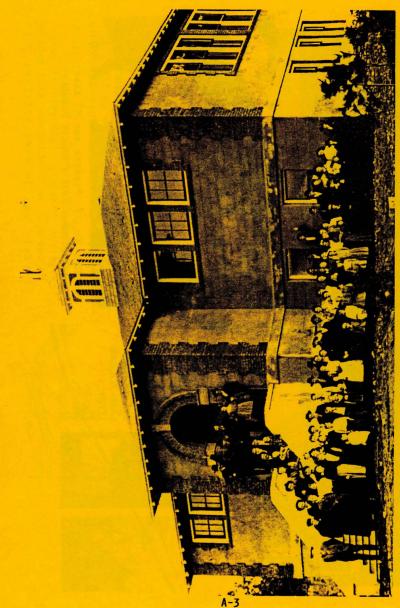
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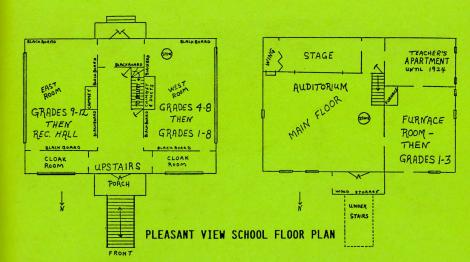
PHOTO LEFT: 1895. "WILL" WILLIAM FREDERICK PLONSKE AND M1 VIRGINIA BELLE KNOW-LTON PLONSKE [COMPL. ADELIA STENGEL HENDERSON]



CA 1904. WILL F. PLONSKE AND M2 NANCY GILES PLONSKE [COMPL. FRED & BESSIE PLONSKE]



NO NO BRICK-AND-STUCCO SCHOOL HOUSE. DEDICATION PICNIC HELD J. ITS NOW LISTED WITH THE IDAHO PRESERVATION COUNCIL AND ISTRY. (COMPL. CHET/ALICE REYNOLDS AND GLEN/EVA MADISON) REGISTRY. PLEASANT VIEW'S BRI THANKSGIVING 1910. THE NATIONAL REGISTI







PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL PRIVIE AS IT LOOKS TODAY. NOTICE CUPOLA MATCHES THE SCHOOL BELL TOWER-(TAKEN BY PEG GOTT ANDERTON)

1912. Mrs. Laura Williams, Teacher at Pleasant View School (1907-1912). (Compliments of Roy Asbury)

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PHOTO LEFT: CA 1910. MILL CREEK SCHOOL. (TOP L-R): PHIL SMITH, DAN SMITH, EILEEN DOWD (MID L-R): DOROTHY BLOSSOM, BYRUM GIRL, MARION SMITH. (LOWER L-R): BYRUM BOY, MARY KNUDSEN, HAROLD BLOSSOM, A BOY. (COMPL. FLOYD AND MARY KNUDSEN HINES)

PHOTO RIGHT: Ca 1920. MILL CREEK SCHOOL HOUSE; FRIENDS AND/OR RELATIVES OF DEFOREST BLOSSOM. [COMPL. ETHEL (MRS. GLEN) BLOSSOM]



BIG ROCK SCHOOL HOUSE CA 1918. ED REYNOLDS SEATED IN DOORWAY.

(COMPLIMENTS OF CHET AND ALICE REYNOLDS)



BILL BROOKSHIRE (LEFT) AND ELICK LONG (RIGHT) RIDING ALONG STATE LINE ROAD ABOUT TWO-MILES SOUTH OF SPOKANE BRIDGE- CA 1904. (COMPLIMENTS OF ICIE BROOKSHIRE FISHER)



WASHINGTON-IDAHO
GEOLOGICAL SURYEY MARKER 1906. LOCATED
ON STATE LINE
ROAD- (PICTURE
TAKEN BY PEG
GOTT ANDERTON)



AUGUST OAKLAND (REPRINT FROM ILLUS-TRATED HISTORY OF NORTH IDAHO, 1903)



AUGUST PLONSKE
HENRIETTA/HENNATHE (KOLLMOWSKE) PLONSKE
(COMPL- FRED AND BESSIE PLONSKE)



LOUIS AND ANNIE K. (PLONSKE) STENGEL (COMPLIMENTS OF ADELIA STENGEL HENDERSON)

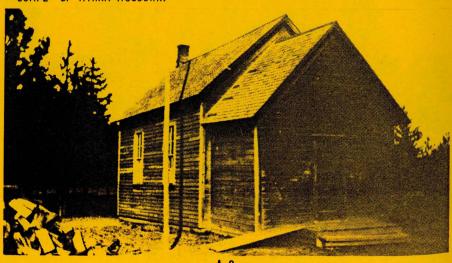


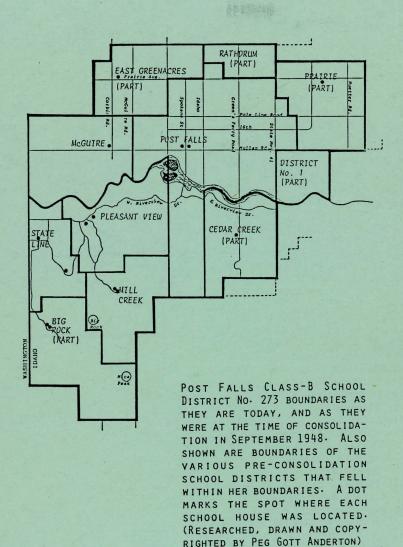
POST FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 7 (ORG. 13 JULY 1886) BECAME No. 5 IN 1908. THE GRADE SCHOOL BUILDING (CONSTRUCTED 1890) BECAME SITUATED BEHIND THE CEMENT-BLOCK RURAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 85 (ORG. MAY 1924) BUILDING. BOTH BUILDINGS WERE WEST OF TODAY'S POST FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY. ON SPOKANE-STREET/MULLAN-ROAD WAS A LARGE FRAME GYMNASIUM ELECTRICALLY LIGHTED AND STEAM HEATED. NOTICE JOHN MULLAN'S STATUE IN THE EXTREME RIGHT OF THE BELOW PHOTO. (PHOTO COMPLIMENTS OF MYRNA MCQUOWN)





ABOVE: PRAIRIE-VALLEY (A/K/A SWAFFORD, VESSER, PRAIRIE) SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 41 FORMED ON 20 JAN. 1896. IN 1908, IT BECOMES NO. 25 AND AGAIN RENUMBERED 20 IN 1915. THE PART OF THE DISTRICT WITH THE SCHOOL HOUSE CONSOLIDATED WITH POST FALLS 273 IN SEPTEMBER 1948. (PICTURE TAKEN IN 1986 OF OLD SCHOOL HOUSE STANDING NEXT TO PRAIRIE AVENUE ON PRIVATE PROPERTY ABOUT 1-1/4 MILE EAST OF HWY-41.) BELOW: CEDAR CREEK (A/K/A PATTERSON, MASON, GREENS FERRY) SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 62 FORMED 19 JAN. 1900. IT WAS RENUMBERED 35 IN 1908 AND 29 IN 1915. CLASSES DISCONTINUED IN SPRING 1933. IN SEPT. 1948, HALF OF THIS DISTRICT CONSOLIDATED WITH POST FALLS NO. 273. (PHOTO COMPL. OF MYRNA MCQUOWN).



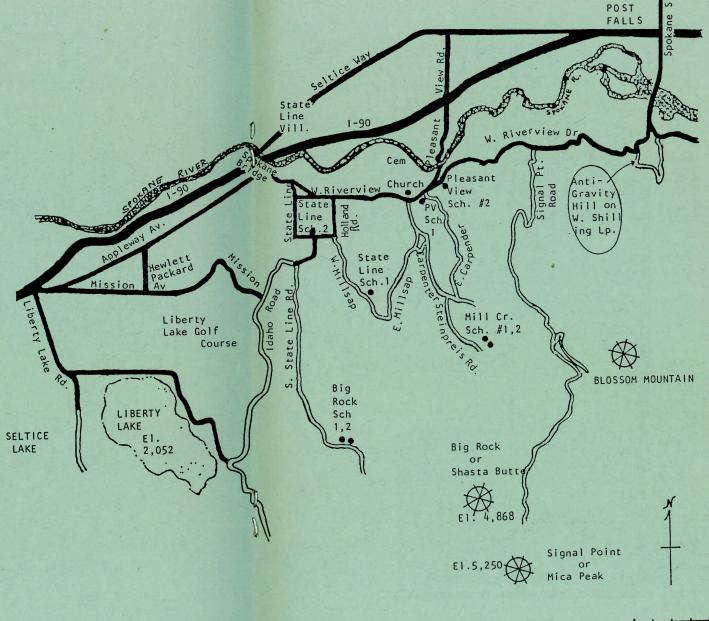


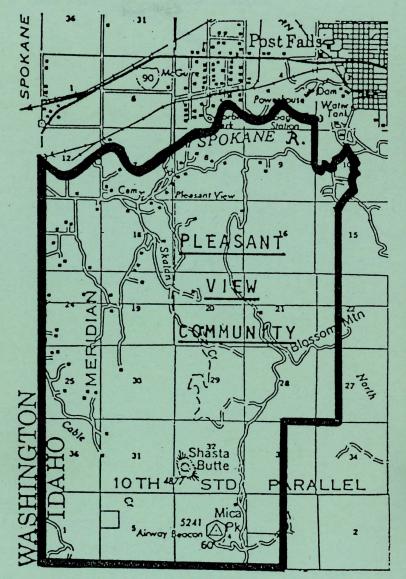
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NOTE: IT IS ADVISEABLE NOT TO PULL ANY KIND OF TRAILER! BUT BE SURE TO TAKE LOTS OF FILM. ANTI-GRAVITY HILL: POST FALLS' OWN KNOT'S BERRY FARM! LOCATED ON WEST SHILLING LOOP ABOUT 4.5/10THS MILE AFTER LEAVING W. RIVERVIEW'S BLACK-TOP. STOP AT TOP OF HILL AND BEFORE TURNING INTO THE LEFT CURVE. LOOK BACK OVER YOUR LEFT SHOULDER AT THE BEAUTIFUL VALLEY. KILL ENGINE, RELEASE BRAKES, POP INTO NEUTRAL GEAR. CAR WILL ROLL BACKWARDS UP HILL!

SITES TO SEE IN PLEASANT VIEW:
ALL OF W. RIVERVIEW DRIVE.
STOP AT TURN-OUT OVER-LOOKING
POST FALLS, RATHDRUM PRAIRIE
AND HILLS OVER YONDER. KEEP
GOING. SEE PLEASANT VIEW
SCHOOL HOUSE NEAR PLEASANT,
VIEW BRIDGE ROAD. DRIVE AROUND
CARPENTER LOOP TO PLEASANT
VIEW CHURCH. REVERSE. DRIVE
AROUND MILLSAP LOOP TO SEE
SPOKANE VALLEY AND BOTH STATE
LINE SCHOOL SITES.

MORE TO SEE: TAKE IDAHO ROAD AND MISSION ROAD PAST HEWLETT PACKARD TO CIRCLE AROUND TO WHAT USED TO BE SPOKANE BRIDGE TOWNSHIP. THE STOP SIGN AT SPOKANE BRIDGE ROAD AND APPLEWAY AVENUE IS NEXT TO THE ONCE-UPON-A-TIME RAILROADSPOKANE BRIDGE TOWNSHIP WAS WHERE I-90 OVER-PASS IS TODAY-IMAP BY PEG GOTT ANDERTON]





ABOVE: 1925. MC QUIRES SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 83 (RENUMBERED 62 IN 1915; PHOTO COMPL. MRS. FINELY JONES)
BELOW: 1937. EAST GREENACRES SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 84 (RENUMBERED 63 IN 1915; PHOTO COMPL. ELEANOR SATRE)
BOTH ORGANIZED ON 26 APRIL 1911 AND CONSOLIDATED WITH POST FALLS No. 273 IN SEPTEMBER 1948.



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ABOVE: 1928- EAST GREENACRES. (REAR L-R): LOIS LOCKHART, ANNIE HOFFMAN, HELEN MCPHERSON, KENNETH THOMAS, EVA HARDY, ELEANOR SATRE, WENDELL SATRE, MARY BODINE, GLENN SATCHWELL (TEACHER); (2ND L-R): MARGARET MCPHERSON, FLORENCE MOORE, IONE MCPHERSON, JAY CLAY, ERMA JEFFRIES, BELLE HOFFMAN; (3RD L-R): DICK ADAMS, GERTRUDE SWEARS, ARCHIE YAGER, MARGORIE RUSSELL, EVELYN LOCKHART, WAYNE CLAY; (FRONT L-R): ELMER PETERSON, BETTY PETERSON; (ABSENT): IRENE FISHER (PHOTO AND NAMES COMPLIMENTS OF ELEANOR SATRE)

BELOW: 1920. THE SCHOOL BUS FROM GREENS FERRY AREA TO POST FALLS SCHOOL. DRIVER HERBERT MONTAGUE. (COMPLIMENTS OF MYRNA MCQUOWN)



STATE LINE DISTRICT'S SECOND SCHOOL HOUSE PHOTOGRAPHED AFTER W. H. SMITH SUPPLIED THE FLAG POLE IN SEPTEMBER 1908. LOCATED AT T-INTERSECTION OF S. STATE LINE ROAD AND HOLLAND ROAD. (COMPL. CHET AND ÁLICE REYNOLDS AND PAUL AND GRACE PIHLSTROM)



CA 1917. PICNIC HELD AT STATE LINE SCHOOL GROUNDS. TEACHER, "JENNIE" JEANNETTE FRASIER STANDS NEXT TO THE PORCH POST-(COMPLIMENTS OF ICIE BROOKSHIRE FISHER)



FIRST BURIAL IN THE MOUNTAIN VIEW CEM-ETERY, RENAMED PLEASANT VIEW CEM-ETERY. (TAKEN BY PEG GOTT ANDERTON)

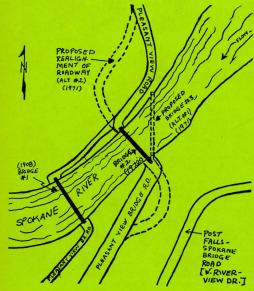


PHILLIP AND AMANDA GILES
LILLIE GILES, DAUGHTER
(COMPLIMENTS OF CHET AND ALICE REYNOLDS)



THE BLOSSOM FAMILY, PROBABLY SEPTEMBER 1910 AFTER LUCY MUNSON BLOSSOM'S DEATH- (L-R): LOUIE, NELLIE, DOROTHEA, HAROLD, GLEN "MICK", DEFOREST- [COMPL. ETHEL (Mrs. GLEN D.) BLOSSOM]

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LEFT: MAP SHOWS PLEA-SANT VIEW BRIDGES #1 AND #2, PLUS PROPOSED THIRD BRIDGE AND/OR STRAIGHT-ON ACCESSES-(BY PEG GOTT ANDERTON)





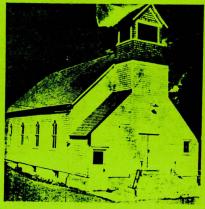
1898. TAKEN AT "SWOFFORD SCHOOL". THE NAME HONORS HARVEY JEFF "HJ" SWOFFORD. A FEW YEARS LATER, IT BECAME "VESSER SCHOOL" AFTER SAMUEL VESSER. THEN, "PRAIRIE" AND FINALLY, "PRAIRIE-VALLEY". WESTERN PORTION OF DISTRICT CONSOLIDATED WITH POST FALLS NO. 273 IN SEPTEMBER 1948. (PHOTO COMPLIMENTS OF ELLEN SWOFFORD MOSHINSKY)



PLEASANT VIEW MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH UNDER CONSTRUCTION 1908 (COMPL - ICIE BROOKSHIRE FISHER)



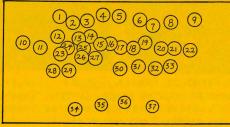
REVEREND JESSE B. MILLSAP MRS. MARTHA N. MILLSAP (COMPL. ICIE FISHER)



PLEASANT VIEW MISSIONARY CHURCH AFTER COMPLETION 1910 (COMPLIMENTS OF ICIE FISHER)



1914. PICNIC ON BIG ROCK SCHOOL GROUNDS. 1-RALPH FISHER; 2-JOHN OR STEVE PETERS; 3-MR. SMITH OR JIMMY ARROW; 4-HARVE REYNOLDS; 5-BILLY GARRISON OR GARRETSON; 6-DURAL OR CLAUDE CHANDLER; 7-LYLE SMITH; 8-WILLIAM "BILL" HAMPTON OR MR. CHANDLER; 9-ARTHUR BROOKSHIRE; 10-MRS. CHANDLER OR MAUDE STANLEY; 11-JIM CHANDLER; 12-"MA" SAMANTHA BROOKSHIRE; 13-MRS. MARTHA REYNOLDS; 14-ED REYNOLDS; 15-MARIE HOBERT OR HERBERT; 16-MRS. GARRISON OR GARRETSON; 17-DOROTHY LANE; 18-ICIE BROOKSHIRE; 19-MRS. MARIE PETERS; 20-SADIE STEWART, TEACHER; 21-LIZZIE REYNOLDS; 22-GLADYS HEARING; 23-OTTIS BROOKSHIRE; 24-MRS. LANE; 25-GERTRUDE OR MABLE PETERS; 26-TOOTS" CHARLES FERRY; 27-LEE REYNOLDS; 28-ALICE LANE; 29-JOHN LANE; 30-VI REYNOLDS; 31-LUCILLE GARRISON OR GARRETSON; 32-STELLA PETERS; 33-MABLE OR GERTRUDE PETERS; 34-THE BOWMAN GIRL OR PHOTOGRAPHER'S RELATIVE; 35-CHET REYNOLDS OR STEVE PETERS; 36-PASCEL "PIKE" REYNOLDS. (COMPLIMENTS OF CHET AND ALICE REYNOLDS AND ICIE FISHER)





"MA" SAMANTHA JANE BROOKSHIRE, OF STATE LINE. (COMPLIMENTS OF ICIE BROOKSHIRE FISHER)



JOHN HARRISON MILLSAP (B. 30 FEB. 1890 AR; D. 11 DEC. 1933 POST FALLS) AND MARY LOU BROOKSHIRE MILLSAP (B. 15 OCT. 1897 MADISONVILLE, TN) [COMPL. OF CHET AND ALICE REYNOLDS]



CA 1915. HARVE REYNOLDS FAMILY. (L-R): VIOLET "VI", LEE, MARTHA (GILES) REYNOLDS HOLDING HOMER, CHESTER "CHET" IN FRONT OF ELIZABETH "LIZZIE", HARVEY REYNOLDS HOLDING EDWARD "ED", AND PASCAL "PIKE" BEHIND. (COMPL. CHET AND ALICE REYNOLDS)



GLEN MADISON, FOUNDER AND FIRST PRESIDENT (1971-1985) OF THE PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (REPRINT FROM POST FALLS TRIBUNE 12 SEPT · 1985)



RALPH DAVIDSON, SECOND PRESIDENT (1985-NOW) OF THE PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION-(REPRINT FROM POST FALLS TRIBUNE 8 DEC-1985)



PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION'S HALL (I.E. THE OLD PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL HOUSE) AS IT LOOKED AFTER MASSIVE WORK AND CLEAN-UP-CA 1975. LISTED WITH THE IDAHO PRESERVATION COUNCIL AND ON THE NATIONAL REGISTRY. (COMPL. GLEN AND EVA MADISON).

PIPE FROM A MOUNTAIN SPRING. WAGGONERS, IN PLEASANT VIEW, PIPE THEIR WATER FROM A SPRING. FOR MANY YEARS, INDOOR PLUMBING DOES NOT FLUSH TOILETS. THE RELIABLE OUT-HOUSE IS AS CUSTOMARY TO RURAL FARMERS AS DAWN IS TO A ROOSTER.

ELECTRICITY: IN 1900, ONLY 500,000 HOMES IN THE UNITED STATES HAVE ELECTRICITY. BY 1937, THE NUMBER INCREASES TO 31-MILLION, THANKS TO PRESIDENT F. D. ROOSEVELT'S DEPRESSION RECOVERY PROGRAM. IN 1921, MAZDA LAMPS COST 45-CENTS EACH; IN 1937, 15-CENTS EACH. HOLLANDS' GAS GENERATOR AND BATTERIES OPERATE THEIR LIGHTS BEFORE ELECTRICITY COMES VIA REA [KOOTENAI RURAL ELECTRIFICATION ASSOCIATION]. REA ACQUIRES RIGHTS-OF-WAY TO BUILD LINES ALONG PUBLIC HIGHWAYS ON 17 OCTOBER 1938.

MICA PEAK NICKNAMED "SIGNAL POINT" HAS A KOHLER-GAS AIRWAY BEACON ATOP ITS 5,250-FOOT PEAK, INSTALLED BY THE C.A.A. (PREDECESSOR OF F.A.A. - FEDERAL AVIATION ASSOCIATION). THE BEAM CAN BE SEEN FOR GREAT DISTANCES, SOME CLAIM AS FAR AS MONTANA. SCHEDULED FUEL TRUCKS REGULARLY GRIND UP THE OLD MOUNTAIN ROAD.

CONSOLIDATED POST FALLS CLASS-B SCHOOL DISTRICT 273: BY THE '20'S, AND MOST CERTAINLY DURING THE GREAT DEPRESSION OF THE '30'S, MANY FAMILIES IN PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY LOSE HEART IN THE ENDLESS NURTURING, EXHAUSTING LABOR, FRUGAL LIFE, HARD TIMES, AND CYCLIC PREPARATION FOR (AND SURVIVING) WINTER. NUMEROUS RESIDENTS LEAVE. THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL DISTRICTS CLOSE AND OFFICIALLY JOIN WITH POST FALLS: MILL CREEK ANNEXES IN 1939; BIG ROCK CONSOLIDATES IN 1939; PLEASANT VIEW CONSOLIDATES IN 1940; AND STATE LINE CONSOLIDATES IN 1948.

STATE LINE SCHOOL HAS NOT BEEN HOLDING CLASSES SINCE 1944, HENCE, BUSSING STUDENTS FROM AS FAR AS BIG ROCK. ON 27 SEPTEMBER 1947, GEORGE HOLLAND PETITIONS FOR A \$30 INCREASE (FROM \$160 TO \$190) IN HIS SCHOOL-BUS CONTRACT. DENIED.

1947, THE HEATED SCHOOL-CONSOLIDATION DEBATE BLOWS HOT STEAM. ON JULY 7TH, ONE PRO-CONSOLIDATIONIST, G. O. KILDOW, PRESIDENT OF NORTH IDAHO JUNIOR COLLEGE, SAYS: "REORGANIZATION... [WOULD] GIVE EVERY CHILD THE BEST EDUCATION POSSIBLE WITH THE FACILITIES AND FINANCES AT HAND." ON THE OTHER HAND, H. B. STEVENS, SUPERINTENDENT OF WORLEY SCHOOL, ARGUES ON AUGUST 25TH, "... PEOPLE

SEEM TO THINK BIGGER MEANS BETTER ... MANY SMALLER SCHOOLS [ARE] DOING A GOOD JOB IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION."

PROPOSED POST FALLS SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 273 BOUNDARIES ARE OUTLINED ON 12 APRIL 1948 [SEE MAP ON PAGE A-10]. RESIDENTS TAKE TO THE POLLS ON 7 AUGUST 1948 TO VOTE WHETHER OR NOT THERE SHOULD BE CONSOLIDATION. STATE LINE'S VOTING CLERK IS GEORGE HOLLAND; VOTING JUDGES ARE HOMER REYNOLDS AND W. L. MILLSAP.

16 AUGUST 1948, COUNTY COMMISSIONERS DECLARE A MAJORITY VOTE AND CREATE POST FALLS CLASS-B SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 273. IT WILL INCLUDE POST FALLS DISTRICT No. 5, POST FALLS RURAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 85, STATE LINE COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT 11, MCGUIRE COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 62, EAST GREENACRES COMMON SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 63 (PART), PRAIRIE-VALLEY -- A/K/A/ SWOFFORD, VESSER, PRAIRIE -- DISTRICT 20 (POST FALLS INHERITS THE THIRD OF THE DISTRICT WITH THE SCHOOL HOUSE), CEDAR CREEK -- A/K/A PATTERSON, MASON, GREENS FERRY -- DISTRICT No. 27 (ABOUT HALF),(*) RATHDRUM DISTRICT No. 272 (FRACTION) AND COEUR D' ALENE DISTRICT 271 (FRACTION). CONSOLIDATION TAKES PLACE ON 14 SEPTEMBER 1948. [REMEMBER, PLEASANT VIEW, MILL CREEK AND BIG ROCK HAVE ALREADY CONSOLIDATED.]

ON AUGUST 14TH, BOARD MEMBERS OF THE OLD SCHOOL DISTRICTS (GEORGE HOLLAND REPRESENTING STATE LINE) MEET TO MAKE UP A NEW DISTRICT 273 BOARD. IN SEPTEMBER 1951, DISTRICT 273 USES FIVE SCHOOL BUSES. ONE 1940 CHEV, TWO 1950 GMCs AND FRANK A. SCHINTZEL'S 1948 AND 1949 CHEV BUSES.

PLEASANT VIEW 4-H CLUB OVER-VIEW IS PROVIDED BY CARLEEN (MRS. RALPH) DAVIDSON: ED WAGGONER (LIVE-STOCK LEADER), ASSISTED BY RAY BATES (DAIRY-PROJECT LEADER), TAKES CHARGE BETWEEN 1947 AND 1951. 4-H IS A BLANK SUBJECT AFTER 1951. IN 1960, INTEREST IN THE CLUB REVITALIZES AND GROWS TO 35 ACTIVE MEMBERS BUT DWINDLES TO NOTHING AGAIN AFTER 1981. IN 1985, A SMALL CLOTHING GROUP FORMS.

KNOWN LEADERS ARE JOHN BROWN, ED WAGGONER, CARLEEN DAVIDSON, GREGG RICHARDS, AND EDIE SPENCER. OF COURSE, THERE ARE

^(*) PLEASE REFER TO THE AUTHOR'S BOOKLET, "GREEN'S FERRY AND CEDAR CREEK SCHOOL, KOOTENAI COUNTY, IDAHO, FROM 1883*(1986).

OTHERS BUT NO RECORD EXISTS. ED WAGGONER WINS KOOTENAI COUNTY LEADER-OF-THE-YEAR AWARD; CARLEEN DAVIDSON WINS IN 1969. SHE SERVES TWO TERMS AS PRESIDENT OF THE LEADERS COUNCIL OF KOOTENAI COUNTY.

During the super-active period after 1960, several serve as Kootenai County 4-H host, or hostess, and work on the radio program aired over KVNI, in Coeur d'Alene. 4-H families host foreign-exchange students from Canada and Japan. In turn, members spend two weeks in Canada. Karen and Sandy Davidson win a 4-H trip to Chicago. Karen wins in Citizenship. Sandy is the first boy in Idaho to win in cooking - he also attends the Citizenship Conference in Washington, DC. Incidentally, 4-H molds Sandy's career. Over ten years, he works up from chef to Innkeeper for Holiday Inns.

RINKEY DINK CLUB (NICKNAMED "RINKEY CLUB" AND RENAMED PLEASANT VIEW CLUB) ORGANIZES ON 14 FEBRUARY 1924(*) TO HELP BIERMANS, WHO ADOPT THE INFANT TWIN ORPHANS, DONALD AND DAVID STAHL, AFTER THEIR MOTHER DIES. TEN LADIES MAKE LAYETTES.

MINNIE MAE PERIGO CHOOSES THE CLUB NAME, "RINKEY DINK", BECAUSE OF THE CARTOON CHARACTERS CALLED THE RINKEY DINK KIDS-CHARTER MEMBERS IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER (PER GLENYS PETERS): MARGARET COWDEN, MARY FRAISER, FREDA HOLLAND, MARIE LIECHTE, FLORENCE LYON, MRS- [J-A-?] MCNALL, MINNIE MAE PERIGO, GLENYS PETERS, MAGGIE PETERS, AND PAT TRIGG-

MAGGIE PETERS IS THE FIRST PRESIDENT. OTHER KNOWN PRESIDENTS: LESSIE WAGGONER, MAUDE KYLE, GLENYS WAGGONER PETERS, CORA WALLEN, MINNIE MAE PERIGO, MAUDE MELLICK, WINNIFORD PLONSKE, JANET ZIEGELE, MAXINE MCKENSIE, ELLA INSKO, MARVEL FREDENBERG, LILA RICHMOND, PAT TRIGG, LUCILLE WORSFOLD, OLGA SANDIN, VELMA MEEKS, MRS. FRETWELL, MARY LOU MCCALLUM, ARDELLA PLUNKETT, ELVINA WORSFORD, DELVINA DUST, AND BARBARA EASTERLY DAVIS (1986).

THROUGH THE YEARS, THE MEMBERSHIP (GROWING TO 35 AT ONE TIME) MAINTAINS A ROOM IN THE LEWISTON CHILDREN'S HOME AND SENDS ANNUAL GIFTS, SUCH AS QUILTS, CLUB-CANNED FRUITS, PICKLES, JAMS, AND JELLIES AND HAND-MADE CLOTHING. ITS MAIN GOALS ARE SOCIAL, COMPASSIONATE SERVICE, CHARITABLE DEEDS, SELF-EDUCATION, HOME IMPROVEMENT, PHILANTHROPIC SCHOLARSHIPS, AND RELIEF. RINKEY DINK QUILTS AID FIRE VICTIMS. AN HOME ECONOMICS DEMONSTRATOR, UNDER THE DIRECTION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO, CONDUCTS WORKSHOPS TO STIMULATE HOME DECORATIONS. LADIES ATTEND ALL-DAY CRAFTS FAIRS IN SPOKANE AND STATE CONVENTIONS IN BOISE, POCATELLO AND LEWISTON.

10AM-TO-4PM MONTHLY MEETINGS ROTATE TO MEMBER'S HOMES THEN EVENTUALLY TO STATE LINE AND PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL HOUSES. CONSTANT CHATTER MAKES THEIR WORK MORE FUN. THEIR ANNUAL FALL FAMILY HARVEST POT-LUCK DINNER BEGINS IN 1924 AT THE PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL HOUSE. ALWAYS "SU-BURP" TABLESFUL OF FOOD, JOVIAL PEOPLE, AND AN AFTER-MEAL PROGRAM. FAVORITE ENTERTAINERS ARE THE COMMUNITY CHILDREN. OTHER CLUB-AND-COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES INCLUDE FUND-RAISING RAFFLES, BAZAARS AND SUPPERS, DIME-A-DIP ICE CREAM SOCIALS, AND CARNIVALS.

IN 1958, THE CLUB PLACES A FLOAT IN THE PARADE, BUT, ACCORDING TO MRS. ELLA INSKO, PRESIDENT, NO YOUNG LADY WANTS TO BE "MISS RINKEY DINK", HENCE THE NAME CHANGE TO PLEASANT VIEW CLUB. AS COMMUNITY NEEDS CHANGE, THE CLUB CHANGES TO MEET NEW CHALLENGES. IT TAKES CHARGE OF THE CANCER DRIVE AND THE HEART FUND IN THEIR AREAGIFTS, VISITS AND ENTERTAINMENT DELIGHT RESIDENTS OF COEUR D' ALENE NURSING HOMES. ETC., ETC.

UNUSUAL POST-WORLD-WAR-TWO ENTREPRENEURISM: EVERY SELF-WILLED BUSINESS IS AN EXPENSIVE PROPOSITION. MANY HAVE TRIED IN PLEASANT VIEW BUT FEW HAVE SUCCEEDED. HERE ARE A FEW TRIALS THAT HAVE COME TO LIGHT:

IN THE 1940'S, SOMEONE RAISES FOX AND MINK IN OLD STATE LINE DISTRICT. IN THE MID-1940'S, A FORMER MILITARY OFFICER OPERATES A SKI RESORT AT THE SADDLE BETWEEN BIG ROCK AND MICA PEAK. IT EEKS AN INCOME BUT NEVER BECOMES, IN ONE MAN'S WORDS, FAMOUS. FINALLY, IT CLOSES IN THE LATE-'60'S. IN 1983, THE ROCKING-J CHUCK WAGON RANCH AND RESORT, OFF WEST RIVERVIEW DRIVE AND ALONG THE RIVER, FEATURES AN ORIGINAL WESTERN SHOW, STAGE COACH RIDES,

^(*) OLD MINUTES AND SCRAP BOOKS, PRESENTLY STORED AT GRACE THOMPSON'S HOME, ARE MINUS MINUTES FROM FEBURARY 1924 TO JANUARY 1939 AND JANUARY 1950 TO JANUARY 1959. MRS. THOMPSON, CURRENT VICE-PRESIDENT, APOLOGETICALLY BELIEVES THEY WERE LOST IN A HOUSE FIRE.

THE LATE MARY M. (KNUDSEN) HINES, A PERCEPTIVE LADY, LOOKED BACKWARDS IN PERFECT METER AND RHYME. LET'S LISTEN TO HER HEART:

HILLSIDE HISTORY

WHEN WE REMINISCE ABOUT OLD FARMS, WE CALL THEM BY THE NAME . . . OF THE FOLKS WHO SETTLED THERE NOW NOT MUCH IS THE SAME . THERE ARE VERY FEW, IF ANY, LEFT WHO HOMESTEADED THEIR PLACE NOW WHEN WE GO UP THERE TO LOOK WE FIND A STRANGER'S FACE. STILL, IN OUR RECOLLECTIONS . . . WE SAY, IT'S SO AND SO'S HOME BUT NOW IN THESE CHANGING TIMES THEY'VE LEFT THE FARM TO ROAM. THE ONLY WAY WE CAN VISUALIZE THESE SPOTS, IN OUR MEMORY IS TO REMEMBER ORIGINAL NAMES TO LOCATE, WHERE EACH USED TO BE. GONE ARE THE OLD TIMERS . . . BUT THEY HAVE LEFT BEHIND A LEGEND OF THEIR LIVING THERE THAT CLINGS WITHIN OUR MIND. I'D BE REALLY LOST FOR SURE . . . IF SOMEONE MENTIONS A FARM THAT NOW HAS SOME NEW OWNER BUT OLD NAMES HOLD A CHARM. LIKE SMITH AND WAGGONER AND LYON, MELLICK, HOLLAND AND KYLE'S CARPENTER, COWDEN, MILLSAP AND McCLOUD, OVER MANY COUNTRY MILES.

THERE'S REYNOLDS, WEST AND PETERS, BARNES, FRAZIER, AND CABLE . . . MANY MORE COME TO MIND I ONLY HOPE THAT I AM ABLE. HINES, FOX AND BROOKSHIRE, ASBURY, ANDERSON AND LANE . . . OAKLAND, HUMPHREY AND SWARTZ NOW ONLY A FEW REMAIN. THEY WERE FRIENDLY, HAPPY FOLKS, WHO GREETED US WITH SMILES . . . OVER THE YEARS WHEN WE WERE YOUNG ANOTHER FAMILY WAS NAMED GILES. THERE WAS WOLF AND WESTER . . . ALSO ONE NAMED TRIGG WE VISITED AS WE DROVE AROUND IN A HORSE-DRAWN RIG. ONE I MUST SURELY MENTION . . . WAS KNUDSEN, IN THIS GAME BECAUSE MY GRANDAD HOMESTEADED AND IT WAS MY MAIDEN NAME . TITUS AND IVANOFF, ALSO LIVED THERE ALONG THE ROAD . . . THINGS HAVE CHANGED SO MUCH NO LONGER IS IT THEIR ABODE . KOTH, KRIEGER AND MARSTON, HAMPTON, BYRUM AND CUSTER . . . I'M SAD TO SAY I MAY HAVE MISSED AS MY MEMORY'S IN A FLUSTER . PLONSKE, JENKINS AND CHANDLER, JACKSON, NICHOLS, AND FERRY I'M NEARLY OUT OF NAMES I FEAR MY THINKING IS PRONE TO TARRY. BLOSSOM, DODGE AND FLEMMING FELTON, HERRING AND KAYE . . . I HOPE I HAVEN'T OMITTED ANY OLD-TIMERS OF YESTERDAY. RULES, HOXEY AND LOWENTRAUT, MARTEL, SULLIVAN AND AMELS . . . OLD NAMES THAT RETURN TO ME FROM WAY BACK, THEIR BEING DWELLS. ONE OLD BACHELOR NAMED SANDA . . . LIVED ALL ALONE UP A GAP MANY DOLLARS HE TOSSED TO ME WHEN A CHILD, INTO MY LAP. AND FINALLY, THE OLD BYE PLACE, WHERE MY DAD HOMESTEADED WHEN YOUNG HE AND MY MOTHER BUILT A LOG CABIN WHEN THEIR MARRIED LIFE BEGUN. LATER, HE SOLD IT TO JOHN BYE WE MOVED AWAY WHEN I WAS THREE INTO SPOKANE, FOR A TIME . . . STILL THAT HOMESTEAD IS PRECIOUS TO ME. I'VE WRITTEN ABOUT OUR NEIGHBORS, WHO LIVED AROUND PLEASANT VIEW SO MANY LONG GONE YEARS AGO OLD-TIMERS, THAT WE KNEW. BIERMANS AND NOGLE, I TOO RE-CALL ALONG WITH ALL THE REST . . . BELIEVE ME, ALL OF THIS RAMBLING HAS PUT MY MEMORY TO THE TEST. SO THE MOUNTAINS STAY THE SAME, OF THEM, THERE IS NO MYSTERY . . . THESE OLD HOMES IN THE WILDERNESS IS A PART OF, HILLSIDE HISTORY. -- MARY M. (KNUDSEN) HINES (1978)



Pleasant View Community's First Who's Who!

A CHRONO-ALPHA LIST OF PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY'S FIRST MOVERS AND SHAKERS SEEM TO NEATLY FALL WITHIN CERTAIN TIME BRACKETS: 1888-1891, 1891 1/2-1894, 1895-1897, 1898-1904, AND 1905-1910. IT IS NOT INTENTIONAL TO OMIT ANYONE THROUGH 1910, BUT WITH THE PASSING OF 70-TO-100 YEARS, OMISSIONS ARE UNAVOIDABLE. CHECK THE EVERY-NAME INDEX FOR NAMES THAT MIGHT APPEAR IN OTHER PORTIONS OF THIS BOOK.

B = BORN; D = DIED; IMM = IMMIGRATED; CA = CIRCA; M2 = SECOND MARRIAGE

(1888-1891)

CABLE, HENRY I. AND MATTIE: HENRY (B. 1880 ND), THE SON OF WILLIAM H. AND MARTHA (SHARP) CABLE, MARRIES MATTIE AFTER THE 1900 CENSUS. KNOWN CHILDREN: WILLIE, HARRY, THOMAS. HENRY IS ONLY EIGHT-YEARS OLD WHEN HIS FATHER MIGRATES 3-MILES SOUTH AND 1/4-MILE EAST FROM SPOKANE BRIDGE IN 1890. HENRY MARRIES A SECOND TIME TO MARTHA E. HAMPTON (DAU. OF WYLIE HAMPTON) ON 9 DECEMBER 1906 IN SPOKANE, WASHINGTON.

CABLE, John W. "Grandpa" (B. 1819 Washington City, DC) MARRIES MARY McConnell (Born in Pennsylvania). His medal for Bravery in the Mexican War (1845) becomes a prized family Possession. In 1856, he removes his family to Kansas. At the Outbreak of the Civil War, he returns to Pennsylvania to fulfill a Governor's appointment as State Inspector General. In 1862, he Transfers to the Western Department. At the close of the war, he returns to Kansas, where, in 1870, his beloved wife dies. In 1876, he goes to the Black Hills, SD, with his son, William. In 1890, he moves in with William Cable's family, who has preceeded him to Idaho. John dies on 7 June 1902 while visiting his youngest son, N.

MIRBERTT Diem

Cable, in Sebastipol, CA. Other known children: Daniel N., R.E., I.N., Lucy, and Kate.

CABLE, WILLIAM A. (B. 1878 SD) AND ALMA (B. 1889): THIS OLDEST SON OF WILLIAM H. AND MARTHA (SHARP) CABLE MARRIES ALMA ABOUT 1909. WILLIAM WAS ONLY ELEVEN-YEARS OLD WHEN HIS FATHER MIGRATED 3-MILES SOUTH AND 1/4-MILE EAST FROM SPOKANE BRIDGE IN 1890. HE SERVES AS A PREACHER AT PLEASANT VIEW CHURCH.

CABLE, WILLIAM H. AND MARTHA F. (B. 1852-57 MO; MAIDEN SHARP): WILLIAM WAS BORN 13 JULY 1844 IN LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY, TO JOHN W. AND MARY (McConnell) CABLE. THE CIVIL WAR VET (CO. E 12TH KS VOL. CAV.) MARRIES MARTHA SHARP 12 AUGUST 1875 (IN KANSAS?). IN 1876, MR. CABLE PRESSES INTO THE BLACK HILLS, SD, AS A MINER. 1888, HE MOVES INTO STEVE LIBERTY'S HOUSE BY LIBERTY LAKE, WASHINGTON. 1890, HE LOCATES ON THE COEUR D'ALENE INDIAN RESERVATION 3-MILES SOUTH AND 1/4-MILE EAST FROM SPOKANE BRIDGE. CABLE CREEK IS NAMED AFTER THIS FAMILY. CHILDREN: HERBERT A., WILLIAM A., HENRY I., AND THOMAS M.

COLORFUL AND INFLUENCIAL MR. CABLE BECOMES THE FIRST MAN FROM STATE LINE TO SERVE AS A JUROR FOR THE COUNTY DISTRICT COURT (1894), FIRST VOTING JUDGE FOR STATE LINE VOTING PRECINCT (1894), A COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF THE SECOND DISTRICT (1896-1897), AND A SHERIFF (1898). HE BECOMES A CHARTER MEMBER OF THE LAWTON POST NO-29 OF THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC (ORG. 11 May 1901). HE PROVIDES MUCH STATE LINE AND SPOKANE BRIDGE NEWS TO THE RATHDRUM NEWSPAPER.

LYON, LEVERITT V. AND FLORENCE N. (POMEROY): LEV WAS BORN 13 APRIL 1863 IN PETERSBURG, NEW BRUNSWICK, CANADA, TO WILLIAM AND MATILDA (SLEEP) LYON, NATIVES OF THE SAME CITY. HIS BROTHERS ARE BRADFORD, LUDLOW "LUD", AND GEORGE. AT AGE 16, HE GOES INTO THE PENNSYLVANIA COAL MINES; AGE 18 INTO THE NEVADA QUARTZ MINES; AGE 19 THE BLACK HILLS, SD; AGE 20 SPOKANE, WA; AGE 26 THE BIG BEND COUNTRY TO PROSPECT. TWO YEARS ARE SPENT IN THE OKANOGAN DISTRICT, ON THE NORTH HALF OF THE COLVILLE INDIAN RESERVATION, EXPLORING THE COUNTRY. IN THE LATE-1880'S, HE ESTABLISHES ON A QUARTER SECTION 2-1/2 MILES FROM POST FALLS. ABOUT 1904, HE MARRIES FLORENCE N. (BORN 1877 PA; DAU. OF MELVIN AND REBECCA POMEROY). KNOWN CHILDREN: MARTHA

M., WILLIAM V., MABEL, JOSEPHINE, AND ADDIE. HIS BROTHER LUD LYON DROWNS IN THE SPOKANE RIVER ABOUT 1902.

LOAN, CHRISTOPHER "CHRIS" C. (B. 1857 IRELAND; IMM. 1881) AND IRVINA OR ERWINA (B. 1859 IRELAND; IMM 1881) RECEIVE A U.S. LAND PATENT ON 30 APRIL 1892 IN OLD PLEASANT VIEW DISTRICT. UNDER THE HOMESTEAD ACT, ANY CITIZEN, OR INTENDED CITIZEN, IS ASSURED A QUARTER-SECTION AFTER HE LIVES ON IT FOR AT LEAST FIVE-YEARS AND MAKES THE REQUIRED IMPROVEMENTS (I.E. HOME, CLEARING AND FENCES FOR LIVESTOCK). HOWEVER, THE FIVE-YEAR REQUIREMENT CAN BE REDUCED WITH MILITARY SERVICE. IT IS DOUBTFUL MR. LOAN EVER SERVED IN THE U.S. MILITARY.

They are in Washington before 1883, in Pleasant View by 1889, and Cedar Creek District (South Greens Ferry Road area) about 1899. Known Children: John J., William "Will" R., Mary J., Adam, Ida, Maggie, George, Thomas H., and Christopher.

OAKLAND, AUGUST "GUS OR GUST" AND GRACE (B. 1861 SWEDEN, IMM. 1866; MAIDEN NELSON): MR. OAKLAND WAS BORN 7 FEBRUARY 1855 IN CENTRAL SWEDEN TO JOHN O. AND MATILDA (LUNGREEN) OAKLAND. THE FAMILY IMMIGRATES INTO BURNETT CO., WISCONSIN IN 1868. FROM 1870 THROUGH 1889, AUGUST WORKS IN THE PINERIES. IN 1878, HE MARRIES THE DAUGHTER OF OLIF AND ENGEBORE NELSON, NATIVES OF SWEDEN, WHO SETTLED AT WOOD LAKE, BURNETT CO., WISCONSIN. IN FEBRUARY 1890, HE BORROWS \$50 TO GET TO SPOKANE WHERE HE WORKS AT ODD JOBS SEVERAL MONTHS TO EARN ENOUGH MONEY TO SEND FOR HIS FAMILY AND BUY A SQUATTER'S RIGHT ONE-MILE SOUTHEAST OF SPOKANE BRIDGE. THE HOUSE IS ON THE NORTH SIDE OF W. RIVERVIEW DRIVE WHERE HOLLAND ROAD INTERSECTS. HE PURCHASES A BUILDING FROM THE INDIANS AND MOVES IT TO HIS FARM.

MR. OAKLAND SERVES AS A SCHOOL CLERK, ROAD SUPERVISOR, JUSTICE OF PEACE (1902). MRS. OAKLAND IS THE FIRST WOMAN ELECTED INTO KOOTENAI COUNTY POLITICS. SHE IS SCHOOL DIRECTOR (1890 AND 1892); AND CLERK OF THE BOARD (1902/3). MR. OAKLANND'S ESTATE IS PROBATED 2 SEPTEMBER 1908. THEIR SEVEN CHILDREN: ADELIA, EFFIE E., GEORGE, MAUD, WALTER W., SYDNEY AND HAROLD L..

1891-1/2 THROUGH 1894

IT IS QUITE LIKELY SOME OF THE FOLLOWING FOLKS CAME EARLIER
THAN INDICATED, BUT THERE IS NO IMMEDIATE VERIFICATION-

BARKER, HENRY IS ONE OF THE FIRST ELECTION JUDGES IN JULY 1894 IN STATE LINE VOTING DISTRICT.

BENHAM, ARTHUR MELLVILLE "MEL" (B. 1 JAN. 1865) AND LOUISA (B. 1866 NY) ARE IN IDAHO BY 1891 [IN PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY?]. HIS BROTHER IS CURTIS BENHAM. MEL BENHAM DIES 31 DECEMEBER 1899 OF SMALL POX WHILE HIS IS WIFE IS PREGNANT. HE BECOMES THE FIRST ONE BURIED IN PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY. MR. BENHAM IS THE FIRST CONSTABLE (JANUARY 1895), AND JUROR OF DISTRICT COURT (1896) KNOWN CHILDREN: FRANCIS R. TISDALE (ADOPTED SON), LEONARD "LENNIE" M., BLANCHE L., CLEO M. AND ESSIE.

BENHAM, CURTIS "CURT" A. (B. 1866 NY) AND NELLIE E. (B. 1869 WI) ARRIVE ABOUT THE SAME TIME AS MEL AND LOUISA BENHAM. CURT AND NELLIE MARRY ABOUT 1888 AND MOVE TO MINNESOTA BY THE TIME THEIR OLDEST CHILD IS BORN IN 1889. KNOWN CHILDREN: ZUVA Z., CHARLES L., CLEMENT E. (OR CLEMINART), HAROLD R., MELVILLE C. HE IS ONE OF PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY'S FIRST TRUSTEES (CA. DECEMBER 1899).

BROOKS, WILLIAM IS A ROAD OVERSEER IN APRIL 1892 AND VOTING CLERK IN 1895.

DENNISON, EMMETT L. (B. 1865 IL) AND AGNES M. (B. 1872 IN) RESIDE IN WASHINGTON BY 1891 AND IDAHO BEFORE 1894. THEIR KNOWN CHILDREN: HARRY, EARL J., FRED J., FRANK W., AGNES M. HE SERVES AS STATE LINE DISTRICT'S FIRST JUSTICE OF PEACE (31 DECEMBER 1894) AND IS SUCCEEDED BY WILLIAM A. HUDSON. HE IS PAID \$2.00 AS A FLAGMAN ON PLONSKE ROAD (22 APRIL 1896). "DOC" DENNISON, A COUNTRY DOCTOR, DELIVERS A LOT OF BABIES.

GREEN(E), SAMUEL (B. 1855 IA) AND SHARLOTTE "LOTTIE" (B. 1862 IA) MARRY ABOUT 1881. THEY SITUATE ACROSS THE ROAD FROM OAKLANDS ABOUT 1893. THEY LIVE ON THE KYLE PLACE. KNOWN CHILDREN: FRANK T., HARRY I., HALLIE A., CHARLES M. AND WALTER.

HEARING (OR HERRING), HIRAM "HI" AND MARY EMMA (HODGES): HIRAM WAS BORN 25 JAN. 1859 IN PUTNAM Co., MISSOURI, TO JOHN AND MARY (MOORE) HEARING. IN SEPTEMBER 1878, HE MARRIES MARY (B. 1860

CA; DAU- OF CAL AND ELIZABETH (BLUE) HODGES, OF LINN CO., OREGON). THE HEARINGS MOVE TO SPOKANE IN 1885 AND, FOR SIX YEARS, HE IS HEAD SAWYER FOR CARTER BROTHERS. IN 1892, THEY ACQUIRE A HOMESTEAD-RIGHT FROM THE GOVERNMENT ABOUT 3-MILES SOUTH OF SPOKANE BRIDGE. HE RAISES FRUIT, VEGETABLES AND STOCK. THEIR TEN CHILDREN: ALTIE INEZ, LOTTIE TEMPERANCE (OR "TEMPIE" L-), GLADYS JESSIE (OR JESSIE G.; NEVER MARRIES), GROVER C., HUGH F., JOHN "JACK" H- AND ELVIN "CHUB". THREE DIE: GOLDIE (INFANT), FREDDIE (18-MONTHS OLD), MARCELLUS (6 MARCH 1901 AT AGE 18). JOHN "JACK" MARRIES MISS LEONA KYLE 2 AUGUST 1919 AND MOVES TO MONTANA.

KNOWLTON, GEORGE E. (B. 1827 MA OR IL) AND MARY/SARAH MIGRATE TO WASHINGTON BEFORE 1887, THEN SETTLE DOWN THE HILL FROM WILL PLONSKE'S BY 1894. THE 1910 CENSUS ENUMERATES MRS. KNOWLTON WITH THE NAME OF SARAH (B. 1847 OR) AND THAT SHE HAD GIVEN BIRTH TO NINE CHILDREN, BUT ONLY TWO LIVE: VIRGINIA BELLE AND GEORGE G... MRS. KNOWLTON IS A FABULOUS SEAMSTRESS ACCORDING TO GLENYS PETERS.

NASON, DUNCAN IS APPOINTED ONE OF THE FIRST ELECTION JUDGES IN JULY 1894. HE IS FIRST ROAD OVER-SEER IN ROAD DISTRICT NO. 23 ON 22 OCTOBER 1894 AND RESIGNS THE NEXT DAY.

PLONSKE, WILLIAM "WILL" FREDERICK WAS BORN IN GERMANY ON 5 NOVEMBER 1869 TO AUGUST AND HENRIETTA (KOLLMOWSKE) PLONSKE. THE FAMILY IMMIGRATES INTO WAUPACA CO., WISCONSIN, THEN TO ST. CROUIX COUNTY. 1890, HE WORKS IN ABERDEEN, WASHINGTON. 1892, THE MAN WHO NAMES PLEASANT VIEW LOCATES A FARM JUST BELOW THE (FUTURE) PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL. ON 16 JULY 1894, HE MARRIES VIRGINIA BELLE KNOWLTON, DAUGHTER OF GEORGE E. AND MARY KNOWLTON.

DAUGHTER, PEARL (B. 1 JUNE 1895; MARRIES PHILIP GILES, JR.). VIRGINIA DIES OF CHILD-BIRTH COMPLICATIONS ON 10 MARCH 1897 AND IS BURIED AT SELTICE CEMETERY (WEST OF LIBERTY LAKE, WASHINGTON). THE INFANT SON, FRED W. (B. MARCH 9TH) DIES A MONTH LATER. WILL MARRIES NANCY GILES (B. 1886 TN; DAU. OF PHILIP AND AMANDA GILES) IN SPOKANE ON 24 MAY 1904 AND HAS SIX MORE CHILDREN: ETTA, WILLIAM, ESTHER, ERVIN, DAISY AND FREDERICK.

ABOUT 1900, Mr. PLONSKE TAKES OVER A BLACKSMITH AND LIVERY THAT REPORTEDLY HAS BEEN DOING BUSINESS NEAR HIS HOME. BY 1902, HE ALSO OPERATES A CUSTOM-ORDER AND DRAY SERVICE. HE IS ELECTED

JUSTICE OF PEACE THE SAME YEAR. HE SERVES IN LOCAL POLITICS: SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER AND CEMETERY TRUSTEE. ABOUT 1908, HE OWNS AND OPERATES A GENERAL-MERCHANDISE AND FEED STORE BY THE PLEASANT VIEW BRIDGE.

TITUS, GEORGE S. WAS BORN 12 DECEMBER 1861 IN DELAWARE CO., NY, TO STEVENS AND MARY (BUSH) TITUS, NATIVES OF THE SAME COUNTY. IN 1881, THE FAMILY REMOVES TO COLORADO. GEORGE'S SIBLINGS: CLARK, WILLIT, AND FANNY. 1883, GEORGE TITUS MARRIES MARILA WORK, DAUGHTER OF WIDOW WORK. 1887-1889 ARE SPENT IN LOS ANIMAS, COLORADO. FROM THERE, HE GOES ONTO SPOKANE AND CHESTER, WASHINGTON. IN 1892, MRS. TITUS DIES AND IS BURIED AT SALTESE LAKE (WEST OF LIBERTY LAKE, WASHINGTON). 1893, HE SETTLES ON HIS 160-ACRE FARM TWO-MILES SOUTH OF SPOKANE BRIDGE. HE RAISES RAYMON(D) R., RALPH (WHO DIES BEFORE 1900 CENSUS), MYRTLE AND GRACE.

HE MAKES AN INCOME OFF STOCK AND AN AMPLE APPLE ORCHARD AND IS A ROAD OVERSEER (TWO TERMS). TITUS ROAD WILL BE NAMED AFTER HIM IN THE EARLY-1900'S. HE IS A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER (TWO TERMS) AND MEMBER OF THE 100F ERIC LODGE NO. 46 IN COLORADO. BEFORE ABOUT 1902, HE SPENDS 1-1/2 YEARS IN COLORADO. SOMETIME AFTER 1900, HE REMARRIES LENA HOXEY AND THEY START ANOTHER FAMILY. KNOWN CHILDREN: ELVA, LEROY, GLADYS, CLIFFORD AND A BABY (DIED 3 APRIL 1913).

TRIGG, CHARLES M. (B. 1873 WI) AND JENNIE (B. 1870 WI; MAIDEN SHIELDS) MARRY ON 15 JANUARY 1904, IN THE HOME OF CURTIS A. BENHAM BY AUGUST OAKLAND, JUSTICE OF PEACE. BEFORE MARRIAGE, THIS BACHELOR, LOCATES A FARM SOUTH OF TODAY'S PLEASANT VIEW CHURCH BY 1892. HE ADMITS LONLINESS ATTRACTS HIM TO A HIGH VANTAGE POINT WHERE HE CAN SEE A FAINT TWINKLING LIGHT SOMEWHERE BETWEEN SPOKANE BRIDGE AND DISHMAN [WASHINGTON]. JENNIE DIES 18 SEPTEMBER 1910 IN A SPOKANE HOSPITAL. MR. TRIGG AND TWO SONS, THEODORE "TED" M. AND EDWARD DEAN, REMAIN ON THE FARM. HE REMARRIES A SPOKANE-VALLEY WOMAN, FLORENCE. HIS POLITICAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (1906-1910).

WILDE, HERMAN (B. 1866 GERMANY) WORKS ON STATE LINE WAGON ROAD ON 10 NOVEMBER 1892 AND IS THE FIRST DISTRIBUTING CLERK IN STATE LINE VOTING DISTRICT ON 12 JULY 1894. THE 1900 FEDERAL CENSUS ENUMERATES HIM AS A SINGLE MAN.

ANDERSON, Nels (B. 1864 Sweden) and Emma (B. 1862 Sweden) IMMIGRATE INTO THE U. S. IN 1888. THEY SETTLE IN STATE LINE DISTRICT ABOUT 1904. KNOWN CHILDREN: HENRY, WILL, RUDOLPH, CARL, AND [?] UAL (A SON).

BROOKS, JAMES C. (B. 1865 IA) AND IDA M. (B. 1866 IL) RECEIVE A U. S. LAND PATENT DATED 11 NOVEMBER 1901. SUBTRACT THE FIVE-YEARS TO PROVE UP, AND THAT PLACES THEM IN PLEASANT VIEW ABOUT 1896. KNOWN CHILDREN: FRANCIS ROMONA (A SON), GEORGE P.

BURNS, JAMES H. (B. 1843 MO) AND IDA M. (B. 1846 VA) DONATE LAND FOR THE SECOND STATE LINE SCHOOL HOUSE IN 1897. KNOWN CHILDREN: EDNA, AMELIA, LILLIAN E..

GRAHAM, FRANK (B. 1861 MO) AND MARY E. (B. 1874 MO) MOVE INTO MONTANA BEFORE 1894 AND INTO PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY BY 1896. KNOWN CHILDREN PER 1900 CENSUS: MARY G., GEORGE F., WALTER E., AND A BABY GIRL.

HAMPTON, WYLIE MOVES AWAY BY THE 1900 CENSUS. HIS DAUGHTER, MARTHA E. HAMPTON, OF OAKSDALE, WASHINGTON, WILL MARRY HARRY I. CABLE, SON OF W. H. CABLE, ON 9 DECEMBER 1906, IN SPOKANE.

HICKEY, MICHAEL A. WAS BORN 1 JANUARY 1852 IN NORTHWESTERN ONEIDA CO., NY, TO PATRICK AND BRIDGET (NOONAN) HICKEY, NATIVES OF IRELAND. BEGINNING IN 1873, HE MOVES TO MONROE AND TO MANTCALM COUNTIES IN MICHIGAN, THEN TO INDIANA, AND BACK TO MICHIGAN. IN 1879, HE MARRIES SARAH, DAUGHTER OF WILLIAM AND REBECCA (VANLIEW) TUBBS, NATIVES OF OHIO. SHE DIES ONE-YEAR LATER. FROM 1890, HE BOUNCES FROM SHOSHONE CO., IDAHO, TO PORTLAND, TO SPOKANE, AND FINALLY, TO A HOMESTEAD 2-MILES SOUTHEAST FROM SPOKANE BRIDGE. HE SERVES AS STATE LINE PRECINCT VOTING JUDGE (4 JUNE 1895) AND JUROR FOR KOOTENAI COUNTY DISTRICT COURT (1896), CHAIRMAN OF THE SCHOOL BOARD (3 YEARS), ROAD OVERSEER (1 YEAR) AND MEMBER OF THE A.O.F. IN 1898, HE FILES THREE MINING CLAIMS IN REPUBLIC, WASHINGTON, AND RETURNS TO STATE LINE. SERVES AS COUNTY JUROR 1901. IN MARCH 1902, HE RESIGNS AS JUSTICE OF THE PEACE. BY SEPTEMBER, 1902, HE SELLS HIS FARM TO GO NORTH TO DEVELOP HIS MINE.

KELLEY, GUST H. (B. 1860 SWEDEN) AND ANNIE L. (B. 1861

SWEDEN; DAU. OF MR. AND ANNA C. HAGER) ARRIVE IN THE OLD PLEASANT VIEW DISTRICT AS EARLY AS 1896. HE RECEIVES A U. S. LAND PATENT IN DECEMBER 1901 - A QUARTER SECTION CRAMMED INTO THE NORTHWESTERN-MOST CORNER OF PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY (AT SPOKANE BRIDGE ROAD, SPOKANE RIVER AND W. RIVERVIEW DRIVE). PER THE 1900 CENSUS, THEIR CHILDREN: FRED H. AND HAZEL A. IN 1902 SCHOOL RECORDS, GUST IS NAMED GUARDIAN OF LIZZY, JOHNNY AND AMANDA MILLSAP. HE SERVES AS COUNTY JUROR IN 1901.

KNUDSEN, OSMUND (B. 1858 NORWAY; IMM. 1888) AND MARTHA A. (B. 1859 NORWAY; IMM 1891). THEIR TREK LEADS THEM TO WASHINGTON (BEFORE 1893) AND FINALLY SOUTH OF THURLEEN'S (BY 1897). CHILDREN: ANDREW K., THOMAS A., OSMUND, MARTHA G., ANNA O., CARL (MARRIES FANNY MELLICK), AND SEGWAL. SON ANDREW MARRIES LILA MAY SMITH OF NORWAY, THEN SETS UP A SAWMILL ABOUT 4-MILES SOUTH OF LIBERTY LAKE ABOUT 1910.

THURLEEN OR THERLEEN, JOHN AND BARBARA M. (B. 1870; MAIDEN DILL): This hard-working emigrant was born 16 February 1861 to Peter and Catherine (Johnson) Therleen in Yath, Sweden. He learns the tailoring trade from his father. After two-years at sea, he works for his uncle. In 1881, John Migrates to Stillwater, Minnesota; 1887 to Montana; 1891 to Hope, Idaho. In Hope, he marries (1893) the daughter of Michael and Maria Barbara Dill from Niederrimbach, natives of Germany. In 1895, they bounce from Pend

OREILLE TO RATHDRUM, FINALLY TO A HOMESTEAD 1,000-FEET HIGHER THAN SPOKANE AND ABOUT 3-1/2 MILES SOUTH FROM SPOKANE BRIDGE IN 1896.

HE PLANTS A 600-TREE APPLE ORCHARD AND RAISES SMALLER FRUIT. HIS 22-OUNCE APPLES AND 6-1/2 INCH STRAWBERRIES MAKE NEWS IN THE RATHDRUM NEWSPAPER. HE EXCELLS AS A BLACKSMITH, TOO. IN 1898, HE IS ELECTED CENTRAL COMMITTEEMAN FOR THE STATE LINE PRECINCT. KNOWN CHILDREN: GEORGE L. AND MARY ALICE L.

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BY 1900, STATE LINE PRECINCT HAS GROWN. THAT YEAR, THE FEDERAL CENSUS REPORTS 148 PERMANENT INHABITANTS.

BLOSSOM, DEFOREST "FOREST" OR "POSEY" (B. 1874 OH), FOR WHOM BLOSSOM MOUNTAIN RECEIVES ITS NAME, OBTAINS POSSESSORARY RIGHTS IN MILL CREEK IN 1904. HE MOVES HIS AILING SECOND WIFE, LUCY (MUNSON) BLOSSOM (B. 1876 PA), FROM HILLYARD (A RAILROAD CENTER NORTHEAST OF SPOKANE) IN THE SUMMER OF 1909 TO MILL CREEK AREA. SHE DIES IN CHILD BIRTH ON 12 SEPTEMBER 1910 AND IS BURIED IN PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY. THE BABY IS ADOPTED BY A NICE COUPLE. WHEN THE CHILDREN ARE HALF-GROWN HE MARRIES WIDOW SARAH J. (MRS. ULYSSES) DODGE. CHILDREN: NELLIE (HIS BY PREVIOUS MARRIAGE; MARRIES MR. MILLSAP), DOROTHEA, HAROLD, GLENN "MICK", LOUIE (OR LOUIS OR LEWIS).

CARTER, WILLIS WAS BORN 10 JANUARY 1842 IN ONTARIO, CANADA, TO WILLIAM AND SALLY (TOWER) CARTER, NATIVES OF CANADA. HIS SIX BROTHERS AND ONE SISTER: DAVID, JOHN, GEORGE, [HIMSELF], WILLIAM, LYMAN, LEVI, AND MARY. IN 1861, HE PURCHASES HIS FATHER'S FARM. IN 1865, HE EMIGRATES TO NEVADA. IN 1867, HE REMOVES TO BRITISH COLUMBIA, THEN GOES ON TO SPOKANE, WASHINGTON, WHERE HE AND HIS BROTHER START THE FIRST MACHINE SHOP AND FOUNDRY IN A BUILDING HE LATER BUYS. THE BUILDING HAS A GOOD BLACKSMITH CONTAINED IN IT. IN 1887, HE SELLS AND GOES TO CALIFORNIA, TAKES UP 1400-ACRES BUT NEVER PROVES UP. HE RETURNS TO SPOKANE, BUYS SAW MILL MACHINERY AND TRADES SOME SPOKANE PROPERTY - ON MAIN STREET - FOR 120-ACRES 2-1/2-MILES SOUTH OF SPOKANE BRIDGE ABOUT 1900. HE RAISES A 1,600-TREE ORCHARD OF APPLES AND OTHER FRUITS AND, OPERATES HIS MILL BETWEEN 1907-12.

COWDEN, GEORGE D. (B. 1876 CANADA) AND MARGARET J. (B. 1880

CANADA; MAIDEN BURTON) SETTLE IN MILL CREEK. KNOWN CHILDREN: ELIZABETH PEARL, LOTTIE M., DOROTHY C., MARGARET K., GEORGE JR. IN AUGUST 1904, MR. COWDEN BUYS MACHINERY FROM THE WOOLEN MILL IN POST FALLS FOR HIS ROUGH-PLANED-LUMBER MILL. AFTER THE MILL BURNS IN 1912, HE REBUILDS AND CONTINUES UNTIL 1946.

CUSTER, JOSEPH L. (B. 1850 OH) AND SARAH J. (B. 1855 OH) MIGRATE INTO OLD PLEASANT VIEW DISTRICT BY THE 1900 CENSUS. HE IS A CARPENTER, AS THEIR SON, JAMES (B. 1878 OH).

EASHOLD [OR EASTVOLD], THEO (OR THORE) AND BERGETTE BUY THE LAND WHERE STATE LINE SCHOOL STANDS FROM WALTER M. BURNS IN JANUARY 1903 AND RESELLS IT TO MANDIUS HOLLAND IN JANUARY 1909 AFTER REMOVING TO MOWER, MN.

EDWARDS, ANDREW "DAD" AND MARY E. (ALLBEE) LIVE SOUTH OF THURLEEN'S BY 1902. KNOWN CHILDREN: EUGENE, DELLA (MARRIES WILL SMITH) AND ETHEL. MRS. EDWARDS DIES 25 MAY 1914 AND IS BURIED AT PLEASANT VIEW.

FRASIER, John T. (B. 1858/9 VA) AND MARY L. (B. 1875 CANADA) MARRY ABOUT 1893. SIX CHILDREN ARE BORN TO THIS UNION, FOUR ARE ALIVE IN 1910: MYRTLE L., EDITH JEANETTE (OR GANNETTE) "JENNIE", HAROLD H., LAURA. MR. FRASIER SERVES ON THE PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL BOARD.

GILES, W. Noah (B. ca 1876 TN) and Erma J. (Maiden Name, Dean; B. 1890 IA) marry about 1900 and settle in Mill Creek District. Two of their three children are alive by 1910: Walter and Iva. He serves on the Pleasant View School Board for two terms (1904-1912) and dies in Dallas, Texas, 1963.

GILES, PHILIP (B. 1841 TN) AND AMANDA (B. 1853 TN; MAIDEN HAMPTON) MOVE 1-1/4 MILES DUE-SOUTH OF PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL HOUSE ON MILL CREEK ROAD ABOUT 1901. THEY MARRY ABOUT 1872. IN 1908, THEY ARE CHARTER MEMBERS OF THE PLEASANT VIEW CHURCH. ACCORDING TO THE 1910 CENSUS, THEY HAD 9 CHILDREN, BUT 7 LIVE: ALBERT (SERVES AS COUNTY COMMISSIONER 1906), W. NOAH, JAMES, MARTHA (MARRIES HARVEY REYNOLDS), BETTY (MARRIES CHARLES ASBURY), PHILIP (MARRIES PEARL PLONSKE), LILLIE (MARRIES AN OAKLAND), NANCY (MARRIES WILL PLONSKE).

HINES, CHARLES H. AND FLORA (MAIDEN NAME, PASENGER) LIVE NEARLY 1-1/4 BIRD-FLYING MILES SOUTH OF PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL IN

APRIL 1902 IN MILL CREEK. THEY LEAVE IN 1904 BUT RETURN IN 1914. MRS. HINES (DAUGHTER OF ANDREW J. PASENGER) DIES 28 FEBRUARY 1915. DAUGHTER SADIE DIES THE SAME YEAR. SURVIVING CHILDREN: MILDRED AND FLOYD (MARRIES MARY M. KNUDSEN).

HOLLAND, Mandius "MG" GIDVARD (B. 1870 NORWAY) AND ANNA (MAIDEN NAME, JACOBSON; B. 1866 IA) SET DOWN ROOTS HERE IN 1903 AFTER PURCHASING LAND FROM THEO (OR THORE) AND BERGETTE EASHOLD (OR EASTVOLD) OF MOWER, MN. MR. HOLLAND CHANGED HIS SURNAME FROM "JACOBSON" TO "HOLLAND" AT ELLIS ISLAND IN 1884, ACCORDING TO BEN HOLLAND. THEIR CHILDREN: JOSEPH, EDWIN, MABEL "MICK", LOTTIE, AND GEORGE E. MRS. HOLLAND'S SISTER, SARAH (JACOBSON) OLSEN, DIES IN 1903 SO MG AND ANNA TAKE IN HER CHILDREN (AMY, MABLE ALEDA AND CLARENCE). FOR YEARS, HE FIGHTS TREES FOR A DREAM OF A BEAUTIFUL PRODUCTIVE OPEN FIELD. HOLLAND ROAD IS NAMED IN HIS HONOR.

KYLE, EDWIN E. (B. 1871 IN) AND FRANCES MAUDE (B. 1877 NE; MAIDEN MELLICK) DONATE ONE-ACRE TO THE FIRST PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL. THEIR SUPPORT AND INTEREST IN SCHOOL AFFAIRS IS UNWAIVERING. KNOWN CHILDREN: LEONA, FANNIE, JENNIE, MINNIE, VINA AND RUSSELL. LEONA MARRIES JOHN "JACK" H. HEARING 2 AUGUST 1919 AND MOVES TO MONTANA.

LEE, HARTLEY W. (B. 1871 CANADA) MARRIES JESSIE M. (B. 1881 CO) ABOUT 1898. THEY HAVE A BABY SON, HARLEY (B. IN 1900), AND LIVE NEAR AUGUST PLONSKE.

MELLICK, Albert B. and Mary (Howard) migrate from Lead, South Dakota, in 1903 and settle in old Pleasant View. Children according to LaCash's son, Al Mellick: Frank (marries Hattie), Clyde (marries Eva), John (never marries), LaCash (marries Florence Thomas), Harry (marries Edna), Fabbie (marries William Bauer), Myrtle (marries Gene Howard). Albert and Nelson are brothers.

MELLICK, Nelson (B. 1843 CANADA; IMM 1869) AND NETTIE (B. 1854 SWEDEN; IMM. 1870) SET UP HOUSEKEEPING IN A LOG CABIN IN OLD PLEASANT VIEW IN 1903 THEN BUILD A NICE HOME JUST SOUTH OF PLEASANT VIEW CHURCH. THEY RESIDE IN SOUTH DAKOTA (DEADWOOD, PERHAPS) BEFORE 1894. KNOWN CHILDREN: ELLA (MARRIES MR. SANDERS), LOUIS "LOU" (MARRIES MAUDE FELTON), GUY, FRANCES MAUDE (MARRIES EDWIN KYLE), BENJAMIN A., JOSEPH "JOE" NELSON. THEIR GREAT-NEPHEW, AL MELLICK, SAYS NETTIE MELLICK IS THE MATRIARCH FOR THE WHOLE MELLICK CLAN.

HER SAY-SO IS LAW. NELSON DONATES LAND FOR THE PLEASANT VIEW CHURCH AND CEMETERY. NELSON AND ALBERT ARE BROTHERS.

MC LEOD, Kenneth (B. 1871, Canada) and Emma L. (B. 1875 MO) marry 1898 and have two children by 1910, but only one living: Neil Pete (B. 1900 ID).

MICHAELS, ASBURY (B. 1877 OR) AND LIZZIE (B. 1884 TN) MARRY ABOUT 1904. THEY MOVE BY SPRING 1901 TO A PLACE JUST BELOW TRIGG'S. OF HER 4 BIRTHS, 3 ARE ALIVE IN 1910: VERNON, ALICE, MATTIE. OTHER KNOWN CHILDREN: PEARL, AND A BABY (D. 4 MARCH 1910), AND VIOLET (D. 9 JANUARY 1912). MR. MICHAELS SERVES AS A KOOTENAI COUNTY TRIAL JUROR IN 1915.

MILLSAP, Rev. Jesse B. (B. 1849 TN) AND MARTHA "MATTIE" N. (B. 1856 TN) MARRY ABOUT 1870 AND LATER BUY A FARM FROM ALBERT PLONSKE 25 OCTOBER 1902 - SOUTH OF PLEASANT VIEW CHURCH AND NEAR THE OLDEST STATE LINE SCHOOL HOUSE. PER THE 1910 CENSUS, 7 OF THE 13 CHILDREN LIVE: [WILLIAM?], ANDY, LIZZIE, JOHN HARRISON (MARRIES MARY BROOKSHIRE), AMANDA, ESTHER (D. 5 JUNE 1905 AT AGE 3), MARY.

REV. MILLSAP IS ORDAINED A MINISTER AND PASTORS THE MASSODONA BAPTIST CHURCH IN VAN BUERUM, ARKANSAS, IN 1895. HE ORGANIZES THE PLEASANT VIEW BAPTIST CHURCH ON 5 JULY 1908. WHILE THE CHURCH IS BUILT, HE HOLDS MEETINGS IN SPIRIT LAKE AND ATHOL. HE AND MRS. MILLSAP RESIGN IN 1925 AND MOVE TO CALIFORNIA FOR FIVE YEARS, THEN RESIDE IN DISHMAN, SPOKANE COUNTY, WASHINGTON.

REV. MILLSAP NEVER PASSES A COLLECTION PLATE. IF A COLLECTION IS MADE, HE SENDS THE MONEY TO MISSIONARIES BECAUSE, HE SAYS, THEY NEED IT MORE. HE IS A JACK-OF-ALL-TRADES, ONE BEING A SHOE COBBLER. HE MEETS THE NEEDS OF HIS FAMILY BY EXERCISING FAITH, DOING SEASONAL AND ODD JOBS, SERVING AS A COUNTRY DOCTOR, DELIVERING BABIES, AND ACCEPTING SOME MISCELLANEOUS DONATIONS, SUCH AS A NEW SUIT WHEN THE CHURCH PEOPLE BUY ONE FOR HIM.

NOGLE, WILLIAM H. (B. 1857 PA) AND CLARA ESTELLA (B. 1861 WI) MARRY 1879. By 1910, 6 of their 7 babies are Living. Known Children: Earl H. (B. 1884 WI, WWP employee; marries Julie) and Lyle. It appears they live in State Line District by 1901.

PASSENGER, C. H. BUYS LAND FROM FRANK GRUSHAM 13 NOV. 1901.

PAS(S)ENGER, ANDREW "ANDY" J. HAS A STRONG INTEREST IN

PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL. HE SERVES ON THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES (1906-09) AND BUILDS THE LOG FENCE AT THE FIRST PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL. KNOWN CHILDREN: ALLEN, FLORA S. (MARRIES CHARLES H. HINES).

PETERS, John "Dutch" (B. 1875 Austria-Bohemia; Imm. 1889) marries Marie (B. 1884 Germany; Imm. 1898) and settles near the south end of State Line Road about 1903 (U.S. Land patent dated July 1908). He is listed in the 1900 as a single man. His father is probably Paul Peters. They are not related to the "Scotch" Peters at old Pleasant View. Marie Peters serves as School Trustee Clerk in 1909. Known children: John G., Gertrude, Mable, Steve, Stella, Wilma.

PETERS, John "Scotch" (B. 1873 Scotland) and Margaret "Maggie" C. (maiden Wilson) homestead 200-acres a short distance from the north end of the Pleasant View Bridge in 1902. He is called "Scotch" Peters to distinguish him from the "Dutch" Peters at Big Rock. Ordinarily, a family on the north side is not considered a blue-blood Pleasant View resident. But in this case an exception can be made. The children attend Pleasant View School, the baseball diamond is on their property, and they socialize with hillsiders. Children: George (marries Glenys Waggoner), James, John "Jack", Sidney, Daisy R., Arthur, Marguerite, Keith S., and Donald.

PETERS, Paul (B. 1842-5 AUSTRIA-BOHEMIA) IS A WIDOWED MAN BY THE 1900 FEDERAL CENSUS. THE 1910 CENSUS SAYS THIS FARMER LABORER EMIGRATED IN 1894 AND SPEAKS BOHEMIAN ONLY. JOHN "DUTCH" IS PROBABLY HIS SON.

POMEROY, JAMES C. K. "JACK" (B. 1861 PA) AND ROSE V. (B. 1870 IL) LIVE IN MILL CREEK DISTRICT. SIX OF THEIR 8 CHILDREN ARE ALIVE IN 1910: LEONARD, ARTHUR, NAOMI, MELVIN, HARRY, BABY BOY. JACK IS THE SON OF MELVIN AND REBECCA (BELOW).

POMEROY, RALPH (B. 1880 PA) AND MARY A. (B. 1891 KS; MAIDEN DODGE) ARE NEWLY WEDS IN 1910. RALPH IS THE SON OF MELVIN AND REBECCA (BELOW) AND OBTAINS POSSESSORY-RIGHTS HIGH IN THE MILL CREEK AREA 25 NOVEMBER 1901.

POMEROY, MELVIN M. (B. 1836 PA; D. 1907) AND REBECCA R. (B. 1837 OH) SETTLE HIGH IN THE MILL CREEK DISTRICT. KNOWN CHILDREN: JAMES (OR JACK) C. K., FLORENCE (MARRIES LEV LYONS), RALPH (MARRIES

MARY DODGE).

REYNOLDS, HARVEY "HARVE" H. (B. 1864 AL) AND MARTHA (B. 1879 TN; MAIDEN GILES) MARRY ABOUT 1901. THEIR 5 CHILDREN: ELIZABETH "LIZZIE" COSLEY (HARVE'S STEP-DAUGHTER PER THE 1910 CENSUS), LEE, PASCAL "PIKE", VIOLET "VI", ROLLIE, CHESTER "CHET", EDWARD "ED", AND HOMER. THEY ESTABLISH THEIR FARM ABOUT TWO-MILES SOUTH OF SPOKANE BRIDGE ABOUT 1904/5 (U. S. LAND PATENT AUGUST 1910). THE FAMILY PICKS AND PACKS PRUNES IN THE FALL AT THE PRODUCTIVE STATE LINE ORCHARD [WHERE ALICE HARDISON LIVES TODAY].

SMITH, CLARENCE E. (B. 1877 IL) AND GERTRUDE C. (B. 1874 OH) SETTLE IN MILL CREEK DISTRICT BY THE 1900 FEDERAL CENSUS. HE IS THE SON OF SAMUEL AND MARY SMITH. GERTRUDE CLAIMS IN THE 1910 CENSUS SHE BORE 4 CHILDREN BUT 3 LIVE: ELDON C. (B. 1899 IL), PHILIP S. (B. 1902 ID), DANIEL, AND MARION (B. 1904 ID). CLARENCE BURIES THREE BABIES (1910, 1913, 1914) AND HIS WIFE (20 MARCH 1914) IN PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY.

SMITH, SAMUEL O. (B. 1849 OH) AND MARY M. (B. 1858 IL) ARE IN THE MILL CREEK AREA BY 1900. THEY MARRY ABOUT 1874. THEIR CHILDREN: CLARENCE, LILA MAY (MARRIES ANDREW K. KNUDSEN), WILLIAM H.

SMITH, WILLIAM "BILL" OR "WILL" H. (B. 1876 KS) AND DELLA L. (B. 1878 IL; MAIDEN EDWARDS) MOVE FROM ILLINOIS TO A PLACE SOUTH FROM THURLEEN'S BY QUITE A DISTANCE BEFORE 1902. IN 1905 (GIVE OR TAKE), THE FAMILY REMOVES TO WASHINGTON. THEY RETURN TO KOOTENAI COUNTY BY THE 1910 FEDERAL CENSUS. KNOWN CHILDREN: OUIS RAY, LYLE E., WILLIE, PEARL, EVYLIN, AND DELBERT.

STENGEL, LOUIS (B. 1872 GERMANY) AND ANNIE K. (B. 1882 WI; MAIDEN PLONSKE) SETTLE ALONG THE RIVER IN OLD PLEASANT VIEW NEAR WILL PLONSKE BEFORE THE 1900 FEDERAL CENSUS. THEY REMOVE TO KALLISPELL, MONTANA, BY HORSE AND BUGGY OVER THE MULLAN TRAIL. FROM THERE, THEY GO INTO CANADA. THEY RETURN TO POST FALLS IN THE 1920'S. ANNA IS THE DAUGHTER OF AUGUST AND HENRIETTA (KOLLMOWSKE) PLONSKE. THE STENGEL CHILDREN: EDITH H., ESTER E., MABEL, ADELIA, ELLA, CHARLES, LEROY, AND CLARENCE.

WALLER (WOLLEN, WALTER), JAMES T. (B. 1872 KS) AND ALICE R. (B. 1871 PA) HAVE THREE CHILDREN BY THE 1900 CENSUS: EDWIN "ED" W. (B. 1896 KS), MINA MAY (B. 1897 WA), AND JOSEPH H. (B. 1899 ID).

WHIPPLE, CHARLES A. (B. 1855 IL) AND NETTIE E. (B. 1867 CA) ARE IN ARIZONA BY 1886, CALIFORNIA BY 1888, WASHINGTON BY 1892, AND STATE LINE DISTRICT BEFORE 1900. KNOWN CHILDREN: CHARLES E., VIVIAN U., ULRICH B., EMMA R., CARLIN.

WILLIS, JOHN W. AND HELEN E. (B. GERMANY): JOHN WAS BORN 25 JANUARY 1873 IN OREGON CITY, OREGON, TO ANDY AND MARY (BEECHAM) WILLIS. IN 1890, HE FREIGHTS FROM THE DALLES TO CANYON CITY AND RAISES STOCK. ABOUT 1896/7, HE SELLS OUT AND BUYS A LIVERY STABLE IN PORTLAND. IN 1898, HE MARRIES HELEN. 1899, HE MOVES ONTO A QUARTER SECTION IN OLD PLEASANT VIEW. MR. WILLIS BECOMES NOTED FOR HIS CATTLE, BERSHIRE HOGS, AND THOROUGH-BRED HORSES. HE IS A REGULAR CHIP OFF THE OLD BLOCK. HE HAS A WAY WITH HORSES - MUCH THE SAME AS HIS FATHER, ANDY WILLIS, WHO RAISES WINNING RACE HORSES IN OREGON CITY. IN 1902, JOHN IS ESPECIALLY PROUD OF HIS 1,600-POUND NORMAN STALLION NAMED ECHO ELEVEN. KNOWN CHILDREN: LEO A. AND NORMAN E.

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A LARGE NUMBER OF HOMES DOT THE FULL WIDTH AND BREADTH OF PLEASANT VIEW COMMUNITY BY 1910. THE BULK OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS EXTRACTED FROM THE 1910 FEDERAL CENSUS. OBVIOUSLY, LIFE CONTINUES AFTER THE 1910 FEDERAL CENSUS, SO THE INFORMATION WILL NOT BE COMPLETE IN ALL CASES.

ADAMS, David M. (B 1848 TN) AND SARAH E. (B. 1861 TX) HAVE SIX LIVING CHILDREN BY THE 1910 CENSUS. KNOWN CHILDREN: MAUD KAY (MARRIES MR. RENDEL), GRACE L. (OCCUPATION PHOTOGRAPHER), BERTHA A., ROBERT H..

AMEL, CHARLES RECEIVES A U.S. PATENT 8 MARCH 1911 WHICH MAY INDICATE HE ARRIVES IN OLD PLEASANT VIEW ABOUT 1906. HE MAY BE THE MAN WHO BUYS WILL PLONSKE'S BLACKSMITH AFTER 1910.

ANDRUS, EMMETT (B. 1879 MN) AND ALICE (B. 1885 MN; MAIDEN FLOYD?) MARRY ABOUT 1905 THEN LIVE IN OLD PLEASANT VIEW DISTRICT BY 1910. ALICE'S WIDOWED MOTHER, MARY FLOYD (B. 1865 MN), AND THREE SISTERS (HARRIET, MAUDE, AND GRACE) LIVE WITH THEM. PER THE 1910 CENSUS, EMMETT AND ALICE HAVE NO CHILDREN.

AND LIVING WITH FRED AND HER: EVA, LORENZO AND JESSIE.

FELLGER, CHARLES (B. 1874) EMIGRATES FROM GERMANY IN 1904. KNOWN CHILDREN: JAMES (B. ABOUT NOV. 1909 IN IDAHO). ENUMERATED IN THIS HOUSEHOLD AT STATE LINE IS MOTHER-IN-LAW, CARRIE BISHOP (B. 1866 GERMANY).

GARVIN, ROBERT (B. 1877 TX) AND FREDA (1881 KS) MARRY ABOUT 1908 (IN KANSAS?) AND ARE IN STATE LINE DISTRICT BY 1910. KNOWN CHILDREN: THELMA (3 MONTHS OLD IN 1910).

GOODWIN, ROBERT (B. 1868 WA) AND MARY (1865 MO) MARRY ABOUT 1894 AND HAVE NO CHILDREN BY 1910. THEY LIVE NEAR ROBERT F. BARNES.

HAMPTON, WILLIAM "BILL" J. (B. 1862 TN) IS A WIDOWER IN 1910 LIVING IN MILL CREEK DISTRICT. HE BURIES HIS FIRST WIFE ON THE WEBBER PLACE THEN REMOVES HER BODY TO PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY. HIS M2: Delfie Ledford, a teenager. Known Children: James, Lewis or Louis, Molly, Peyton "Pate", Minnie, Walter.

HINDERHOLTZ, JOSEPH (B. 1848 GERMANY; IMM. 1852) AND MARTHA (B. 1858 WALES; IMM. 1870; MAIDEN CLARK?) MARRY 1884. THE 1910 ENUMERATES ONE CHILD, MARGUERITE, AND MARTHA'S WIDOWED MOTHER, JANE CLARK (B. 1837 WALES; IMM. 1870).

HOLLAND, JACOB (B. 1893 NORWAY) EMIGRATES 1904. IN 1910, HE SPEAKS ONLY NORWEGIAN AND WORKS FOR EDWIN AND MAUD KYLE.

IVANOFF, Bycho (b. 1880 Bulgaria) immigrates in 1904. In 1910, he boards with Nick Petroff (1886 PA; 1907) in old Pleasant View.

JOHNSON, WILLIS (B. 1863 IL) AND ALMA (B. 1873 IA). SEVEN OUT OF NINE CHILDREN ARE ALIVE IN 1910. KNOWN CHILDREN: GUY, VALTIE, VALE, DONALD, VELMA, PAUL. HE WORKS AT A SAWMILL AT MILL CREEK.

JONES, FRANK AND NANCY. Mr. Jones fills in as a preacher at Pleasant View Church and drives for Will Plonske. Children: Walter, Arthur Hunter, Charles, Emma (Marries Luther Eggers).

KAYE, ERNEST (B. 1878 ENGLAND; 1880) AND MAY (B. 1892 TN) ARE NEWLY WEDS IN 1910. THIS IS HIS SECOND MARRIAGE AND HER FIRST.

KENNETT, JAMES O. (B. 1877 IL) AND CARRIE (B. 1879 IL) MARRY ABOUT 1889. CHILDREN: THOMAS M., WALTER E., EMMA, WILBUR JAMES, ANNA, HOWARD.

LAWTON, JOSEPH (B. 1874 IL) AND HENRIETTA (B. 1876 MN). HE OWNS AND OPERATES A PLUMBING SHOP IN 1910. CHILDREN: CLAUDE LEROY, HERBERT.

LULL, FRANK (B. 1866 CT) AND EMMA (B. 1870 IA) MIGRATE FROM OREGON INTO THE BIG ROCK AREA. KNOWN CHILDREN: MARTIN, WILLIAM, MELVIN, MABLE.

MARSTON, Edwin L. (B. 1855 WI) and Lucy (B. 1857 Canada) MARRY ABOUT 1879. CHILDREN: ETHEL E., SAMUEL E., DOROTHY, ELIZABETH (ADOPTED).

ROTHWELL, WILLIAM H.C. (B. 1868 OH) AND SARAH A. (B. 1873 OR) MARRY ABOUT 1889. THREE OF THEIR SIX CHILDREN ARE ALIVE IN 1910: FRANK H., CARL, JOHN. HE IS A WOODCHOPPER IN MILL CREEK.

SHERWOOD, JOHN F. (B. 1855 CANADA) AND MINNIE (B. 1866 VT) FARM IN OLD PLEASANT VIEW BY 1910. KNOWN CHILDREN: CHESTER (HER SON BY PREVIOUS MARRIAGE; B. 1885 IA) AND VIOLA (B. 1908 WA).

TAYLOR, JOHN E. (B. 1873 IN) AND RONA DELL (B. 1882 IN) LIVE QUITE CLOSE TO OAKLANDS AT STATE LINE IN 1910. NO CHILDREN ENUMERATED IN THE 1910 CENSUS.

THOMAS, Warren and Bertha arrive in old Pleasant View in 1908 from Ellensburg, Washington, where he was Kititas County's Superintendent of schools, according to grandson, Al Mellick. Mr. Thomas retires after 50-years of teaching. He teachs at Pleasant View School 1910-13. Children: Myrtle, Florence (Marries LaCash Mellick), Sylvin, Francis.

TUCKER, CHARLES (B. 1879 TN) AND ANNA: HE IS WIDOWED IN 1910. CHILDREN: JOHN, FRANCES, NELLIE, ELLA, NETTIE. THEY ARE PLEASANT VIEW CHURCH MEMBERS.

WAGGONER, CHARLES FRANCIS AND EVELYN MERRY (B. 12 JULY 1876, BELFAST; MAIDEN FLEMING): HE WAS BORN 14 JANUARY 1874, IN DALE, IOWA, TO FRANCIS M. AND IDA V. WAGGONER. ABOUT 1891, HE DRIVES A STAGE COACH NEAR RAPID CITY, SD. IN CHESTER, WASHINGTON, HE SERVES ON THE SCHOOL BOARD. HE FOLLOWS HIS PARENTS TO KOOTENAI COUNTY IN 1895, WHERE HE LIVES ON A QUARTER-SECTION TWO-MILES WEST AND ONE-MILE SOUTH OF POST FALLS.

IN MAY, 1895, HE MARRIES THE DAUGHTER OF ISAAC AND MARTHA (BLACKBURN) FLEMING, NATIVES OF IRELAND AND ENGLAND RESPECTIVELY.

CHILDREN: GLENYS IDA, DORA FRANCES, CHARLES MARION "MIKE", EDWARD FLEMING AND EVELYN MERRY, PHYLLIS JEAN. GLENYS CLAIMS THE RECOGNITION FOR BEING THE ONLY HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE FROM PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL.

MR. WAGGONER IS A MEMBER OF THE KNIGHTS OF THE MACABEES (K.O.T.M.) TENT NO. 18 IN POST FALLS. HE IS APPOINTED COUNTY DEPUTY ASSESSOR (1901-03), SERVES AS COUNTY COMMISSIONER, COUNTY ASSESSOR, PLEASANT VIEW AND POST FALLS RURAL HIGH SCHOOL SCHOOL TRUSTEE, ETC.

WAGGONER, FRANCIS MARION AND IDA V. (B. 1855 OH; MAIDEN DWIGGINS): HE IS BORN 7 MARCH 1848 IN GILMER COUNTY, VA, TO JOHN AND JEMIMA (COLLINS) WAGONER (SIC), SLAVE HOLDERS OF VIRGINIA. THE SENIOR WAGGONER FAMILY REMOVES TO WISCONSIN (1855) AND TO IOWA (1867). 1872, FRANCIS MARION WAGGONER MARRIES THE DAUGHTER OF JAMES AND SARAH (ROOT) DWIGGINS. 1882, THEY FARM IN KANSAS, THEN IN IOWA, THEN BACK TO KANSAS (1885). 1890, THEY MOVE TO CHESTER, WASHINGTON-1895, HE CHOSES 160-ACRES ONE-MILE SOUTH AND ONE-MILE WEST OF POST FALLS. CHILDREN: CHARLES FRANCIS, OSCAR J., STELLA MAY, AND FLORENCE J. HE MARRIES SECOND TIME IN 1905, ACCORDING TO THE 1910 CENSUS, BUT IS ENUMERATED AS A SINGLE HEAD-OF-HOUSEHOLD WITH HIS 13-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER, FLORENCE.

WALLACE, JOHN R. (B. 1843 NY) AND ELLA L. (B. 1847 MI) MARRY ABOUT 1868. THEY LIVE NEXT TO BIERMANS IN OLD PLEASANT VIEW IN 1910. THEY HAVE THREE CHILDREN BUT NO NAMES ARE AVAILABLE.

WEBB, SAMUEL (B. 1874 PA) AND GERTRUDE H. (B. 1873 IL)
REMOVE FROM OHIO ABOUT 1908 INTO STATE LINE DISTRICT. KNOWN
CHILDREN: WALTER, PAUL T., ROBERT KENNETH, FRANCIS HAROLD.

WILLIAMS, ERWIN R. (B. 1855 NY) AND LAURA (B. 1872 IL). SHE TEACHS A PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL (1907-12). HER SON BY PREVIOUS MARRIAGE, MAURICE DAVIDSON (B. 1894 NE), IS THE FIRST 8TH-GRADE GRADUATE FROM PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL (1908) AND WORKS AS A CUSTODIAN THERE (1910-11).

WILLIAMS, JOSEPH G. "JG" (B. 1868 NE) AND RHODA G. (B. 1883 NE). KNOWN CHILDREN: ESTHER G. IN 1910, HE IS A TRAVELLING SALES MAN FOR ADVERTISING BUT HAS THEIR GENERAL-GOODS STORE, LOCATED SLIGHTLY WEST OF PLEASANT VIEW SCHOOL, IN OPERATION BY 1910. IT CONTINUES THROUGH 1912-ISH. C. A. CHEATHAM DEEDS HIM LAND ON 18

March 1907.

WOLFF, MATTHEW (B. 1877 GERMANY) AND LYDIA (B. 1879 SD)
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HERE IS A RE-PRINT OF AN UNPUBLISHED ARTICLE SUBMITTED TO THE POST FALLS TRIBUNE BY PEG GOTT ANDERTON FOR THE 24 JULY 1986 SCHOOL CENTENNIAL ISSUE. THE TRIBUNE CHOSE ONLY TWO SENTENCES FROM THE ORIGINAL ARTICLE AND DISCARDED THE REST. FOR WHAT ITS WORTH, WHICH IS ABOUT 2-WEEKS (ADDED TO THE ALREADY 3+ YEARS) OF RESEARCH, HERE IS MOST OF THAT ARTICLE IN ITS UNEDITED FORM:

13 JULY 1986 MARKED THE ONE-HUNDRETH YEAR SINCE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS APPROVED A PETITION TO CREATE THE FIRST SCHOOL DISTRICT IN POST FALLS.

LOOKING BACK INTO POST FALLS' EDUCATIONAL ROOTS, IT MIGHT BE SAID IT ALL STARTED IN 1842. JESUIT MISSIONARY REVEREND PIERRE JEAN DESMET TAUGHT THE FIRST CLASSES IN NORTH IDAHO AT ABOUT WHERE COEUR D' ALENE PARK SETS TODAY. MANY COEUR D' ALENE INDIANS LEARNED DOCTRINAL PRINCIPLES AND PRAYERS.

WHEN IDAHO TERRITORY WAS YOUNG, KOOTENAI COUNTY WAS BIG--THE COMBINED SIZE OF BONNER, BOUNDARY AND BENEWAH COUNTIES! FOR MANY YEARS IT REMAINED A WILD AND UNSETTLED COUNTRY OF LAKES AND GRAND SCENERY. THERE WERE FEW WHITE CIVILIANS UNTIL AFTER THE RAILROAD ARRIVED IN RATHDRUM, THE COUNTY SEAT, IN JULY 1882.

COUNTY AND STATE RECORDS DO NOT DIVULGE WHEN EXACTLY KOOTENAI COUNTY WAS DIVIDED INTO TWO SCHOOL DISTRICTS NOR WHAT LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DIVISION NOR WHERE THE DIVIDING LINE WAS. WHAT IS KNOWN, IT WAS DONE PRIOR TO JULY 1881. DISTRICT NO. 1 WAS COEUR D' ALENE AND ALL THE COUNTY SOUTH OF IT; DISTRICT NO. 2 WAS WESTWOOD/RATHDRUM AND ALL THE AREA NORTH TO CANADA.

IN 1880, A FEDERAL CENSUS ENUMERATOR LOCATED FIVE STUDENTS AND TWO TEACHERS.

OF COURSE, AS THE COUNTY BOOMED, MEN WITH FAMILIES PETITIONED COMMISSIONERS FOR CONVENIENT SCHOOLS. "A SCHOOL", IN THOSE DAYS, BEGAN AS A DEFINED DISTRICT.

HERE IS AN OVER-VIEW OF THE FIRST SEVEN DISTRICT CREATIONS FROM COUNTY COMMISSIONER'S RECORDS:

* SANDPOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3 CAME TO PASS ON 2 OCTOBER 1883.

* HOWELL - ALSO KNOWN AS FINNEY, LIBBY, MILLER, AND GEORGETOWN - BECAME NO. 4 ON 15 APRIL 1884, WEST OF RATHDRUM. * 14 APRIL 1885, WATERS (LATER RENAMED HAYDEN LAKE)

STEPPED IN AS DISTRICT NO. 5.

* COMMISSIONERS APPROVED DODGE (NO. 6) BETWEEN RATHDRUM AND SANDPOINT ON COLUMBUS DAY, 1885.

* POST FALLS, THE OBJECT OF THIS ARTICLE, FELL INTO SEVENTH POSITION IN THE ORDERLY CREATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS ON 13 JULY 1886. FIRST TERM COMMENCED NOVEMBER 22ND.

FIRST TRUSTEES IN DISTRICT NO. 7 WERE JAMES H. KENNEDY, J. R. COMPTON, AND JOHN GREEN (OWNER AND OPERATOR OF THE LATER-TO -BE-ESTABLISHED GREEN'S FERRY).

BONNER (INCLUDING THE TERRITORY OF BOUNDARY) COUNTY

FORMED ITS GOVERNMENT ON 16 MARCH 1907. THE 48 SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITHIN THE NEW COUNTY'S CONFINES, LEFT HOLES IN KOOTENAI'S SEQUENTIAL HARMONY.

COMMISSIONERS ORDERED MAY 12TH, 1908, A RESTORATION OF CONSECUTIVE NUMERICAL ORDER WOULD TAKE PLACE FOR MOST OF THE 6% REMAINING SCHOOLS. THIS WAS WHEN POST FALLS BECAME DISTRICT NO.

WHEN BENEWAH COUNTY BROKE OFF ON 23 JANUARY 1915, IT TOOK 30 SCHOOLS. DURING 1915'S RENUMBERING PROCESS, THE FIRST FIVE KOOTENAI COUNTY DISTRICTS KEPT THEIR SERIAL NUMBERS. NAMELY, COEUR D' ALENE (NO. 1), RATHDRUM (NO. 2), HOWELL (NO. 3), HAYDEN LAKE (NO. 4), AND POST FALLS (NO. 5). THE OTHER 69 DISTRICTS WERE

RURAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 85 ESTABLISHED IN MAY 1924 TO WELCOME POST-FALLS-AND-VICINITY EIGHTH-GRADE GRADS.

RECORD BOOKS DESCRIBE RED-HOT COUNTY CONSOLIDATION HEARINGS BY SUMMER 1947:

"REORGANIZATION...[WOULD] GIVE EVERY CHILD THE BEST EDUCATION POSSIBLE WITH THE FACILITIES AND FINANCES AT HAND," SAID G. O. KILDOW, PRESIDENT OF NORTH IDAHO JUNIOR COLLEGE.

"...PEOPLE SEEM TO THINK BIGGER MEANS BETTER...MANY SMALLER SCHOOLS [ARE] DOING A GOOD JOB IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION, " REBUTTALLED H. B. STEVENS, SUPERINTENDENT OF WORLEY

THE OUT-MODED COUNTRY-SCHOOL CONCEPT WAS DISCARDED AT POST FALLS POLLS ON 7 AUGUST 1948. A MAJORITY CHOSE THE NEW 62-SQUARE-MILE DISTRICT INTERLACED WITH BUS ROUTES.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OKAYED POST FALLS CLASS-B SCHOOL

DISTRICT NO. 273 NINE DAYS LATER.

1948.

THE NEW DISTRICT INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING SCHOOLS: POST FALLS DISTRICT NO. 5, RURAL HIGH SCHOOL NO. 85, STATE LINE COMMON SCHOOL NO. 11, MC GUIRES COMMON SCHOOL NO. 62, EAST GREENACRES COMMON SCHOOL NO. 63 (PART), PRAIRIE-VESSER NO. 20 (PART), CEDAR CREEK NO. 27 (PART), RATHDRUM DISTRICT NO. 272 (FRACTION), COEUR D' ALENE DISTRICT NO. 271 (FRACTION).

FINAL OFFICIAL CONSOLIDATION TOOK EFFECT ON 14 SEPTEMBER

CHILDREN FROM PLEASANT VIEW, MILL CREEK AND BIG ROCK DISTRICTS WERE NOT AFFECTED BY THIS DECISION.

MILL CREEK ANNEXED AND BIG ROCK CONSOLIDATED IN 1939.

PLEASANT VIEW CONSOLIDATED IN 1940. TODAY, PF DISTRICT 273 CONSISTS OF: PFHS, PFJHS, AND

FREDERICK POST, SELTICE, AND PONDEROSA ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS. HAPPY BIRTHDAY 273! YOU'RE LOOKIN' GOOD!!

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Anderton, a Family-History-and-Genealogy major of BYU used her years of training and experience to ferret out assorted details

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She was first Chief Librarian, and founder, of the Post Falls Branch Genealogy Library (now the Coeur d' Alene Stake BGL). She was co-owner of Anderton Genealogy Services, a genealogy consultant, lecturer, published author, past-Chairperson of the Compu-Genie Special-Interest Group of the Spokane Microcomputer Users' Group. and member of the North Idaho Museum Historical Committee.

She loves local history and finances all her own research. Three books she has written to date. The sales barely cover

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