

Chapter 6: The Tyvand School District

Known as School District No. 1, the Tyvand School was located in Section 35, Town of Perry, on farm 16 when Isaac and Kjestine (Ellen Lee) Kittleson owned it. The school served what has become known as Kittleson Valley, the highlands to its south, and the eastern end of Lee Valley.



The First Tyvand School

The first school was built of rock before 1873. In 1923-24, a new, square, frame structure was built to replace the old rock building.



The second Tyvand School



The students at Tyvand School in c. 1928-29

The school was probably named after the Jens Peterson Tyvand family who lived next door to the school site, at farm 15. Jens and his wife, Audi, had at least six children.

The number of students who attended the Tyvand School ranged anywhere from 25 to 40 students in a given year. Seating in the school was 2 pupils to a desk and sometimes 3 pupils to a desk among the younger students.



Last day of school April 26, 1928

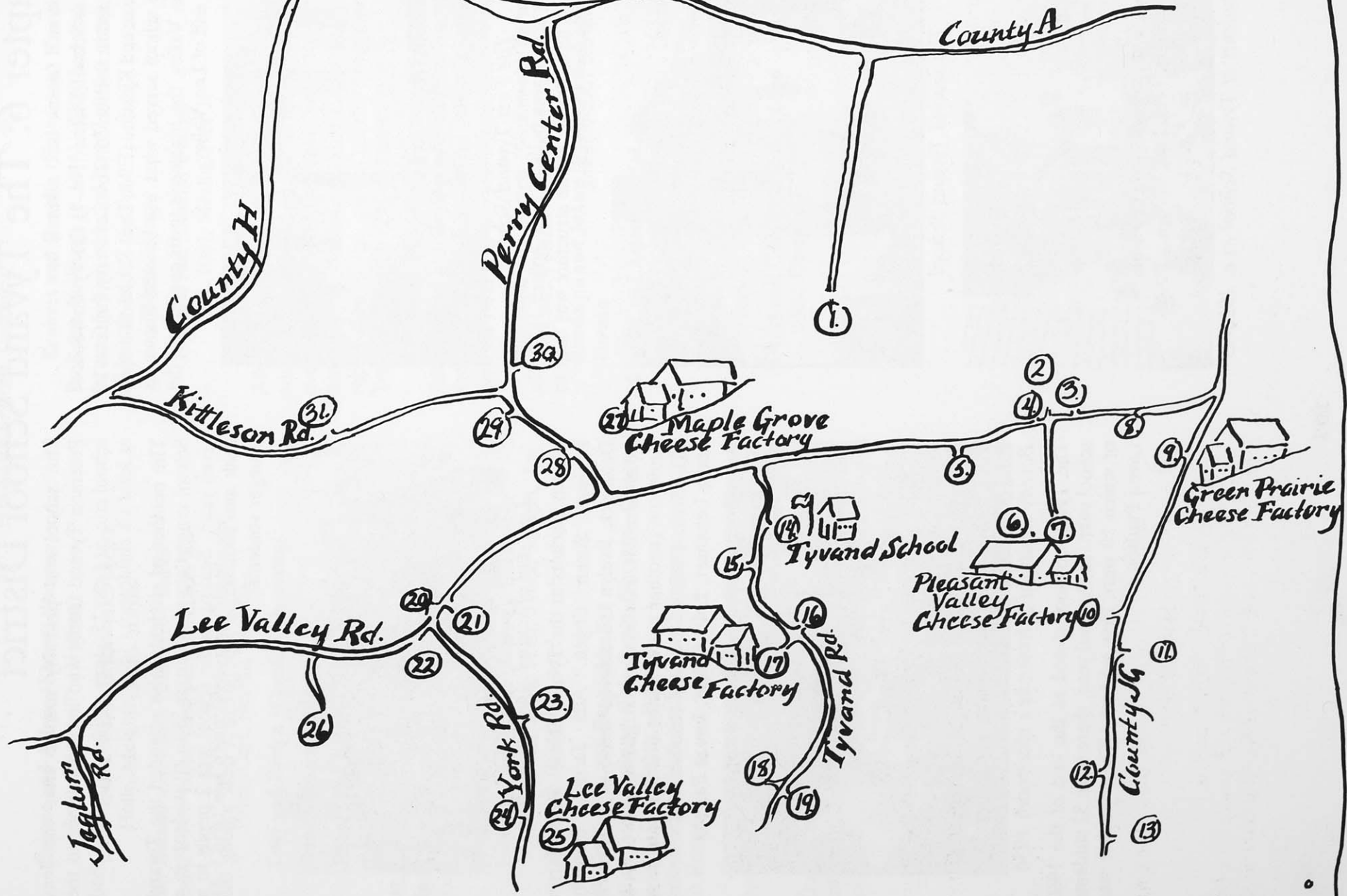
Known teachers at the Tyvand School were: Martin Paulson, Susan Engen, Adá Jacobs, Dorothy Deiderick, Evelyn Einerson (a native of the district, from farm 24), Ella Sanders, Argivena Grove, Ruth Anderson (another native of the district, from farm 30), Orrin Paulson, Beverly Knudson Schwierske, Leota Lehnerr, Louise Gust, Lavon Paulson.



Beverly Knudson Schwierske's classroom 1956

The Tyvand School closed at the end of the 1960 school year. In the final year, there were 32 students of which 10 were first graders. Their teacher was Lavon Paulson.

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1. **Alvin and Beatrice (Hustad) Hanson**
Harriet, Tenner, Percival, Donald, Alvin Jr.,
Gene

Titus Schrock Family

Left this community and went to Iowa.

Jack Borders Family

2. **Andrew and Olina (Nessa) Hanson**
Hans, Gabriel, Albert, Anne, Berndt,
Edward, Annette

Mari Thoreson of Thorsen-Jacobson
Widow of Jacob Thoreson, with whom she had
homesteaded farm 3.

Thor, Kari, Martha, Lars, Thomas

Even and Caroline (Waage) Venden

They eventually settled at farm 30 in this district.

Abner, Joyce, Elaine, Russell

Fred and Emma (Eggiman) Hofer

Known as "Blue Mills Alp Farm"

Fred Jr., Ida, Ernest

Raymond and Lulu (Lee) Peterson

Ray, a pilot, was a traveling "barn stormer" in his
youth. In later years, he was very involved with the
Flying Farmers.

Joette, Robert, Sandra, Richard, Lucille,
Donna, Evelyn, Donald

Duane and Elaine (Klitzke) Wilde

Sherry, Robert, Wanda

Raymond and Alice Zander

Built a new home.

3. **Jacob and Mari Thoreson**

Thor, Kari, Martha, Lars, Thomas

Thor and Susan (Jenson) Jacobson of
Thoreson-Jacobson

Both were natives of the Tyvand District. Susan was
from farm 21.

Jacob, Erwin, Ruth (died), Viola, Thelma,
Alpha, Ruth, Malvina

Gilbert Kopprud Family

Lived here simultaneously with Thor and Susan
Jacobson.

Jacob and Barbara (Urben) Jacobson

Robert, Earl, Hazel, Verna, Ralph

Robert and Gloria (Marty) Jacobson

John, Scott, Mary

Truman and Elsie (Hoel) Kittleson

Robert, Knute

James and Mary (Hartman) Zweifel

James is a descendant of the Thoresons.

Christine, Nicholas

4. **Jack and Susan (Hauboldt) Klein**

Built a new home on a parcel of farm 2.

Travis, Jason

5. **O.A. Dysland Family**

Known as "Maple Grove Farm"

Henry, John

Selmer and Gertrude (Feney) Opheim

Martha, Gudron, Ruth, Sanford, Lois

Ole and Bergit (Houkem) Jelle

Clarence, Benford, Henry, Otto, Martin,
Marie, Myrtle

Martin and Laura (Tollefson) Jelle

Dorothy, Merlin, Donald, Glenys

Iver and Ida (Lunda) Ulsrud

Lela, Earl, Merlin, Iver Jr.

Clarence and Agnes (Davidson) Jelle

Agnes is a native of the Tyvand School District, from
farm 22. She and Clarence built all new buildings on
this place.

Lennys, Obert, Carol, Alster, Sharon

Alster and Carol (Theobald) Jelle

David, Joan, Scott

6. **Jacob and Ragnild Jorgenson Family**

Alfred O. and Emma (Langlie) Anderson

Abner, Lillian, Tillie

Adolph and Marie (Amacher) Marty

Adolph's parents were Cheesemakers at the Green
Prairie Cheese Factory, 9.

Marie, Walter, Anna, Ruth, Wilma, Betty,
Dorothy, Shirley, Helen

Melvin and Alma (Kolden) Strommen

They also lived at farm 28 in the Tyvand School
District.

Myrtle

Hans and Goldie (Kammerud) Johnson

Verna Lee, Malcolm, Bernard, Richard,
Mayona, Nancy, Connie

Harvey and Helen (Jelle) Einerson

Harvey was a native of the Tyvand School District,
from farm 24 which his brother Ralph continued to

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farm after their parents. Two of Harvey's other brothers, Lloyd and Burnell, also stayed a while in the district, consecutively farming the place next door to their home farm, 22.

Raymond, Larry, Duane, Diane

Obert and Marietha (Ray) Jelle

Obert was a native of this district, having been born and raised next door on farm 5. He and Marietha also lived at farm 15. In 1984, they built a new home at 22.

Terry, Julayne, Margaret

Erick and Thea (Lokken) Engen

Thea was a native of this district, from farm 15 which she and Erik farmed after her parents.

Bernice, Clayton, Donald, Hazel

Buildings have been razed.

7. Pleasant Valley Cheese Factory

Built on farm 6. Has been razed.

8. Albert and Olina (Ness) Anderson

Olina of Halvorson-Ness, was from farm 16 in this district.

Alvin, Mary, Della, Morris (died), Lily, Morris, Ada, Marvin, Grace, Ardys

Alvin and Gena (Lindokken) Anderson

Known as "Green Prairie Farm"

Nordeen, Orville, Gladys, William

John and Bertha (Abegglen) Amacher

John Jr., Bertha, Lennys, Ruth, Linda, Samuel, Susanna

Douglas and Linda (Hill) Nelson

Lincoln, Erica

9. Green Prairie Cheese Factory

Located on farm 8.

Known Cheesemakers:

Ernest and Joan (Meyers) Richard

Albert and Mary (Uhr) Marty Sr.

Rose, Albert Jr., Mary, Joseph, Frieda, John, Lena

Buildings were razed.

10. Torgrim and Asbor Davidson

Berit, Ole, Ann

George and Julia (Syse) Fjelstad of

Johnson-Fjelstad

George was Chairman of the Town of Perry 1893-96 & 1899-1906 and Dane County Clerk circa 1910-1920's.

Ben, Selma, Olin, Joseph, George Jr., Gustafine and Melvin (twins), Olga

Ben and Belle (Engen) Fjelstad

Known as "Fairfield Farm"

Clifford, Russell, Ervin, Kenneth



Belle Fjelstad and Lilly and Bertha Ness are among this group

Howard and Martha (Brager) Torkelson

Richard

Howard and Mary (Burns) Torkelson

Joanne, Thomas, Debra

Dennis and Susan (Sheldon) Orr

Jamie, Christopher

11. Jacob and Julia (Winge) Duerst

Ida, Thomas

Jacob and Ida (Duerst) Amacher

Sindolf, Goldie, Arnold, Irma, Tilman, Tilda, John

John and Norma (Bower) Amacher

John's sister, Irma, also stayed in the Tyvand District, at farm 24.

Rebecca

12. Melvin and Marie (Kittleson) Fjelstad

Marie was of Ansteinson-Staulen Kittleson. Melvin's parents and then his brother, Ben, lived next door at farm 10.

Kermit, Dorothy and Dora (twins), Hazel

Kermit and Irene (Johnson) Fjelstad

Aldine

Bradley Zimpel

Nichole

13. Joseph and Otilia (Krieg) Truttman

Sylvan, Orval, Ervin

Sylvan and Viola (Zweifel) Truttman

Dwight

Dwight and Diana (Kammerud) Truttman
Dwight, Janet

14. Tyvand School



Schoolgirls - Tyvand District

Clarence and Hazel (Hendrickson) Anderson
Converted to a private residence.

J. Patrick Downing

Chairman of the Town of Perry since 1989.

15. **Jens and Audi (Jacobsdtr) Tyvand** of
Peterson-Tyvand

Peter, Ann, Jacob, Aslaug, Lisa, Jens Jr.
Jens Jr. became doctor in Mt. Horeb.

Peter and Agnette (Evanson) Tyvand
Alma

Gust and Irene (Berg) Haugland
Elaine, Deloris, Dorothy, Glanes

Martin and Carrie (Edseth) Lokken
Albert, Bennie, Mabel, Thea, Annie, Clara,
Otto

Bennie died in WWI.

Erick and Thea (Lokken) Engen

They also lived at farm 6 in this school district.
Bernice, Clayton, Donald, Hazel

Obert and Marietha (Ray) Jelle

Obert was a native of the Tyvand District, having
been born and raised at farm 5. He and Marietha
also lived at farm 6 in this district. They eventually
built a new home at 22.

Terry, Julayne, Margaret

Terry Jelle and Pat (Sorrow) Adams
Sam, Cate, Norah, Daniel (Jelle)

16. **Jacob and Aasne Lee** of Christianson-Lee
Kjestine (Ellen)

Isaac and Kjestine (Ellen Lee) Kittleson of
Tvedten-Kittleson

Isaac was a Civil War Volunteer. They lived here
simultaneously with Ellen's parents, but in two
different houses so both Isaac Kittleson's and Jacob
Christianson's names appear on the 1856 plat map.

Elise (died), Elise, Edel, Isaac

Mons and Birgit (Olsdtr-Skolt) Ness of
Halverson-Ness

Kari, Halvor, Ingaborg, Karolena, Olina,
Marius, Ole, Christina



Ladies Aid at the Ness Home

Marius and Christina (Erickson) Ness

George, Milo, Agnes, Mabel, Lily, Bertha

George, Milo, Lily and Bertha Ness

Brothers and sisters

The Ness family era of 75 years on this farm ended
with this sale.

Herbert and Imogene Nelson

David, Michael, Steven

Richard and Susan Weigel Family

Built a new home.

John and Chris Gustavson

17. Tyvand Cheese Factory

Razed

18. **Knute Syse (Sysse) Family**

Lawrence and Theoline (Kittleson) Syse

Theoline of Ansteinson-Staulen-Kittleson

Orville, Percival, Lenore, Audrey, Virginia

Anton Knudtson

Clara

Anton and Ella (Lund-Lanning) Knudtson

Ella was of Ivarson-Lund

Milton and Gladys (Venden) Erickson

Frank, Gloria, Marcia, Rae, Linda, Wendy,
Shirley

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Gerald and Barbara (Moraw) Larson

Kurt, Todd, LeeAnn, Dawn

19. Halvor A. and Dena (Lund) Jordee

George, Dora, Belinda, Darwin, Clara,
Goldie, Stella, Ruth, Olga

Darwin and Hilda (Kittleson) Jordee

Hilda of Ansteinson- Staulen Kittleson
Doris, Cristel, Donald

William and Eloise (Klassy) Kuenzi Jr.

Richard, Randy, Mary, Robert, Rhoda

20. B. F. Denson Family

Came from North Carolina in 1848. Son, born March 11, 1848, is said to be the first white child born in the Town of Perry. B.F. was the first Chairman of the Town of Perry, elected in 1854 and re-elected in 1855, 1857, and 1858.

Christian and Julia (Hemerson-Boe) Holland of Haaland-Holland

Family for which Hollandale, Wisconsin, is named. They came to America in 1842. Christian was Chairman of the Town of Perry in 1869 and an area merchant of hardware and medicine. The Hollands provided a home for a "free" black who assisted him in the merchantile trade. The Hollands left the community in the 1870s.

Mette, Anna, Harmond, Rachel, Halder, Inga

Mette became a well-known music teacher.

Nels E. and Caroline Lee of Evanson-Lee

Engbret, Helga, Herman, Nora, Luella

Members of the Lee Family lived here over 60 years and it was from them that both Lee Valley Road and the Lee Valley Cheese Factory took their names.

Kenneth and Viola (Winden) Nyhus

Kathryn and Virginia (twins), Steven

Hilmer and Marvel (Jenson) Martinsen

Robert, Erling, Marie, Margaret, Kenneth

Enos and Doris (Hustad) Jeglum

Lived here 31 years. Enos was Chairman of the Town of Perry 1975-77.

Marlyn, James, Brian

Elsie (Hoel) Kittleson

Widow of Truman Kittleson with whom she had lived at 3.

21. Volquar and Aasne (Oppegaard) Jenson

Jacob, Gunild, Ole, Hans, Marius, Susan,

Tena, Andrias, Marie, Valquar, Christian, 2 died (names unknown)

Hans and Helga (Lee) Jensen

Helga grew up right across the road at 20.
Viola, Gladys, Clara

Clarence and Rose (Everson) Strommen

Vernus, Leland, Dorothy, Roland

Casper and Tena (Evanstad) Severson

Howard, Carlton

Carlton and Nancy (Graham) Severson

Lisa, Craig

22. Abraham and Sigri Davidson

David, Berit

David and Lena (Lokken) Davidson

Olin, Selmer, Lawrence, Agnes

Lawrence and Selmer Davidson

Their sister, Agnes, also stayed in the district, at farm 5.

Lloyd Johnson and Ralph Einerson

Ralph was raised next door at farm 24.

Burnell and Jennie (Paulson) Einerson

Burnell succeeded his brother at this farm. He and Jennie also lived at farm 30 in this school district.

Carol, Philip

Lloyd and Frieda (Meade) Einerson Family

Lloyd was the third Einerson brother to live on this place consecutively.

Willis and Lennys (Jelle) Luchsinger

Lennys was a native of the Tyvand District, having been born and raised down the road at 5.

Beth, Lynn, Kay, Lori

Obert and Marietha (Ray) Jelle

Obert was Lennys brother. Prior to this, he and Marietha had lived at 15 and 6. They built a new home here in 1984.

Terry, Julayne, Margaret

23. Kenneth and Vicki (Pierce) Bartz

This is the part of farm 22 which had the original buildings on it.

Keefe, Trena

24. Nels E. and Caroline Lee of Evanson-Lee

They later moved to farm 20.

Engbret, Helga, Herman, Nora, Luella

Engbret Lee

Ben and Elsie (Milestone) Einerson

Harvey, Lloyd, Margret, Evelyn, Amy, Ralph, Amos, Burnell

Ralph and Dorothy (Lein) Einerson

Before marrying and moving back to the home farm, Ralph lived at farm 22. Two of Ralph's brothers, Lloyd and Burnell, stayed a while in the Tyvand School District, farming consecutively after him at 22. A third brother, Harvey, farmed at 6. Their sister, Evelyn, taught at the Tyvand School for a while.

David, Allen, Jean

Albert and Irma (Amacher) Ruegsegger

Irma was a native of the Tyvand District, from farm 11.

Roy, Mark, Evelyn, Kenneth, Randy, Bruce, Joseph

Kenneth Ruegsegger Family

25. Lee Valley Cheese Factory

Built on farm 24. Factory has been razed.

26. **Ole and Ragnild (Endresdatter Ramsaas-Flisram) Sherven** of Skjervheim-Sherven

Albert, Sena, Ida, Lewis, Andrew, Belle (Flisram)

Albert and Helga (Hanson) Sherven

Eugene, Leon, Enoch, Myrtle, Albert Jr., Fern, Doris, Challis, Alexander, Orton

The Sherven era of 80 years ended with this sale.

Eugene and Bernice (Halvorson) Hamilton

Charlene, Jacquelyn, Paul, Ronald

Eugene and Jeannie (Gilbertson) Hefty

Daniel, Anthony, David, Kathy, Ann, Peggy, Lorie

Orville and Donna (Endres) Ross

27. Maple Grove Cheese Factory

Razed

28. **Richard and Kathryn (Severson) Nygaard**

Kathryn is a native of the Tyvand School District, from farm 30. In 1993-94, she and her husband, Richard, built this new house on 29 (Christian Lund's farm), which Kathryn's brother, Stanley, farms.

29. **Christian B. and Betsy Lund** of Benson-Lund

Iver, Henry, Daniel

Peter and Gunild (Severson) Lund of Ivarson-Lund

Melvin and Milo (twins), Elmen, Mabel



Melvin, Milo, Mabel and Elmer Lund in 1948.

Peter O. and Martha (Lokken) Peterson

Gordon, Priscilla, Joyce, Orrin, Shirley

Melvin and Alma (Kolden) Strommen

They also lived at farm 6.

Myrtle

Milo and Clara (Kittleson) Lund

Milo's parents had lived here before them. Clara of Ansteinson-Staulen-Kittleson

Otis, Raymond, Charmain

Raymond and Emma (Brynjulfson) Lund

Janice, James, Anita, Karen

August and Sharon (Meudt) Moen

Brian

Robert and Barbara (Johnson) Kittleson of

Ansteinson-Staulen- Kittleson

Steven, Shelly

Stanley and Susan (Walser-Kellesvig) Severson

Stanley is a native of the Tyvand School District, having been born and raised next door at farm 30. His sister, Kathryn, lives on the other side of Stanley and Susan, at 28.

Julie (Kellesvig), Nessa

30. **Lars M. and Ragnild (Halvorson) Anderson**

Lars was a Civil War Volunteer and Chairman of the Town of Perry from 1870 to 1882. Ragnild was of Halvorson-Gonstad. She grew up next door at farm 31.

John, Lena, Andrew, Charles, Christian, James

James and Eva (Nelson) Anderson

James, Ruth, Ethel, Louis, Arthur, Vivian

The Anderson era of 70 years ended with this sale.



The Brynjulfson farm, April 28, 1926

Tollef and Ella (Retrum) Brynjulfson

Agnes, Emma, Violet

Agnes went to school at Forward for one year because there was no one to walk with to Tyvand.



Emma and Agnes Brynjulfson

Rolfe and Violet (Brynjulfson) Severson

Marilyn, John, Stanley, Carol, Ellen, Kathryn

Marilyn was a missionary to China 1975-8.



Tollef Brynjulfson on way to sawmill



Violet Brynjulfson

31. Halvor and Martha (Dahl) Halvorson

Halvor, Ragnild, Bertha, Ingrid

Halvor and Dorthea (Milestone) Gonstad of Halvroson-Gonstad

John, Martha, Edward, Ole, Elsie, Halvor, Carl (Karl), Ragnild, Henry, Syver, Gina, Emma, Dina, Marie

Carl (Karl) and Sarah Inga (Hustad) Gonstad

Clarence, Arthur, Merton, Elويد, Grace
Clarence and Merton were chiropractors. Clarence of the well-known Gonstead Clinic in Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin.

Henry and Belinda (Steensland) Kittleson of Ansteinson-Staulen Kittleson

Evan and Caroline (Waage) Venden

They had also lived at farm 2 in the Tyvand District. They called this farm "Valley View Farm."

Russell, Abner, Eva, Joyce

Carl Kvamme

Joseph Michaels Family

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Burnell and Jennie (Paulson) Einerson

Also lived at farm 22 in this school district.

Carol, Philip

Byron and Dora (Brusveen) Kittleson of
Ansteinson-Staulen- Kittleson

Paul, Sonja



Byron and Dora Kittleson's farm

Paul and Sonja (Kolb) Kittleson

Todd, Jason, Gregory, Scott

MEADOW VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT



This Meadow View neighborhood group includes Morgan Berg from farm 2, wearing the fur coat and seated on the far left, Sever Rundhaug of farm 21, standing with his hands on Evan Flisram of farm 19's shoulders, and Iver Berg of farm 5.



These c. 1945 students pictured in front of the third school in this district are (L to R) Ron Kittleson, Roger Grundahl, David Jeglum, Lucille Duffy, and Mary Bahler.