

1893-1957

GLEANINGS

As we gathered information from previously published articles, we noted several discrepancies as to the date the stone schoolhouse was built. We believe the correct date to be as reported in the Mount Horeb Times, which stated that construction was started in the fall of 1907.

From the **Mount Horeb Progress** - **January 25, 1893**

Report of school District, No. 2:-Springdale, Dane county, Wis. Number enrolled for second month, 40; number of days taught, 18; number of holidays, 2; grand total days' attendance, 405; average daily attendance, 22.5. Not absent during month: Josie Sjutvedt, Emma Brustuen, Mikkell Mikkelson, Jas. Malone, and Herman Schettler.

P. J. R. Post, teacher.

From the **Mount Horeb Times** - **December 28, 1893**

Report of school district No. 2, Springdale, for the month commencing Nov. 20 and ending Dec. 15: No enrolled, 31; No, days taught, 19; holidays, 1; average daily attendance, 18.5; not absent during month, Jens Shelstad and Gay S. Fargo.

P. J. R. Post, Teacher

From the **Mount Horeb Times** - **August 1, 1907**

A new schoolhouse will in all probability be built in the Malone district this fall to take the place of the old one which has served the district for a long period of years. A modern building is contemplated with the latest approved ventilation and heating system.

From the **Mount Horeb Times** - **October 10, 1907**

The new school building in the Malone district in Springdale will be a solid stone building, the stone dressed rock faced. Mr. Ayen has the contract for the entire job. Chas. Lindstrom is the mason, assisted by David Anderson.

From the **Mount Horeb Times - March 19, 1908**

Schoolhouse and Site for Sale.

School district No. 2, Town of Springdale, having built a new schoolhouse, now offers the old schoolhouse and site for sale. The schoolhouse is a frame building, 20x24 feet, one story high, with an entry, 8x10 ft. The site consists of one half acre of good land, situated on the Mt. Vernon, Mt. Horeb highway, about four miles from Mt. Horeb and is generally designated as the Malone school.

The district will sell this property to the highest bidder, reserving the right to sell the building and the site separately.

There will also be sold at the same time and place an excellent heating stove with drum attachment, a bookcase and other articles.

To be sold Thursday, March 26th, 1908, at 2 p.m.

School Board:

John Schneider, Director,

J. S. Donald, Clerk.

T. Martinson, Treasurer.

From the **Mount Horeb Times - April 9, 1908**

District School Jubilee

On last Saturday the school district commonly called the Malone district had a grand jubilee and feast in honor of their accomplishment in the completion of their new and elegant school building. The day was a model spring day and a large number of people turned out to take in the doings. Prof. Charles Harper, chief clerk of the state superintendent's office was the forenoon speaker. Dinner was served by the young ladies of the district and was pronounced a good one. Prof Commons of the State University spoke in the afternoon, also Rev. Gunderson. The Mt. Horeb male quartette furnished several of the their best musical selections and was liberally applauded. The members of the Springdale town board were present as well as school boards from neighboring districts within the town. The building committee consisted of J. S. Donald, Torkel Martinson, John Schneider, H. J. Bang and Lewis Dahl. Mr. Bang in behalf of the committee made a financial report which showed the total cost of the building to foot up to \$2,850. The district is to be congratulated on having one of the finest country school buildings in the county.

From **Centennial History, Township of Springdale, Dane County, Wisconsin 1848-1948**
by **Amelia I. J. Pope** (page 51)

The first school house built in Sec. 29, District No. 2, known as the Malone school, was built in 1858, and stood on the site west of the James Malone home, across the road from the present school house, which was built in 1944.

From **This is Dane County, Wisconsin** by **John Drury 1957**

(There is an ariel photograph of the building with this caption)

Malone School

Rt.1

Mrs. Gilbertson (Teacher)

Built 1910

Mt. Horeb

Sec. 29

1 acre