mill breck as stated before I was 16 years ald when we moved to the Dover- millereck neighborhood It was strictly a Quaker neighbourhood the Church was Tanown as the mill Creek Friends Church", Then was grule a large membership and it was all standing as or for its musical Taleut, I never before had heard good singing. There was a man living in the neighborhood by the name of Will Shirley and it seemed to me at that time That he knew all that their was to be known about music he was a good farmer but he found time to leach singing schools and the young people attender, Gella, Orlando and Creen even in my oppinion his three but keepilo, altho was good are of bullos brothers were good signers and The young people often wint to Father Hadleys place to hear them sing, they had a fine Lurlet right in the family, The Quarted was in demand to sing all almost every prenie or other malings Quela une a very good allo singer, There were quite a large group of young people in the neighborhood I will name a few of them Elmer Stonley Cal. Richerson Will Richerson Will Show

This was written by Mules Julian Furnas as requested by his son, I. Leslie Furnas, in 1949.

allie Hilson Thos nichelson arlando Hadley Onella Hadley anna Dell Eva Dicherson Elva Carter Billy Williams The Hodson Girls Minnie & Eva marshall & Liggie nan Bringle Jim. Kodgers We had many oyster suppers - See Cream Suppere. Taffy Stellings and Sarties, aur favorite places to much was at al Carters I will not go unto details any farther as queen is going to write her memmore and I will then tell about the Thosh Hunh" . Heckory much hunting" trop to the Car in Tutnama County yearly meeting ite ite, But I must add that this group was trigh Class in all respects. Of Course I fell for gula from an very first meeting land I was kept so believy looking after her and trying to keep other young onen from steeling her away from one that there is little else for me to work about, but by hard work and much showing or scheming and lots of head work I did finally persuade her to marry 3 me on november 2x 1887. The River N. David Hodley tred the Front and he

slipped in 62 years, On the form at mill Creek ser had two fish fonds, some she summer During the summer they were used as secomming fools, about 3 nights a week Eliner Stanley and Will Dickerson would come down and we would we some spend about 2 hours in the waler go home and how we would about the year 1878 as mear as I can recall now, then was a Split" or Donson in the Lucker Church, One side was Composed of the younger or more progression (as wor would care them to day) members who was in favor of singing in Church, disearding the all time quaker garbe also the plain longuage, The older members officed these changes they wen Called "Old Toggiers", Considerable ill feeling was the result, The progressions fell heir to most of the Church persperty, so The Old Foggies were Comfeeled to build new Churches for worship, (Let me say her that in my oppinion the "Old Foggies" were the took tone of the Church, They were men and women whose howesty and integrity could not to quationed, I Tasker + mother, while their sympathy was largely with the Toggies did not go along with them, But

There were gule a member of the members of our meeting at while Creek who with drew and built a meeting hour and school house about of a mile north of our form, It was to Called Sorghun Chapple the right name was mill creek meeting". It got its Jeanne Sorghum Chappele because it was near a Sorghum mill on lincle al Furnais farm, The school House would seak about 30 peoples. Teachers were imported from Miladelphas Ja and other Eastern Achivols, They were high class and will iducated. The first teacher was a Sarah Hallick a niese of Len. Hallack Ided not attend the school while she was the teacher. but I die attend Later, my favorite teacher was a Rochel Hall from Hila delphin, ler got along fine I like her very much, she was a good nestructor. The reheat was Conducted clong the act faction quaker lines and & telier me the teachers Tued to the Sine too, many of the people worr Coats ? with no Collars, the girls wern such allowed to even gay Colored dresses, on one occasion one of the guls wong a a sort of a cinci colored jacket to school and the teacher made her remove it. It was a sort of a toarding school; the bornantory would

on the schollars then as nearly all of them grew up to be church and the bosh Cetizens. Both the Church and the school has long since bun abandoned.

The Hover teterary Society was supersology in the neighborhood took Colored Joseph took their fash in trying to make a success of it. The young frohle ever taught Parlimentry low tailed how to londwell a meeting how to make a motion and how to amend it etc ste, I will let byclea give the details as she as she was the was tone of its most action members

about the time the frost would be going out of the ground in the spring and the sap bould start to flow, with would the sap bould start to flow, with a four to the sugar and born a hole about I inch deep in the sugar trees and drive a "spile" in to carch the flow of sop in a bucket, (a spile war a piece of Elder about 800 10 mehrs long with the peth punced out to most shew hallow) in had a sleet with 3 barrels on it we would drive from tree to true and supply the fresh to in to the form that

were feel we would tole them to the Floring and boil them clown when about a green of molasses, The boiling down wasent so that but it was hard work getting the safe to the Camp.

mather hadley was nother large, and war a good looking woman, and far tryout the worage woman in intelegence word the like the family. I never saw her mak, she took great interest in her family and helper the children in their leterary work, she could write pactry, or a lampose a song to fit almost any occosion, she was a good singer, and enjoyed a good jake as ever as any bety.

Father Hodley was kind harted and

ony fond of children, absolutely honesh
and a good farmer. He liked horses and
always hept a pony for the children to
ride and drive, If he had any enemy

of did not know it, the was never to
husy to engages in a game with the
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for every body to eat and wars, the Enjoy of taling the children to promise faces the He was not strugg, as I look back now I believe that he and mother Hadley sained one of the nicest and hoppiest families I ever sain

The Log Rolling. In The darry 70 to Pencal al Furnos service two terms in the Ludiana Legislature also James Williams was the Representation from Knot Co, Helliams was a Democrah of the Old school, The become Close friends, Both wire farmers and had Cleared the land when their farmer war located and I both took pride in their ability to roll If the logs and build Large log heaps that they would town, They after descussed just I how or the test muttod to focus, some of the Occasions when they differed on the proper method to be followed, it ended in a Challenge, It was agreed that the one that had the first pure of ground to to Cleared she other would come and help and see which had the best method. In the mean town Williams was Elected Lov. of Sudiana, Ho was known as "Blue John Williams" (all of his Clother wer made of blue Jones Cloth. It so happened that uncle al had 10 acres of

the God and remended him of the Challenge, The For. said he would be glad to Come and heep, but he must how a good John of opin to work with a date was agreed to, some how the word got auch and the papers are over sudiana published it giving the dale, The Low arrived at untle des form larly and they started to work but before long people from all over Indiana also began to assive and by 10 Am about 4000 people were on hand watching lincel at and the Dos. poll logs, leach had an of team Reporter even on hand to write it up for various papers, This was the largest log rolling ever held in Sudiana or it is my guess in the united States, The 10 tacres of ground they Cleared is known to this day as the Gov Gatch" There is a large picture of it in the Court House in Danville mow fin For by about 6000 votes

I wonder how morey people to day know what that means. Well here lit is Before mowing machines were invisited all grass cut for hay had to be done with scythes, 5 or 6 men with sythers woner start on the fued of grass cutting as swath one tihond the other or following each man larried a which stone and when the scythes got dule they would all slop and which up". Some times one of the men while whetting would strike the scythe blade in stables like this - - two long and two short strokes with the what stone, that was the banter for a race, I can just rimember hearing the men talk about it.

SUMMIT GROVE

A little meeting house was erected almost on the snot where we may now see the home of Albert Carter and of Roy Carter and family—just across the road from the home of Cyrus Nicholson.

The meeting was authorized by Mill Creek Monthly Meeting. The meeting was opened on 4th day prededing the last 7th day of 10th mo. 1873.

This meeting continued for only a short period. Dissentions arose. The house was moved across the road and later became the home of Chas. Nicholson and is now part of the house of Cyrus Nicholson and family. Accounts differ as to the moving process. Some say the house was in its original place west of the road one even ng at sunset and it was moved during the night by one group of the contending parties. Others say it was moved during the day time before anything could be done about it. The fact remains that there were two factions each wanting the claim on the Meeting House. The incident was unfortunate but holds some credit for those from whom it was taken in that nothing violent took place. I suppose the half acre or so of ground reverted to the original tract.

That grand, good man of our preceding generation David Hadley, with his zeal for the Kingdom used to go to the hore of Uncle Addison Hadley and eat dinner—then go on to Summit Grove and preach at an afternoon service. Further than that, the writer knows little regarding the contentions, achievements, and failures of Summit Grove Friends Meeting.

ファタラ HISTORY OF HENDRICKS COUNTY.

The record of this marvelous change is history, and the most important that can be written. For fifty years the people of Hendricks County have been making a history that for thrilling interest, grand practical results, and lessons that may be perused with profit by citizens of other regions, will compare favorably with the narrative of the history of any county in the great Northwest; and,

Not more from choice than from enforced necessity did the old pioneers bid farewell to the play-ground of their childhood and the graves of their fathers. One generation after another had worn themselves out in the service of their avaricious landlords. From the first flashes of daylight in the morning until the last glimmer of the setting sun, they had toiled unceasingly on, from father to son, carrying home each day upon their aching shoulders the precious proceeds of their daily labor. Money and pride and power were handed down in the line of succession from the rich father to his son, while unceasing work and continuous poverty and everlasting obscurity were the heritage of the working man and his children.

ANIMALS.

The common deer, which was abundant in pioneer times, is now very scarce in Indiana, being occasionally seen in some of the wildest portions of the State. The last one known to be in Hendricks County was killed as much as twenty years ago.

The panther (Felix concolor) and two species of wild cat (Lynx

Wolves, of the large gray "timper" species, were plentiful in early times, and more annoying and mischievous than all other animals put together; but they are now, of course, extinct.

Ground hogs, or "woodchucks," were never plentiful, and are so scarce now that seldom can one be found.

"Wild hogs," or domestic hogs escaped and running wild, were abundant in pioneer times. In a few generations these animals became as furious and dangerous as wolves.

Duck Family.—The common species are the mallard, black, big black-head, little black-head, ring-necked, red-head (or pochard), golden-eye, butter ball, ruddy and fish (gosander) ducks, the brant and Canada geese, widgeon, golden-winged and blue-winged teal and the hooded merganser. Rarely are seen the pintail, gadwall shoveler, wood duck, canvas-back duck, long-tailed duck and red breasted merganser. All the duck family are migratory.

The Wild Turkey, once abundant, but now rare, is the only member of its family native to this region.

Winter of 1821-22 Felix Belzer Killed 175 Olear. Grandwolke alenore Hodson award Wm Slarty O.g. Hodson grandmother, Eleanore Hodsont second husband, her frist husband was John Hodson My granffalter asail Hunt Omere Holson great grantfalter An hie mathers side. My fether Ira Carter Shandfaller on mothers side form Oct. 29 1815 died may 27, 1888 arthur Brunk 112 W. Vermont Zorbana 28. 61807

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ADDITIONAL PLATS FOR MILL CREEK CEMETERY

Said plats being a part of the East half of the Southeast quarter and a part of the West half of the southeast quarter of Section 18, Township 15 North of Range 1 West, described as beginning at a point on the Notth and South line dividing the East and West half of said Southeast quarter which point is 911.5 feet North of the southwest corner of said east half of the southeast quarter of said section and running thence East 316.8 feet; thence run South 23 degrees East 200 feet; thence run East 103 feet; thence run North 13 degrees and 50 minutes West 186.7 feet; thence run North 20 degrees West 145 feet; thence run North 71 degrees West 70 feet; thence run West 270 feet to the center of a public road; thence run South along center of said road 301 feet; thence run East 118 feet to the place of beginning. Containing 3.70 acres, more or less.

All plats are coded as per attached plat dated August 24, 1965.

Bufard Majors seal

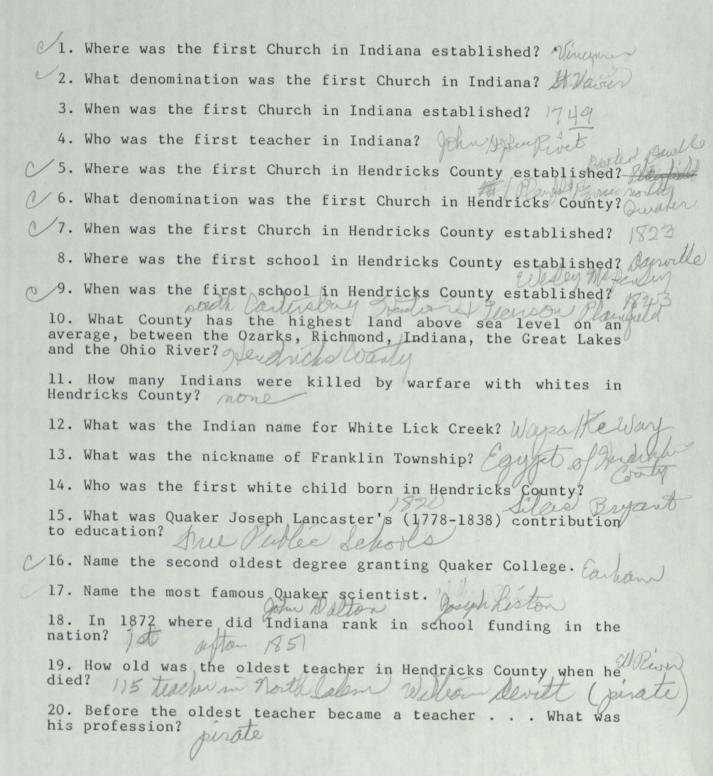
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(21. What is the source of the name of Guilford Township? Caroline

22. Who was the first Hendricks County public school superintendent?

23. How did Quaker schoolchildren address their teachers? July

24. Why is the year 1843 significant to education in Indiana?

25. In what year was Hendricks County settled?

I would like to personally thank Judge John A. Kendall, Esq., Rosemary Helton, Bob Bales, and Susan Miller Carter for all their help and time in getting me up to speed on this topic.

To all the librarians at Plainfield, Danville, Brownsburg and Washington Township who made time and found me books -

Thanks!

References

Answers to the test questions and content of the speech material can be found in the following works:

- 1. Issustrated Historical Atlas of Hendricks County 1878 J. H. Beers & Co., Chicago 1878 I had the use of an original copy given by Judge John Kendel's father. Thanks Boss!
- 2. <u>History of Hendricks County</u> Hon. John V. Hadley 1914.
 - 3. The People Called Quakers D. Elton Trueblood.
 - 4. The History of Hendricks County 1885.
 - 5. History of Indiana Esarey.
 - 6. Readings in Indiana History.

Like they say at the beginning of the "Indianapolis 500 Mile Race" - "Til we meet again ? . . Good luck and Godspeed."

- Jeffrey V. Boles 9/9/90

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INDIANAPOLIS 4, INDIANA

December 5, 1947

Capy 8-9x

Miss Winona Stuart

Danville, Indiana

Dear Winona:

I have just remembered that I had never sent you a check for the subscriptions made to the Mill Creek Cemetery Association by the three girls. I am enclosing a check with this letter.

I have received a letter from Jewel Stevenson which clarifies the legal status of the project that was started last summer, namely, drawing up Constitution and By-laws of the Mill Creek Cemetery Association. I am sending you one copy of his revised By-laws together with his letter which clearly explains the status of the meeting and church property. I would assume that you can present this information to your Board when they meet so that it can be properly placed in your minutes.

I am of the opinion that Jewel has arranged the Constitution and By-laws in excellent shape and may be considered complete and your Board will be able to carry on from here. As to what you do about the meeting and church property I should think that your Board and other interested parties can very well handle the matter in a way that should be satisfactory to all.

With kindest regards and Seasons Greetings and best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Murray H. Morris.

MHM:OH Encl. Ck.encl.

STEVENSON AND KENDALL ATTORNEYS AT LAW DANVILLE, INDIANA

November 3, 1947

Capy 894

JOHN A. KENDALL

Mr. Murray H. Morris c/o The Merchants Association 801 Illinois Building Indianapolis 4, Indiana

Dear Murray:

I herewith enclose suggested changes in the Articles of Incorporation of the Mill Creek Cemetery Association.

I have not embodied therein the suggestion that this Association take over the church house and grounds. It is my opinion that this Association cannot take title to the church property. The statute in this state provides that:

"When any church or religious society, holding or possessing property has been dissolved the annual or quarterly conference to which such church or religious society is subordinate, shall take charge of and control the property of such church or society until such church shall be revived. Section 25-1516, Burns Ind. Stat. 1933 Rev.

The cemetery association can only acquire title to the church property by conveyance from the church officers or from the quarterly meeting.

The other suggestions contained in your letter have been embodied in the enclosed draft.

I see no reason to organize a corporation for this society. Our statute further provides that such trustee so appointed "shall be deemed a body politic and corporate, under such name and style as the society may elect; and, by that name, shall have power to contract, sue, be contracted with and sued with like effect as other persons or corporations. Section 25-1511, Burns Ind. Stat. 1933 Rev.

Since this authority is conferred by statute I see no advantage to be gained by further efforts to incorporate.

Awaiting your further advice, I am

Sincerely yours,

A. J. STEVENSON

AJS/HHC

Encl.

Jeffrey V. Boles, Judge Hendricks Circuit Court Danville, Indiana September 9, 1990

A Teacher's Creed.

I believe in boys and girls, the men and women of a great tomorrow; that whatsoever the boy soweth the man shall reap. I believe in the curse of ignorance, in the efficacy of schools, in the dignity of teaching, and the joy of serving another. I believe in wisdom as revealed in human lives as well as in the pages of a printed book; in lessons taught not so much by precept as by example; in ability to work with the hands as well as to think with the head; in everything that makes life large and lovely. I believe in beauty in the school-room, in the home, in daily life and out-of-doors. I believe in laughter, in love, in all ideals and distant hopes that lure us on. I believe that every hour of every day we receive a just reward for all we are and all we do. I believe in the present and its' opportunities, in the future and its promises, and in the divine joy of living. Amen.

Edwin Osgood Grover.

Pedagogical.

- 1. A teacher cannot teach correctly what he does not know thoroughly.
- 2. In conducting a recitation do you follow with the book reading and asking questions-or do you prepare your lessons?
- 3. Have you been doing the dissecting suggested in the physiologies, or have you been foolishly pleading lack of time? Time misspent is worse than wasted.
- 4. Do you figure at the board doing most of the reciting in arithmetic, or do you give the pupils the full advantage of this best opportunity for self-expression.
- 5. Do you repeat answers, improving them as you do so? A telling teacher trains pupils for beggars.
- 6. Are unused seats full of paper and apple cores? You cannot thus build character.
- 7. Do your decorations consist of twenty or forty cheap pictures tacked upon the walls? Better have none than such. We wish to make voters, not floaters.
 - 8. Take time to correct improper language.
 - 9. Dismiss your school with system.
 - 10. Be simple, honest, and direct.
- 11. The great lessons of the schools are found not in textbooks, but in teachers-sympathetic, scholarly, honest, hard-working teachers.

General Regulations - Teachers

- 1. The teacher should arrive at the school house not later than 8:00 a.m. daily.
- 2. The teacher should remain on the school premises at noon, except that when there are several teachers in a building they may arrange to alternately go for dinner.
- 3. School should begin at 8:30 a.m., and close at 4:00 p.m., with two fifteen-minute intermissions, and an hour for noon.
- 4. In the pleasant fall weather the intermissions may be extended to twenty minutes for play purposes, provided they are shortened to ten minutes when the weather becomes inclement.
- 5. Ventilation-During weather that requires the closing of doors and windows, the teacher should at the middle of each of the four quarters of the day, flush the room with fresh air. This is done by opening doors and windows for one or two minutes, during which time the pupils should march about the room or engage in some form of physical exercise to prevent them from taking cold.
- 6. Records and Reports-The teacher should properly keep each pupil's record of work and attendance, and should promptly make the bi-monthly reports to parents, the final report to successor, and the reports called for by the county superintendent.
- 7. High School Records-In each high school there should be a permanent record, showing in detail the work completed by each pupil. This record becomes invaluable in case a pupil goes to another high school or to college.
- 8. Vacations-Teachers will observe the Thanksgiving vacation, dismissing on Wednesday evening until the following Monday, in order to attend the County Teachers' Association.

Schools should be dismissed during Christmas week in order that teachers may attend the State Teachers' Association.

- 9. Dismissions-The teacher is not permitted to dismiss school at pleasure, and in case of sickness or inability to attend to duties, the trustee should be promptly notified. It is the trustee's duty to provide a substitute.
- 10. Use of Text During Recitation-No teacher, while conducting a recitation in geography, grammar, arithmetic, physiology, or history, shall use a text-book. Teachers may make an abstract of the lesson, to be used during recitation. A thorough mastery of the matter contained in each lesson, as well as a definite method of presenting it, is expected of each teacher. To be able to do

the work in this matter a thorough preparation of the work for each day will be necessary. (Richmond rule).

11. Authority-There is no appeal by the pupil from the reasonable rules of the teacher. Obedience is necessary to the life of the school, and the teacher may punish to secure obedience.

Parents and the Schools.

- 1. Get acquainted with the teacher of your child.
- 2. Be free to talk to the teacher about the traits, characteristics, etc., of your child. The better the teacher understands your child the better she will be able to teach it.
- 3. Visit the school room in which your child is at work just as often as you conveniently can.
- 4. If your child is corrected do not berate the teacher and say all manner of things about her. Remember there is also the teacher's side to the case which your child may not understand. Never say anything unkind about the teacher in the presence of your child-you harm your child more than you do the teacher every time you do so.
- A child that is well disciplined and well trained at home rarely needs being corrected at school. It is too often the case that the schools have to do the things that should have been done at home. Our schools are not reformatories. They have to do with the FORMATION of the pupil, not with his reformation. Parental authorities and responsibilities do not cease when the children are sent to school. "The confession of many parents who bring their children to our schools and ask the teachers to take charge of them because they can do nothing with them, is a sad comment on the parental authority in those homes from which the children come. If the children are beyond the control of parents, what may be expected from the teacher, whose authority over the children is certainly less than that of the parents?"
- 6. See to it that your child always gets to school on time. There is no better lesson that the school child can learn than the lesson of punctuality.
- 7. See to it that your child is regular in attendance. Irregularity in attendance, or absence for frivolous reasons, interferes

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most seriously with the advancement of the pupil.

- 8. See to it that your child makes good progress and does satisfactory work. Encourage him to take an interest in his work. See to it that you know what your boy is doing and where he spends his time when is is not at home.
- 9. Comply cheerfully with all the requests of your child's teacher as well as those of the trustee and superintendent.
- 10. The schools are not working your children to death. Much of the fear that the public schools are making "nervous wrecks" of pupils has foundation only in the imagination of parents ignorant of the real work of the schools. Late hours, social dissipation, unnutritious food, improper clothing and other similar causes produce by far most of the nervousness amoung pupils and lack of ability to keep up with the reasonable demands of the school. The average public school room is a place of comfort and happiness where the children are kept busy with tasks that are wholesome and interesting. Serious work is necessary to the normal development of the child and the proper training for industry and right living. Play also is essential and both work and play have their place and receive their due attention in the modern school. A visit to the nearest school will dispel many of the criticisms that arise in the minds of parents.

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