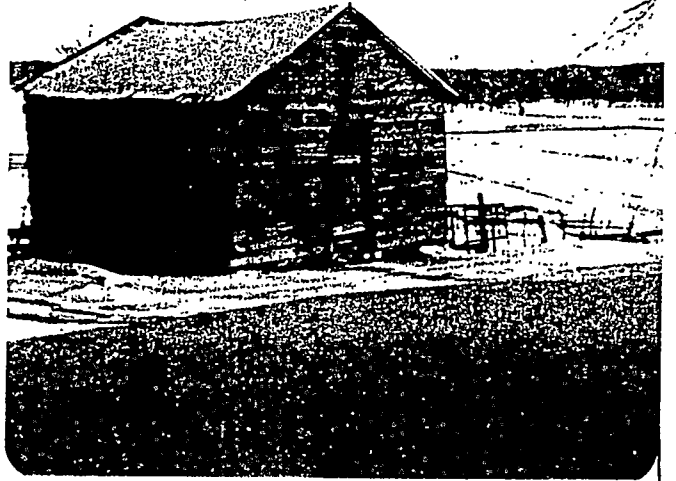


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Right: Picuture taken in Jan 1984.

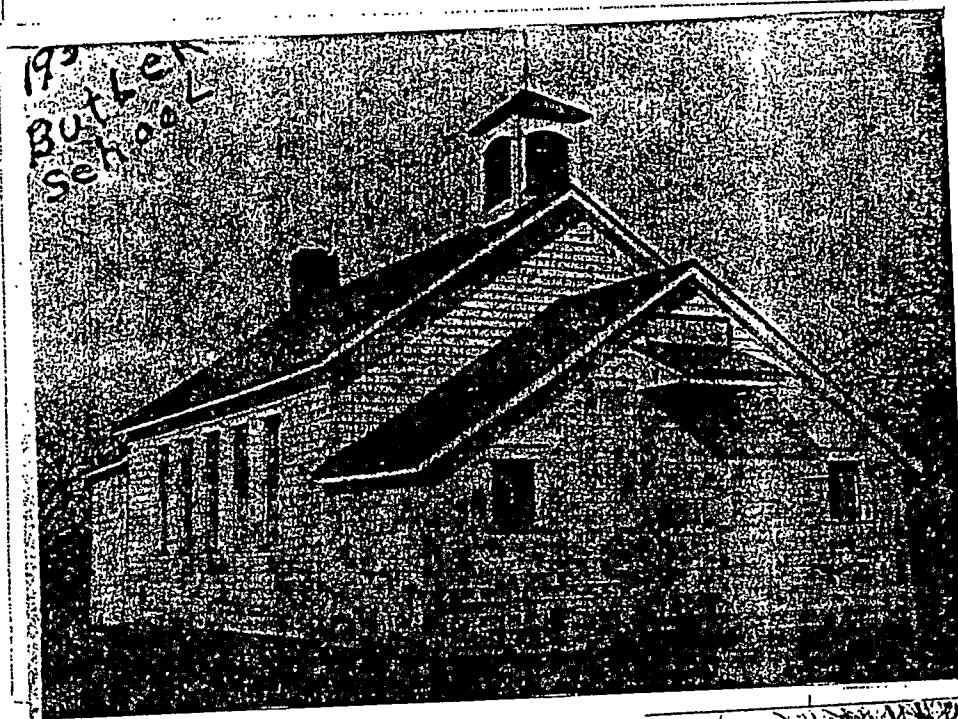
The First Butler School on land from Edmund & Permelia Butler about 1/2 mile south of the crossroads. This school was purchased by John Garde in 1888 and moved to the old Garde Homestead which is now owned by Jim Wieseman (a Garde family decendent) where it still stands.

16 X 20 building



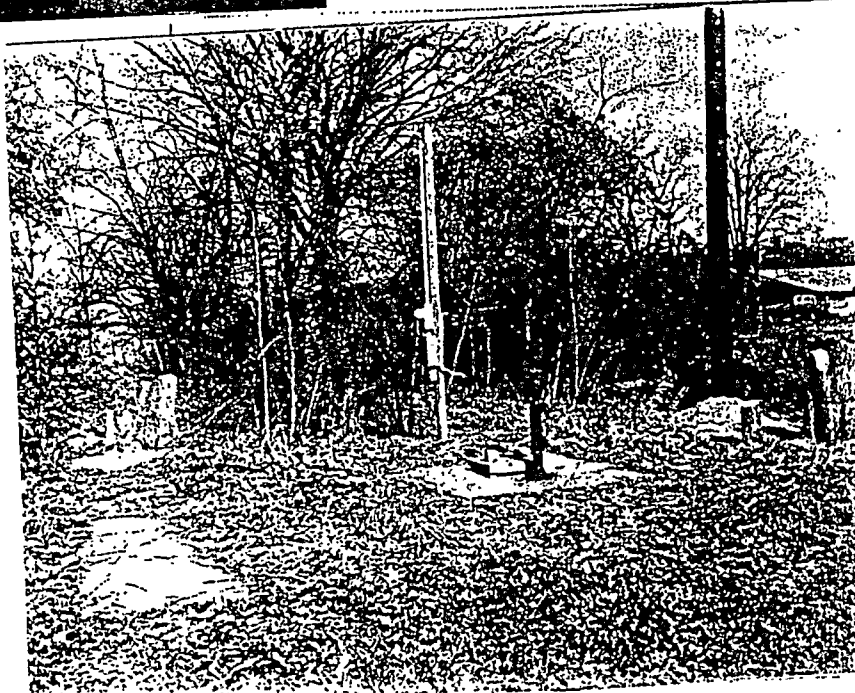
Below: Pictured in 1987-88 Second Butler School Water Pump and School Grounds.

The well was near the South East corner of the school house.
Well was dug by hand in 1931 or 1934 by
Fred Weishaupt
Henry Wieseman
Alfred Leseman



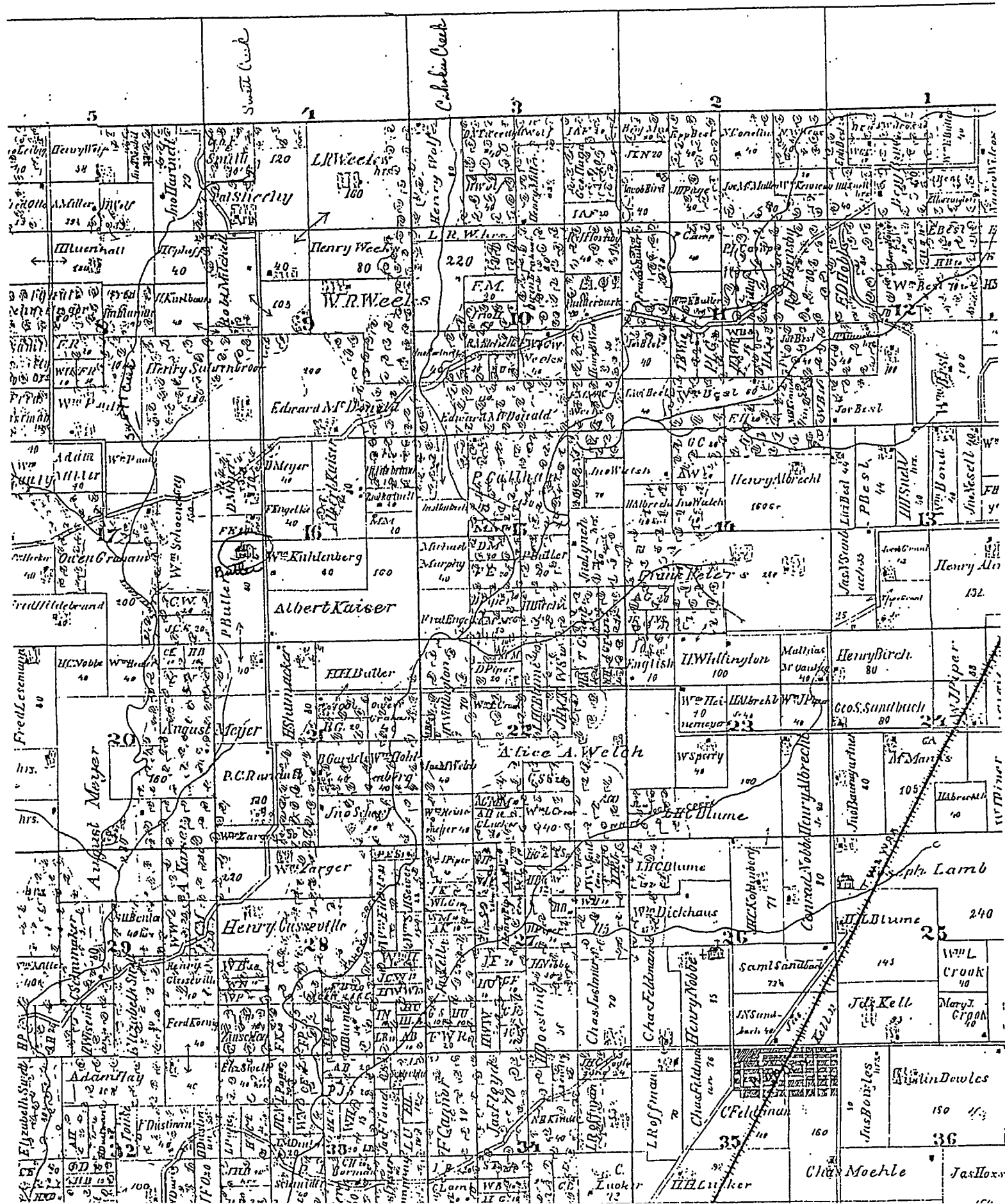
Above: Picture taken in 1950.

The Second Butler School we all remember! It was about 1/2 mile east of the crossroads on land from Frederick Suhrenbrock. It was used through the school year of 1951. Fire destroyed this building on Sept. 22, 1960.



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Butler School

Treasurers Office Worden, Ill.

Special meeting of Board of Trustees.

All members present, Larch, Nessel
and Moritz.

Petition to sell old school house of
District No.2 (Known as Butler School)
Filed December 22nd 1887. On motion
of Mr. Moritz seconded by Nessel it
was carried to sell the old school
house on the 22nd day of February 1888,
for cash to the highest bidder: Said
house is a frame house about the size
of 16 X 20 feet, and about 9 or 10 feet to
ceiling.

A motion to adjourn carried - Dated this
28th day of January 1888

K Lorch - president

H R Dorr - Clerk

Sold the Butler School House to John
Garde for Sixteen Dollars (highest bid)
and placed the same to credit of
District No.2 this 22nd day of
February 1888

H.R. Dorr

Treasurer

The above information was given to Eugene Wieseman by Frances Wieseman
based on information researched by Virginia Garde at the Madison County
Court House in Edwardsville.

April 28, 1984

1st.
Butler School Reunion

As a gr. granddaughter of Edmund Butler, I am pleased to be able to represent his family at a reunion of Rutler School pupils. I love to talk about Butler Family Genealogy, but I won't bore you with a lot of details.

Edmund Butler and his wife, Permelia Ann, came to IL as newly weds from NC about 1833 when he was 26 years old, obtained land grants for two adjoining 40 acre plots in sections 16 and 21 in 1836. That was the year his father wrote him a letter verifying that he was born May 8, 1807--we still have that 150 year old tattered letter with the father's signature. The school house was located in the north east corner of the land Edmund owned in section 16. (financing for rural schools)

The Butlers had 7 children--all born in IL. My grandfather, Henry H., first married Lucy Ann Weeks, dau of Lancaster, but she died young--they only had two girls. One of them married Willie Bond and lived a few miles from old D Camp mine. Henry's second marriage was with Mary Jane Piper, my grandmother and among their children was my father Oliver Butler. Henry's sister, Eliza, also married a Weeks--bro. of Lucy who was William Robert, but I know nothing about that family. If some of you belong to the any Weeks family I would be very interested in talking to you.

Edmund died in 1853--rather young, but Permelia lived until 1892--forty years longer than her husband. I assume that it was after she died that Louis Klein acquired the farm, passed it on to his son, Frank and then son Edgar, who sold it to Weisemans, present owners. ^{1906 Henry Schaeferweg owned it}

There are no descendants in the area bearing the Rutler name, but several females of the line live in Staunton and have passed it on to their children--I can think of only four such family groups. However, 300-400 of the descendants are broadly scattered throughout southern IL and the west.

Judy Klein Sherfy has been very helpful in supplying more recent information about this area so I want to thank her, and to thank Frances for breaking a rule of "pupils and teachers mostly" and allowing me to join you today. In case you wonder, I was born and raised in Staunton and still live there just south of the school, very close to the Kleins. By the way, I am a retired school teacher.

Eloise Bird Binney Eccher Helen Osborn and 2 nieces Lorene Baker Jensen & daus.

Prepared by Vera Butler Ruffine