

McLean County Museum of History
Shirley Schools (Dale Township)
Collection

Collection Information

VOLUME OF COLLECTION:	1 Box
COLLECTION DATES:	1907 - 1929
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NOTES:	None

Brief History

Shirley Schools (No. 73) and its district was organized in 1854 with John Foster, Hiram Quinn, and James Boulware as directors. Cordon Weed provided a frame house for the district east of the Vaughan Douglass residence which was later moved south of Douglass' place. A school building was later erected in 1869 which was larger than needed in the hopes high school work would be added, but Shirley failed to develop. Shirley district had assistant teachers, but lone teachers usually dealt with heavy enrollments. Shirley was a two-teacher school for many years. On July 11, 1947 the school burned down, but a new two-room school was built in 1949. In 1955 the Shirley School building was a part of the Shirley district annexed to Heyworth School District.

Scope

This collection contains a complete term register, Shirley school schedules, teacher daily register's, and a specimen and exhibit book. This collection contains items dating from 1907 to 1929.

Folder Inventory

Folder 1: Term Register

- 1.1 Complete Term Register for District 73, January 1907 – May 1914

Folder 2: Shirley School Schedules

- 2.1 Schedule of Common School, April 25, 1941 – May 9, 1941, teacher: Douglass
- 2.2 Schedule of Common School, August 25, 1941 – September 23, 1941, teacher: Douglass
- 2.3 Schedule of Common School, October 25, 1941 – November 23, 1941, teacher: Unknown
- 2.4 Schedule of Common School, January 25, 1942 – February 15, 1942, teacher: Douglass
- 2.5 Schedule of Common School, March 25, 1942 – April 23, 1942, teacher: Douglass
- 2.6 Schedule of Common School, April 24, 1942 – May 8, 1942, teacher: Douglass

Folder 3: Daily Register

- 3.1 Teacher's Daily Register January 1914 – April 1916, teachers: Anna Evans, Nadine Conklin

Folder 4: Daily Register

- 4.1 Teacher's Daily Register September 1914 – September 1920, teachers: Myrtle Cooper, L.H.Yoder, Vierneil Surgart, Lucile Harrison, Verna Lewis

Folder 5: Daily Register

- 5.1 Teacher's Daily Register January 1920 – January 1924, teacher: Ruth Payne

Folder 6: Daily Register & Register Notes

- 6.1 Teacher's Daily Register January 1921 – May 1925, teachers: Verna Lewis, W Brigham, Ora B. Weekly
- 6.2 Attendance envelope for Patrons day and exhibit October 1, Defense day September 12, Day October 31, year unknown
- 6.3 Student weight and heights list
- 6.4 Doctors note for student William Peyton
- 6.5 Boys class list 1932 – 1936
- 6.6 Girls class list with age, month, year, dated 1934
- 6.7 Girls class list cont. with age, month, year, dated 1934
- 6.8 Note with student name James W, 1935

Folder 7: Daily Register

- 7.1 Teacher's Daily Register September 1925 – May 1929, teachers: Ora Weekly, Raymond Ester

Loose Item

Specimen and Exhibit Book; contains some student course work and craft projects from Shirley, year(s) unknown