

Hornbrook School District

(Also See Cottonwood)

The original Hornbrook School was located in Henley and was called the Cottonwood School. When the railroad was built, the town of Hornbrook flourished. The Cottonwood School was abandoned and a new school named Hornbrook was started. The name Cottonwood was changed to Hornbrook in 1924.

The old original town was called Cottonwood. Later, a colonel T.J. Henley, commandant of troops to control the marauding of Indians in the area, had the honor of having the renamed Henley after himself.

The district was named after Mr. David Horn, who donated the property from part of his ranch. The school was located at the present site in Hornbrook. This school burned in 1936 and a new school was built on the same site.

Reference in board of Supervisors minutes:

Established: September 2, 1924 – Cottonwood School District name changed to Hornbrook School District (13-276)

August 3, 1937 – Part of Klamath School District added to Hornbrook (18-337)

January 29, 1957 – Bond bids and selling of bonds (24-487)

In a letter from the donor of the following photographs, Mrs. Fern Crawford Whiteley says that she attended grades 6 and 7 at Hornbrook Elementary School from September 1930 to June 1932. In this letter she also states, "I was one of the lucky children who were born in 1918, and in 1930 the Eastman Kodak Corporation gave a Brownie Camera to those children. I was thrilled to get my camera and thus, these pictures of my classmates are the result.



Left to right: Glen Simpson, George Bray, Bill Grieves, Elinora Smith, Edith Bray, Vernal Lowe. 1931-1932. Donated by Fern Whiteley.



Left to right: Maxine Connoly, Elaine Quigley, Anita Splearin, Dora Mae Hall, Earl LaBranch, Warren LaBranch, Marion Lowe, Curtis Maben, Bill Lowe, Loren Cummings. 1931-1932. Donated by Fern Whiteley.



Left to right: Raymond Connoly, Gordon Bray, LeaRoy Hall, Bill Chapman. 1931-1932.
Donated by Fern Whiteley.



Left to right: Lucille ?, Vernal Lowe, Lou Ella ?, Elinora Smith, Edith Bray, Anita Spearin, Elaine Quigley, Dora Hall. 1931-1932. Donated by Fern Whiteley.



Girl on right: Opal Elmore. 1932. Donated by Fern Whiteley.



Left to right: Hewitt Crawford, Irving Jones, Speed Jones, Bobby Smith, Baby, Miles Wagner, Bangta Mae Nelson. 1932. Donated by Fern Whiteley.



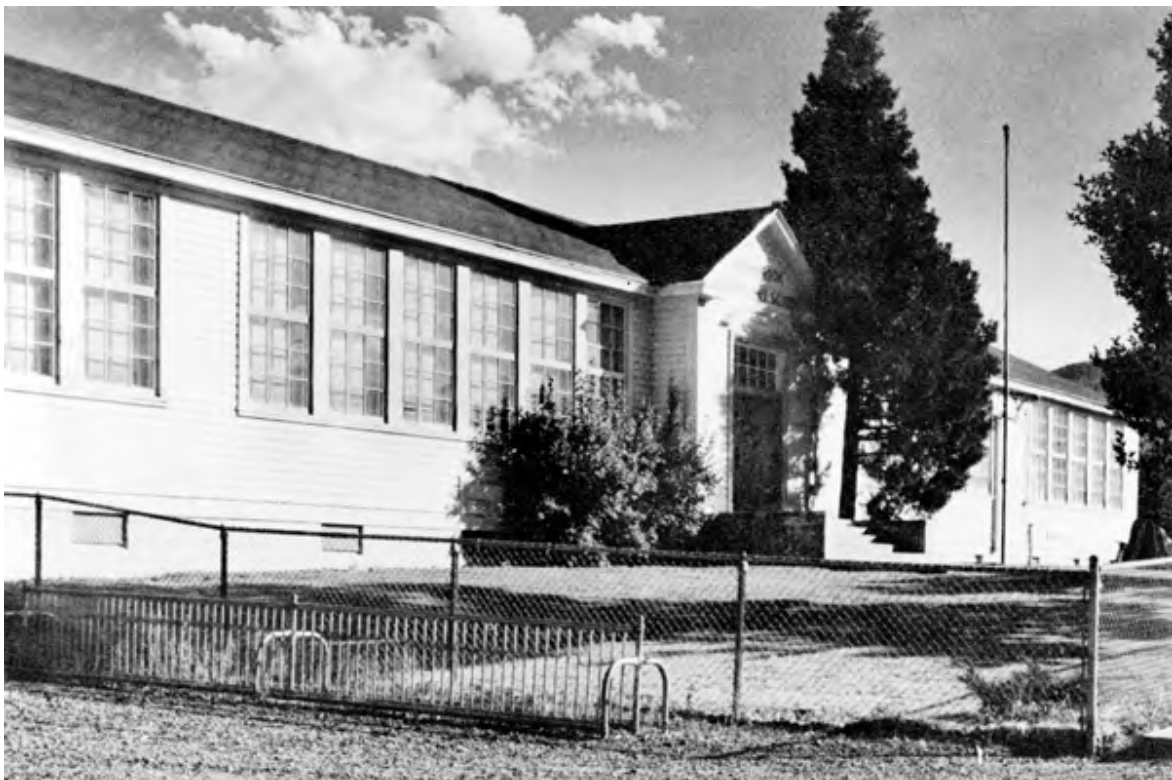
Old Cottonwood School, (aka Hornbrook) ca. 1935. Photo by Bob Dennis, from the collection of Bob Dais.



Hornbrook class, ca. 1939. Photo by Mildred Grant, donated by Roderick and Larry Grant.



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ca. 1960. Siskiyou County Office of Education School History Collection.



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