

McCloud Union School District

(See Pebble School)

In 1827, Alexander Roderick McLeod first led a band of trappers through the countryside. The area was named after him, but through a quirk of fate, the name was misspelled McCloud. In 1890 lumber mills were built here. In 1898 the railroad connected McCloud to the main line in Mt. Shasta.

The McCloud School District was formed in 1900. There were two teachers employed this year: Miss Lucy E. Mount and Miss Ora Lawrence, with 65 pupils attending. The school was first held in the town on McCloud in a building located where the baseball diamond is today. This was a summer school and was in operation before 1900.

The official McCloud School District was formed April 4, 1900. A two-story building was erected in 1907. By 1929 the old building was inadequate. Another school house was ready for occupancy in 1930. This, too, became obsolete and in 1968 the present school was built.

Reference in board of Supervisors minutes:

Established: April 4, 1900 – Boundaries described (6-462)

April 29, 1911 – Establishment of the McCloud Union School District (McCloud and Pebble) (8-421)

October 3, 1916 – Membership in County free Library (10-381)

March 5, 1928 – Matter of issuing school bonds (15-19)

April 2, 1928 – Matter of sale of bonds (15-31)

June 7, 1933 – Application for emergency relief funds (16-249)

May 10, 1946 – Money from Christmas tree fund (20-100)



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