

Mott School District

(Also see Azalea)

The town Mott was originally established by the Southern Pacific Railroad. The town was named after Mr. Mott, the superintendent of that division of the Southern Pacific Railroad in 1886.

The Mott School District was established September 2, 1887. The school was a two-story brick building, located where the Dunsmuir Mott airport is today. During the 1899-1900 school year three different teachers taught at the school: Mrs. Katherine C. Tucker, Mr. C.H. Henschley, and Miss Alice A. Allan. School was held for eight months with 17 pupils attending. In 1904, a fire completely destroyed the community. As timber diminished, the mills were shut down and many of the families moved to Dunsmuir.

Reference in board of Supervisors minutes:

Established: September 2, 1887 – Boundaries described (4-261)

October 5, 1887 – Boundary change (4-272)

April 4, 1888 – Boundary description (4-317)

August 18, 1888 – Bonds sold (4-352)

October 4, 1888 – Matter of selling bonds (4-372)

January 7, 1889 – Matter of selling bonds (4-403)

April 6, 1896 – Boundary change between Mott and Dunsmuir (5-544)

November 1, 1915 – Petition to change name of district to Azalea (10-225)

December 6, 1915 – Mott School District name changed to Azalea School District (10-234)

No photos available.