

DISTRICT 83 OPENS

Dodge County School District 83 was established in 1900, when A. H. Von Seggern agreed to give the district an acre of farmland to be used as long as there was a school there.

Before 1900 the area children attended District 50. Then, due to the growing population of District 50 and the long distances from home to school, District 83 was formed.

On April 12, 1900, the first school board meeting was held in the home of John Glissman. Elected to the first board of directors were D.G. Meyer, director, and G. H. Von Seggern, moderator. Later, on June 25, Christ Pfeiffer was elected treasurer, according to Dodge County Supt. of Schools, Lucian Fuhrmeister.

In 1901 Nancy Christy, the daughter of a Scribner lawyer, became the first teacher at the school for kindergarten through eighth grades.

Records show enrollment in 1905 was 33, although it fluctuated during the year because boys had to help with the farm in spring and fall.

Many members of the community spoke German then, and one of the students' first classes was English. Other subjects at the school were reading, writing, arithmetic, and combined geography and history. Later agriculture and civil government were added.

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A Dodge County History and township book verifies a school dated 16, May, 1900 in NW $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 10.

Appearing in the 28 August, 1903, Fremont (NE) Tribune, this complete list of teachers for each district during the ensuing year, outside of Fremont, which is not under county supervision, lists District number, teacher and address:

District 83	J. T. Chapin	Scribner
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