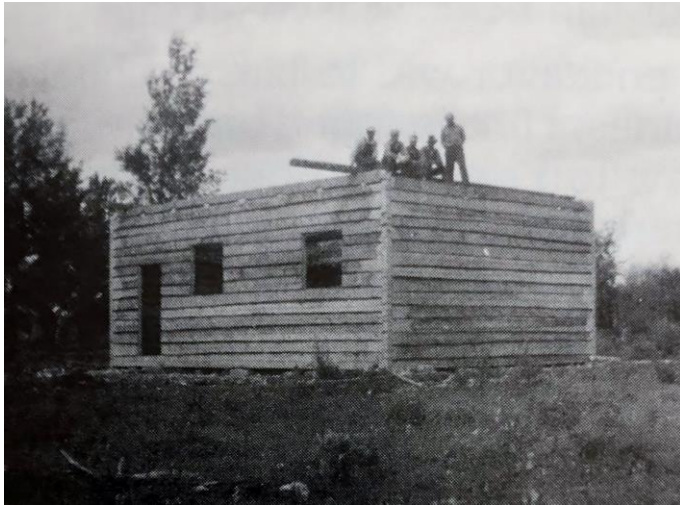


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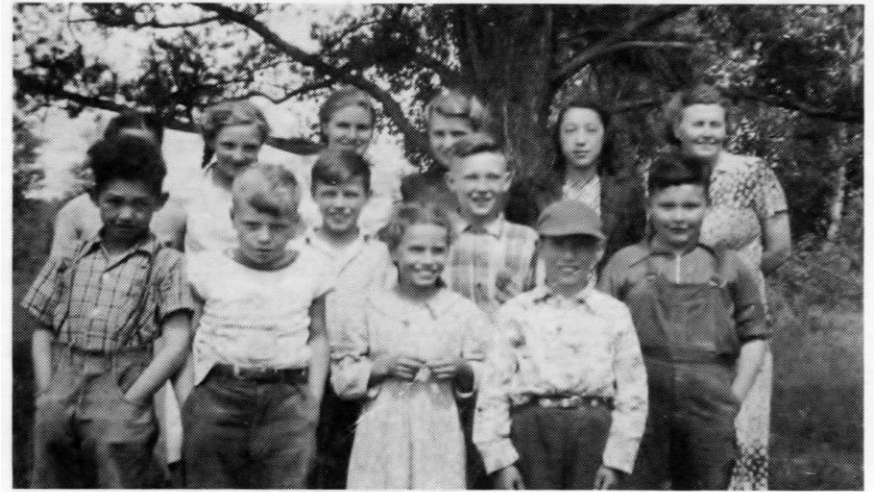


Lester Bolen donated 3 acres for a school on the northwest corner of his property. Everyone helped build the school, from getting logs and peeling them to making trips to Athabasca for bricks, cement and lumber. Clarence Olson made the shingles. The school was used as a barn after Joyce and Lyle Roth purchased the land from Mr. Olson in 1958.

The first teacher was Mrs. Anita Elgert in 1942-1944 with 9 children attending the first day. A student teacher taught a few months until Mrs. Elgert returned for a total of 8 years. Her first year she found no blackboards or library there. She tacked large sheets of brown paper to the front wall to solve that problem.



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Otter Creek school children, 1951.

Mrs. Anita  
Elgert-  
teacher  
1946?



Otter Creek school children on a picnic, 1950.