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BILLINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT R-4

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January 11, 1962

Mrs. Paul Wiese
Moundville, Mo.

Dear Mrs. Wiese,

This the only information we have on the girls

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Laura Polis	3/20/57	4/24/57	none listed
Arlys "	"	"	none listed

Laura Diphtheria shot 47 or 48
Smallpox shot 47 or 48
Tuberculin Test 56

No record of these on Arlys.

Arlys had diphtheria shot 1956
Smallpox 1956
Tuberculin 1956

Very truly yours,
Shirley F. Fuller

Dear Charlotte June 16 – 65

Thanks for card & letter today. Still at Eldors & time go fast as I always find so much to be done, so when eve comes I am ready for Bed altho I do take time to rest every day. So that way I am way behind with letters. & now since June 6th I have several more letters to Answer. Yes I got the package you sent but should of let your Know befor & thanks I like the color of Cape. I also got Box cards from Hilder & Edith from mildred hand garden tool set ~~mildred~~ but shedid not mail it here from Eldor & his 5 box candy. May 9 – 9 June 6 thie Stationary $1.00 Florence. June 6 apron Ediths Jeanette made it.

School out June 4 – now 2 weeks Bible school. so when that is over the 18th I will head for home as far as I know now but will stop at Ediths a few days can take bus from Buffalo if no one figure to get me. realy been no hurry with me they have had so much rain gets haven't even their Gardens in. Orin had gone over my garden 2 times last week Mildred wrote now it was all mud a week ago today they had 11 in at B Vally. people had to move out of some places said water up to the windows. but in Parnell 2½ in. said culverts gone on places roads washout

2/ Idon't Blame you to move off farm when alone. I realy never ask about Paul when I write as I know he read letters. Is this like he was in Hospital befor. Maybe he been left alone to much, hope ithe get over it soon You will let us know your next address if you move.
Guess those nerve attacks are hard to shake, I think thats what effect Jackie too.
Edeths were here on Eldors & mine Birthdays June 6, they helped paper the pantry here as when Eldor get home to late in eve & we to tired to mess then & Clarence is handy do such things so they said when here 2 weeks befor they help so Im glad that is done. I don't undertake to do any real house cleaning try to keep it clean around. Dale & I will wash up all blankets befor I go as now we can wash in day time
Did you get announcement on Jacqualines Twins May 22nd Rhonda & Robyn. they now moved to Monticello not far from Ediths.
Had letter from Edith westberg today. she spent the winter with Josephine at Seattle she came home April 14 account of her sister Elsie real sick with bone cancer & Else

Died April 13 buried on Good Friday. think
You knew her too - then Martin a year ago
may 9th then Ruth Aug 11th so she said
she hope that is all for a while oh yea
Cosetts husband last summer too Car acci
Live at St Louis she more to myles story:
Sharon Halls wedding next Sat. Fredol
& Wilma moved to ~~they~~ the new place the
bought Wilma have her house for Sale.
Vivian & Jerry are going to Violas when ~~they~~ Violas
their vacation to care for Esther & then the
will see if Esther want to come back with t
then I guess Vivian will take care of her.
Guess Viola is about played out.
Still sitting wait for Craig so Eldor must n
called yet soon 10 here course we are on D. S.
again. he called about 10 P M our time
I baked Bread 2 kind cookies 1 cake today
confermation at Taylor Falls Sunday.
Will send Lila a card today she be 13 next Sund
all I can think of now. we still have Ironing
to do. & always patching after each wash

Say Hello to the family

Love Mom -

Swanger & Grandma Graber.

Came over from Sweden June 2 - 1882.
They sailed in to N.Y. They had only
one girl when arrived Freda - age 3 years
one boy died on boat grandma wrapped
boy in blanket & he was he died. The
took (Ocean) allway buried inthe sea.
Was buried in cemetary there.
When first arrived lived with their
brother Gustola Berlen. Later Berlen
Changed to Graber.
3 girls & 2 boys. Freda, Ada, Anna
Walter & Oscar.
The folks home was in country between
Oscar & Walters. All died now
Freda married William Anderson. There
were many Andersons. Get mail mixed up -
Understand that at church was always
to exchange letters. At last minute
said we do something about Anderson. So
in 1916. They changed last name to Williams.
They had Mabel, Fritz, Lenny, Lorene,
William - 2 boys. Elford & Ed —
one of boys was in service. They found
out about name, so he had to have the
Name as Anderson on paper during in service
William only 2 yrs old when Name changed.
Ada - Married Alan Stenberg.
Anna - Married Gilbert Larson - 2 children
Ruby & Reuben.
Walter had 2 children - Rosalie Irene,
in N. Dak. & Nathan Irwin

Rhoden lived on his folks home place.
Ardis only 1 boy. Vernon
Alice knew him. She stayed at Ardis
one year when Daddy painted house. Alice
got along fine a week. She was with
Vernon to feed turkeys.
Asked Wilma how folks learned
English. They went to English school
to Dist 64. Freda, Anna-Ada & Loup went
to school. Only English spoken there.
Wilma went to same school. She said we
spoke Swedish at home but no Swedish
in school. All English. As this was
America now.
She said they usually walk on Grandma B.
on way to school & home. She had all her
Water carried from Walter place fine hot Milk

Do sure that is how the Standlee
learned English also. Grandpa & grandma
Standley spoke good English.

Grandpa Beebe died when Millie was
baby. Ma Ma & Lee went on train to Calmar.
Edith & I stayed at Georges when Mom
was gone.
I can remember at Georges in
afternoon we played House on stairway
& upstairs. Three on 1st floor.
They had lots of dolls. They only
had Vivian & Vivian. Lilian born later.

I ought you like to reset these dates.

	Birthday	Wed	Died
August Brakel	June 16-1854		April 5-22
Anna Christina Anna Stina	Feb 19 1847		Feb 24-34

Married in Sweden Nov ? 1876

These are my Mothers (Carlson) folks. from Carver.

Applied for Citizenship in 1884

Received Citizenship Oct 13-1889

Pete was born in Sweden Rest in U.S.A.

My Dads folks

A. P Stomberg	Nov 25-1856	Jan 26-41
Charlotte Stomberg	June 11-1857	May 4-39

Married Dec 22-1878

50 ann - 1928 - 60 ann Oct 1939

Grandma Stomberg born in Sweden

Came over here when 5 years old.

Our Play House in tree-
Made House. String - Old tree string from straw pile.
Made Mud Pies.
Wagon Pulled Balls to tree etc. back at site.
Swings in trees.
old broken dishes in Play House.
Tree blocks for chairs. or put 2 blocks & board (old) over to Make bench.
only remember Edith Millie & I playing in trees- Maybe Hilder to small.

Charlotta Alvina
Edith Emmerentia
~~Anna~~ Anna Mildred
Hilder Eleanor
Elder Alvin

Hilder born. Didn't have a name for her. So cousin Hilder wrote one time & asked her what babies name was. So name her Hilder - Hilder - Cousin sister to Wilmer & Ray's mad daughter
Her name after Grandmother Stenberg
Edith - Em. is mas 2nd name.
Don't no about others.
Anna Mildred - named after grandma sister.

Grandma Stanbery
Made me Mittens. Taught me how to Knit.
Taught me to read ~~th~~ Swedish. A must
before school age. I stayed one Winter
to learn. A B C. & Count & read.
Oh yes I cared read Swedish.

Grandpa S. and his buggy.
& Horse.

Moving House - Remodled.

grandpa + his grapes - Made Wine.

Washing Clothes.

By Hand. Scrub board.

Made lye Soap.

Sometime bought O+G Soap.

by way & got a bar of it.

Later a wooden tub w. m.

We had to pull by hand.

The agitator in lid. Put lid

down & had a lever & pulled

back + forth..

All clothes hung out on line.

Then a gas eng. motor.

Summer time Washed outdoors.

Heated Water on stove in a Boiler

Covered 2 burners. We used to boil

white clothes. Then hung in Sun to

bleach

Iron Most things

Irons were iron on stove heated

then handle over it, Clipped on. Iron

about 5 min + then change Irons.

Later some had gas Irons. We

Never did.

Things were starched + stiff..

We didn't change clothes as

often as we do now.

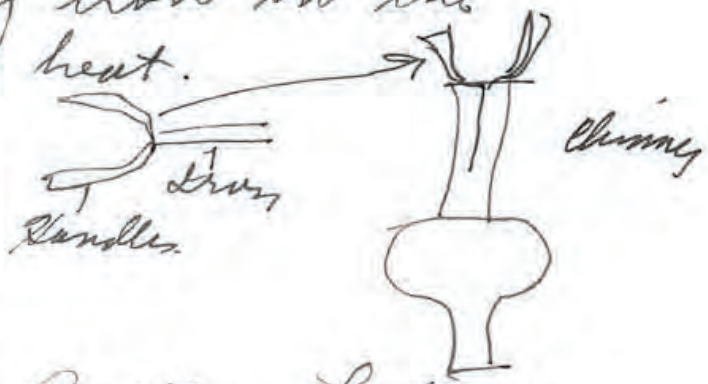
Church Clothes changed Sat as

home. We got a new dress for x mas

+ a new one for M. S. picnic

Sacramento never heard of. Evelyn Lundquist was a teacher one year she got a "Marcel". that is Something like a Permanent only Made her hair curly. Crimped like.

Ma had a curling Iron & curled her hair some for Sunday Church. Later We - Edith & I had one also. We put the curling iron in the lamp chimney to heat.



Oh yes we looked Pretty. Later on got Curlers.

Ma cut our hair. Ma cut Pa's hair also.

I'll one time he said time for me to learn to cut hair. So Pa taught me how to cut his hair. I then cut Uncle Herman Nylanders hair. When Elder needed hair cut I done his one time after Elder Ader and I come home. He wanted it cut & flat on top. I cut flat on top & He got a Sunburn. You remember it Elder.

Church.

No basement. Old furnace.
Horse barn N W corner.
Women visit while Men get horses.

Mrs Benson played Organ. A pump Organ.
Mrs Benson sang real loud. Like a Solo.
Had Midsummer picnic & fair
2 weeks Summer School.

The pulpit was taller Was lowered.

Church 2 times a ~~week~~ Month.
Sd. every Sun. Except real cold
weather Sat in Members front part
of Church Teacher Sat in seat ahead
of us. Most important things were
your memorie work.
Esther Nylander Superdent and your.
Kids had habit coming late. To the
Start S.S. on time - & open things first.
Sometimes S.S. opens 15 Min. Already

Our Midsummer picnic at Oakland out side. S.S. Kids gone a program in Afternoon. We had picnic dinner.

A Ice cream stand: Candy etc.

We made up until.

4 tree + a plant board around + help inside. 

We saved money to spend that day. Parents boys come over + picked Mustard so they could earn spending money. May 25-4 for a day. After all you could get 5 things at least for 25-4. We girls buy candy + take home + eat here for a while so.

Nylands Kids Wanted to come over + visit us after 1st wk. As taught get candy. I + Edith + L hide our candy.

We gave a very good + program Angels one year I remember.

Then after program a ball game. Important to the men.

We all got new dress, Being my Birthday was May 14. Grandma B- sent me a dress (Brights) so loved me Making me one.

Our Cemetery was all fenced in. Big gate to go thru.

Children never went to funerals. The body was taken home after it was embalmed + in Home day before funeral. Then in Most Home someone stayed up all Nite. Funeral next day.

Lady remember Uncle Victor Lundquist. Jane scared. The coffin was black. We are told we about funerals. We went to L. day of funeral as always a short service in Home + then all to church all carefully ~~another look at body~~ Service. Then another look at body. So many flowers.

Mr Brown died. Biggest funeral. Heard about it. But not to it.

M. D.

Late years M. D. prayer at church & not so much to it.

Sometimes our Mail was several days old before we would get it.

Mail lady would take Mail as far as Collins.

Then who ever came there took it further down road & put in a Mail box. So we get a lot of news papers at same time.

My Dad read newspaper front page to end. We could read the funnies after he was done. We never took pages apart. All stayed together.

We did take one farm magazine "The Farmer".

Snow up in the
Willow trees High.
Snow Settled between Willow
& trees in front
Remember that we had
to be under trees & Snow so we
could make Ice Cream for
Mad Birthday.
Pa put the car in
the garage between concrete &
grain building. Drained water
put wheels up on car on
bricks so off ground. Covered
the car with a canvas.
Made Snow man.
Made Snow Balls.
Had sleigh to pull things
around on.
We didn't have Snow plows
to open roads.
Pa go to town only a
few times in Winter
Start after A M chores. Top
fur coat, fur gloves up to
Elbow & not back till Evening.
We went with Horses & Wagon

Cream Wagon didn't come often. Invested in. used 10 gal cans for Cream

6. Grandpa had pair of Woodin shoes. (to Big) He had to shave them off. He was proud of them.

13. Nylanders all Name as when Grandp + grandma L, raised there family. & Inez lived there also!

3. Grand parents. Of Ap, & Charlotte. I never Knew my grandma name till older. We always Called them our grand parents.

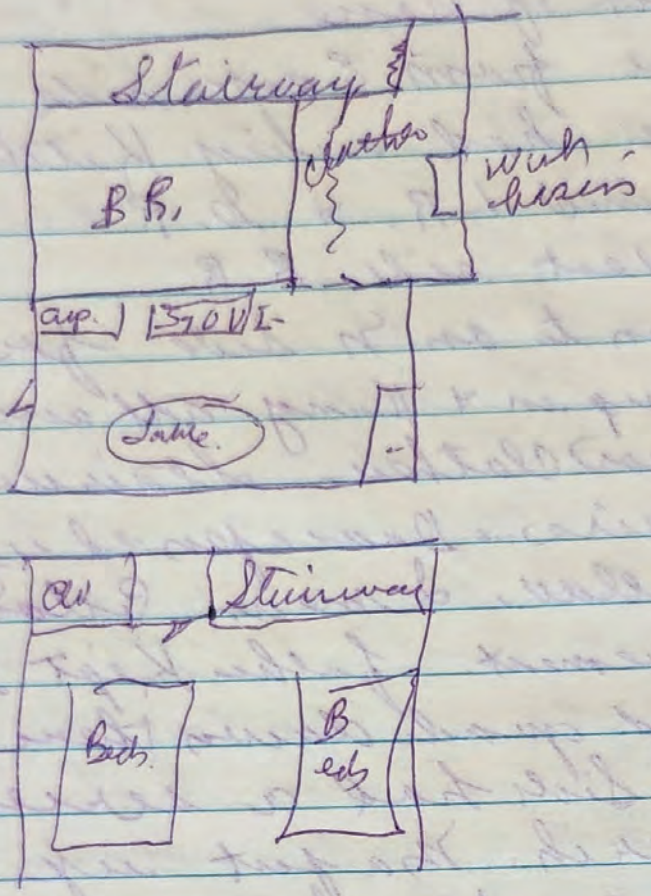
15 Grandpa Brakes My Mothers Dad. Out in a field - Didn't see him

4. Old Home. Father's My Father's.
Front of Home.

18.13 Home from East side
Home had a big Kitchen
combined L.R. & D.R.
on West side B.R.
A lean to on N. Side for
Wash up in & Hang all our
outdoor Clothes. Stairway
upstairs. Door opened up
for Cellar. I mean Cellar
not basement. Father Kept his
Canned goods down there
The S. Side had a screened
in porch. Ma put up
Curtains for Summer time
& used it like a L.R. when
weather permitted. When
thrashers there put Big table
up & menage around it.

The Kitchen a coal stove
Cook with Corn Cobs, wood.
Not Coal very often. Only heat
in Home. the Stove pipe went
up to upstairs & it was only
heat to upstairs.

Upstairs big room. 2
double beds. & Closet.



When I was small Edith slept in crib behind door leading to B. R. I slept on quilt under crib. Fixed with Jacks.

We carried all water to House. Cistern wasn't tested till later years. Then a pump to the Bathroom.

Grandpa + grandma pictures.
Here are my dad folks.
They lived in Carver. Then came
to Greenville Miss - Parnell County.
Settled there. Raised 4 Children
Aunt Ellis Lundquist
Alvin Stenberg
George Stenberg
Esther Nylander.
1. Ellis + Victor had 3 boys + 7 girls
Victor died from a farm accident
In Harvest time had a team of
Horses to get grain bundles. Horses +
Wagon run over him. Broke back.
died. Children Evelyn - teacher
Laurene Farmer - Amy Nurse
& teacher - Edna - Nurse - Florence
teacher - Wilton farmer - Inez teacher.
Doris - Leonard farmer &
Alice Nurse
2. George + Esther - family Viola
Vivian + Lyton
3. Alvina - Charlotte - Edith Mildred
Helen + Eldor.
4. Esther - Myrriam Vivian,
Emma, Benny, Lorraine + Freddie
G. + E. lived in home first
Then they had a Home
Moved to present place No. 5.
I remember when old Home was Made.

hand written by
Charlotte A Stamberger Hill

What I usta could

When I was young I usta think that
I was pretty good,
Now, I just sit and brag about the things
I usta could.
I usta be as hard as nails and move
quick as a cat,
But, today, I'm like a turtle that's gotten
kinda fat.
My muscles coiled like springs of steel when
I was still quite young,
But, now, they're soft as sponges for all
my springs are sprung
And when I usta purchase nuts, my teeth
could crack the shell,
Where, now, I use a hammer, lest my teeth
should crack as well.
I usta hardly comb my hair so thick upon
my head
But, now, there is so little there, I use
a brush instead.
I usta gawk at all the girls and wish myself
their beau,
But if you're older than their dads, them
thoughts has gotta go!
I usta work like busy men, I was always on
the jump,
But, now, I seek a sittin' place that's easy
on the rump
I guess there's lots I still could do and
probably I should
But I'd rather sit and brag about. What I usta
could.

A Story about Four People.

This is the story about 4 people,
Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody.
There was an important job to be done
And Everybody was sure Somebody
would do it.
But Nobody did it.
Somebody got angry about that,
Because it was Everybody's job.
Everybody thought Anybody could
do it.
But Nobody realized that Everybody
wouldn't do it.
It ended up that Everybody
blamed Somebody,
when actually Nobody had asked
Anybody.

Charlotte's handwritting 1998