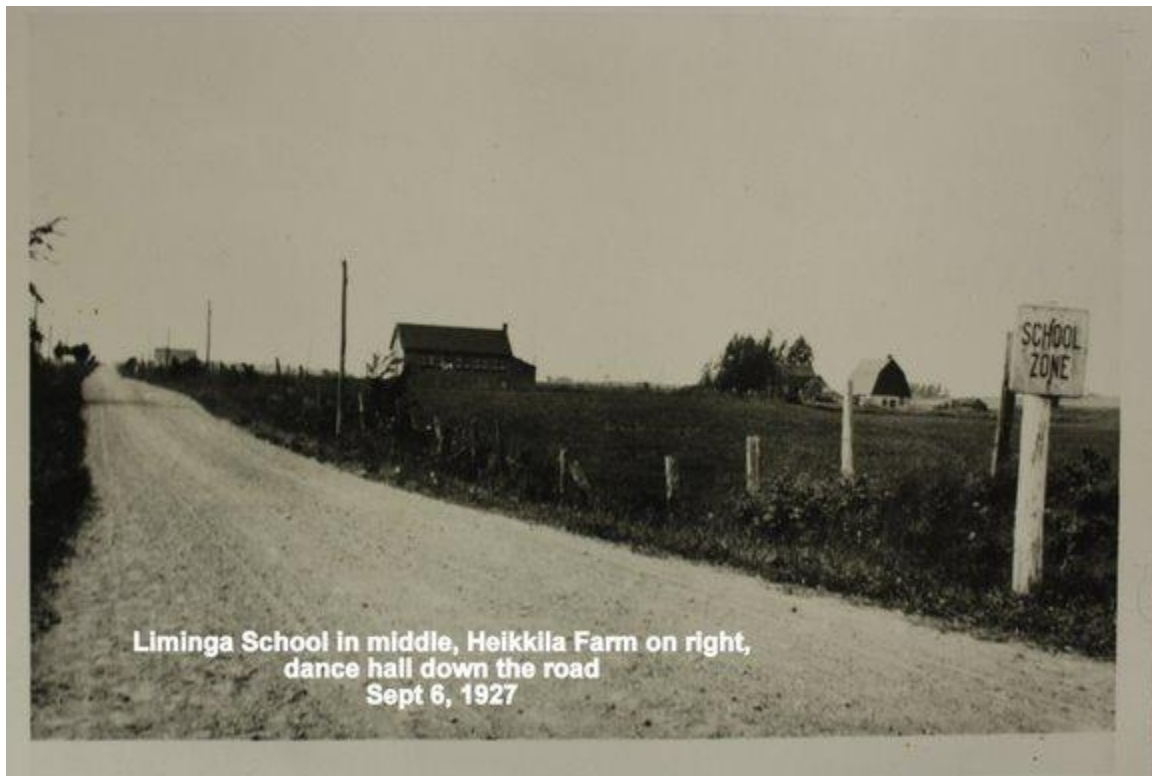


Liminga School. 1911 to July 14, 1958.

T55 N R35W SW corner of Section 13 and SE corner Section 14. Near Heikkila and Rautio farms.





Liminga School.

Land for the school was deeded in 1911 by neighbors on both sides. On the West lived Michael and Riita Heikkila. On the East side, Albert. Rautio donated some of his property. The original deed can be seen at the school, which is now the township hall.

The following picture shows the 1911 students and teacher.

Stanton, a Half-Century Back



THE LIMINGA SCHOOL in 1910 was literally "The little red schoolhouse by the side of the road" (the Liminga Road) dominated by the stern disciplinarian, Miss St. Germain, who later became principal of the Redridge School, then became Mrs. Anton Gabe. The occasion for this school portrait was the historical collection of photographic work by the late Emil John Ekola of the Heinola district who as a fledging shutterbug took these pictures prior to his en-

trance into the employ of General Motors Corp. photographic department in Detroit. There were 42 members in the one-room school of eight grades. Shown here are from the left, front: Miss St. Germain, Art Lindstrom, Bernice Rautio, Aino Haapapuro, Senia Johnson, Walter Paloniemi (D), Martha Rautio, Eino Lahnala, Henry Yrjana, Peter Porkka (D), Clifford Strand, Ted Yrjana, Carl Lahnala; Second row, Jennie Paloniemi, Hannah Jackola (D), Lydia

Lahnala, Ilmi Haapapuro, Fannie Heikkila, Selma Lindstrom, Serafia Perala (D), John Puuri; Third row, Hilda Anderson, Hilda Yrjana, Arthur Johnson, Hilda Anderson, Arthur Bartonen (D), Esther Heikkila, Martha Perala (D), Frances Holm; Last row, Andrew Aho, Wayne Rautio, Sophia Tapio (D), Axel Manninen, Ida Porkka (D), Hilda Lindstrom, John Lindstrom and Einard Anderson. This picture is part of the Frank Koski collection. (D)—Deceased



Heikkila girls Fannie and Esther are named in picture. Bernice Rautio grew up to be a teacher in the same school and taught Fannie's son Bob Dorvinen.



*Liminga School now
township hall.*



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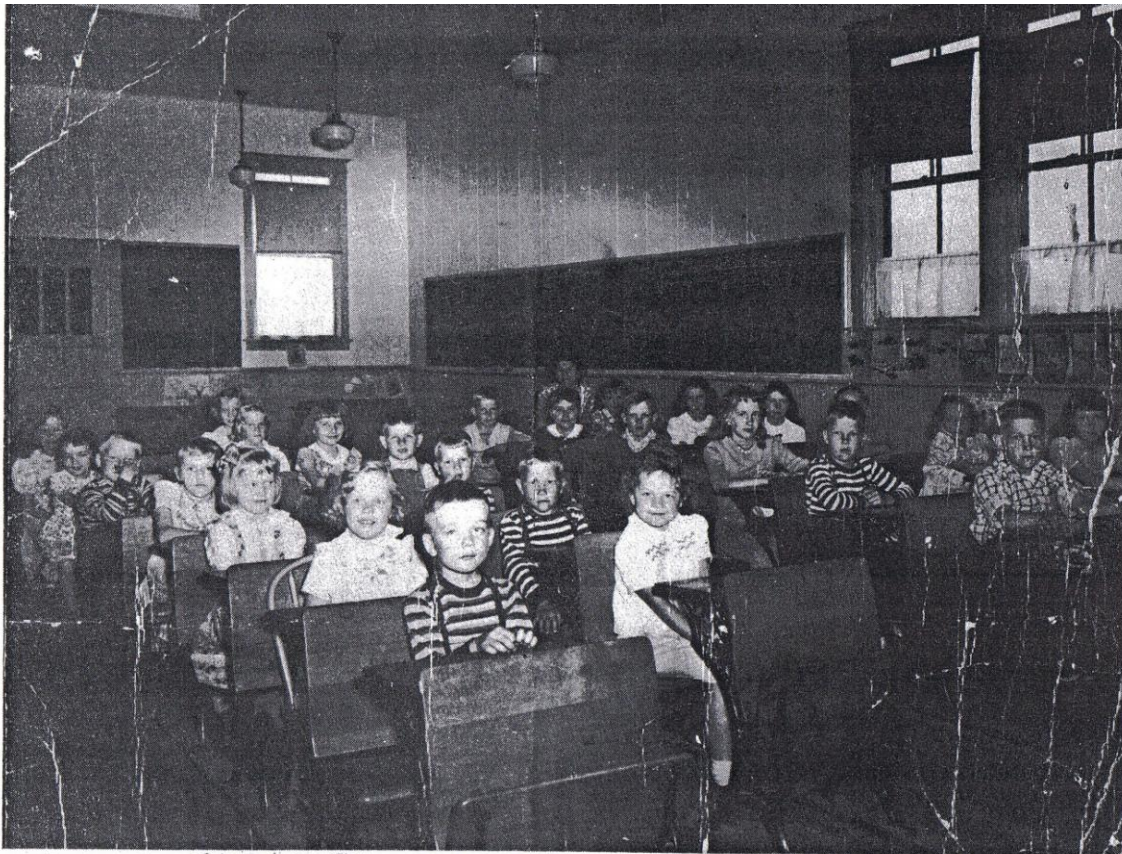
School daze fast approaching

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With the advent of August, school days are fast approaching for Copper Country children. These children look as if they are looking forward to summer vacation in the 1938-39 school year in the Liminga School. The children are identified by row, starting far right, as: Norman Haappapuro, Ruth Koskela, Leo Marttila, Helen Anderson, Delores Niemi and Wilbert Heikkila. Second row: Earl Erva, Dorothy Koskela, Lawrence Niemi, Julianna

Lahnala, Marvin Anderson, Raymond Marttila and Douglas Pusa. Third row: Gerald Erva, Jean Haappapuro, Raymond Wakeham, Ruth Ruohonen, Robert Ruohonen, Hubert Wakeham and Walfred Marttila. Fourth row: Bob Koskela, Donald Haappapuro, Arthur Jackola, Roy Koskela, Richard Harma, Mildred Anderson, Matt Hyttinen and Donald Pusa. The last row: Ruth Heinonen, Kenny Haappapuro and Gloria Korpela. The teacher was Esther Peterson. (Photo courtesy of Margaret Markham)



Schools - Stanton Twp - Liminga School **School days in 1949**

DMG WTW 9/1-8/1959

School is back in session in most Copper Country locales Tuesday, as the lazy days of summer come to an end. In 1949, these bright faces were eager to learn at the Liminga School. The class was kindergarten through fifth grade. The class featured two sets of twins — Joyce and Janet Walstrom, Clarence and Clemence Marttila — and a set of triplets, Judy, Joan and Jean Walstrom. The teacher was Alice Lahti. In the first row, from the left, front to back are: Donald Heikkila, Joyce Walstrom, Kathleen Niemi, Judy Wueb-

ben, Bill Raisanen, Kathleen Frandy and Jean Walstrom. In the second row are: Nancy Peltto, Clemence Marttila, Sanfred Marttila, Raymond Niemi, Phyllis Niemi, Janet Walstrom, Judy Walstrom. In the third row are: Daniel Folk, Clarence Marttila, Dorothy Pusa, Bill Koskela, Janice Peltto, Roy Wakeham. In the fourth row: Margaret Anderson, Joan Walstrom, Roland Wuebben, Louise Anderson, Gladys Hiltunen and Violet Wakeham.

The school was located in SE corner of section 14 (was Heikkila property) and SW corner of section 13 (was Rautio property).

First class was in 1910 with Miss St. Germain who later became principal of Redridge School. Married Anton Gabe.

Corrine Smith Woodall shares with Barb in 2010: My grandfather, Michael Heikkila family lived next door to the school. Grandfather Michael Heikkila donated part of his land so the Liminga School could be built. Today it is the Township Hall. My mother Anna Nellie Heikkila- Smith was a teacher there in 1923 at age 17 (before she was married) until 1925. Then later in 1940-1947.

Don Heikkila shares: Mrs. Katherine Bingham was my teacher at Liminga School. Don started K in 1948 with Ray Niemi, Sandfrid Martilla, and William Raisanen at Liminga. He went thru 8th at Liminga 1956. Then on to Redridge for 9 and 10 and Houghton for 12th.

Liminga School teachers:
Mel Anderson's teacher was Mrs. Pusa in mid 1930's.
1938-39 = Esther Peterson.
1949-50 = Alice Lahti.

Neighbors in 1923 were: Mikko/Michael **Heikkila**, Arvid **Rautio**, Charles and or Eino? **Lahnala**, James **Scott**, **Williams**, **Abramson**, Matti **Jackola**, (Sakari?) **Porkka**, **Ovist**, **Holm**, **Ylitalo**, **Pusa**, **Aalto**, **Yrjana**, **Willen**, Arthur Wisti (1910 census was fireman at stamp mill), **Mayta**, **Makkela**, Lars? **Manninen**.

School Board minutes:

- June 20, 1940- agreed we do something about toilets @ Liminga. Engels to consult Saragosa State Sanitary Engineers if he could assist w/o cost to us.
- July 1940 - approved boiled linseed oil for floors at Liminga and Oskar.
- May 1941. - Mileage discussion for WPA workers at Liminga School
 - Ok'd buying and installing toilets, wash bowls, and drink fountains @ Liminga- Lahnala ok to buy lumber, cement, and drain lines for toilets and cloak room, septic tank, pump house... He to supervise installation.
- July 1941. - Sect'y advised to order 6 Ton coal to Oskar, 15 T for Liminga. And write Matt Puuri about Canal School needing wood or coal.
- Sept. 19, 1947 - Garage for Oskar School bus. - remove florescent lights at Freda Beacon Hill (it closed) and put at Toivola, Liminga, and Oskar.
- May 1950 – Playground equipment ordered for \$1250 to be divided between 4 schools in proportion to attendance.
- Sept. 1950 – shades installed for Liminga and Oskar Schools.
- Sept. 1951 - 9 and 10th grade went to Liminga.
- May 1952 May - Liminga gets platform (Mel Anderson tells Barb it was for teacher's desk near Front door).
- July 1952 – Switched teachers – Mrs. Bingham to Liminga from Redridge and Mr. Mackie to Redridge from Liminga.
- 1956 June 12, - Discussion to close Liminga School and 9 and 10th grade go to Houghton. Vote Yes.
- 1956 August- painted Oskar and Liminga Schools.
- 1958 June – Discussion on maintaining 9th and 10th at Liminga and Heikkinen.
- 1958 July Annual Meeting – Votes cast on question: Shall 9 and 10th grade students of Liminga and Heikkinen be closed and pupils be transported to nearest High School. Yes. 125. No 97. Liminga Closes.
- 1958 August. - 9th and 10th grade books sell to Houghton and Jeffers. Move what is useable from Liminga to Redridge.

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