History of Holt School

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In 1898 the Holt school building was a two-room brick affair. Eight pupils attended school that year with Mr. Brondon and Jennie Frances as teachers.

A modern school building was erected in 1930 to replace a two story structure which was destroyed by fire the winter previous. The new building is all on the ground of the U-Type plan with class rooms around a large auditorium and gymnasium. A large stage occupies the west of the building and there the school plays and entertainment are presented. The building also housed the Holt Fall Festivals and what was known in those days as "The Biggest Little Show on Earth."

A modern and complete high school course was offered and many a graduate from this school was able to enter college upon their class records and some of them are occupying high positions over the country.

In athletics, basketball furnished the main activity and for many years the school produced an excellent team and over the years won a number of trophies which are still on display at the building.

In 1964 the school was consolidated in the Kearney District and our boys and girls are transported by bus to enter High School in Kearney. The first six grades are still taught here.

Additions of several new rooms were added to accommodate the pupils and a new cafeteria was built and fully equipped.

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