

Kenneth Paulson's Interview With Fred Alderton

Me: When and where were you born?

Him: I was born in aah, National Mine 1928

Me: When and whom did you marry?

Him: We got married in 1969.

Me: and what years did you aah attend National Mine School?

Him: Aah 1937 through 39. No 49. Maybe

Me: Do you remember some of your gradeschool teachers and what were they like?

Him: Mrs. Gleason she was our music teacher. Ms. Mason now she's Mrs. Magnuson. she just retired a few years ago. Ms. Millimaki Mrs. Austin she was the paper lady. Aah Ms. Millimaki in fifth

Ms. Swomberg I had in ~~third~~ third sixth no seventh. I can't remember who I had in sixth. Mrs. Peterson That's who it was.

Me: Aah. Do you have any thing interesting about high School or Junior High?

Him: I Played basketball 6th 7th 8th, and High School

Me: How did you get to school each day?

Him: I walked.

Me: How far was it?

Him: Just down past the store, here.

Me: What kind of subjects were taught?

Him: Just the basics. Algebra, Geometry, English American History.

Me: What was your favorite Subject?

Him: Probably History.

Me: Ha Ha. That's my worst subject.

Him: Ha Ha Ha!

Me: What was your worst subject?

Him: Math

Me: Mine too.

Him: haha!!

Me: What Punishments were given?

Him: The teacher's would hit you with a stick, they would keep it in their desk drawer.

Me: How did the kids dress?

Him: They had very strict dress code

Me: Were there any special "fads" or sayings when you were young?

Him: I can't remember what it was but yes we did have fads I can't remember It was 47 years ago.

Me: What kinds of extra curricular thing were offered?

him: all we had was basketball.

Me: No track or nothing like that.

Me: what kinds of activities did you participate in?

Him: Basketball

Me: Did any of the teams win a trophy tournament

Him: We won the district

Me: How far did the teams travel and how ~~far~~ did they?

Him: by bus to Chasslan.

Me: How much homework did you get?

Him: Not much we had Study periods.

Me: Study Hall

~~Him:~~ Me: Did you have any special plays or programs?

Him: We had a good Christmas play and a Spring Operetta.

Me: Describe the graduation ceremony at National Mine?

Him: Short n' Sweet,

Me: Were you able to stay in contact with childhood friends?

Him: Nope some I haven't seen in 20 years.

Me: Did you have any teachers that had a great impact on your life?

Him: Not really

Me: Did you have any special picnics or outings?

Him: aah we got to plant trees out on National Mine School forest I think Mr Ruesing bought that

Me: Did any tragedies occur while you were in school?

Him: No I don't think so

Me: What do you think is the biggest change in school since you were a student?

Him: More subjects now than when I was in school.

Me: What was lunchtime like?

Him: Same It is now I started in 48 that's when they first started having ~~hot~~ hot lunch otherwise they had to bog it or go home for lunch

Me: Who was the principle when you were there?

Him: George Annala he past away now Walter T. Bass he was the Superintendent he's past away too

Me: What were your fondest memories of National Mine?

Him: We used to play ball at the field up at the school

Me: Is there anything else you would like to add?

Him: No