

The Battle of Elbow Park

This Battle all started when one of Fred Manous's partners beat up an old blood Indian. This started a battle. Amazingly the whisky traders were able to hold out for two three days. Finally help came, and this battle once & for all ended.

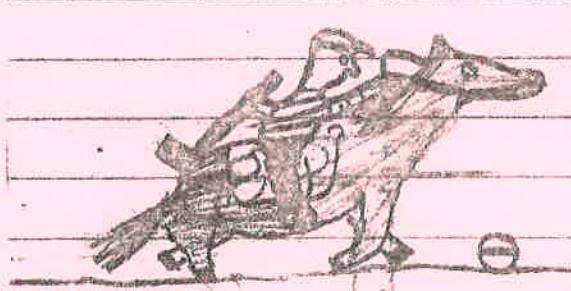
The End

by Owen Thompson

Our House

The person who built our house in 1912 was Robert McGlashing, who was a contractor from Nova Scotia. He bought our two lots for \$1500. He sold it in 1913 to the Shepards, who bought ten more feet of land. The next person to buy it was Henderson and he was a coal mine operator. He bought it in 1915 for \$9,450 and he lived in it until 1944. He always kept a CPR carriage and a horse in our carriage house, and the driver lived in the attic. Don't ask me why he had a balcony! The fourth person to buy it was William Reid, an accountant, who had a school named after him because he was on the school board. Then came the Pearlmans, and finally the Heffers who bought it in 1968 and so far got to 1976. I like our house because it stands tall and proud.

Lisa Heffer



Ken Talbot
Grade 4



Wendy Watkins
Grade 6

The Grade 5 class

1975-1976

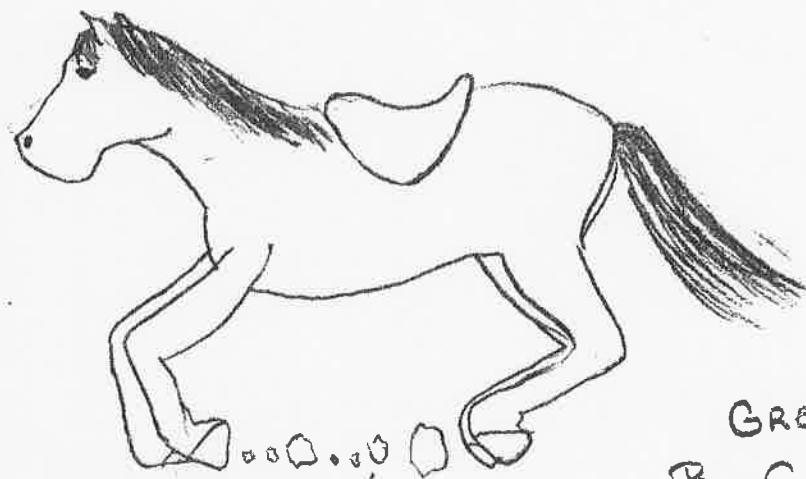
- 1 Elissa - Very nice person, likes horses very much
- 2 Frances - She has brown eyes + hair. She is good at school work.
- 3 Monique - Very pretty, loves all sports.
- 4 Alec - Quite short, has brown eyes + hair.
- 5 Kathy - Fun + jolly, She is a very short person.
- 6 Carole - Mostly quiet + is quite tall, very good in school.
- 7 Rodney - Does not like school, prefers sports.
- 8 Dena - Very tall, likes sports + working on a farm.
- 9 William - Likes math, doesn't enjoy school, very good at sports.
- 10 Patrick - Is quite tall, likes sports + is good at soccer.
- 11 Koenan - Is good at math + is a great soccer player.
- 12 Susan - Is a very good student, likes gross country skiing.
- 13 Carol - Very pretty, loves skiing but hates school.
- 14 Heidi - Very long bangs, loves gymnastics.
- 15 Margaret - Very good skier, quite pretty.
- 16 Cara - Very nice, quite popular.
- 17 Barbara - Good at drawing, loves ballet. She loves her mother.
- 18 Debbie - Very smart, enjoys sports.
- 19 Jonathan - Excellent in skiing, loves sports, dislikes school.
- 20 Rocky - Very shy, not too smart, hates school, good at sports.
- 21 Jennifer - Very short, enjoys sewing.
- 22 Carolyn - Very nice, great singer, very pretty.
- 23 Andrea - Has long hair, hates school.
- 24 Sean - Hates French, dislikes school, likes sports.
- 25 Emily - Very smart, great badminton player.
- 26 Jody - Very good at gymnastics, quite thin.
- 27 Lisa - Very short, blonde hair, blue eyes.
- 28 Wendy - Very quiet, likes reading mystery books.

by Dena Dixon

The Race Track

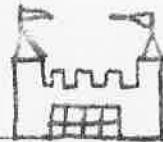
The polo grounds in Calgary's early history was Ellion Park. The infield was then known as the Brigg's Race Track. This race track was really two tracks. One mile of it was inside track, and the outside mile and a quarter track was used for hurdle racing. One track ran into the other at the starting gate.

Frank Bull McHugh, a pioneer son born in Calgary in 1885, says that in 1904, T. S. C. Lee offered the McHugh family the 140 acres including the race track which is now known as Ellion Park for \$5,000.00. Bit to own, the property he had to pay \$1,000.00 and then he could slowly pay the rest. But as Bull McHugh says in those days it was just open prairie except for the race track, why buy? The McHugh's used it for open pastures anyway — for free.



GRADE 5
By Carolyn O.

Dead Man's Castle



Dead Man's Castle was once called Lindsay's Castle because it was built in 1905 by a man named Dr. N. J. Lindsay. He originally built it for his wife but he ran out of money & died soon after. The castle was constructed on a sandspit hill & soon began to sink, so the job was abandoned. Now, many stories & myths surround the castle. Some believe that Lindsay's ghost haunts it & still more think that dynamite is buried under the castle. No one really knows if any of these stories are true, but many support the ideas. Now, it is a popular picnic area & cats find it an amusing place. Maybe someday, someone can uncover the secret of Lindsay's folly!

By Debbie
Mader
&
Margaret
Laidlaw

ELBOW PARK A.G.T. BUILDING

The A.G.T. Building at the corner of 34 Ave. and 7A St. S.W. was built in 1928 as the South Calgary Exchange for the City of Calgary. It was the first of the new style or cottage style buildings built by A.G.T. The building was designed by Peter Rule. It was built of klinker brick because it was the cheapest material of the time, and became a little showpiece, with the manager having the additional responsibility of gardening. The door was of oak with two foot wrought iron hinges tapering to six inches and a huge iron door knocker. The window boxes were of a fretwork design and the leaded windows, although very attractive, were very drafty.

The first foreman of this office was Mr. Alex Mulligan, who spent the morning at the main office and moved to Elbow Park for the afternoon. Soon the work increased so much that it required his full attention and a little later it required a relay of men from main office helping Mr. Mulligan each day.

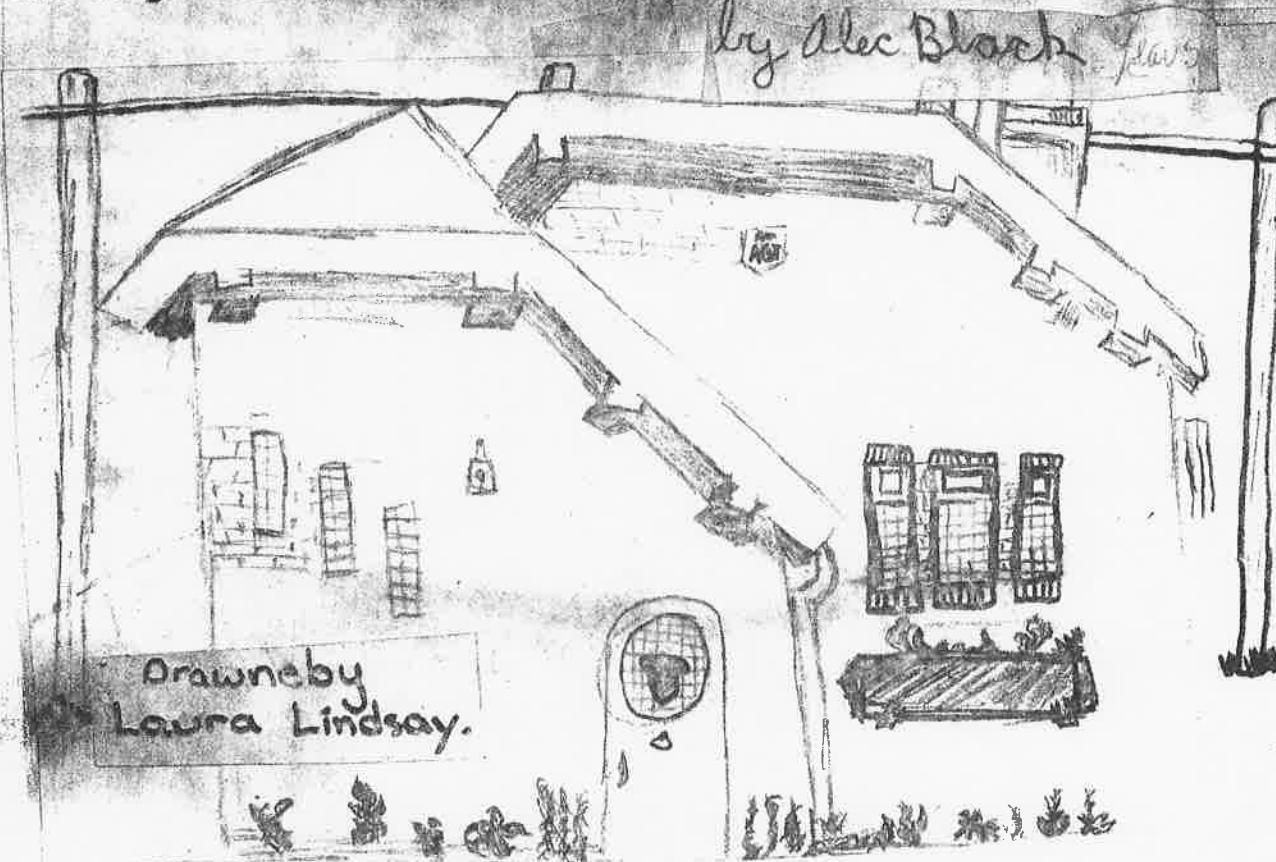
Mr. Mulligan is remembered as being a marvellous Irish character.

The opening of the office was a big affair highlighted by a big dinner, with the Mayor, F.E. Osborn attending.

The districts covered reached from Mission Bridge in the East to Windsor Avenue, the Country Club, in the south. The Exchange had to be in the center of the area it was to serve. The Exchange number was S0 as in S0-100 for instance, S being south. There were 700 lines in the new exchange and it was a primary line switch.

This lovely cottage style building had to be replaced in 1968 due to growth of the district and modernization of communications.

by Alec Black



The BATTLE OF ELBOW PARK

In 1871, Fred Kanouse and several partners, with the backing of the Hamilton and Healy Company of Fort Whoop-up, built a whiskey trading post in what is now the ELBOW PARK DISTRICT. Apparently they neglected to give it a name, but this post was Calgary's first permanent building and Fred Kanouse and his partners qualify for the honour of being Calgary's first citizens.

The Post was strongly built of logs with a yard on one side protected by a log palisade. The building contained a living room, kitchen, a store room and a trading room. Along the front was a passageway about seven or eight feet wide which was connected to the trading room by a trap door so that only one Indian could enter at a time.

When they had been in business for a short time, one of Fred's partners beat up a Blood Indian and so began the Battle of Elbow Park. The Indian returned with a war-party and in the attack that followed, one of the traders was killed and Fred was wounded. The siege lasted three days before reinforcements for Fred and his friends arrived and the Indians withdrew.

Sean Preston

Patrick Flynn

Grade 5

ELBOW PARK SCHOOL
through the decades

In 1917 the South Calgary cottage building was moved to Elbow Park 3640 - 7th St.

1919 - Two rooms were added at a cost of \$13,000. At that time it was considered very handsome. There were only four grades, so for grades 5 and 6 children had to go to Earl Grey.

1920's - Elbow Park was the first brick school in Calgary. The Corner Stone was layed on March 27, 1926. It was called by Dr. Robert Stamp "One of Calgary's most impressive educational monuments of the 1920's". It was built at the cost of \$100,000 including \$14,000 for land. There were 8 grades and Mr. G.H. Lunn was the principal. As described in the Calgary Daily Herald of August 25, 1926 "The School was considered ultra-modern in every respect, containing a teachers room with kitchenette, a principal's room equipped with storage rooms and library space and children's play-rooms in the basement. Mrs. Patricia Haggart a grade one student in 1926 said the subjects she remembered taking were arithmetic, spelling, reading and art.

The report cards that were issued monthly to the grade 1 and 2 pupils, gave no information on the different subjects. The card stated how many days absent, times late and made some reference to the pupils conduct. There was a small space for teacher's remarks like she's improving in spelling.

The 1930's were the depression years but Hugh Bryan says the twenties and thirties were good years to be a teacher. There was no nonsense in those days because everyone agreed on the role of the school. The principal was the boss and everyone knew it. During the depression teachers were forced to take salary cuts. The first cut of 4% was in 1932. In 1934 a reduction of 20% was followed by another of 25%. March of 1933 the salary of every teacher in Calgary was in The Herald. Some children couldn't go to school because they didn't have shoes. A typical list of grade 5 work: - Math, Reading, Literature, Writing, Spelling, History, Composition, Grammar, Civics, Manuel Training, Hygiene, Music and Physical Culture.

The 1940's brought the war effort to Elbow Park School. Mrs. Raye remembers every Friday afternoon children from grade 1 - up brought 25¢ for war saving stamps. They also knit 6 x 8 inch squares to make blankets or to be used as facecloths. Mrs. Waite remembers having an assembly every day and singing a hymn and saying the Lord's Prayer. In the 1940's there was no library or physical education program. There were two rooms closed because of low enrollment.

Although the city started school patrols in 1937, Elbow Park School didn't get theirs until 1943.

The 1950's were called the years of the baby boom because so many children started school then. At Elbow Park there were over 325 students and two portables were needed.

The 1960's brought emphasis to physical education. In 1965 the annual report of the school board stated "A good physical education program gives the child an opportunity to develop skills, physical fitness, emotional control, socially acceptable behaviors, as well as desirable knowledge and attitudes towards the suretime activities.

September 1968 - Grades were done away with and the level system was brought in. There were Fourteen levels in Elbow Park School. In 1970 the level system was abolished and construction of the new gymnasium was started. It was completed in 1971 at a cost of 60,000. The old gymnasium was converted into the present library. It's high beamed Cathedral ceiling seems more suitable for a library than a gymnasium. When French classes started in 1973 the old upstairs library was used as the French room. 1974 was a busy year at Elbow Park School. A bilingual Kindergarten was started and the school children undertook a number of projects to raise money to buy creative playground equipment. Several cloak rooms were converted to project areas. Teachers were not forgotten; they got a new staff room.

February 1974 - Double entry was introduced which meant you could enter in September or February. The program lasted until June 1975.

Times have changed since 1880 when Calgary youngsters went to school whenever their parents felt they were ready - usually from age 5 - 7.

By:

Emily Smith
Carole Darritt
Jody Smith

WOODS PARK

Mr. Woods lived at 332 - 36th Avenue S.W. Mr. Woods was a President of South Western Publishers Limited. He was the Editor and Managing Director of the Calgary Daily Herald.

In 1923 he gave \$2,000. to make a park along the river between 30th and 34th Avenue and he paid maintenance for three years. In 1941 they changed its name to Woods Park.

He got the Order of the Silver Wolf for his work with Boy Scouts. He left Camp Woods at Sylvan Lake for the Boy Scouts and \$2,000. for the V.O.N. He started the Herald Sunshine Club which gave money to the poor.

Mrs. Woods organized the Samaritan Club. She donated a stained glass window to Christ Church and donated two chalets to the Banff School of Fine Arts. He died in 1941.

Colonel Woods was one of our great men in Elbow Park.

By KATHERINE DAVIDSON
Grade 5

CHRIST CHURCH, ELBOW PARK, CALGARY ALBERTA

In the early 1900's the area known as Elbow Park in Calgary was surveyed, and lots were sold to homebuilders, and soon many attractive homes were being built not only along the Elbow River but in the area known as Elbow Park.

To the South and West of the Elbow Park area on the top of the hill was rangeland where homeowners could graze their horses. To the north and west was part of the old Earl Grey golf course. The area was bounded on the north by 30th Avenue, on the west by 10th Street N.W., and on the south and east by the Elbow River. Houses were built along the river up to what is known now as the Elboya Bridge, and on west along Riverdale and Sifton Boulevards. The area was described as a "pleasant country garden" just far enough out of the city to be attractive, and soon many well-to-do Calgarians had built fine homes replacing the former Indian campground.

In 1910 F. C. Lowes offered to Bishop Pinkham a gift of a site for a Church in Elbow Park, there being no church in the area. Forty residents petitioned Bishop Pinkham that a church may be erected in Elbow Park at the earliest possible moment.

The first meeting of the vestry was held at the home of Mr. F. C. Lowes on August 29, 1912. The first vestry men were W.R. Davis, F.E. Eaton, A.H. Ebsworth, W. Lawson, N.T. MacLeod, W.P. Major, Col. G.E. Sanders and W. Young. It is said that at one of these meetings when the vestrymen knelt in prayer all of a sudden the maid rushed in with refreshment on a silver tray. Someone, we do not know who, obviously knelt on the servant's buzzer concealed under the rug. Bishop Pinkham and Dean Paget planned the first Christ Church at its present location at 34th Avenue and 8th Street S.W.

The first building was a basement built in 1912. The first service was held in 1913 and additions were made to the church in 1914, 1920 and 1953. Rt. Rev. G.R. Calvert dedicated the church in 1921 and Most Rev. G. E. Fisher Archbishop of Canterbury, laid the corner stone in 1954.

The final stage of building was commenced in 1962 and the work was dedicated by Bishop Calvert. The first of the beautiful stained glass windows was made as a memorial to Christ Church's first Rector Canon C.W.E. Horne, 1913-1929, and was erected by the 2nd Rover Crew in 1930. There is also a fine organ. The bells were installed in memory of parishioners.

The following are the rectors, all able men and each with his own particular strengths and gifts;

Canon C.W.E. Horne, M.A.	1913 - 1929
Rev. G.N. Luxton, B.A., B.D.	1930 - 1933
Archdeacon D.F. Kemp L th	1933 - 1944
Canon W.H. Crump, B.A., B.D.	1944 - 1960
Archdeacon G.H. Dowker, M.A., D.D.	1961 - 1966
Rev. Canon D. Tatchell, B.A. L th	1966 -

Canon Horne gave 16 years of highly constructed leadership of the parish. He left behind him a lovely church, a good choir and tradition of worship, a growing Sunday School, and Bible Classes, and active Women's Auxiliary and Guild, and a fine Scout troop, Guide Company, Cubs, Brownies, Rovers and Rangers. To this day 1976 Christ Church is a friendly Community church playing an important role in the Elbow Park Community.

FRED C. LOWES

Fred C. Lowes was the biggest land developer in Alberta and was also the biggest real estate agent west of Toronto. Alberta will probably never again see any real estate agent like Fred. C. Lowes.

Mr. Lowes' first business card had the following inscription:

"F. C. Lowes and company, real estate, insurance and financial agents, farm and rural lands, city property, fruit, timber and coal land."

Mr. Lowes came to Calgary in 1906 with \$400.00 in his pocket and by 1913 he was worth \$7,000,000 with offices all over Canada. Here was Mr. Lowes' recipe for getting rich:

"Select a growing western country as your scene of operation. Get a job and work until you know something of values. As soon as you understand land values, get your money busy, not on loans but in land. Buy options as soon as you are sure of your judgment; invest every dollar in options. Sell and buy rapidly for you have to hustle to make \$1,000,000 a year."

Mr. Lowes donated the land for Christ Church and created Rideau Roxborough. With a hydraulic system, he washed down the hill and filled up the swamp with the dirt. Mr. Lowes also gave the Y.M.C.A. \$10,000.00 to pay off debts. One of Fred Lowes' salesmen was a man named E. B. Nowers who lived in Elbow Park too. Mr. Lowes lived in a house called Lowestoft. It was beside Woods Park and later became Strathcona School.

In early 1913, the bottom dropped out of the market and Mr. Lowes lost every dime. His land which never sold was lost for taxes.

By Carol Irwin & Monique Beaumont
Grade 5

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OLDEN DAYS

In the olden days of Elbow Park,
You could hear other sounds beside a dog's bark.
There were goats and cows and chickens, too,
Horses and sometimes a moose like the zoo!

One spring when the floods were so high,
And the people simply couldn't get by.
The water came up 'round their house like a moat
And they had to depend on the fireman's boat.

Elbow Park was the edge of town,
And the countryside was all around.
I wish I'd lived in the days of old,
But I'm glad I heard stories the pioneers told.

By Tina Raaby
Grade 4

ROOM FOUR - Grade 6

The graduating class has conducted many interviews with former students, teachers, principals, and other prominent persons of Elbow Park and district. They wish to share a few excerpts from the tapes of these interviews.

One of Mr. Bill Knights dearest friends was V. Branton, the architect for Elbow Park School. When the school was under construction Mr. Branton was in charge of the building. Mr. Knights also remembers skating to twin bridges west of Calgary from where Mission Bridge is now situated.



Elbow Park's roads have changed considerably in the past 50 years. When Mrs. J. McKay first moved here in 1950, there were only dirt roads. One year, Mr. McKay petitioned city hall to obtain paved roads.

In the early years Elbow Park School housed grades 1 through 8 with grades 3 and 4 attending the cottage school. Grades 9 through 12 went to Rideau Park School, a high school at that time. This was to make more room for the many children who lived in this district, as told by Roger (a former student) and his mother, Mrs. Higgs.



At the time that Mr. Geiger, a former teacher and principal, was at Elbow Park, the school had a nose for sports. One of the main sports was hockey, and EPS twice won the Elementary School championship. Other important sports of the time were football and soccer as they are today.

Mr. Ernie McGregor, a former principal, said that approximately two hundred children attended Elbow Park in 1930 and they received most of their supplies through the school board.

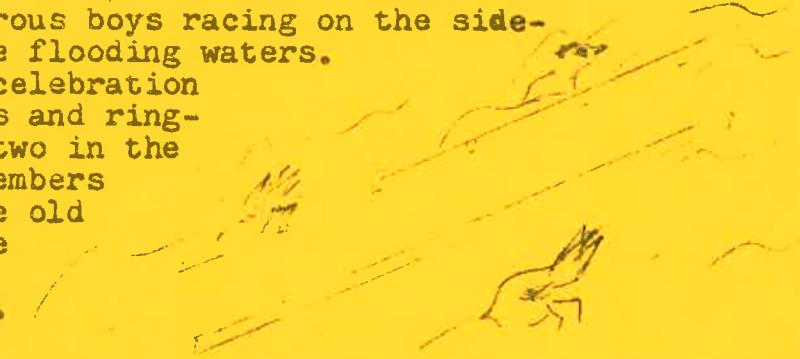
After living here for eighteen years, Miss M. Shortt noticed that Elbow Park hasn't changed much at all. She also stated that our community was THE place to live, when she came here looking for a house.

In 1938 Christ Church had a bridge to go into the church from the sidewalk. The trolley car used to turn right before the bridge and later turned after the bridge as remembered by Mr. Hugh Broadberry, a former principal.

Judge Tavender moved here in the early 30's and has seen Elbow Park grow, from gravel roads and wooden sidewalks, to today's busy community. His children, Mrs. K. Grove and Mr. D. Tavender, enjoyed attending Elbow Park School in the late 30's and early 40's.

Judge Patterson remembers rescuing chickens during the spring floods. He also remembers the irate mothers who observed the more adventurous boys racing on the sidewalks being carried by the flooding waters.

The end of the war was a celebration to remember--honking horns and ringing cowbells downtown at two in the morning. The judge remembers seeing the collapse of the old Elbow Park bridge, and the generosity of Mr. Mayhood toward the Community Park.



It was early March 24, 1976 when Mr. Tom Moody left in EPS care two Birks trophies. These were awarded for several years to the champion boy and girl, in skating competition. Mr. Moody informed us also that the icecapades was started on our community's rink. A rodeo was held every year at the end of Lansdown Ave. but was stopped immediately after a boy was seriously injured. Two bobsled runs were built by two Scandinavians but they were much too wide for our Canadian sleds so it was never used.

Mr Frost, a participant in the first Calgary Stampede, has lived in the Elbow Park Community over 35 years. He remembers 2 to 3 feet of water in his basement after the dam broke, flooding the community.

Mrs. Z. Dean remembers the children collecting Christmas trees after Christmas for "One Grand Blaze" on Christ Church hill. This became an annual celebration for the community.

Mrs. Bolderhay remembers the difficulty of crossing Elbow River because of too few bridges in 1929.

In the 20's, 30's, and 40's most subjects were taught only from texts, with little research in other resources. Mr. Hugh Bryan advised the school library had very few books--compared to its present stock of over 7000.

Mr. L. Nowers remembers his father telling about the 450 wild horses he broke for sale in earlier years. Mr. Nowers was one of the earliest and at present one of the oldest members of the Glencoe Club.

RECESS

In the winter the recess bell rings and we all charge out of the classroom like a herd of buffalo. Some of us zoom down the hall and are called back to walk. Finally we get outside.

Jessica Smith

In the spring, after we finally get outside, some of us play baseball. We scream and argue at each other. "Batter up," yells the backcatcher. The pitcher zooms the ball over the base. One, two and finally three. The batter is out.

Diana Dunlop

In the spring we all charge out like a streak of lightening to the baseball diamond to play baseball. We not only want to play at recess, but during school too.

Lillianne Davidson

The winter has finally arrived, we charge out the door and run to the far corner. We play snowball derby and just battle and battle to stay alive.

John Holt

After you leave the cloakroom, if you're alive, you've made it through the rest of the day.

David Dial

January is cold and snowy, we make snowmen, forts and have snowball fights. Sometimes we play pom pom pull away, where you have to get to the other side of the goal posts, that's what we do in January.

Karen Aiken

April and May we always stampede for the door at recess because this season is baseball season and everyone wants to get there first. But it is always same places so an argument goes on and we end up wasting our recess, what a drag.

Shelley Watkin

June is the month that's worst of all because that month we get out and no one wants to work, just sit around and daydream. When the bell rings - LOOK OUT.

Russell Baer

Recess is hard to do because you c n't make it down the hall.

Ted Bruneau

The Corner Stone

The marble for the corner stone was imported from Vancouver, so Mr. Branton who was head of school construction, ordered it and it had to be ready in four weeks time for the ceremony. It was one week... two weeks and it still hadn't come. Finally they discovered it under a pile of hides at the tannery in a box car. The stone mason polished it and started to carve. At last only one day was left. So Mr Branton sent a man to the school to phone as soon as it came. And there it was only an hour left and it still hadn't come.

Mr. Branton went personally to check if it was there. And there it was in the middle of Elbow Drive.

THIS STONE
LAID
27 MARC 4 1926
BY
ESSIE WOOD Esq BA
ASSISTED BY
D SMOFFATE Esq KC

The wheel fell off the buckboard and the horse was tied to a fence. Mr. Branton got the stone to school just in time. After the ceremony, they quickly cemented it in and the stone mason finished it at school.

Bruce Klassen

Year six

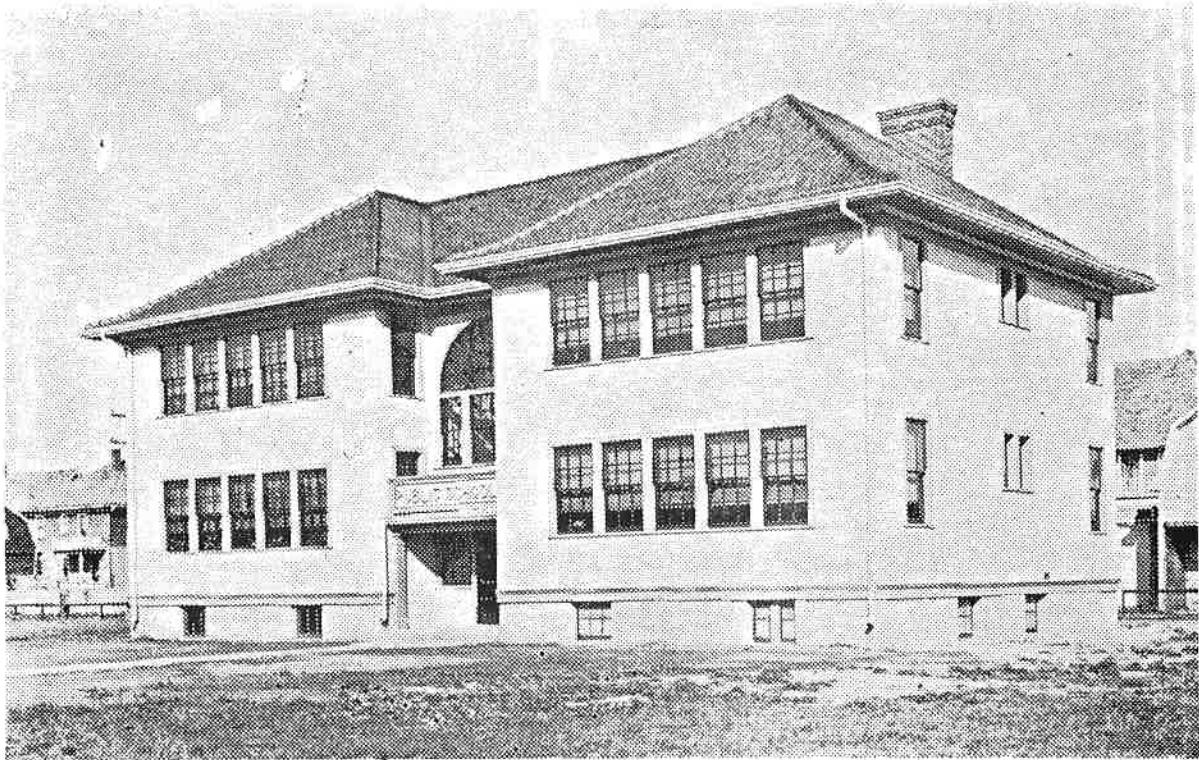
All year round recess is fun,
In the winter we slide, in the summer we run,
Baseball, four square, soccer too,
At recess time there's lots to do.
People run, people shout,
Running, stampeding, wanting out,
1st up, 2nd up, 3rd up last,
Hurry up and touch the base real fast.
When the bell rings they walk in slow,
Nobody really wanting to go.
Inside the school, the great big school,
Recess is fun, oh so cool,
Fun in every season of the year.

Lisa Poole

ELBOW PARK SCHOOL

Tall, straight, with bold red brick,
covering every wall.
Grassy green fenced-in garden,
looking like a rich man's mansion.
In the doors, then to the library.
Rows and rows of books,
covering every wall.
Text books, story books, Willard Price.
Arms full of exciting books.
One-half, three-thirds.
Mixed numbers, proper fractions.
Improper fractions, hard fractions.
Baseball, homerun, ball one,
Strike three, you're out.
High wire, monkey bars, tire swings.
Hiding in a hole.
Kids yelling, "It's my turn".

by Sarah Kerr,
Grade 4



ELBOW PARK COTTAGE 1919



ELBOW PARK SCHOOL 1926 - 1976



Mr. H.W. Bryan's Class of 1929 Grade 7-8



1923 Flood 40th Ave. Bridge underwater



Miss Maxine Locke's Grade 2-3 Class Early 1940's



THE 1929 ELEMENTARY HOCKEY CHAMPIONS

CLASS OF 1946



SOME FORMER PRINCIPALS AND TEACHERS OF ELBOW PARK SCHOOL

WHAT HAPPENED TO THEM?

Mr. Wilf Bennett (teacher 1928-29) became a Vancouver newspaper man.

Miss Cora Robertson taught 23 years at Elbow Park School.

Mr. E. S. MacGregor (Principal 1930 - 1932) will be attending our Jubilee Day Celebrations.

Miss S. J. Shepherd taught in the old Cottage School and our new school until 1934.

Miss E. M. Lynch-Staughton (1954), now Mrs. Low, runs a computerized farm near Pincher Creek.

Mrs. Marlene Flynn taught at Elbow Park School in 1965.

Mrs. Winnie Dunn now Mrs. W. Stewart (1928 - 1931)

Mr. W. H. Broadbury still lives across from the school and is active in Shakespeare plays with the school children.

Mrs. Vicki Jackson (teacher 1971 - 1972) is now Curriculum Development Specialist in central office.

Mr. H. W. Bryan (teacher 1929) ended a distinguished career as Principal at Viscount Bennett High School.

Mr. O. S. Geiger (teacher-principal 1929 - 1932) became Superintendent of Elementary Education for Calgary.

Miss Janet Johnstone (teacher 1946) became the first woman in Calgary system to be given an administrative position in Central Office.

Mr. F. Hoskyn (teacher 1951) became President of Alberta Teachers' Association.

Mr. G. White (principal 1961 - 1964) is now Assistant Area Superintendent, S.E. Zone.

Mr. A. Skau (principal 1966) is now Principal of University Elementary School.

DID YOU KNOW?

- that in 1886 the race track was switched from the Third Avenue site to Elbow Park, when James Owens built a one mile track complete with steeplechase course in the flats along the Elbow where Elbow Drive is now located. In 1889 the present Exhibition Grounds were purchased?
- that in the early days the mule trains from the Galt Mines at Lethbridge forded the Elbow River behind Mr. Millard's house on Sifton?
- that the school was originally to have been built west of the present location, between 11th and 12th Streets?
- that there was once a ski-jump on Christ Church hill?
- that in 1907 Elbow Park was annexed to the City?
- that Mr. Brennan, father of Mrs. E. C. Macfarlane of 3619 6th Street S.W., who came to Calgary in 1893 was called "The Daddy of Water Works in Calgary." He built a windmill and delivered tanks of water which he sold for twenty-five cents a barrel?
- that cottage schools were two storey buildings and bungalow schools had four rooms on one floor. Thus, the original Elbow Park School was a cottage school?
- that the district between Glencoe and Elbow Park was called Rosevale?
- that before the dam was built, it was an annual event to skate up the river to cut your own Christmas Tree?
- that the school grounds were covered with cinders from the steam locomotives?
- that Jock Wait, a student in the twenties, later skated as a comedian on the Sonja Henie Show?
- that in 1926 Mr. H. R. Chauncey of 4A Street, Superintendent of Elbow Park Sunday School, obtained permission to use the Assembly Hall and two classrooms of Elbow Park School for Sunday School?
- that before Miss Lillian Davis' father built his home in 1912 at 3819 - 8th Street S.W., it had been the location of a tee on the local golf course?
- that in 1942 Elbow Park School was selected for use as an emergency hospital under the Air Raid Precaution Scheme?
- that for many years the students of E.P.S. chanted the Lord's Prayer at Assembly each morning?
- that in 1935 Hon. Lt. Colonel J. H. Woods of Elbow Park led the Canadian delegation of the League of Nations meeting in Geneva?
- that 5th Street was called Oliver Street; 36th Avenue from 5th Street to the river was Short Street?

- that the children on their hikes to Sandy Beach wandered through open country, picked crocus at Skinny Creek and went over a farmer's stile?

LAWRENCE SLEEMAN

Caretaker at Elbow Park School for twelve years: 1963 - 1975

Mr. Sleeman was loved by Students, Staff, and Parents for his genuine interest in them and their welfare. He had a rug hooking noon hour club. Two rugs are in the library and the school crest, hooked in the brown and gold of Elbow Park, hangs in the gymnasium. Mr. Sleeman was commissioned by the City to hook the 5' x 5' centennial rug.

Another interest of Larry was his garden, particularly the roses and sweet peas which he generously shared at school. He took an active part in the South Calgary Credit Union. Larry and Mr. Sleeman adopted a boy in Greece and travelled to visit that country and their foster son a few summers ago.

Mrs. Sleeman fondly remembers Larry's pride in Elbow Park School and his close relationship with the parents who volunteered from time to time.

ELBOW PARK SCHOOL JUBILEE SONG

words by Year 6
music by Peter Walker

Verse 1

Elbow Park School is really great
That's what we should appreciate
It's surely a pity
To live in the city
And not attend this dear old school

Verse 2

Creative writing is so exciting
Math an absolute must
We have lots of gym
To keep us trim
Our library gathers no dust

Verse 3

In Art we learn craft and design
Sometimes they turn out really devine
Science is always an interesting myst'ry
And we really enjoy our Canadian History

Verse 4

In French we have to use our wits
We learn from our new O'Canada kits
Work, play
Our violins say
Remember this our Jubilee Day

Chorus

Elbow Park School at Fifty years old
Continues to stand strong and bold
Birthdays come Birthdays go
Five decades we proudly show
Hooray, Hooray, Yea.