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OF EARLY MENDOCINO COUNTY SCHOOLS

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Blanche Brown,  
beloved teacher  
Photo



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## FISH ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT

Fish Rock or Fishing Rock as it was originally called and the school district was named for a large rock just offshore in the Pacific ocean near Anchor Bay.

### Mendocino County History-1880

FISH ROCK-Approved February 28,1866. Bounded as follows: Beginning at the mouth of the first gulch south of Peter Johnson's house, thence running east to the fork of the Gualala river, thence north three miles; thence west to the mouth of the first gulch south of William Tift's house; thence south following the coast to the place of beginning.

Subsequent changes:FISH ROCK- Approved June 13,1867; Fish Rock district extended so as to make Slick Rock gulch the northern boundary thereof.

Little information has been found on this early school;however the Record of County Superintendent C. C. Cummings, August 19,1866, lists Fish Rock school with an attendance of 15 students and a value of \$100.00.

Mendocino Beacon-County School News - January 26,1878  
Fish Rock school with one teacher has been apportioned \$112.50 from the county school fund.

1880-Attendance	17	Boys	20	Girls	Total	37
1883-Attendance	21	Boys	19	Girls	Total	40
1887-Attendance	15					
1891-Attendance	21	Boys	19	Girls	Total	40

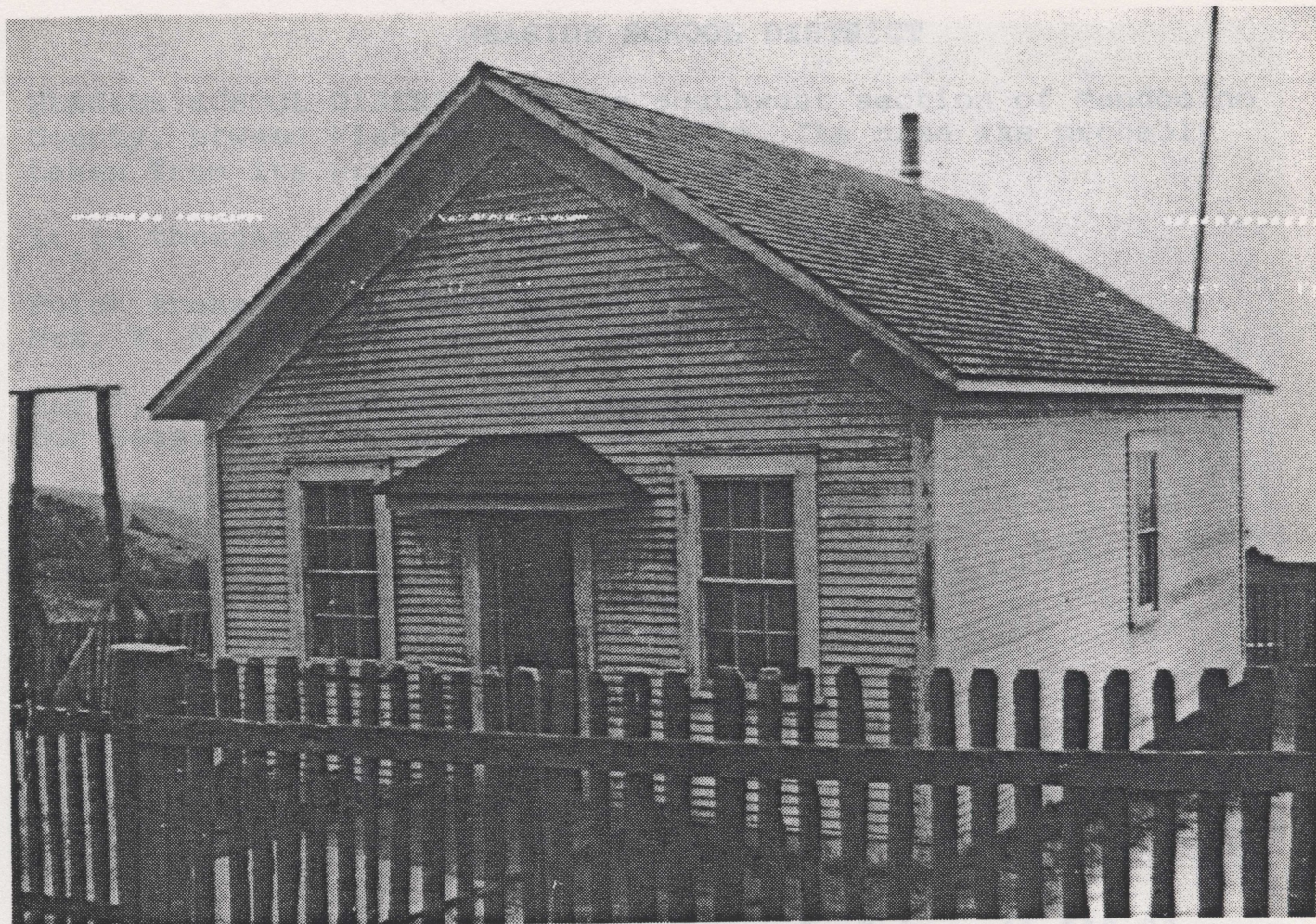
Mendocino County Book of Deeds # 61, Page 360-Nov. 27,1882  
M. Bourn to Fish Rock School District, for the sum of One Dollar in gold coin, one acre, to be used as a school site.

Trustees 1903-Mrs. C. Queen, Mrs. H. H. Tock, Mrs, James Moyles.

Teachers:	Salary
1890-R. T. Stiles	
1900-Geneva Lamb	\$50.00
1903-Elizabeth Edwards, Pearl Demaree	50.00
1904-Miss M. Louisa Burnett	50.00
1906-Lettie Wilson	
1916-Carrie M. Bishop (Mrs. Max Ware)	
1917-Ruth Falkner (Mrs. Irvin Roberts)	
Her first school.	

The Fish Rock School closed about 1925.





1927-Mrs Minnie Wadsworth Attendance 8 Salary \$7,200.00 yr.  
1930-31-Dora Norby Attendance 12

Some Seaside Trustees: A. L. Standley, J. S. Sampkins, G. W. St. Ores, Lewis Rice, J. C. Davis, J. C. Briones, Mrs. J. L. Lampkins, Wm. R. Smith, C. W. Kingsbury, E. C. Miller, C. W. Ledford, O. W. Gatchell, J. C. Hale, Lew Nobles, Mrs. Celia Bowles.

#### MENDOCINO COUNTY BOUNDARY May 1, 1903

Beginning at the N.E. Cor. of Sec. 15, T. 41 n., R. 15 W.; thence S. 1 mile; thence W 1 1/4 mile; thence S. about 1 1/4 mile to a point where the middle line running E. & W. of Sec. 27, same T & R. would if extended intersect the ocean beach; thence NW. along said ocean beach to the SW. Co. of Sec 17, same T & R.; thence N. 1 mile, thence E. 3 miles to point of beginning.

A Mendocino county survey of schools in 1932 lists Seaside as a one-roomed elementary school for grades 1-6.

In 1946 Seaside District was annexed to Point Arena Union District.