

## GREEN BAY ROAD SCHOOL FINISHED

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which are filled with brick nogging in patterns, the whole being covered with an overhanging slate roof having carved barge boards and large rough finished brackets and rafter ends.

The building stands back from the side walk a distance of 175 feet and is reached by winding paths through the trees and across a broad terrace to either of the two main entrances. It is substantially constructed of solid masonry walls and with floors and

roof of heavy timbers having a fire-proof covering.

### Two Story Front

The front part of the building is two stories high, but the class room portion is on the main floor only. This arrangement is excellent, not only from a teaching and administrative standpoint, but assures absolute safety to the children from fire or panic and does away with the necessity of climbing stairs. This one story idea permits a system of overhead lighting by which any amount of evenly distributed light may be admitted to each room, the light being regulated by means of movable metal blades or louvers placed between the ceiling windows and the skylights.

Across the front of the building on the main floor are two class rooms, a nurses room with adjacent toilet and bath, the school office, the main kindergarten room, and two main entrances. From the south entrance through a vestibule and hallway, we reach the kindergarten. This fine high ceiled room with its oak beams, colored walls, richly textured floor covering, large open fireplace and sunny pool, should be an inspiration and leave never to be forgotten memories with the children who are fortunate enough to have used it. This room has benches, storage cabinets, etc., for class work, teaching and story telling. A visitors gallery at one end opens from the second floor level and overlooks this interesting room. All glass here is a special imported kind which permits all the vital health giving rays of the sun to pass through. This is not true of the ordinary type of window glass. The kindergarten work will be carried on in this room together with a second one of equal size which opens from the first, where there are many cases and cupboards, building blocks, sand boxes, etc.

### Class Rooms

To the rear of the front group of rooms are four class rooms, three shops or work rooms, an assembly room and stage, also the necessary toilets, wardrobes, stock room, janitors room, etc.

Each class room is completely equipped with bookcases, storage cases, cupboards and wardrobes. One long case under the windows of each class room has a wide slate top so that potted plants can be placed there without the usual difficulty of spoiling a wood finished surface.

The shop or work rooms are equipped with metal storage cases for paints, wood racks and shelves for small tools, and the storage of composition board cut into convenient sizes for use of the pupils in making many useful articles of furniture, etc. Each shop has a sink with running water and fuel gas.

The small assembly room in the center of the building seats about 200 and has a stage 32 feet long and 15 feet wide upon which, if desirable, plays using an entire class can be staged. Under the stage are six large trucks the fronts of which form the front of the stage. These trucks will hold all the chairs for use in the assembly room and have much additional storage for costumes, etc.

### Hallway Arrangement

The hallways of the building are planned in such a way that they will not be continuous from one side of the building to the other, but, from what ever point you enter, you look straight ahead to a well lighted wall surface upon which will be placed a beautiful mural painting or some other appropriate picture.

In a well selected location, against the south wall of the building, is a fine glass walled and roofed plant house for the study of plant life. This house has an opening to the outside and joins the basement by means of a short flight of stairs where there is an especially designed auxiliary room with a dirt floor to be used in conjunction with the plant house above. After the small plants have been started and nurtured to the point where they can be put out of doors, it is planned to have sectionally divided gardens for the different

classes or groups, in a strip of ground set aside for the purpose in the school grounds.

The second floor of the building is located in the half timbered double gabled section on the front. A stairway just outside the school office leads to a hallway above. Turning to the right you enter the visitors gallery overlooking the kindergarten and across the hall to the left is the room for teachers.

The room for teachers is to be adequately and appropriately furnished for their personal use; it has a dressing room and a kitchenette adjoining and affords an opportunity for teachers to get away from the school room during the day when the opportunity permits and to have social gatherings at other times.

### Adequate Heating

In general each room in the building is heated by air which has passed over steam coils and forced into the rooms by means of a motor driven blower through ducts and flues. The air comes directly from the outside and the quantity is proportioned to suit the number of pupils in each room. The temperature is maintained automatically by thermostatic control so that an adequate amount of properly heated air is always assured.

There is an intercommunicating telephone system connecting every room in the building, and a clock system connecting every room in the building, and a clock system with a control which automatically rings the signal gongs to start and dismiss classes.

The building at present will provide for the children in the kindergarten and three lower grades, but a comprehensive scheme has been planned so that, at any time the demand requires, this building can be enlarged to include a complete grammar school with a large auditorium and adequate space for all departments.

### List of Contractors

In addition to the architects, mentioned above, contractors in various lines were interested in the structure. They are as follows:

- General contract—W. J. Brown.
- Excavating—North Shore Excavators.
- Heating and ventilating—J. J. Herlihy, Inc.
- Sheet metal work—M. L. Jennings.
- Slate blackboards—Western Slate company.
- Plumbing—Moran Brothers.
- Structural and ornamental iron—Almira Iron Works, Inc.
- General millwork—Dick & Traeger company.
- Painting and decorating—J. B. Sullivan & Brother.
- Cut stone—West Side Cut Stone company.
- Roofing—Waukegan Roofing company.
- Hardware—Meierhoff Hardware company.
- Masonry and concrete—Niels M. Steenhill.
- Electrical work—Hub Electric company.
- Steel windows—D. L. Barrett.
- Lumber, etc.—John Gourley & company.
- Plastering—P. H. K. Grimson.
- Shower baths, etc.—Fiat Metal Manufacturing company.
- Greenhouse—Lord & Burnham company.
- Chairs, etc.—Clarin Manufacturing company.

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