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Oral History Introduction

The Sunnyslope school district was established in 1901 as the eighty-fourth of ninety school districts in Graham County, Kansas. A school was built for approximately \$900 and the first school term of three months was held in that year. It should be noted that the tax levy rate for this school district was 20 mills in that year.

Sunnyslope school which was located approximately six miles south and $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles west of Bogue, Kansas. The school continued in operation until after World War II. In about 1949 a reorganization act in Graham County reduced the number of districts from ninety to eleven. Today, there are only two school districts left in the county. Incidentally, Nicodemus had the first school in Graham County established about 1878.

The person interviewed is Mrs. Edna Trexler who taught in Sunnyslope school from 1927 until 1929. It is interesting to note how she received her teacher training, how they raised money for the library, and the emphasis she put on the county examinations that were given at that time. Mrs. Trexler did not stay in teaching as a profession. In fact she noted that the salaries really went down shortly after she left the profession in 1929 due to the Depression.