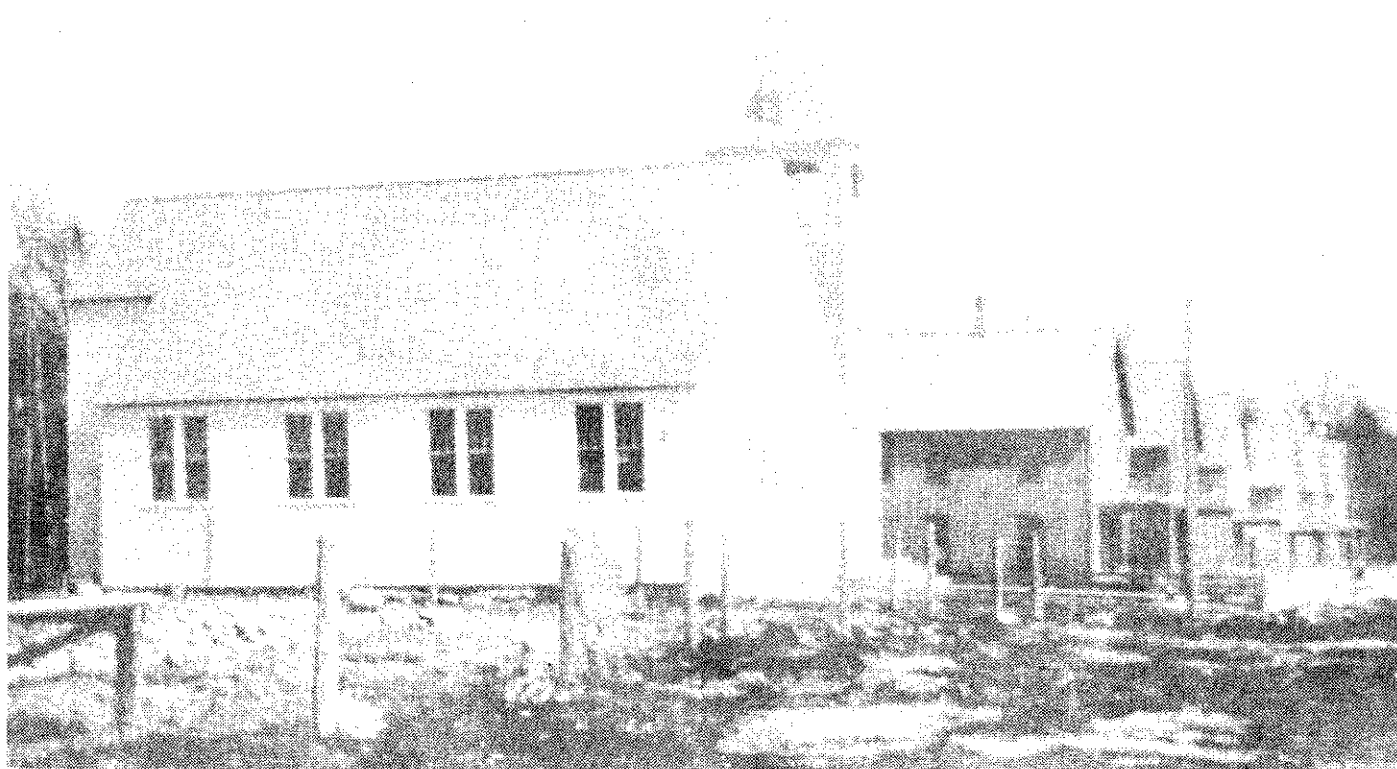


About 1958 the State inspector condemned the old school, so a bond issue was passed and construction of the present school began. In 1967 Lewiston consolidated with Johannesburg and the school became the Johannesburg-Lewiston Area School. In 1970 a band room and several classrooms were added and four relocatables were purchased to accommodate the growing student body.

At the present time growing pains are being felt again and another bond issue is in the making to relieve the situation one way or another. The enrollment in Johannesburg alone is 543. Nine busses transport the students, a few traveling as far as fifty miles to reach school.

Today, aside from the school, not much is left of Johannesburg. The Brick Block is empty, the restaurant is closed, there is no barber. Besides Kelly's Store there is a recently constructed grocery store owned by Walter and Esther Moore, a gas station owned by Dale Fox, a bar owned by Paul and Frances Kuntz, the post office with Jim Gibbs the present postmaster, and the Community Township Hall. Mrs. Amy Milbocker serves as librarian here on Wednesdays. From seven hundred residents during the peak of the lumbering years, the town's population has dwindled to less than a hundred. It would be difficult for newcomers or people passing through to realize that Johannesburg was once a busy, bustling town.



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