

\$340,000 Addition
Morris District Voters
OK School Annex Plans

Binghamton Press Bureau
Oneonta—School district voters at Morris have overwhelmingly approved the construction of a single-story addition to Morris Central School, at an estimated cost of \$340,000.

The proposition carried by a vote of more than seven to one during balloting which ended at 9 o'clock last night, according to Lora Secor, supervising principal of the school.

An official tabulation, as released by the Board of Education, disclosed that 246 of an estimated 700 voters in the district participated in the balloting, which got under way after an organizational meeting at 2 p. m.

Of the total, 216 persons voted in favor of constructing the addition, 29 were opposed, and one vote was voided.

COST TO TAXPAYERS
But even though cost of the project, which also includes a 16-stall detached garage, is listed as \$340,000, school officials pointed out that the actual cost to taxpayers in the district will be only about \$120,000.

Fifty per cent of the total cost, or \$170,000, will be underwritten by the State of New York, and the remaining \$90,000 will be contributed by Mrs. Lewis Rutherford Morris, widow of Dr. Morris.

In 1931, when the existing school was constructed at a cost of \$330,000, Dr. and Mrs. Morris contributed half the total amount. He died several years ago.

Stanley Foote, president of the Board of Education, served as chairman of the organizational meeting, with Everett Sherman as clerk.

Tellers were Lee Starr and Albert Smith, with Sidney Richards, also a member of the board, and Lyndon Howlett as alternates.

Also in attendance were Edward Elliot, LeRoy Poling and Keith Matteson, additional members of the board, and Chester Backus, school board attorney.

School board officials said detailed plans for the addition and garage will be completed by the architects, Conrad & Cummings of Binghamton, and contracts will be let as soon as possible.

Construction is scheduled for completion in September of 1954.

EIGHT ROOMS
The addition, to be erected behind the present plant, will include two kindergarten rooms, three elementary classrooms, a faculty room, kitchen and cafeteria.

The project also includes expansion of the present gymnasium to provide additional floor and seating space, as well as the new garage.

School officials said the present kitchen, cafeteria and five-stall garage will be converted for use as classroom space for training

in art, agriculture and manual training.

Morris Central School now has an enrollment of some 500 pupils, but the figure is expected to increase to over 600 within the next few years.

In a brief session after the ballots were counted, the board appointed Ralph Alpin to fill a vacancy among the school's bus drivers, created by the recent death of Melvern Bailey.

Guilford Faculty Announced

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Newark—The completed list of faculty members for the Guilford Central School for the school year 1953-54 was announced today by Warren B. Ryther, supervising principal.

The faculty is as follows:
John Butler, science and mathematics; Helen Roberts, citizenship education and mathematics; Mary Sawyer, English and language; Mildred Stapleton, junior high school; Owen Bivens, industrial arts; Bernard Greenberg, music; Evelyn Crabtree, commercial; Alma Salinger, home-making, cafeteria and library; William Clark, physical education and driver training; Aline Williamson, school nurse; Florence Race, kindergarten; Leta Carter, first grade; Rita Booth Myrnan, second grade; Evelyn Holmes, third grade; Wilhelmina Menley, fourth grade; Dorothea Massey, fifth grade; Leta Mullins, sixth grade.

School will open for the fall term, Wednesday, Sept. 9, at 8:30 a. m.

The course in driver training has been added to the curriculum for the coming year. This is the first time that the course has been offered in Guilford.

It was announced also that state diplomas have been received, and are ready for distribution to members of this year's graduating class who earned them. They may be obtained in the school office.

Deuels Visit Canada

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Montrose—Mrs. Frank H. Deuel of Montrose and her son, the Rev. Donald A. Deuel of Wilkes-Barre, left Sunday by car for Canada. Yesterday they left Montreal on a five-day boat trip on the Saguenay River to Quebec. En route home by motor, they will visit the New England States and New York City.

MCS Annex Plans Approved



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