

It was the only school on the Range to be named after a woman, an honor in itself considering the times. Old timers say the first child born in the Alice Location, or the present day Hibbing area, was a girl named Alice. The new school erected in 1910 therefore got the honor of the same name. It is the last landmark of the Alice Location.

The school had four classrooms upstairs, and four downstairs, with a teacherage on the third floor. It was here that teachers lived and socialized during off-duty hours, at least until 1927. That year four more rooms were added, one being a kindergarten; the third floor reference library was moved to the Glass School and the living quarters closed.

Some of the people who made the institution what it was were Trilby Murphy, Lillian Beck, Clair Furni, Katherine McHale, Merva Spanner, Blanche Hill and Marion Ward.

Over 10,000 children first learned their three R's in this building, the last of which graduated in 1973. The building has recently been used for special education and office space.

The old building on the corner of 21st Street and 3rd Avenue has been sold and will be demolished in the near future.

Shown in these photographs are, clockwise from the right: disorganized desks and chairs in an empty classroom; George Washington watching over rows of empty chairs; the remnants of a display; one of the stairwells that will never again know students' feet; scrawls on a desk top and an assignment board with barely legible names still chalked in.