

# Mary Livingstone Recalled as 'Old' Macdonald School Pupil

"Sure, I remember; you lived in a little store down here at Cedar Grove."

Cedar Grove was a half-century back into Vancouver history, but Web Kelly from Portland, Ore., leaped the gap with Harry Sudelman Wednesday night.

Mr. Sudelman, 5809 Montgomery, lived in a small post office-general store in 1906 when he and Mrs. Kelly were first-grade classmates at Macdonald elementary school.

They met at the school's golden jubilee in the school auditorium, Hastings and Victoria. Incidentally the "old boys" and girls recalled when Mary Livingstone (Mrs. Jack Benny), then Sadie Marks was a pupil.

Both prosperous-looking busi-

nessmen now, Sudelman and Kelly shed the 47 years that have passed since their first meeting at the spanking new four-room frame building.

Mr. Kelly made a special trip from Portland. He was one of more than 300 who proved murky fog can't break the old school ties.

"Wouldn't have missed this for a fortune," he chuckled as he and Mr. Sudelman swung into a spate of schoolboy reminiscing.

Mrs. Charles Rae, 855 East Nineteenth, was busy scanning the Grade III register for September, 1916.

"I remember a real good mixer," she said of a classmate who turned out to be Mrs. Jack Benny.

The register showed her to be a good pupil, seldom late or absent.

School principal J. M. Buckley said he had written to Mrs. Benny in Hollywood, inviting her to the reunion.

He learned the bid should have been sent to New York, and was not disappointed when it went unanswered.

Mr. and Mrs. Tyson Caldwell of 2536 East Georgia swapped stories with old schoolmates.

They remembered a big, unused drainage tunnel that ran under Mr. Sudelman's house at Semlin and Hastings.

"Many the boy who sneaked in there for a forbidden cigaret," Mr. Caldwell said.

The hyena laughs when it is in search of food.