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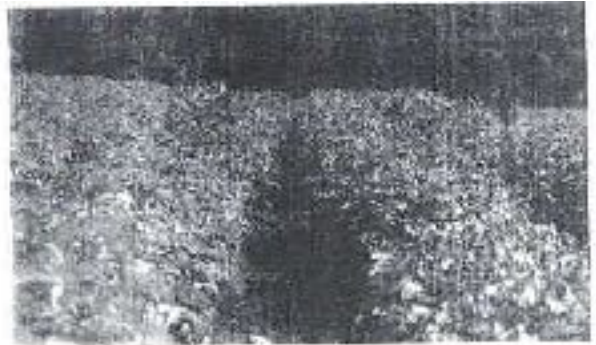
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Ross Mills was known as Ellicott District No. 1 School District
Chautauqua County, New York



Emory's Potatoes

These are pictures of Emory Holmquist's potato field, taken on July 4, 2009. Emory was amazed at how nicely uniformed the rows and plants were.

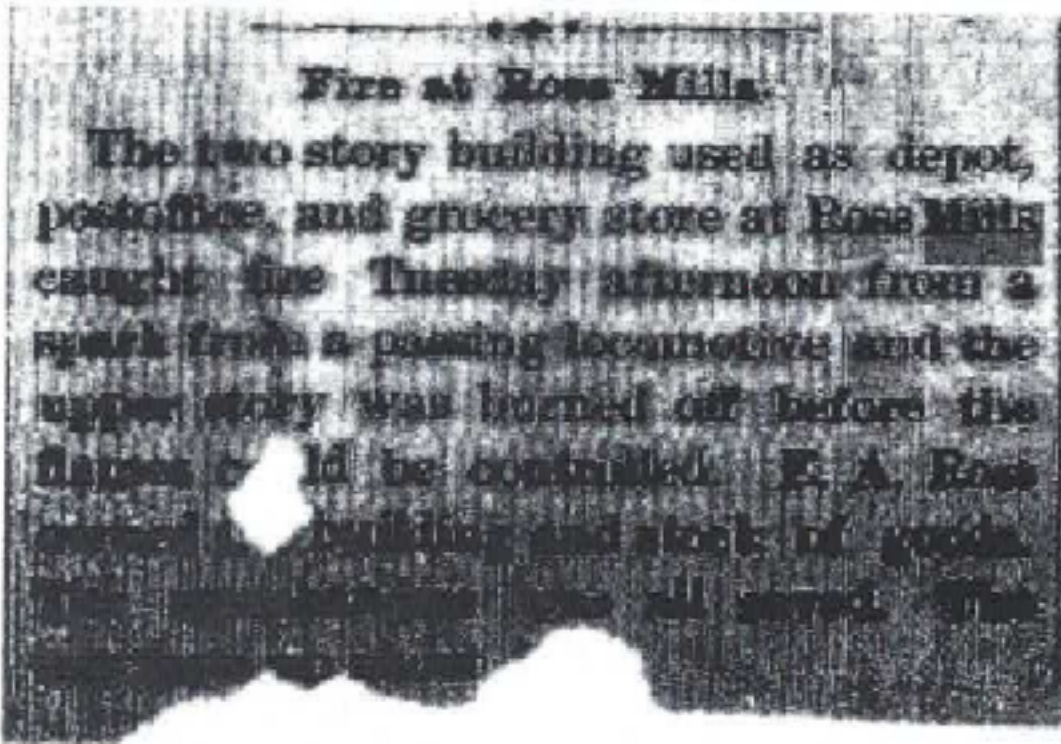


Anyone Interested in Walking

The area around the Church cornfield is kept mowed so that the people who like to walk can use it as a walk path. It's approximately a 1/2 mile around the cornfield.

Shall we reminisce back a few years?
It's hard to believe looking back they could be that far along by
the 4th of July!

CHERRY CREEK NEWS MAY 30, 1890



Fire at Ross Mills

The two story building used as depot, postoffice, and grocery store at Ross Mills caught fire Tuesday afternoon from a spark from a passing locomotive and the upper story was burned off before the flames could be controlled. E.A. Ross...

(Morgan Young sent this version) ...owned the building and stock of goods. The grocery store was all saved. The post office _____. (Anne Dunn sent us this version) ... owned the building and stock of goods. The merchandise was all saved the building was...

George Potts ~ He was a part of our community for many years. He lived on Route 380 on Kimballstand Rd, recently passed away.



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ROSS GRANGE NEWS

Ross Grange will meet Monday, June 11 at the Falcon's Nest Banquet Hall. A dish to pass meal will be served at 6:00 PM, followed by the meeting. Elaine Melquist, chaplain will present the annual Memorial Service.

Plans for the display booth at the Chautauqua County Fair will be discussed. Beverage and table service for the meal will be provided.



The Chautauqua County Fair is July 16-22nd, 2018. Dunkirk, NY.

This is a follow up from an article in May's issue ~ and the last run of the Dolly Varden train run:

The name "Dolly Varden" stems from a fictional character, a gaily dressed coquette in the novel *Barnaby Rudge* (1841) by Charles Dickens. In the late 1860's a popular green fabric adorned with small crimson polka dots was marketed under the name Dolly Varden.

Dolly's memorable costumes led to the naming for her of a style of 19th century woman's ensemble consisting of a wide-skirted, tight-bodices print dress worn with a white fichu (light triangular scarf) and a flowered hat with a wide, drooping brim, becoming very popular for several years. Many other items took on the name Dolly Varden also. For example:

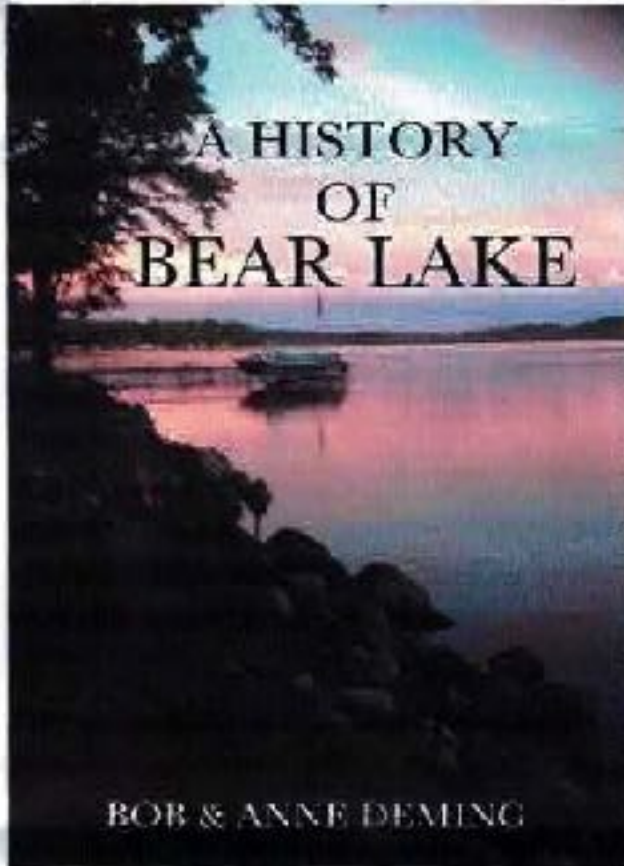
The Dolly Varden is one of the most beautiful and diverse fish in Alaska. In spawning colors, the Dolly Varden is perhaps our most striking fish.

COMING THIS SUMMER...

A HISTORY OF BEAR LAKE

By Bob & Anne Deming

Every lake has its story. Bear Lake's had not yet been told.



Nestled in a secluded valley in Western New York, Bear Lake holds hundreds of years of history. In **A History of Bear Lake**, ten years in the making, Bob and Anne Deming have painstakingly captured the recollections, photographs, and stories of Bear Lake residents with ties to its earliest families. Overviews of the lake's formation and topography, its former Native American inhabitants and early landowners, enhance this history. It also includes a chapter on the myths, legends and rumors its residents have come to love. **A History of Bear Lake** offers a comprehensive history of one of America's hidden treasures.

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dent, know Bear Lake well and have been leaders in the Bear Lake Association. They hope that readers will enjoy this publication about the lake they love.

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