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## GOUNTRY SCHOOL LEGACY: Humanities on the Frontier

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HISTORIC SITE FORM

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County Furnas

Location (in miles & direction from nearest town)\_\_\_\_\_\_ On west side of main street in Edison, on highway.

Is this the original location? no

Name of building & origin of name District 102, Furnas co.

Name & number of the district Dist. 102

Date built approx. 1896 Years in use 39 years

Who built it? A contractor or the community?\_\_\_\_\_ Probably a contractor

Does it look like it came from a plan book or was it designed by the community? Plan book

Names of former teachers: not available?

Names of former students (family names only):

Name & address of person in charge of building: Mrs./Garey, Edison, Nebr.



Who is the owner? City of Edison

COUNTRY SCHOOL LEGACY HISTORIC SITE FORM .
Architectural Features:
Size of building 14 x 16 ft.
Number of Windows (four pane, six pane, etc.) 2 2-pane on two sides, north and south, none in east or east.
Number of doors (entrances)1
Number of classrooms 1
Bell tower or cupola no
Materials used (wood, brick, stone, etc.)wood
Type of roof shingles, v-shaped
Outhouses none on site, presumably had them when schoolhouse was in its previous location.
Playground Equipment none on site.
Color of building & trim white
Coal shed or stable none on site
Teacherage none
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Other architectural features: no lean-to type entry way.
Anything left inside? school furniture, etc., but not the original furniture.
Narrative Information: Did any special events happen at the school? What stories do people remember? This building has a Nebraska Historical Marker designation: "'The Small Schoolhouse," 14 x 16 ft. In Furnas County, Edison, Nebr., Dist. 102, formed 1896, last class 1935, district dissolved and attached to district 59 in 1949. Originally 3 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> miles southeast of Edison. Moved to Edison in 1968. (Mrs. Garey, Edison, is caretaker, and states it once was thought the smallest in Current condition & use: Nebraska, but thinks the claim was disproved.)
condition good, used to display to tourists.
District records available: yes where stored See Mrs. Garey
Black & white photo taken: yes_x_no
Old photos available: yesno
Does the building have any state or national historic designation? State
Name & address of surveyor Ernest Grundy date 117-80



A single-post state historical marker, measuring 30 by 42 inches and designed for reading by pedestrians, was erected in Edison, Furnas County, to commemorate one of the smallest schoolhouses in Nebraska. Courtesy of Oxford Standard.



The Sheridan County Historical Society sponsored, with the State Society, a state historical marker west of Antioch commemorating the potash industry.



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