Mixed Grove - Dist. #9

Country School Legacy: Humanities on the Frontier

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Humanities on the Frontier

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HISTORIC SITE FORM

State: Nebraska
County: Sherman

Location (in miles & direction from nearest town):
6 miles south and one mile east of Arcadia

Is this the original location? No

Name of building & origin of name: Mixed Grove

Name & number of the district: Dist. #9

Date built: 1900
Years in use: 70 yrs

Who built it? A contractor or the community? Community

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

Names of former teachers: A. U. Nelson, J. J. Penny, J. F. Hendrickson, 
Kate & Mary Moon, Daisy Snyder, Horace Bristol, E. Ball, Effie Zimmermann, 
Louise Winder, Hilda Nordstrom, Ragnhiel Nelson, Bertha Menden, Dessa Cass, 
Louise Sand, Ethel Meyers, Maybelle Leeper, Hazel Tiffany, Blanche Fisher, 
Lizzie Leatham, Ruth Owens, Esther Portis, Lena Wharton, Ruth Williams, 
Orpha Brown, Edith Kneifeld, Lois Carroll, Opal Carmody, John Erickson, Lavonne 
Bartley, Audrey Whitman, Josephine Babel, Genevieve Aucrecht, Dorothy Ryan, 
Virginia Bulger, Betty Gregory, Dorothy Carlusk, Dorothy Landau, Dolly Seftert, 
Mary Jane Rittenmayer, Dorothy Peck, Patricia Rasmussen, Barbara Eurek, Florence Landau, 
Ruth Applegarth, Vivian Pierson

Names of former students (family names only):
Anderson, DeWitt, Gregory, Landon, 
Leathers, Zomkes, Leininger, 
Platts, Montie, Nelson, McCall, 
Quinton, Sinner, Tiffany, Riddles, 
Sotkosi

Name & address of person in charge of building:

Archie Shotkosi

Who is the owner? Same as above
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Architectural Features:

Size of building: 20 x 26

Number of Windows (four pane, six pane, etc.): 3 on a side

Number of doors (entrances): ONE

Number of classrooms: ONE

Bell tower or cupola: Hand bell

Materials used (wood, brick, stone, etc.): Wood

Type of roof: Wood Shingles

Outhouses: TWO

Playground Equipment: Swings, Merry-go-round

Color of building & trim: White, No trim

Coal shed or stable: Coal shed

Teacherage: Boarded in District

Flagpole: Yes

Other architectural features:

Anything left inside?: No

Narrative Information: Did any special events happen at the school? What stories do people remember? School was organized in 1866 in a sod house on the John Gregory homestead. Wages were $20 per mo. Around 1900, salaries increased to $30 per mo. The school house, built in 1900, was used for church and Sunday school for many years. Ministers from the Congregational and Methodist churches of Arcadia did the preaching. Current condition & use:

Poor condition - used as storage shed

District records available: yes no ✓ where stored

Black & white photo taken: yes no ✓ (Polaroid picture enclosed)

Old photos available: yes no ✓

Does the building have any state or national historic designation? No

Name & address of surveyor: Winnie Arnold

Date: ___