1927

**Banner School - Dist. #35**

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**HISTORIC SITE FORM**

State Nebraska  
County Sheridan

**Location (in miles & direction from nearest town)**

Nine miles Southeast of Hay Springs, NE

**Is this the original location?** yes

**Name of building & origin of name** Banner School. This district resulted when five smaller districts joined together in 1914. Name may have been chosen because the school displayed the banners of all the five original schools. (Districts 50, 29, 84, 104 and 35)

**Name & number of the district** District 35

**Date built** 1927  
**Years in use still in operation**

**Who built it? A contractor or the community?** a contractor

**Does it look like it came from a plan book or was it designed by the community?** Came from a plan book or may have been designed by an architect or builder.

**Names of former teachers:**

First teachers under the consolidation: Marie Surber, Myrtle Harris; Other teachers: Esther Marcy, Mrs. Westlake, Clarice Spitler, Claire Moody, Mrs. Jones, Miss Parkmore (two sisters by this name taught together.)


**Names of former students (family names only):**

Johansen, Marcy, Metcalf, Walgren, Hinz, Huntington, Petersen, Jungck, Prokop, Burrows

**Name & address of person in charge of building:**

President, School District 35, Hay Springs, NE

**Who is the owner?** District 35, Sheridan County, NE
Architectural Features:
Size of building: 30' x 54' with an open porch on front.
Number of windows (four pane, six pane, etc.): 16 32-pane windows
Number of doors (entrances): three
Number of classrooms: two
Bell tower or cupola: bell tower built into roof
Materials used (wood, brick, stone, etc.): brick/wood
Type of roof: shingles
Outhouses: one
Playground Equipment: merry-go-round, swings, slide
Color of building & trim: brick with white trim
Stall shed or stable: stable
Teacherage: no
Flagpole: yes

Other architectural features:
There is a pump house on the grounds. Building has a stage inside and two good sized storage rooms.

Anything left inside?
Building is completely furnished and is still being used for school.

Narrative Information: Did any special events happen at the school? What stories do people remember?
This district resulted from the consolidation of the Lakeview, Passmore, Scribner, Heesacker, and Petersen Districts which covered an area of about 30 square miles.
The original building on this site was built in 1914 and burned down in 1926. This school also housed a high school at one time.

Current condition & use:

District records available: yes x no where stored Sheridan Co. Supt.
Black & white photo taken: yes x no
Old photos available: yes no
Does the building have any state or national historic designation? no

Name & address of surveyor: Sandy Scofield, Chadron, NE date 12/10/80