R-7 School

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Humanities on the Frontier

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HISTORIC SITE FORM

State Nebraska
County Phelps

Location (in miles & direction from nearest town)
1 mile South of Holdrege, Nebraska

Is this the original location? Yes

Name of building & origin of name
R-7 School
Phelps County

Name & number of the district R-7

Date built 1955-1956 Years in use 1956-1980

Who built it? A contractor or the community?
Contractor: Val Borden Const. Co., Salina, Kansas

Does it look like it came from a plan book or was it designed by the community? Designed by Helleberg, Helleberg, Architects of Kearney, Nebraska.

Names of former teachers:
Claire Robinson
Marlene Youngquist First Teachers
Karen Morgan
Bertha Becker

Names of former students (family names only):
Too many to list

Name & address of person in charge of building:
Beverly Meier, Principal
RR#1, Box 17, Elm Creek, Nebr.

Who is the owner? State of Nebraska

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Architectural Features:

Size of building _______ by _______ feet

Number of Windows (four pane, six pane, etc.)

Number of doors (entrances) 5

Number of classrooms 5

Bell tower or cupola No

Materials used (wood, brick, stone, etc.) Stone masonry and brick

Type of roof

Outhouses No

Playground Equipment

3 see-saw, 1 monkey bar set

3 merry-go-rounds, 2 swing sets

Color of building & trim Red brick, Buff wood

Coal shed or stable No

Teacherage No

Flagpole Yes

Other architectural features:

 Anything left inside?

Narrative Information: Did any special events happen at the school? What stories do people remember?

Open-house Jan. 15, 1956 - 200 people attended.
School is used as voting precinct for Township.

Current condition & use:

Good condition, but too small for the present enrollment.

District records available: yes / no Where stored School

Black & white photo taken: yes / no

Old photos available: yes / no

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

Name & address of surveyor ___________________________ date ___________________