**Kan. Cong. Dist. No. 2**

**Bill Roy**

Form 10-300  UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY – NOMINATION FORM**

*(Type all entries – complete applicable sections)*

1. **NAME**

   **COMMON:**
   Barratt Schoolhouse

   **AND/OR HISTORIC:**

2. **LOCATION**

   **STREET AND NUMBER:** 1 1/2 miles south of Frankfort on K-99, 1 1/2 miles west on secondary road, then 3/4 mile southwest on secondary road. NE 1/4, Sec. 31, T 4 S, R 9 E.

   **CITY OR TOWN:** Frankfort vicinity

   **STATE:** Kansas

   **CODE:** 66427

3. **CLASSIFICATION**

   **CATEGORY:** (Check One)
   - District
   - Site
   - Building
   - Structure
   - Object

   **OWNER:** (Check One)
   - Public
   - Private
   - Both

   **Acquisition:**
   - In Process
   - Being Considered

   **STATUS:** (Check One)
   - Occupied
   - Unoccupied
   - Preservation work in progress

   **ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC:** (Check One)
   - Yes:
     - Restricted
     - Unrestricted
     - No

   **PRESENT USE:** (Check One or More as Appropriate)
   - Agricultural
   - Commercial
   - Educational
   - Entertainment
   - Government
   - Industrial
   - Military
   - Museum
   - Religious
   - Scientific
   - Park
   - Private Residence
   - Other (Specify)
   - None
   - Transportation
   - Comments

4. **OWNER OF PROPERTY**

   **OWNER'S NAME:** Mrs. Dorothy Jones Johnston

   **STREET AND NUMBER:** 517 Iowa Avenue

   **CITY OR TOWN:** Council Bluffs

   **STATE:** Iowa

   **CODE:** 19

5. **LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

   **COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:** Register of Deeds

   **STREET AND NUMBER:** Marshall County Courthouse

   **CITY OR TOWN:** Marysville

   **STATE:** Kansas

   **CODE:** 66508

6. **REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

   **TITLE OF SURVEY:** NONE

   **DATE OF SURVEY:**

   **DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:**

   **STREET AND NUMBER:**

   **CITY OR TOWN:**

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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance:

The Barrett Schoolhouse is a two room, one story limestone building constructed in the Plains Vernacular style of architecture. It is "T" shaped in design and consists of two 20 feet by 30 feet sections. A crude attempt at quoining occurs at the corners. Both sections have simple gable roofs with the original wood shingles.

The older section on the north has one door and two windows on the east front and four windows on the north side. The front windows and door have arched lintels while the lintels of the north windows are flat. Also notable on this section is a round cut stone in the east gable with the district number and date, "Dist. No. 1 1870." There is a bell tower on the front part of this section, but the bell has been removed.

The south section, which was added in 1896, has two arched windows and an arched, recessed door on the east side. The windows on the south end and the west side have flat lintels. The south section has a brick chimney and also an arched louver window in the south gable. A concrete patio in front of the entrances likely is of more recent vintage. The interior of the older portion is believed to be basically the original except for some changes to the walls.
The Barrett Schoolhouse in District No. 1, Marshall County, was constructed in 1869-1870 just south of the former Barrett townsite. Both the town and the school took their name from Albert Gallatin Barrett, a prominent Marshall county pioneer who had settled at the site in 1855.

Barrett and other members of the little farming community established the first legally organized school district in Marshall county in 1859. A frame building 14 feet by 20 feet was built by volunteers using donated lumber cut by Barrett's sawmill. That building stood about 100 feet north of the present structure.

The one room stone building, which was ready for use in 1870, cost about $3,000 and was the pride of the Barrett community. In 1896 the enrollment of District No. 1 climbed to 80 and a second room was constructed to the south. Besides meeting the educational needs of the area, the building for a time was also the social and religious center of the community. Before church buildings were erected in Barrett, the schoolhouse was used regularly by circuit-riding preachers.

In addition to its local historic significance, the Barrett Schoolhouse is a representative of rural school architecture in Kansas in the 1860's and 1870's. It is a good example of a stone schoolhouse in the Plains Vernacular style.
9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

"Barrett Rose from Sawmill," Randolph Enterprise, September 17, 1953.

"First County School at Barrett," Marysville Advocate, August 6, 1953.
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Portrait and Biographical Album of Marshall County, Kansas (Chicago,

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 2-3 acres

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

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11. FORM PREPARED BY:

NAME AND TITLE: Charles Hall, Architectural Consultant
               Richard Pankratz, Planner

ORGANIZATION: Kansas State Historical Society

STREET AND NUMBER: 120 West Tenth Street

CITY OR TOWN: Topeka

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

   National [ ] State [X] Local [X]

Name: Nyle H. Miller

Title: Executive secretary, Kansas State Historical Society

Date: March 31, 1972

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

ATTEST:

Keeper of The National Register