

I. SITE I.D.

SITS # 3,2, B.0, .7,9,1,

State County Site Number

Field Code G.K.0.3.0.9 Site Name B.O.H.M.A.N. C.O.U.N.T.Y. F.A.I.R.G.R.

Map Quad B.O.H.M.A.N.  
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II. SITE DESCRIPTION

City B.O.H.M.A.N.

Street # 3 Street # \_\_\_\_\_

Street Name H.I.G.H.W.A.Y. 1,2, E Street Name \_\_\_\_\_

# of Features 9

FEATURE DATA

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| <u>1</u> Feature #                    | <u>9,4</u> Feature Type | <u>7</u> Condition    |
| <u>1,9,7,6</u> Const Date             | <u>9</u> Context        | <u>1</u> Significance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Feature Date |                         | <u>5</u> Plan Shape   |

PORCH

BUILDING MATERIALS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Original         | <u>1,9</u> Structure System                        | <u>1</u> Main Entrance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addition/Altered | <u>1,6</u> Primary Exterior Finish                 |                        |
| <u>1</u> Removed/None                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Secondary Exterior Finish |                        |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ethnic   | <input type="checkbox"/> Builder            |
| <u>29</u> <u>2,3</u> Style        | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineer           |
| <u>1,1,1,8,8,7</u> Fieldwork Date | <input type="checkbox"/> Designer Architect |

4 SEASONS PAVILLION C, 1 Other Information

SHSND USE

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Soil Association <u>2,2</u> Ecozone <u>2</u> Area Signf                               | <input type="checkbox"/> MS Number <u>5,0,0,0</u> |
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| <u>2</u> CR Type <input type="checkbox"/> Verified Site <input type="checkbox"/> Non Site                      | <u>2</u> E C F <u>2</u> T F                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Registry  | <input type="checkbox"/> National Register        |

Coder \_\_\_\_\_ Date Coded \_\_\_\_\_

NDCRS SITE FORM  
ARCHITECTURAL SITES

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SITS # 32 B0 791  
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MOVED TO SITE \_\_\_\_\_ C, 1 Other Information

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| <u>  </u> State Registry   | <u>  </u> National Register |                      |                                    |

Coder \_\_\_\_\_ Date Coded \_\_\_\_\_

FIELD CODE GK0311

SITS NUMBER 32 80 791

FEATURE # 3

NAME IN NAME BLOCK \_\_\_\_\_

| <u>BASEMENT</u>                              | <u>FOUNDATION MATERIALS</u>                         | <u>STORIES</u>                        | <u>CORNICE</u>                           | <u>ROOF TYPE</u>                          | <u>DATING METHOD</u>                    |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yes                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Brick                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> Metal           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gable | <input type="checkbox"/> Plat Map(s)    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No       | <input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Block             | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 1/2        | <input type="checkbox"/> Brick           | <input type="checkbox"/> Hipped           | <input type="checkbox"/> County Atlas   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown             | <input type="checkbox"/> Fieldstone                 | <input type="checkbox"/> 2            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> None | <input type="checkbox"/> Deck             | <input type="checkbox"/> Date Block     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other               | <input type="checkbox"/> Cut Stone                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 1/2        | <input type="checkbox"/> Wood            | <input type="checkbox"/> Gambrel          | <input type="checkbox"/> Sanborn Map(s) |
|  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Poured Concrete | <input type="checkbox"/> 3            | <input type="checkbox"/> Other           | <input type="checkbox"/> Flat             | <input type="checkbox"/> Topo Map(s)    |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Refaced                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Other        |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other            | <input type="checkbox"/> Other          |
| <u>WINDOWS</u>                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown                    |                                       |  |   |   |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other                      |                                       |  |   |   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original |   |                                       |  |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Altered             |   |                                       |  |   |   |

FEATURE DESCRIPTION & STATEMENT OF INTEGRITY :

*Rural school house moved to site.*

SIGNIFICANCE

SIGNIFICANT

NOT SIGNIFICANT

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Work of master                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Visual landmark                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> High artistic value                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Associated with significant event  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rep. of type, period, method of construction | <input type="checkbox"/> Associated with devel. of locality |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other  | <input type="checkbox"/> Associated with significant person |

- Too new
- Lacking integrity
- Not high style
- Other

JUSTIFICATION OF SIGNIFICANCE :

Recorded by \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## CONSTRUCTION

Building continued; new houses were constructed, and life went on in the new townsite. There was not a sign of a tree here at that time - just rolling prairie.

An early architect and builder of many business places and houses was F. E. Diehl. He came here in 1907, and later moved to California. His first building contracts were Frank Norman's meat market and Claude Davidson's Abstract Office, several houses, and the school building. His home, now owned by Rex Foreman, was the first one to be completed in Bowman. This was quickly followed by the completion of the Dugald Stewart house, in the winter of 1907 and 1908, by Holly Pond and R. C. O'Connell. The residences of Palmer Peters, Idan Iverson, Emil Scow, and many others followed immediately. The Carr boys did freighting with oxen.

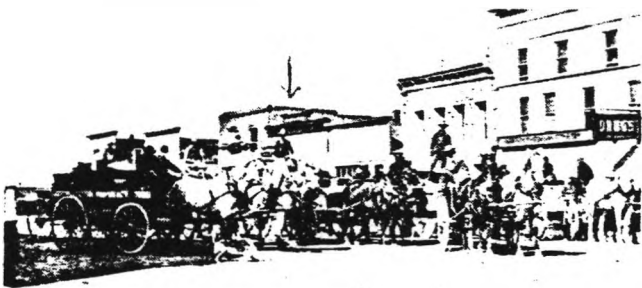


Carr Bros. Pioneer Freight Outfit

Marion Welker was foreman of a carpenter crew who put up several buildings in town. The days of the lot sale, Mr. O'Connell said they laid the floor in the hall over the postoffice for the dance that night. At this time, about 250 men were busy at construction work in the townsite - houses went up in a hurry. Stone work was done by Scott Hurlbut and Tom Pughe. When E. M. Kerr and Wilson built their plumbing and tinning shop it rained so much it was hard to get the roof shingled.

Land seekers' excursion trains brought in new people every week to look up land or business locations. Bowman has grown steadily.

Bowman Building boomed in 1977-78 adding up to over Two Million Dollars. During those two years, Bowman added 32 residential buildings, six commercial buildings, and numerous additions and alterations to homes.



Freighters Leaving Bowman, N. D.

Freighters Leaving Bowman, North Dakota

## BOWMAN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS

The first fair was held north of the tracks October 8-9, 1909. It was sponsored by the businessmen and proclaimed to the world that this was magnificent land capable of producing bountiful crops. The empire builders (railroaders) regarded the prairies as a portage to the West Coast, but also provided a foundation for development and settlement of the area. Settlements located on the railroad lines tended to prosper because of their location; Bowman mushroomed between the years 1907-1909 and Bowman County was like a big boom town.

Homesteaders came to dot every square half mile (the famous "quarter") in the County. Shacks and sodhouses went up, furrows were turned. Wheat was king; many also sowed barley, flax, oats. Full blood Minorca chickens were placed in modern hen houses. Gardens were started, watermelon, wonder berry, onion, etc. grew well. Corn growing contests were held.

The first fair of 1909 was a grand success. A Milwaukee road agent took some of the exhibits East for display. Outstanding exhibits of grain were shown by F. M. Bennett, vegetables by Fischbein of Gascoyne were included. Other unusual exhibits included: peanuts, hardanger embroidery, and battenberg. Races at the fair included free for all, a trotting race, and bucking contests.



In 1910, a three day County Fair was held, September 28-30. Tents from Minneapolis were rented to display the potential of Bowman County. Doc Boyd showed Pharaoh, the Wonder Horse. The usual events took place, rodeo, steer roping, dancing, exhibits and some very fancy riding was done by Spence Henry, who was top rider at the fair that year. T. F. Roberts had an outstanding exhibit of Percheron horses. It was the biggest horse show, had the largest hog and sheep exhibits, in all a super show. Sam Enloe served as night watchman for the Fair.

Bowman County Fair Association was incorporated in April 1928 when Dugald Stewart, W. B. Taylor, and Henry Roen signed the Articles of Incorporation. In February 1945, the articles were renewed, preparatory to buying the land for the present fairgrounds. Trustees were: Lloyd R. Wilson, M. A.

Morrison, John Rouzie, H. L. Pittsley and C. W. Fries.

The first permanent officers meeting was held in 1947 with W. B. Taylor as chairman. Other officers were J. E. Noonan, vice chairman; W. R. Lokken, Sec. Treas.; Directors were: John Rouzie, Ray Miller, L. J. Flados, Chas. Ensign, Herb Pittsley, Don Hogoboom and Charles Bowman.

In 1977, the Bowman Fair Association and the Four Seasons Education Assn., jointly sponsored the increased volume of business with the new building and a separate advisory board was named. The Board represents Scranton, Rhame, Bowman, the Bowman rural area, Slope County and Harding County.

In 1913, the Better Farming Assn., started the extension programs. T. E. Mills was agricultural collaborator. He served until 1915, then settled on a farm north of Bowman to practice his beliefs, and the extension idea was dropped. Bowman had no county agent for a number of years, but agents from Hettinger and Mott helped when needed. In 1929, the N. D. Agricultural College offered the services of an Agent. Bowman County Agricultural Improvement Assn., was formed; \$5 memberships were sold to help raise money for the Agent's expenses. The group hired R. L. Olson as first County Agent.

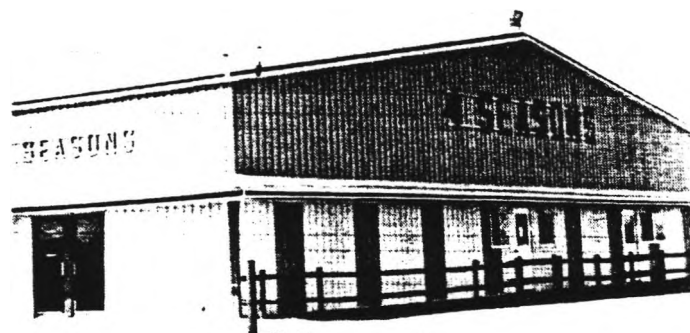
In 1930, a fair called the Bowman County Corn Show and Harvest Festival provided two days of entertainment. Under direction of Burmeister, Cornelius and Cutkosky, a full schedule of events kept interest high and there was record attendance. Local merchants contributed prize money for the events.

Other County Agents followed: G. N. Geizler, P. R. Kasson, N. C. Anderson, J. E. Noonan, J. D. Latham, Warren Froelich.

From a spot north of the tracks to a place now occupied by the Red Owl and NAPA Auto Parts, the fair finally moved south of Highway 12 to the present location. In March of 1946, land was purchased from Mrs. Alice Lorenz and work was begun on the grounds. Through untiring efforts of many people, it was ready for a fair in the Fall of 1947. Since the start of the Fairgrounds, many improvements were made, building of a race track, construction of two quonset buildings which were used for fair exhibits, for dances and for community meetings.

The present Four Seasons Pavilion fund raising began in October 1974; construction began in May 1976. On July 17, 1976, Four Seasons Dedication was held with the Tibor Brothers Show and Dance. The first Annual Southwest Regional Country Western Music Jamboree was held in the Pavilion November 1976, sponsored by the Bowman County Fair Assn. Over \$600 in trophies and cash prizes were awarded. The Tibor Brothers served as backup band and also provided music for the dance following.

From the "dirty thirties" through the "soaring seven-

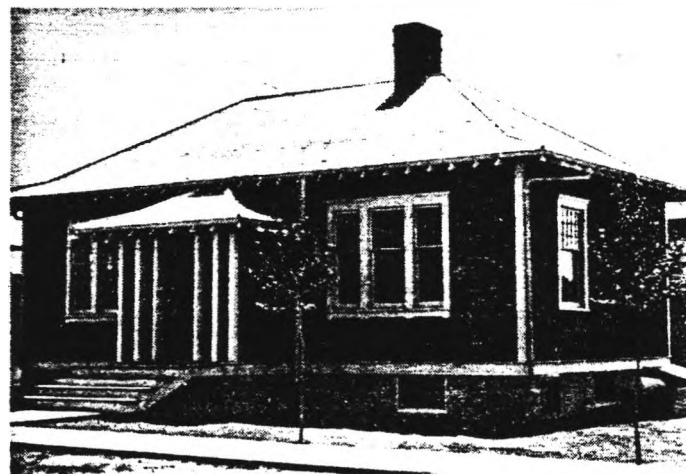


ties", the 4-H clubs formed and grew. Corn and sheep were the two big projects to begin with. In 1930-31, beef clubs were formed; in 1932 hogs were included as 4-H projects. In 1933, the girls got into the picture with a Dress Revue.

The Homemakers Clubs in Bowman County have maintained an admirable record of community service. The first ones organized in 1930, some of which are still active. The Homemakers took on the project of equipping and remodeling the kitchen at the Four Seasons Pavilion.

The Fair is for fun; races, relays, tests of physical powers were common in earlier years. In later years, these have been replaced by the rodeo.

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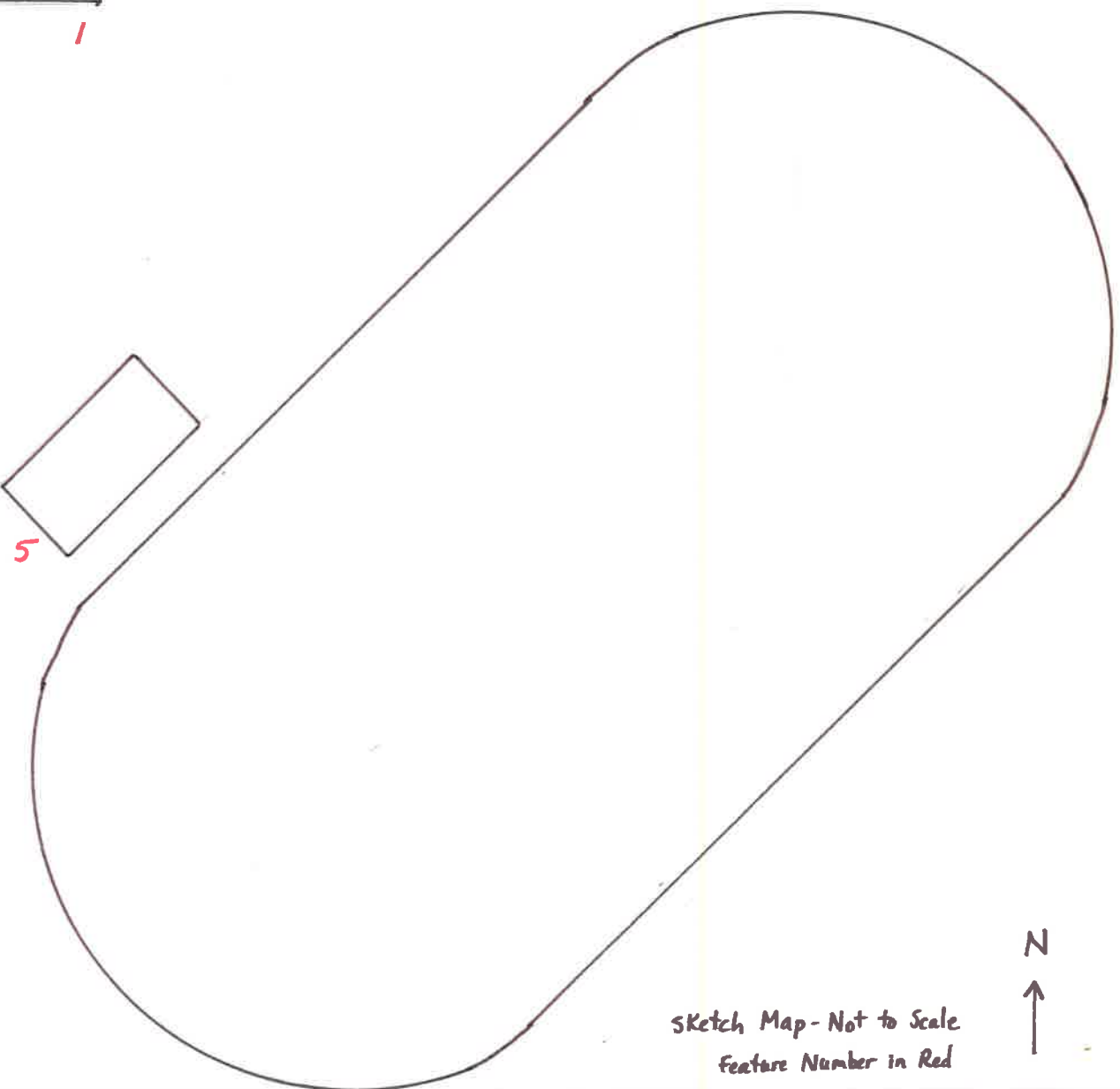
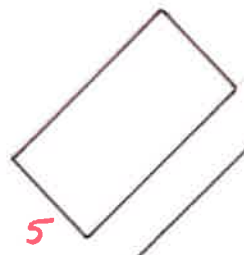
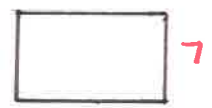
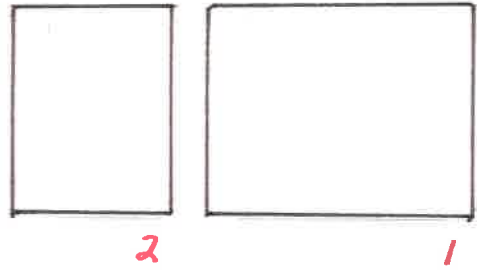
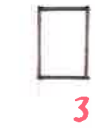


On Tuesday, June 17, 1913, twenty-one ladies met at the home of Mrs. Oscar Young for the purpose of discussing the possibilities of starting a library. Mrs. Diehl presided as chairman.

On July 11, 1913, the new constitution was adopted with some amendments. The organization known as Public Library Association held bimonthly meetings. A light lunch was served each time for which ten cents was paid. This was the beginning of the Library Fund. The Association was given a rent free reading room above the Herzig Meat Market. The Masonic Lodge had its rooms on the second floor and gave this room rent free to the Library Association, the room was used for about two years. Coal

Bowman County Fairgrounds

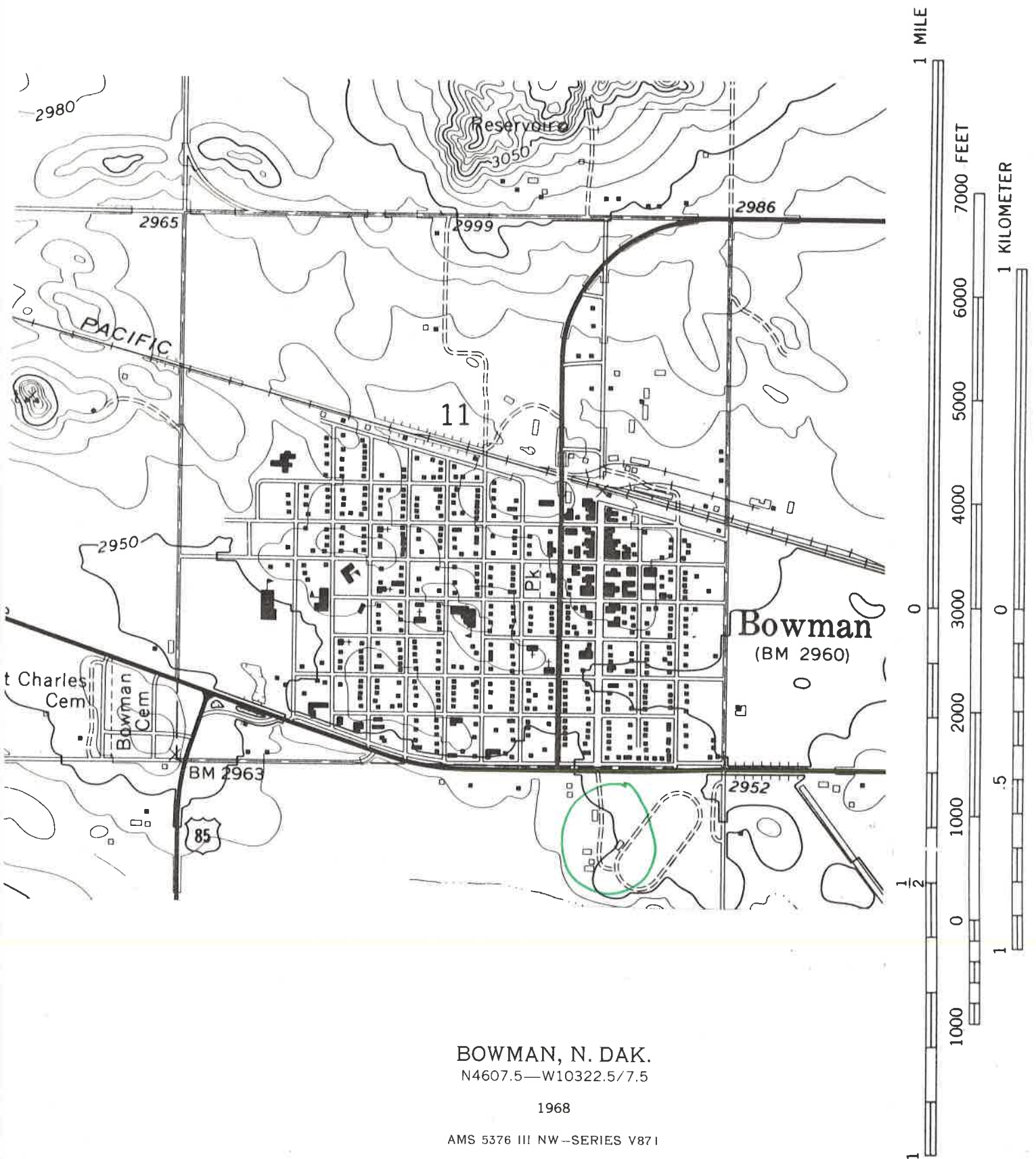
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Sketch Map - Not to Scale  
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BOWMAN QUADRANGLE  
NORTH DAKOTA—BOWMAN CO.  
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)



BOWMAN, N. DAK.  
N4607.5—W10322.5/7.5

1968

AMS 5376 III NW--SERIES V871

NDCRS SITE FORM  
MAP & PHOTO SECTION  
PAGE 4

SITS # 32 B0 791



ROLL # 43  
FRAME # 4

CAMERA FACING : SW  
ADDRESS :Ca. 3 HIGHWAY 12 E

*Feature: 3*

B.W.  
STORAGE LOCATION : SHSND

Locational maps are found in Gemini Research, "The Bowman  
Historic Sites Inventory Project" (1988), MS 5000