

**SOUTH DAKOTA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE
HISTORIC SITES SURVEY STRUCTURE FORM**



SITE INFORMATION

*SURVEY DATE: June 27, 2012 *ADDRESS: 46929 302nd Street
*SURVEYOR: Jim Stone *COUNTY: Clay
*CITY: Beresford

LOCATION DESCRIPTION: From Vermillion East on South Dakota Highway 50 about 2 miles, to Greenfield Road, turn left (North), follow this road 16 miles to 302nd Street, turn right (East), about 1-1/4 miles on the left (North) side. Vacant place. Barn and windmill are all that is left.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: SW ¼ EXC. S 50' and EXC Lot H1, 25 – 95 – 51 Glenwood Twp.

*QUARTER 1: SW 1/4 OWNER NAME: Marianne Goodis Trust
*QUARTER 2: _____ OWNER ADDRESS: 2507 Poplar Drive
*TOWNSHIP: Glenwood OWNER CITY: Sioux Falls
*RANGE: 51 OWNER STATE: South Dakota
*SECTION: 25 OWNER ZIP: 57105
ACRES: 156.42 QUAD NAME: _____
OWNER CODE 1: P
OWNER CODE 2: F S L P
OWNER CODE 3: F S L P

HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE

*DOE: _____ REGISTER NAME: _____
*DOE DATE: _____ MULTIPLE PROPERTY NAME: _____
REASON INELIGIBLE: _____

NOMINATION STATUS: _____ CATEGORY: _____
DATE LISTED: _____ SIGNIFICANCE LEVEL 1: N S L
REFERENCE NUMBER: _____ SIGNIFICANCE LEVEL 2: N S L
HISTORIC DISTRICT RATING: C or NC CRITERIA 1: A B C D
PERIOD: _____ CRITERIA 2: A B C D
CRITERIA 3: A B C D
CRITERIA 4: A B C D

SIGNIFICANCE NOTES: Known as the Black Horse Johnson Barn. Oral history is that it was a Sears & Roebuck barn package.

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STRUCTURE DETAILS

SHPO ID: _____
 *PROPERTY NAME: _____
 OTHER NAME: _____

CURRENT FUNCTION: <u>Vacant</u>	FOUNDATION: <u>Poured concrete</u>
CURRENT SUBFUNCTION: <u>Vacant</u>	ROOF MATERIAL: <u>Steel over cedar shingles</u>
HISTORIC FUNCTION: <u>Horse barn</u>	ROOF SHAPE: <u>Gambrel</u>
HISTORIC SUBFUNCTION: <u>Hay storage</u>	STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: <u>Balloon framing</u>
OCCUPIED: <u>Yes</u>	STYLE: <u>Gambrel roof barn</u>
ACCESSIBLE: <u>Yes with permission</u>	TYPE: <u>Horse barn</u>
	WALLS: <u>2x6, sheathing & 1/2"x6" cedar lap siding</u>
STORIES: <u>2</u>	SIGNIFICANT PERSON: <u>Black Horse Johnson Brothers</u>
*DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: <u>About 1920's</u>	CULTURAL AFFILIATION: <u>?</u>

ALTERED/MOVED NOTES: Original site. Steel roofing on the roof. 8"x10" four light windows over 8"x10" four light windows have been replaced with 8"x10" vinyl windows. The swinging doors have all been replaced with new doors built like the original's. Two cupola's have been removed when the steel roofing was installed on the roof.

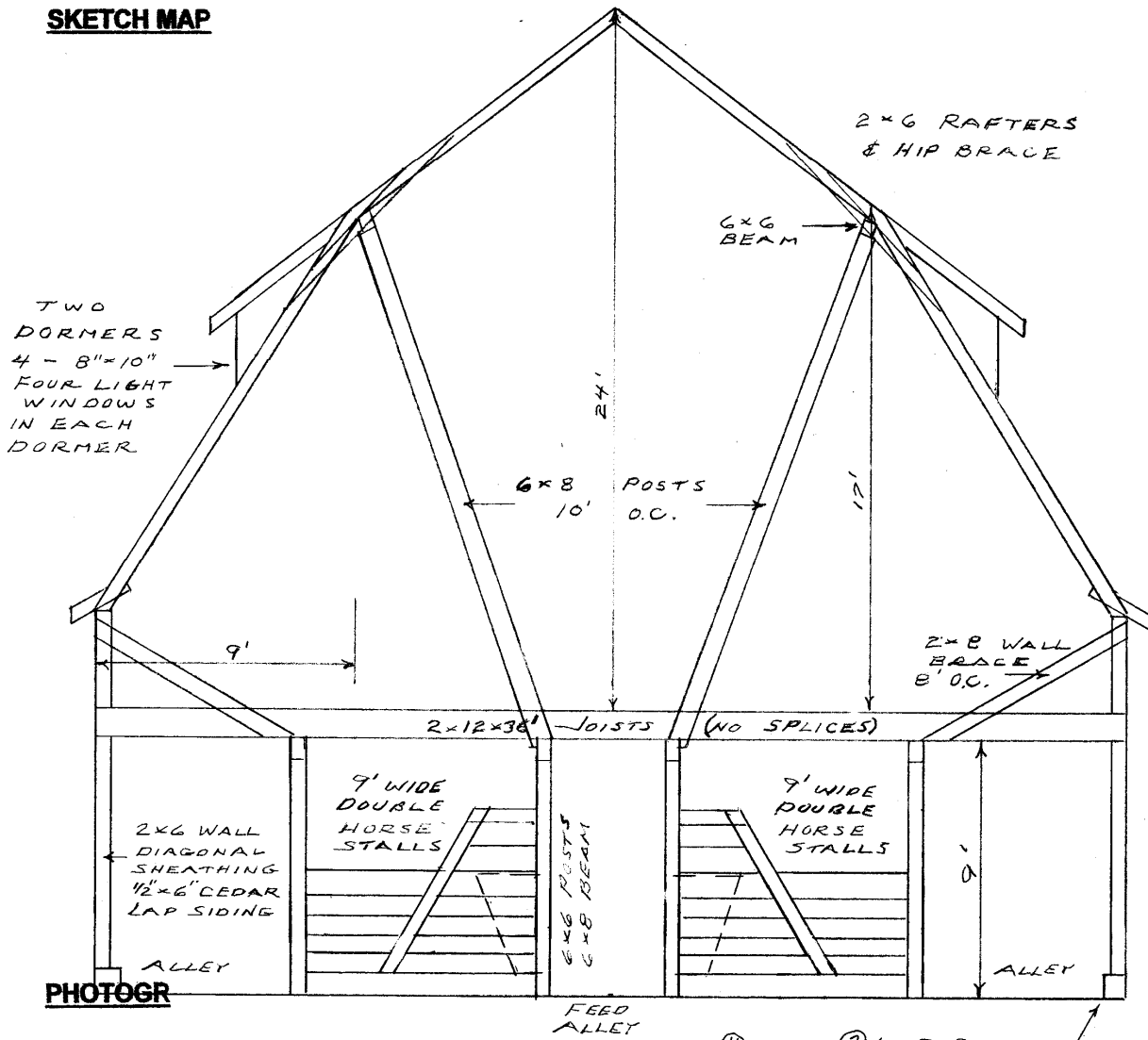
INTERIOR NOTES: Four rows of 6x6 posts and 6x8 beams to support hayloft floor. Floor joists for the hayloft floor are 2x12 x 36' long, no splices. Eight 9' wide double horse stalls at the South end and twelve 7' double horse stalls in the North end. Stalls for 40 workhorses. 8" x 8" sills on the foundation.

OTHER NOTES: Walls are 2x6 x 12' high with diagonal sheathing and 1/2" x 6" cedar lap siding. Two sliding door in the hayloft floor over the center feed alley to drop hay to horses. Manure track on each of the East and West alleys, which the WEST side curved into the center Alley and the East side curved going out the East door. The curved parts of the track can be moved to accommodate the North or the South manure tracks. There are double swinging hooks to hang harness on the East and West walls. The hooks can swing back against the wall when not in use to protect the horses entering or leaving the stalls.

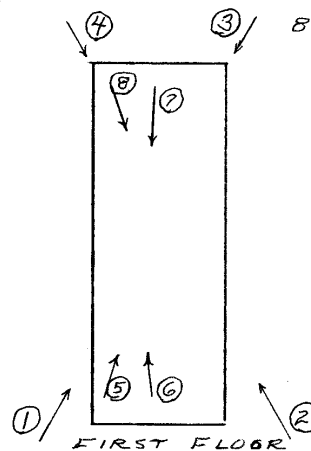
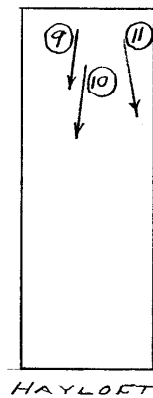
***PHYSICAL NOTES:** Barn is in excellent condition. The horse stalls are all still in place. They are still in excellent condition. Windows are 8"x10" four light windows over 8"x10" four light windows. They are double hung for ventilation. The day that I surveyed this barn it was very hot, in the high 90's. I opened three of the swing doors and had a very nice breeze through the barn. It was almost like it was air-conditioned.

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SKETCH MAP

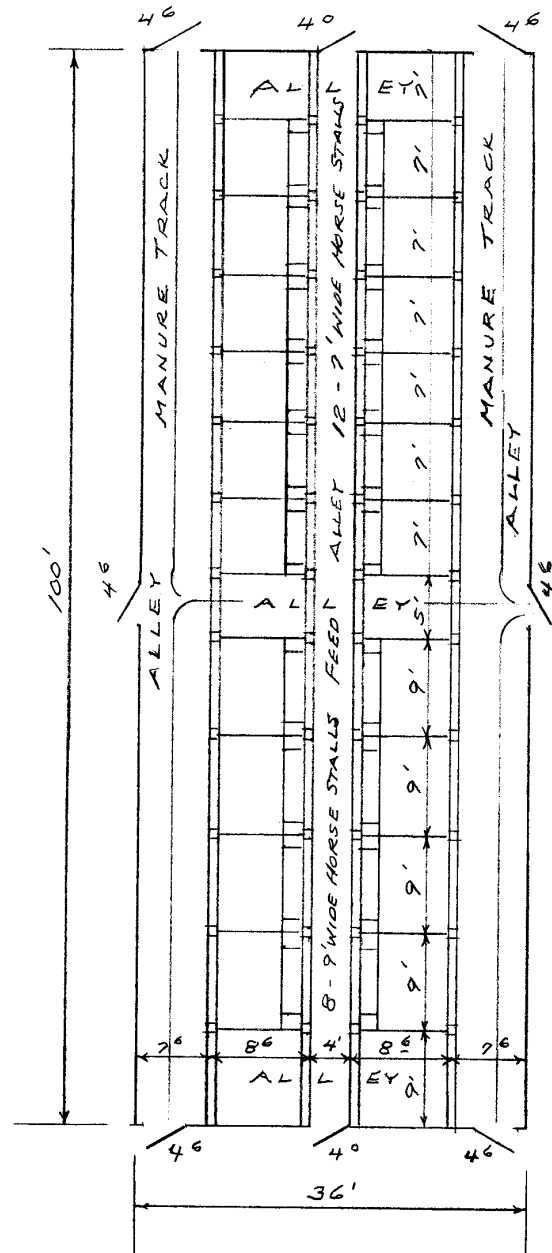


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* = REQUIRED FIELD

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FIRST FLOOR

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ROLL NUMBER: _____
PHOTO NUMBER: 1
CAMERA DIRECTION: Looking NE, SW corner



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ROLL NUMBER: _____
PHOTO NUMBER: 2
CAMERA DIRECTION: Looking NW, SE corner

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ROLL NUMBER: _____
PHOTO NUMBER: 3
CAMERA DIRECTION: Looking SW, NE corner



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ROLL NUMBER: _____
PHOTO NUMBER: 4
CAMERA DIRECTION: Looking SE, NW corner

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ROLL NUMBER: 5
PHOTO NUMBER: 5

CAMERA DIRECTION: First floor, looking NE, 9'
wide horse stalls at
South end



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ROLL NUMBER: 6
PHOTO NUMBER: 6

CAMERA DIRECTION: First floor, looking North,
down the feed alley,
horse stalls on the West
side

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ROLL NUMBER: _____
PHOTO NUMBER: 7

CAMERA DIRECTION: First floor, looking South
down feed alley, horse
stalls on the West side



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ROLL NUMBER: _____
PHOTO NUMBER: 8

CAMERA DIRECTION: First floor, looking SE, 7'
wide horse stalls on the
North end

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PHOTOGRAPHER: Jim Stone
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ROLL NUMBER: _____
PHOTO NUMBER: 9

CAMERA DIRECTION: Hayloft, looking South,
6x8 posts with 6x6 beam
to support hip



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ROLL NUMBER: _____
PHOTO NUMBER: 10

CAMERA DIRECTION: Hayloft, looking South,
bracing to stabilize wall
and rafters from pushing
out

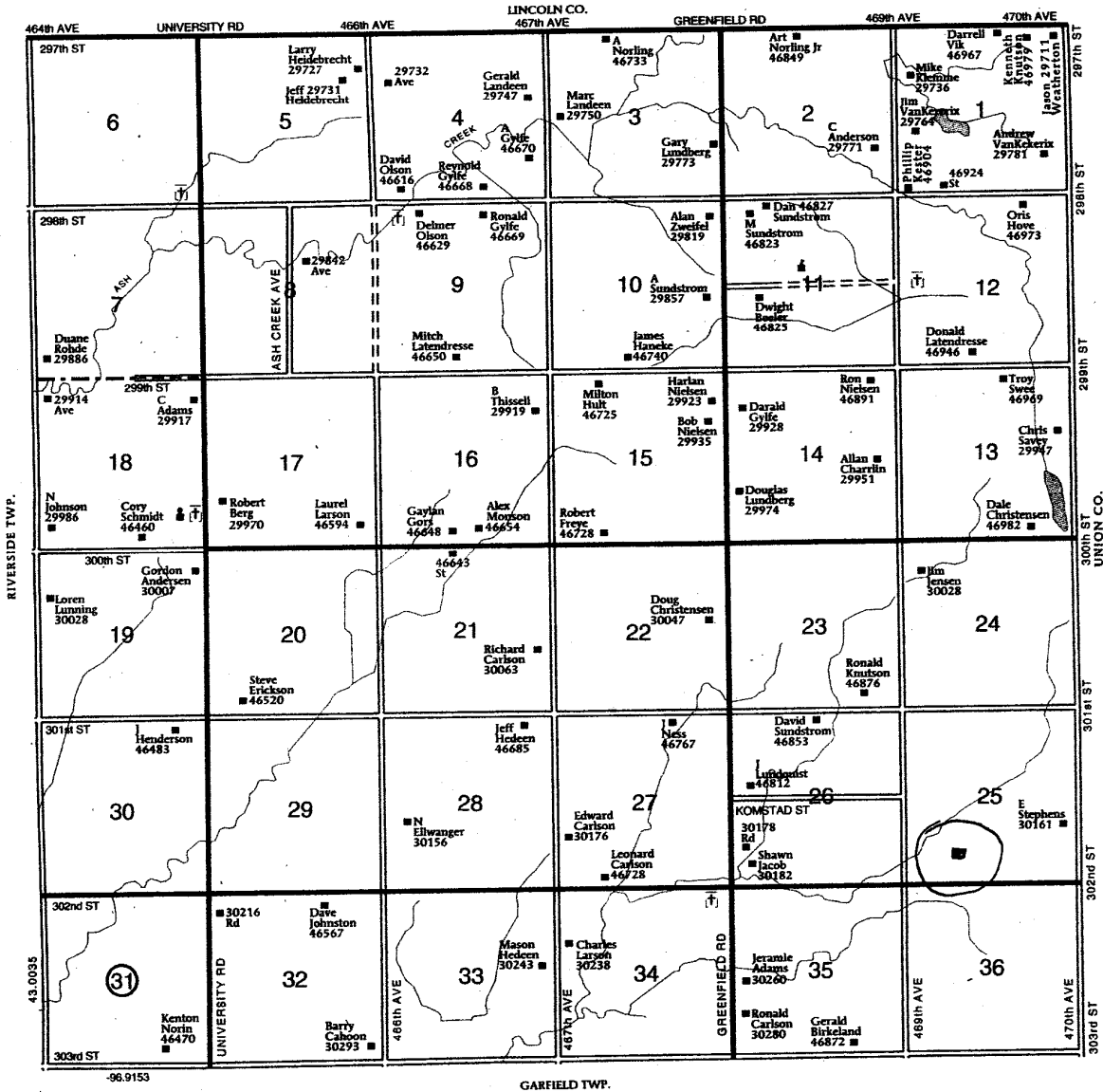
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T-95-N

GLENWOOD DIRECTORY

R-51-W



HISTORY

This farm located in the SW ¼ of Section 25, Glenwood Township, Clay County was homesteaded by Axel Odeen.

The 1894 Clay County Atlas lists Axel Odeen as the owner.

The 1901, 1912 and 1924 Clay County Atlas lists Peter J. Johnson as the owner.

The 1937 and 1948 Clay County Atlas lists Harry Johnson as the owner.

The 1956 Clay County Atlas lists Axel F. Johnson as the owner.

Black Horse Johnson Barn

C. F. Johnson settled in this area after it was homesteaded. He would have bought land patents from homesteaders. C. F. Johnson had four sons, Ernest T., Lee, Axel F. and Harry. They continued to buy land in this area. In the 1924 Clay Atlas they owned 400 acres in Section 25, 280 acres in Section 36 and 320 acres in Section 24. Harry Johnson is not listed as the owner of any of this land. However all three sections border the Union County, so they may have owned land in Union County also. The Oral history from more than one Clay County resident says that they farmed between 1000 to 2000 acres of land.

The four Johnson brothers lived on this farm. They never married. They lived an eccentric life style as per oral history from several people in Clay County. They did not believe in or trust banks.

They raised black Percheron workhorses, black Angus cattle and black Poland china hogs. They bought several farms. If they farmed 1000 to 2000 acres of land, that would have a massive farm operation with horses.

They bred, raised and trained the black Percheron horses and sold matching teams. They were known in a large area for the quality, the well trained and the matching of teams of their black Percheron horses.

This barn is said to have been a Sear's and Roebuck barn package that would have come in on the railroad. It would have been hauled from the depot in Beresford.

It is a very impressive barn. 2x12 x 36' floor joists for the hayloft floor, no splices just one piece. 8x8 sills that have square dovetails at each corner and square shiplap splicing at each joint. Two sliding

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doors in the hayloft floor over the center feed alley for dropping hay from the hayloft when feeding the horses. The doors could be closed to keep heat in the barn during cold weather. The massive 6x8 posts with 6x6 beams to support the hip of the rafters. These posts come through the hayloft floor and are notched over a post and the 6x8 beam so they can't kick out at the bottom.

The manure track with its switch-able curved section of track is a design that I have never seen before. In the West alley it could move to allow a manure bucket from the South to turn into the center feed alley and out the East door or the same from the North. The East manure track worked the same, and curved to go out the East door.

The horse barn would have held 40 head of horses or 20 teams. I can't imagine cleaning all of these stalls every day. They did have a very good manure track system to make that job a lot easier. Imagine harnessing all of these horses every morning. Think of how long it must have taken to feed, water and curry down this many horses.

I also don't know the dates that they may have lived and farmed here in Clay County. I have found that C. F. Johnson owned land and some of the sons owned land in a 1912 Clay County atlas. In the 1924 atlas the sons owned even more land.

Some of the oral history that I have heard from more than one Clay County residents.

The Johnson brothers would never all leave the farm at the same time. One always stayed at home when they needed to go to town or conduct any business away from the farm.

They bought an adjacent farm and had to go to a bank to settle with the seller. They brought cream cans to the bank. The banker counted all of the silver dollars in these cream cans. They were short a small amount. One brother says to the other "I told you that we should have brought that other cream can."