

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



SITE INFORMATION

*SURVEY DATE: November 25, 2013 *ADDRESS: 31113 University Road
*SURVEYOR: Jim Stone *COUNTY: Clay
*CITY: Vermillion

LOCATION DESCRIPTION: From Vermillion, intersection of South Dakota Highway 50 bi-pass and University Road, North 6- 7/8 miles, on the left (West) side.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Grace Tract 1 in the NW 1/4, NW 1/4, 17 - 93 - 51 and in NE 1/4, NE1/4, 18 - 93 - 51, Prairie Center Twp.

*QUARTER 1: NE1/4
*QUARTER 2: _____
*TOWNSHIP: Prairie Center
*RANGE: 51
*SECTION: 18
ACRES: 5.91

OWNER NAME: Gari L. & Marlene K. Gratzfeld
OWNER ADDRESS: 31113 University Road
OWNER CITY: Vermillion
OWNER STATE: South Dakota
OWNER ZIP: 57069
QUAD NAME: _____

OWNER CODE 1: P
OWNER CODE 2: _____
OWNER CODE 3: _____

HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE

*DOE: _____
*DOE DATE: _____
REASON INELIGIBLE: _____

REGISTER NAME: _____
MULTIPLE PROPERTY NAME: _____

NOMINATION STATUS: _____
DATE LISTED: _____
REFERENCE NUMBER: _____
HISTORIC DISTRICT RATING: C or NC
PERIOD: _____

CATEGORY: _____
SIGNIFICANCE LEVEL 1: N S L
SIGNIFICANCE LEVEL 2: N S L
CRITERIA 1: A B C D
CRITERIA 2: A B C D
CRITERIA 3: A B C D
CRITERIA 4: A B C D

SIGNIFICANCE NOTES: _____

STRUCTURE DETAILS

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

CURRENT FUNCTION: Storage FOUNDATION: Poured concrete
 CURRENT SUBFUNCTION: Storage ROOF MATERIAL: Steel roofing over cedar shingles
 HISTORIC FUNCTION: Livestock barn ROOF SHAPE: Gable roof
 HISTORIC SUBFUNCTION: Hay & grain storage STRUCTURAL SYSTEM: Balloon framing
 OCCUPIED: Yes STYLE: Gable roof barn
 TYPE: Livestock barn
2x4 studs, 1x10 T&G sheathing, 1/2" x 6" cedar lap siding and steel roofing

ACCESSIBLE: Yes with permission WALLS: _____

STORIES: 2 SIGNIFICANT PERSON: Franklin Denison
Late 1800's or Early 1900's

*DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1900's CULTURAL AFFILIATION: _____

ALTERED/MOVED NOTES: Original site. South Lean-to added later and West lean-to has been added recently. Steel roofing applied over cedar shingles on the roof and on the exposed exterior walls. West lean-to is pole barn construction. The 1/2" x 6" cedar lap siding may have been removed when the Steel roofing was applied.

INTERIOR NOTES: Two rows of 4x6 posts, 4x6 beams and 2x6 floor joists supporting the hayloft floor. Horse stalls, milk cow stanchions, granary and calf pens are still in place. Two rows of 4x4 posts with a 2x6 beam in the hayloft supporting the center of the rafters.

OTHER NOTES: Double 2x4 studs in the original barn with diagonal 1x0 T&G sheathing and 1/2"x6" cedar lap siding. the South lean-to is milled 2x4 studs with 1x6 #106 drop siding. Rafters are 2x4's on the original barn and 2x6's on the South lean-to. The double 2x4 studs, 2x4 rafters, 2x6 floor joists , 4x6 posts and 4x6 beams in the original barn are all rough sawn cottonwood. Windows are 8" x 10" four light. No evidence of a cupola. Hay track in hayloft is a 4x4 with a special trolley for a 4x4 track.

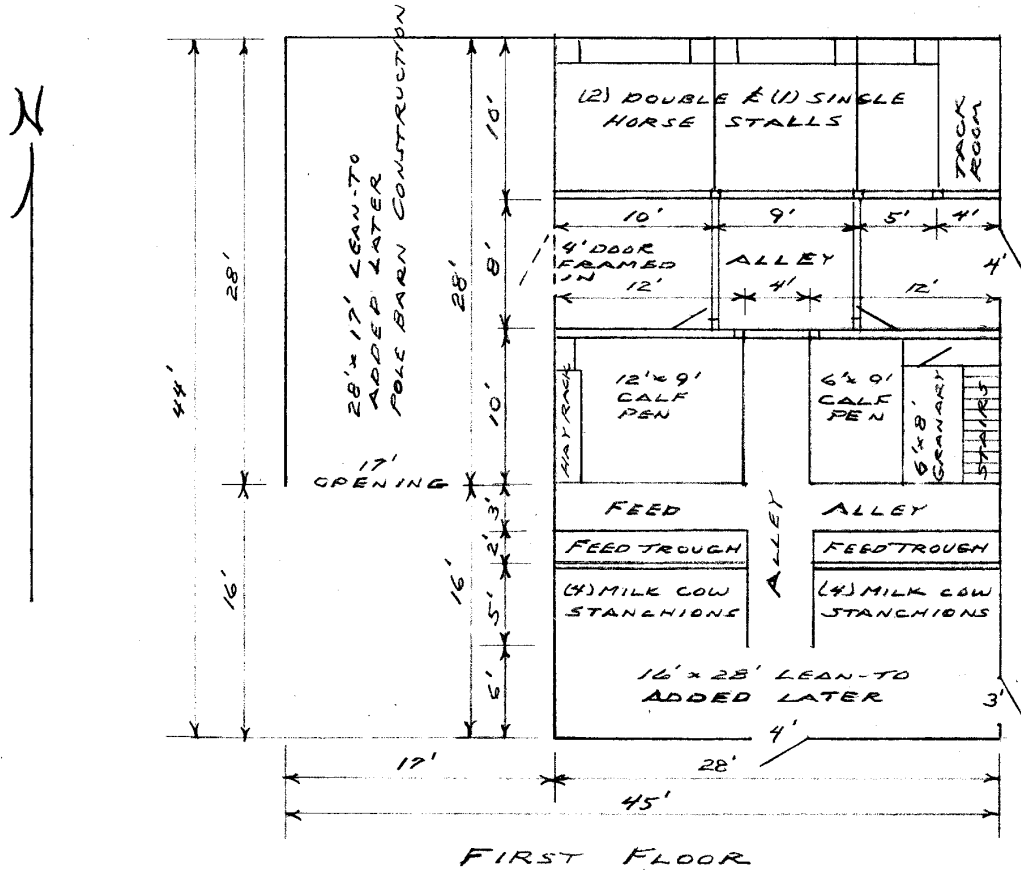
*PHYSICAL NOTES: Barn is in good condition. *RESTRICTED: Y or N
 *UTM EASTING: _____
 *UTM NORTHING: _____

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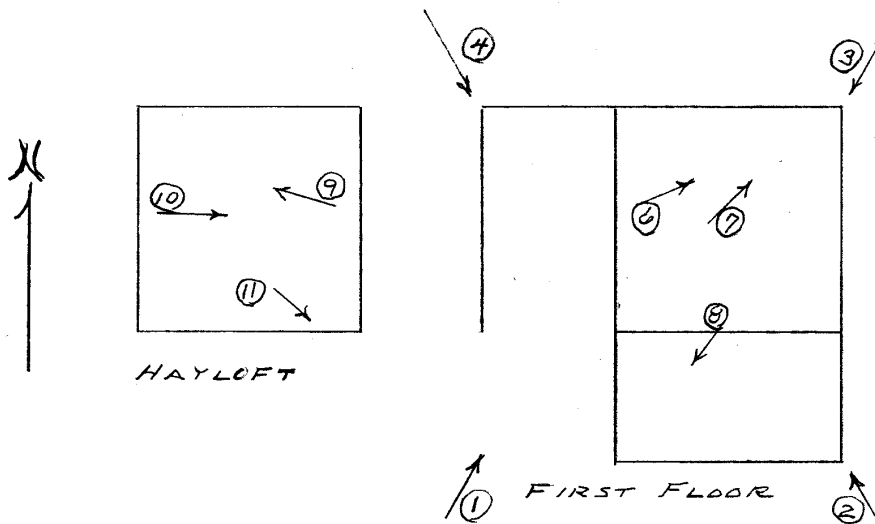
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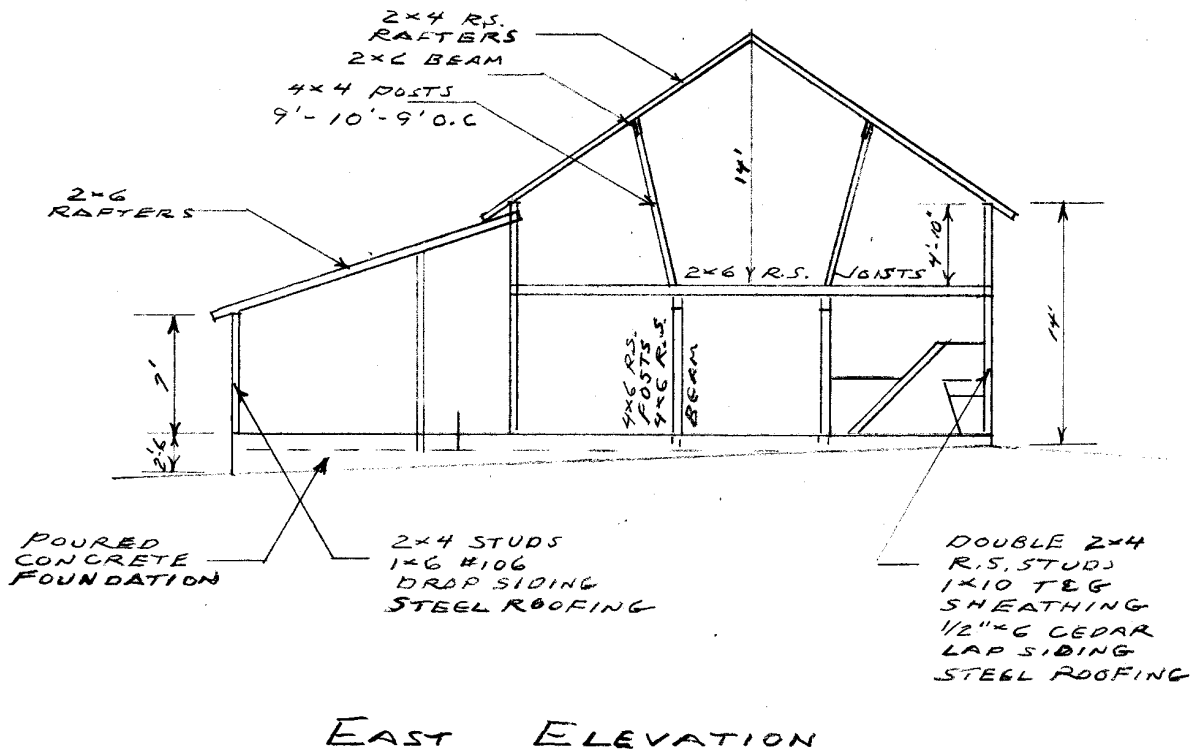
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ROLL NUMBER: _____
PHOTO NUMBER: 1
CAMERA DIRECTION: Looking NE, SW corner



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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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PHOTO NUMBER: 5

First floor, West lean-to, looking NE, original 1/2" x 6" cedar lap siding still on West wall of original barn

CAMERA DIRECTION: _____



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ROLL NUMBER: _____
PHOTO NUMBER: 6

First floor, looking NE, 4x6 posts, 4x6 beam, 2x6 floor joists for hayloft floor, double horse stalls on North wall.

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PHOTO NUMBER: 7

CAMERA DIRECTION: First floor, looking NE, double and single horse stalls on North wall.



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PHOTO NUMBER: 8

CAMERA DIRECTION: South lean-to, looking SW, milk cow stanchions still in place.

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PHOTO NUMBER: 9

Hayloft, looking NW, 4x4 posts with 2x6 beam supporting the center of 2x4 rafters.

CAMERA DIRECTION: _____



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PHOTO NUMBER: 10

Hayloft, looking East, 4x4 hay track, special trolley and East hayloft door.

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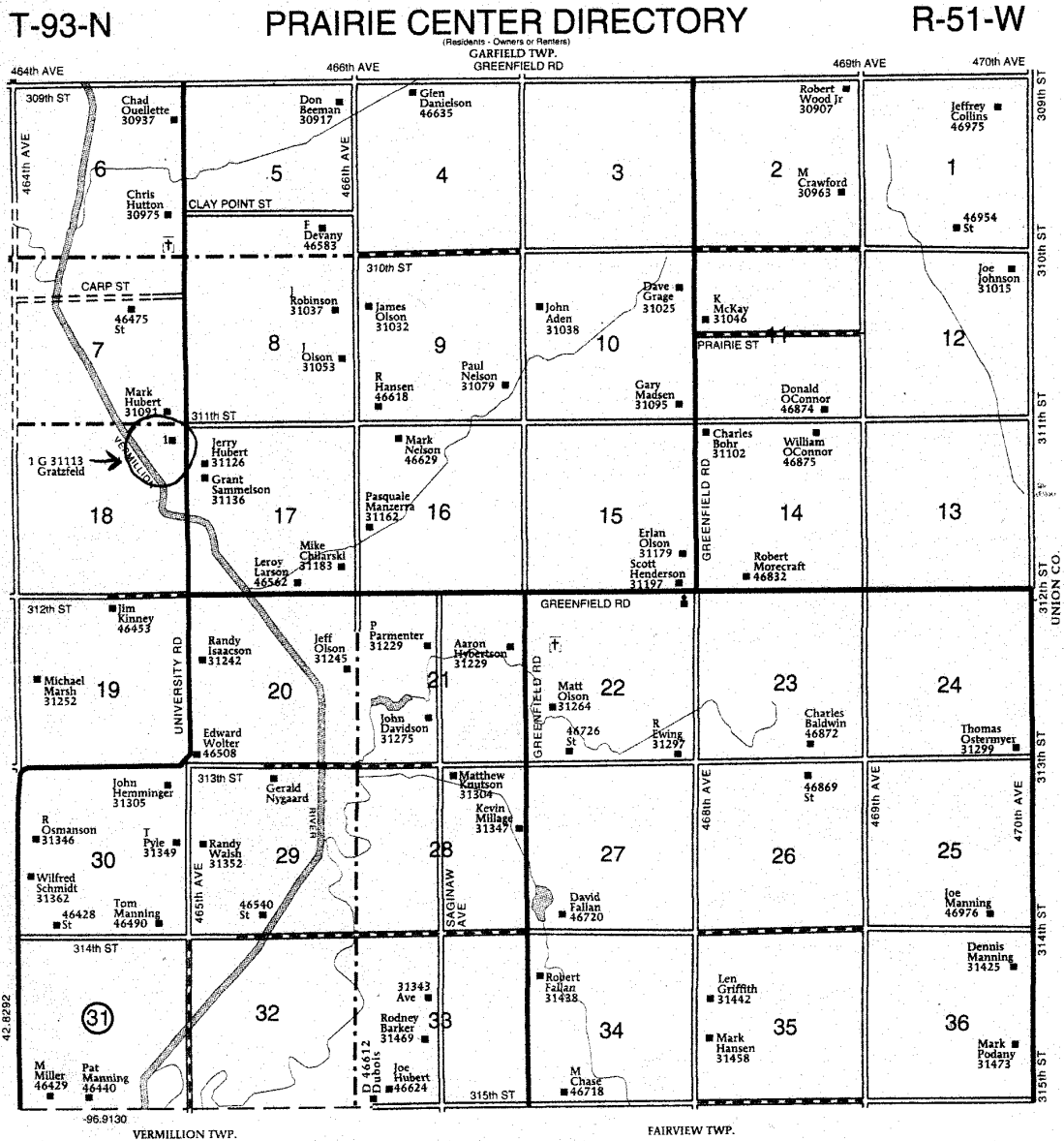
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**Hayloft, looking SE, 1x10
tongue and groove
sheathing applied
diagonally. This is the
first T & G sheathing I
have found in Clay
County.**

CAMERA DIRECTION: _____

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History

This farm located in the NE ¼ of Section 18, Prairie Center Township, Clay County was homesteaded by Franklin Denison.

The 1894 and 1901 Clay County Atlas lists Franklin Denison as the owner.

The 1912 and 1924 Clay County Atlas lists J. K. Denison as the owner. The farm was called “Willow Dale Stock Farm”.

The 1937 Clay County Atlas lists Nettie Denison as the owner and C . F. Denison as the operator (renter).

The 1948 and 1956 Clay County Atlas lists G. H. Grace as the owner.

Obituary for Franklin Denison From
Vermillion Plain Talk
December 15, 1910

Frank Denison is Dead

Taps for another veteran of the Civil War sounded last Monday morning a 5 o'clock, when Frank Denison of Prairie Center Township was called from this earth. He had not been sick very long and the evening before his death was feeling better. But during the night he suffered a paralytic stroke and breathed his last shortly after.

Mr. Denison was one of the early pioneers of Clay County, having come here forty-two years ago. At that time he filed on a homestead in Prairie Center Township and here he lived ever since. He was a good citizen and was well known all over the county. His wife died in 1901.

Funeral services were held from the U. B. Church in Star Prairie Township Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 and the remains were interred in the Bluff View Cemetery. The services at the church were in charge of Rev. Surface while members of the G. A. R. had charge at the grave.

Frank Denison was born in Vermont and at the time of his death was 73 years of age. When 11 years old he went to Michigan and when the Civil War broke out he enlisted in the Michigan Company, remaining in the services until the close of the war. After that he came to Clay County. Three sons are left to mourn his death; these being J. C., C. F., and Fay. To these the sympathy of the entire community is extended in the loss of their father.