

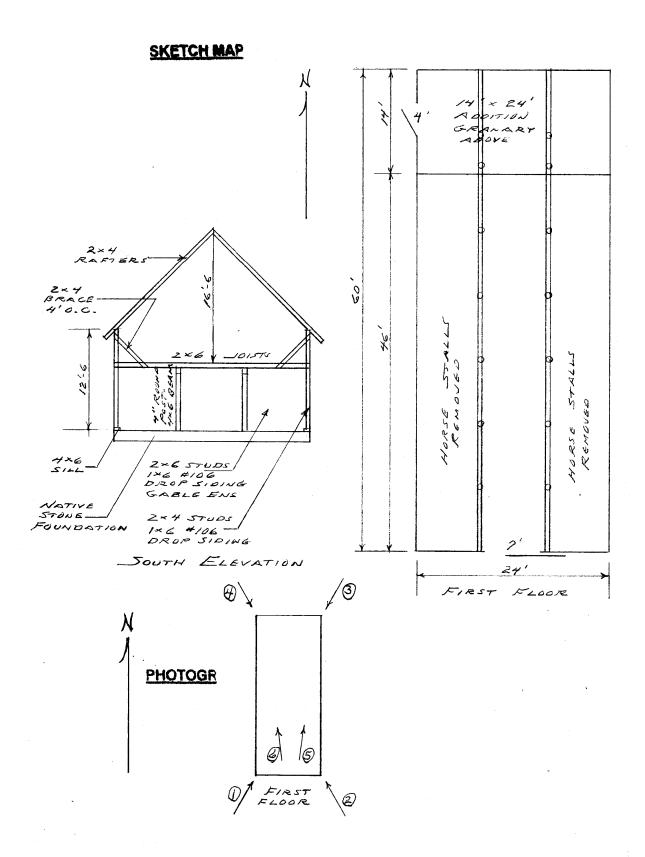
<b>```SITE INFORMA</b>	TION								
*SURVEY DA	TE: May 14,	2013 *ADDRESS:	31450 452nd Ave.						
*SURVEYO	OR: Jim Stor	ne *COUNTY:	Clay						
		*CITY:	Gayville						
LOCATION DESCRIPTION: From Vermillion, South Dakota Highway 50, West to Meckling, continue									
West for 3- 1/4 miles to 312th Street, turn left (South) and the right (West) on 312th Street two miles to 452nd									
Ave, turn left (South) 3 miles to 315th Street, about ½ mile on the left (North) side, long lane.									
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Tract 1, Fargo's Addn, SE ¼, SW ¼, 31–93 – 53 Meckling Twp.									
*QUARTER 1:	SW 1/4	OWNER NAME: William L. & Nancy L. Fargo							
*QUARTER 2:		OWNER ADDRESS:							
*TOWNSHIP:	Meckling	OWNER CITY:	Yankton						
*RANGE: _	53	OWNER STATE:	South Dakota						
*SECTION: _	31	OWNER ZIP:	57078						
ACRES: _	14.87	QUAD NAME:							
OWNER CODE 1:	P								
OWNER CODE 2:									
OWNER CODE 3:									
HISTORIC SIGNII	FICANCE								
*DO	_	DECISTED NA	DECICTED NAME						
*DOE DAT		MIII TIDI E DE	REGISTER NAME: MULTIPLE PROPERTY NAME:						
REASON INELIGIBL		WIOLITEE PR	OFERTI NAME:						
KLASON INCLIGIBL	<u> </u>								
			CATEGORY:						
NOMINATION	STATUS:	SIGNI	SIGNIFICANCE LEVEL 1: N S L						
DATI	E LISTED:	SIGNI	SIGNIFICANCE LEVEL 2: N S L						
REFERENCE	NUMBER:								
HISTORIC DISTRICT			ERIA 1: A B C D						
	PERIOD:	CRITE	ERIA 2: A B C D						
		CRITE	ERIA 3: A B C D						
		CRITE	ERIA 4: A B C D						
SIGNIFICANCE NOTES:									

#### STRUCTURE DETAILS



SHPO ID:								
*PROPERTY NAME:								
OTHER NAME:								
<b>CURRENT FUNCTION:</b>	Vacant		FOUND	ATION:	Native stone			
					Steel roofing over			
CURRENT SUBFUNCTION:	Vacant		ROOF MATERIAL:		cedar shingles			
HISTORIC FUNCTION:	Horse barn ROOF		HAPE:	Gable				
HISTORIC SUBFUNCTION:	Hay and grain storage STRUCTURAL SYSTEM		STEM:	Balloon framing				
			\$	TYLE:	Gable roof barn			
OCCUPIED:	Yes			TYPE:	Horse barn			
					2x4 & 2x6 studs, 1x8			
	Yes with				horizontal sheathing, ½"x6" cedar lap			
ACCESSIBLE:	permission	WA	LLS:		siding			
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STORIES:	2	SIGNIFIC	CANT PERSON:	Jar	nes Sylvester Fargo			
*DATE OF CONSTRUCTION:	-		L AFFILIATION:		Welsh (English)			
					<b>.</b>			
ALTERED/MOVED NOTES:	Original site. Mo	st evidence of	horse stalls has	been re	moved, but some of			
ALTERED/MOVED NOTES: Original site. Most evidence of horse stalls has been removed, but some of the partitions remain. Steel roofing installed over the cedar shingles. Several posts supporting the 2x6								
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floor joists have been removed. 14' x 24' addition added on the North end. It had a granary in the loft.								
INTERIOR NOTES: Two row	s of 4" round pos	sts and 4x6's fo	r beams. Floor	joists fo	or the hayloft floor are			
2x6's.								
OTHER NOTES: 2x6stud walls on the gable ends and 14' North addition and 2x4 walls on the South 46'								
the long walls. 1x8 horizontal sheathing and ½"x 6" cedar lap siding on all exterior walls. The rafters are								
2x4's with a 2x4 brace from the top of the wall down to the floor 4' O. C.								
*PHYSICAL NOTES: Barn is	s in poor conditio	n.						
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*UTM ZONE:			RESTRICTED	0	1 14			
*UTM EASTING:								
*UTM NORTHING:								









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Jim Stone May 14, 2013

**ROLL NUMBER: PHOTO NUMBER:** 

CAMERA DIRECTION: Looking NE, SW corner



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CAMERA DIRECTION: Looking NW, SE corner





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CAMERA DIRECTION: Looking SE, NW corner





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**ROLL NUMBER: PHOTO NUMBER:** 

First floor, looking NE, \$" round posts and 4x6

CAMERA DIRECTION: beam.



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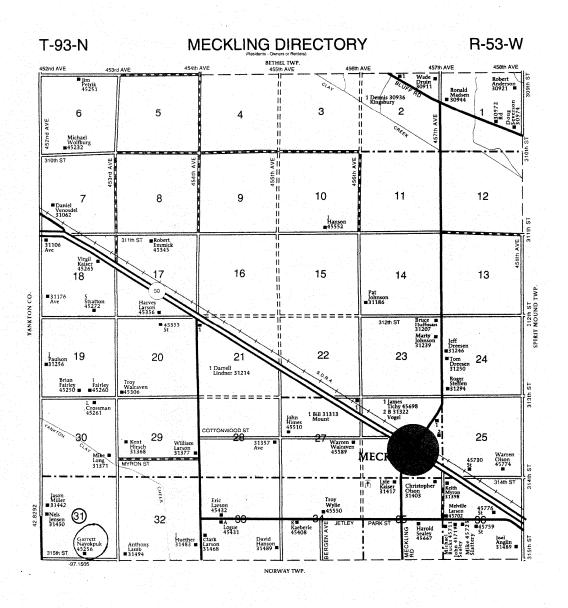
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First floor, looking NW, posts removed, beam

CAMERA DIRECTION: broken and falling.





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#### **HISTORY**

This farm located in the SE ¼ of Section 31 in Meckling Township, Clay County was homesteaded by J. Sylvester Fargo.

The 1894 Clay County Atlas lists Charles Sylvester Fargo as the owner.

The 1901, 1912, 1924, 1937 and 1948 lists James Sylvester Fargo as the owner.

The 1956 Clay County Atlas lists Charles W. Fargo as the owner.

#### Following is from

# Hay Country History A story of the pioneers of the Gayville and Meckling, South Dakota Area

Sylvester Fargo and Sarah Congdon were married in New York on April 11, 1855. Four of their children were born there: Charles 1857: Mary, 1858; Frank, 1860; and Ella, 1862. The Fargo's joined the James S. Foster Colony of one hundred families and started for Dakota Territory in April 1864. They traveled as far as Marshalltown by train. From there, they came by ox team and covered wagon, arriving in Dakota in June. Joel Fargo was born October 1, 1864 in Yankton. Sylvester served in the first territorial legislature. In 1868 Sylvester took a homestead claim in Clay County. Their sixth child, James S. Fargo was born in 1868 in a log cabin. In 1871, Carrie was born, but died as an infant. The old stage road went past the homestead and many Indians stopped and enjoyed Sarah's johnnycakes and sorghum molasses. Many times the braves rolled in their blankets and slept "thick as flies" on the floor while the family slept in the loft.

The Fargo's hired some of the young Danish and Norwegian immigrants to help with the farming and Sylvester started freighting to Deadwood in 1878 with 16 yoke of oxen hitched to three wagons. Sarah put up butter in one hundred-pound firkins in brine and garden produce and had it loaded on a boat at Yankton to be shipped to Pierre. Sylvester, after delivering his first load would return to Pierre and pick up the second load from the steamship. He would quit freighting when the railroad reached the hills. The Fargo's built their farm home in 1880. They brought cottonwood saplings from the banks of the Missouri and planted around the farmstead. Sarah took great pride in winning prizes at county and state fairs on fancy work, baking and gardening. She even won prizes at the Worlds Fair in Chicago in 1893. Sylvester died in 1900 and Sarah in 1916. They were buried in the Yankton Cemetery.

James S. Fargo, the only child of Sylvester Fargo's to remain in the community. Jim and Louise Mahacek were married in 1891 by Reverend Y. R. Oaks of the Methodist Church at Gayville. Dolly had come to Dakota from St. Louis, Mo. as a woman. She and her husband were active members of the Gayville Methodist Church for over half a century. Their children were; Albert, Etta (Mrs. Jess Spry), Edith (Mrs. Melvin Mortensen), Ruth 1908-1971 (Mrs. Evar John), Charles and Stanley.



They were all reared and educated in this community. Jim was a long time merchant of Gayville, as the proprietor of the Farmer's Store. Two of the Fargo son's Charles and Stanley are still residents of this community. Charles married Edna Schaeffer and they have two sons, James and Bill. Mark farmed in this community until he retired several years ago. He married Lucille Hazen and they had six children; Beulah (Mrs. Don Anderson); Mary (Mrs. Nels Jensen); Eunice (Mrs. Russell Hanson); Lois R. (Mrs. Alec Solberg); Judith (Mrs. Tom Ingalls) and John M. Fargo.

