



United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

# National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in National Register Bulletin, *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form*. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions.

## 1. Name of Property

Historic name Way Side Stock Farm

Other names/site number RH00-355

Name of related multiple property listing N/A

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)

## 2. Location

Street & Number 64480 718 Road

City or town Stella

State Nebraska

County Richardson

Not for publication  Vicinity

## 3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this  nomination  request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60.

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant at the following level(s) of significance:  national  statewide  local

Applicable National Register Criteria:  A  B  C  D



SHPO/Director

01-28-2015

Signature of certifying official/Title:

Date

Nebraska State Historical Society

State or Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria.

Signature of Commenting Official

Date

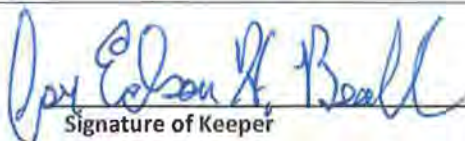
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State of Federal agency/bureau or Tribal Government

## 4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register.
- determined eligible for the National Register.
- determined not eligible for the National Register.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain):



Signature of Keeper

3-17-15

Date of Action

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**5. Classification**

**Ownership of Property** (Check as many boxes as apply)

- Private
- Public-local
- Public-state
- Public-federal

**Category of Property** (Check only **one** box)

- Building(s)
- District
- Site
- Structure
- Object

**Number of Resources within Property** (Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
2		Buildings
		Sites
	3	Structures
		Objects
2	3	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

**6. Function or Use**

**Historic Functions** (Enter categories from instructions.)

DOMESTIC: Single Dwelling  
AGRICULTURE: Animal Facility  
AGRICULTURE: Outbuilding

**Current Functions** (Enter categories from instructions.)

DOMESTIC: Single Dwelling  
AGRICULTURE: Storage

**7. Description**

**Architectural Classification** (Enter categories from instructions.)

LATE VICTORIAN: Queen Anne

**Materials** (enter categories from instructions.)  
Principal exterior materials of the property:

Foundation: STONE/BRICK  
Walls: WOOD  
Roof : ASPHALT Shingles

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**Summary Paragraph** (Briefly describe the general characteristics of the property, such as its location, type, style, method of construction, setting, size, and significant features. Indicate whether the property has historic integrity.)

The Way Side Stock Farm is a small farmstead with a house, barn, and supporting structures. The house and barn were built in 1904 and located two miles east of Stella in Richardson County, Nebraska. The two story house was designed by architect M.N. Bair in the Queen Anne style. It is an asymmetrical, cross hipped-roof house with irregular fenestration and an assortment of porches, dormers, and bay extensions. The interior of the house has pine wood trim and a cherry wood elaborate front hall and fireplace alcove, leaded glass windows, and patterned oak floors. To the west of the house is a Palladian, cross gambrel gable barn with a central pyramidal roof vent. The interior plan of the barn is characteristic of horse barns, and includes stalls, a tack room, grain bin, and huge, 2<sup>nd</sup> story hay loft. Additionally, a machine shed and historic windmill are located near the barn and frame a basic barnyard. This property is in excellent repairs and possesses a high level of integrity.

**Narrative Description** (Describe the historic and current physical appearance and condition of the property. Describe contributing and noncontributing resources if applicable.)

Site:

The Way Side Stock Farm is located approximately 2 miles east of Stella, Nebraska, on Nebraska Hwy 62 in Richardson County. The Homestead site consists of the main house, barn, windmill, and non-contributing shed, along with numerous trees, and is little changed from its historic appearance (figure 1). A curving driveway loops around the main house and separates the domestic space from the barnyard to the west. A storm cellar is located to the east of the house. The homestead is flanked by tree groves on the east and west sides, and faces open corn fields on the north and south. Historically, the homestead was flanked by fruit orchards, which are no longer extant.

**House**

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The house at the Way Side Stock Farm is a two-story Queen Anne house of the Free Classic subtype, according to the classifications in McAlester. It was designed by Richardson County architect Moses N. Bair, and constructed in 1904. The house has an irregular L-shaped plan, and is of balloon frame construction clad in wood siding. Large porches are located on the south and east facades, an angled window projection is located on the southeast corner, a rear ell is located on the north façade, and a projecting bay is located towards the rear of the house on the west façade. The house has a complex roofline, based a cross hipped roof and accentuated by asymmetrically placed hipped wall dormers on the south and west facades, and centered hipped roof dormers on the south and east facades. All of the roofs are of composite shingle, except the hipped roofs of the angled projection in the southeast corner of the house, which is of wood shingle. The main house structure and rear ell sits on a limestone and concrete foundation, while the porches sit on brick foundations. An off-center brick chimney rises over the rear of the house behind the main ridge of the roofline.

Exterior

The primary façade of the house faces south towards the main road. It is a complex assortment of elements designed to provide visual interest. A large front porch protects the entry to the house. The porch is wood frame and clad in shiplap siding. The front opening is under an elliptical arch, while the side openings are circular. The porch is hipped roofed, but the upper part is truncated to form an ornamental balcony accented by a very short wood railing. Entry to the house is via a glazed wood panel door protected by a screen door. Two casement leaded glass windows protected by wood storm windows adjacent are to the door to the west. A larger wood, double-hung 1/1 sash windows to the east of the entry. To the east of the porch, an angled projection corresponding to an interior nook frames a wood 1/1 double-hung sash window. The projection has small hipped roofs on the south and east corners.

The second story features an asymmetrical organization of windows of varying size. A set of three windows, two small single pane windows flanking a larger 1/1 double-hung wood sash window, is located under a hipped roofed wall dormer on the west end of the façade. Two small windows located under the eaves of the wall dormer have been filled in with wood panel. Two other windows open over the small balcony located over the front porch; both are 1/1 double-hung

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windows, but vary in width, with the central window narrower than the east window. A hipped roof dormer with a 6 light casement window rises over the center roof hip.

The east elevation of the house is equally complex, featuring an asymmetrical organization incorporating a porch, balcony, bay windows, and dormer. A hipped roofed porch with an elliptical arched entry supports a second floor balcony. The broad cross hip roof shelters a two-story three-sided bay extension and part of the second story balcony with a short wood railing. The south corner of the roof is supported by a pair of wood columns. The porch has a large circular opening on the south side and abuts the bay extension on the north side. Three off-center leaded glass casement windows open onto the porch, and an entry to the dining room is located at the north end of the porch. The second floor balcony is accessed via a door leading into the bay-shaped extension. A single 1/1 double hung window looks over the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor balcony. A hipped roof dormer with a 6 light window is centrally located on the cross hip roof. The bays of the extension have 1/1 double hung windows on each floor.

The north elevation is the rear of the house. A rear, single story hipped roofed ell is located on the west side of the elevation. The ell foundation is a combination of stone and non-historic cinder block used to repair the structure. A former screened porch has been enclosed, and is lit by a pair of non-historic 4/4 windows on the north side. The main block of the house has an irregular fenestration pattern consisting of 1/1 double hung sash windows of varying size, with two on the ground floor, and three on the second floor. The two windows flanking the ell roof are of smaller size than the other windows.

The west elevation faces the barnyard and features a complex asymmetrical fenestration pattern that reflects interior organization and circulation patterns. A glazed wood panel door at ground level leads to the basement. An assortment of single pane and 1/1 double hung sash windows located at varying heights above the ground-level door express the interior stairway. A small hipped roofed rectangular projection on the ground floor has a centrally located pair of 1/1 double hung sash windows. Above this extension on the second floor is a three sided angled bay with a small central window flanked by narrow 1/1 double hung sash windows. An additional 1/1 double hung sash window is located at the south end of the second floor. A wall dormer with a 1/1 double hung sash window is centrally located on the façade and houses the stair to the attic. The rear ell on the north end of the façade has a centrally located double hung, 1/1 sash window.

Interior

The interior of the house features four major rooms on each floor, with several subsidiary spaces such as closets, nooks, and restrooms. The principal entry to the house leads into a reception hall on the southeast side. This hall features a monumental cascading cherry wood stair with classical detailing and two built in benches, one facing the entry and one on the stair landing. The stair is framed by cherry wood arches, which are supported on cherry wood columns with ornamental stained plaster-of-paris ionic capitals. To the north is a small nook framed by a Palladian shaped wooden arch on columns standing on dwarf walls. A wood panel door leads north to a half bath, formerly a coat closet, and thence to the kitchen.

The roughly hexagonal living room is located to the west of the reception hall and is entered through a pair of oak wood panel pocket doors. The northwest corner of the room features an inglenook surrounding the brick hearth. The space is framed by a cherry wood arch supported on cherry wood ionic columns with plaster capitals. Opposite the inglenook in the southeast corner is a sitting nook with window, also framed by a wood arch on wood columns. The floor consists of narrow pine wood boards laid parallel to the outer walls of the space for two feet, framing the center of the space which is laid in a basic running pattern.

The octagonal dining room is located to the north of the living room and is entered through another pair of oak wood panel pocket doors. The space features a similar patterned floor as the living room. A closet is located in the northwest corner. The kitchen is located to the west of the dining room, north of the reception hall. It no longer retains its historic appearance, as it was extensively remodeled and updated in the last five years. At one time it was heated by a wood-burning stove which was tied into the central chimney. To the north is a storage and washroom, now used as a laundry room, and the enclosed screen porch. The laundry room retains its original exterior glazed wood panel door, flanked by single pane casement wood windows. To the south, a small stair connects the kitchen to the entry stairway landing, allowing access to the upper floors. Adjacent to the stair is a door leading to the half bath, which also provides access to the basement.

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The upper floor consists of four bedrooms, each a different size and under a different level of restoration. All of the bedrooms are accessed by original pine wood panel doors with their original hardware. The northwest bedroom is irregularly shaped due to its bay window. A closet projecting over the rear ell indicated on the original plans for the house was not built, instead a closet was built into the room, and a small door was added to allow access to the rear ell attic. Between this bedroom and the northeast bedroom is a full bath, which has been recently remodeled and modernized. The northeast bedroom is the largest in the house, and features a large bay window to the west. The east balcony is accessed via a glazed wood panel door through this bedroom. The bedroom shares a closet with the southeast bedroom. The southeast bedroom is the second largest, and features a large dressing alcove to the west. The southwest bedroom is smallest, but it has its own closet. To the west of the central hall are stairs to the attic, and a linen closet with a diamond-shaped stained glass window. All the bedrooms retain their historic floors, plaster walls, and organization, but have replacement closet doors.

The attic space retains its original configuration and is a large, open space, lit by dormers, and used as a storage space. The basement is divided roughly into four storage and mechanical spaces. Originally, the house was heated via a large oil-fire furnace, which was connected to the central chimney. The house had forced air heating. However, the furnace has been replaced by a new, modern central air system.

Most of the house's windows are original wood, except in the stairwell, where a stained glass window was destroyed by high winds. The windows are protected on the exterior by aluminum storm windows.

**Barn**Site

The Way Side Stock Farm barn is located slightly to the northwest of the main house. Constructed in 1904, the barn was designed to stable horses and store hay and other feed. It forms the north side of a small barn yard, which is flanked to the west by a machine shed. South of the barn is a non-historic windmill.

Exterior

The barn is a two story, cross-gambrel roofed, wood-framed building with a prominent pyramid roofed ventilator. The barn measures approximately 38' x 38'. Hipped roofs connect the gambrel gables in the corners. The roofs are all clad in composite shingles. Large sliding wood doors on the north and south sides provide access to the interior; they retain their original iron hardware. Small, four-light windows, two on the east and three on the west, on the ground floor provide interior illumination. At the hayloft level, large louvered openings framed by Palladian moldings are found on the north and south sides, while large doors for bringing in hay are on the east and west sides.

Interior

The interior of the barn is divided into two floors. The ground floor features a central aisle with six horse stables on the east and a tack room and open livestock area to the west. A grain bin is located in the southwest corner of the space. The upper floor consists of a very large hayloft, which is accessed via a stair from the southeast corner of the barn. The structure of the barn is completely exposed on the interior, consisting of machine cut studs reinforced by large diagonal beams, forming a truss system that supports the roof without any vertical posts impeding the central space. Four large beams of joined boards come together at a peak under the roof ventilator, creating a pyramidal structure that supports the cross-gambrel roofs. In the center of the space a large chute provides access to the stables below and allows for the storage of approximately ten feet of hay. The interior retains its historic system of rails and pulleys for lifting hay.

**Windmill (non-contributing)**

South of the barn stands an iron windmill, which replaced an original wood windmill at an unknown date (figure 2). The tower consists of a truss of iron pipes and wires, which supports an iron bladed fan. The tower is inoperable, and a tree is currently growing from the well head.

**Storm Cellar (non-contributing)**

A concrete storm cellar is located directly to the east of the house, in line with the east porch. The structure is buried, and consists of a concrete stair leading down into a small concrete room.

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**Machine Shed (non-contributing)**

A circa 1940s machine shed is located on the west side of the barn yard. It is constructed of wood, with a rearward sloping shed roof. The south end is an enclosed storage room. The space is currently used to store vehicles.

**Integrity**

The house, barn, and outbuildings retain high levels of integrity. They retain much of their historical materials and design features which testify to the workmanship and skill of the architect and construction contractors. The setting remains much the same, even though the farm is no longer a stock farm and the surrounding land has been rented to farmers that grow predominantly corn and soybeans.

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**8. Statement of Significance**

**Applicable National Register Criteria**

(Mark "X" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield information important in prehistory or history.

**Criteria Considerations**

(Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A** Owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** Removed from its original location.
- C** A birthplace or a grave.
- D** A cemetery.  
A reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- E** A commemorative property.
- F** A commemorative property.
- G** Less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

**Areas of Significance**

(Enter categories from instructions.)

Architecture  
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**Period of Significance**

1904  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Significant Dates**

1904  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**Significant Person**

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above.)

N/A  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**Cultural Affiliation**

N/A  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

**Architect/Builder**

Moses N. Bair  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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**Statement of Significance Summary Paragraph** (Provide a summary paragraph that includes level of significance, applicable criteria, justification for the period of significance, and any applicable criteria considerations.)

The Way Side Stock Farm is significant under Criteria C: Architecture, at the local level. The house and barn were designed and built in 1904 by architect Moses N. Bair for Alexander Rankin McMullen, a successful livestock farmer. The Queen Anne farmhouse has numerous details that coincide specifically with the Free Classic subtype as described by Virginia McAlester, and retains many of its original design features and materials. It embodies the distinctive characteristics of late Victorian design, including irregular massing, hipped roofs, wide porches, and an aversion to plain surfaces. The Palladian styled horse barn contrasts with the Queen Anne house, and speaks to the success of McMullen as a livestock farmer. The ensemble, the earliest of Moses N. Bair's identified work, represents an ideal farmstead, and would have been a landmark

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along the road connecting Stella to Shubert. The period of significance corresponds to the date of construction of both the house and barn.

**Narrative Statement of Significance** (Provide at least one paragraph for each area of significance.)

**Criteria C: Architecture**

The Way Side Stock Farm was designed in 1904 by Moses N. Bair, a Pennsylvania-born architect, for Alexander Rankin McMullen, a livestock farmer who was also originally from Pennsylvania. Bair arrived in Nebraska c. 1893 when he opened a practice in Auburn, Nebraska.<sup>1</sup> The following year he moved to Falls City in Richardson County, where he operated a practice from 1894 until 1907.<sup>2</sup> Little is known regarding Bair's activities in Auburn and Falls City, and the Way Side Stock Farm is the first property positively linked to Bair in eastern Nebraska.

Alexander Rankin McMullen moved to Nebraska ten years prior to Moses Bair, in 1884, to work over 400 acres of land purchased by his father, Dr. Thomas McMullen.<sup>3</sup> The large farm consisted of 480 acres in sections 9 and 15, township 3N, range 15E in Muddy Precinct, Richardson County.<sup>4</sup> Originally, the family lived on a farmstead in the northeast corner of the SE ¼ of section 9 (figure 3).<sup>5</sup> This farmstead, no longer extant, was described in the *Souvenir Stella Press* as "...well improved, having a neat and commodious house and barn and numerous other buildings."<sup>6</sup> McMullen achieved great success as a farmer in twenty years, and so in 1904, he hired Moses N. Bair to design him a new home and barn on the SW ¼ of section 9, located on the main road connecting Stella to the west and Shubert to the east (figure 4). The location, on a rise along the road, provided for high visibility, and was convenient to McMullen's land holdings in adjacent sections. The farmstead's location along the Stella-Shubert road influenced the name of the farm: Way Side Stock Farm.<sup>7</sup>

Bair designed Alexander McMullen a modern house in a popular architectural style, the Queen Anne. The Queen Anne style reached its peak between 1880 and 1910, and was characterized by an emphasis on picturesque elements including irregular massing, asymmetrical organization, decorative gables, large porches, and textural wall decoration.<sup>8</sup> Bair's design falls squarely within the style. The house is compact in form, but irregular in massing, with a profusion of dormers, bays, porches, and windows. Textural variety is enhanced by the irregular placement and varying configuration of windows instead of elaborate shingle work. The house also possesses characteristically Queen Anne leaded glass windows adjacent to the entry way; the single diamond-shaped window on the second story is also leaded glass. Interior details such as elaborate composite capitals on basic, non-fluted columns place the house in the Free Classic subtype, although Bair appeared to use elements from a variety of contemporary sources. The porches, with their circular and semi-circular openings accented by simple moldings, are unique among Queen Anne houses in the county. Surviving architectural drawings, signed by Bair, depict the west elevation, as well as floor plans and drawings for the various wood elements on the interior, and indicate that all of the details are original to the house (figures 5-8).

The Way Side Stock Farm house reflected the prosperity McMullen achieved as a livestock farmer, and is among the finest Queen Anne farmsteads identified in previous surveys of Richardson County. Comparable houses on other farmsteads were constructed in the Italianate or Folk Victorian styles, depending on their period of construction and reflecting a period of

<sup>1</sup> David Murphy, Architect File for Moses N. Bair, Nebraska State Historical Society

<sup>2</sup> Ibid.

<sup>3</sup> Lewis C. Edwards, *History of Richardson County: Its People, Industries and Institutions*, Volume II (Indianapolis: B. F. Bowen & Company, 1917), 1179.

<sup>4</sup> J. S. Everts, "Muddy Township" *Richardson County Atlas 1896*, <http://www.historicmapworks.com/Map/US/45921/Muddy+Township/Richardson+County+1896/Nebraska/>

<sup>5</sup> J. S. Everts, "Muddy Township" *Richardson County Atlas 1896*, <http://www.historicmapworks.com/Map/US/45921/Muddy+Township/Richardson+County+1896/Nebraska/>

<sup>6</sup> *Souvenir Stella Press*, April 1, 1901.

<sup>7</sup> Correspondence with Jan McMullen, November 2014.

<sup>8</sup> Virginia McAlester and Lee McAlester, *A Field Guide to American Houses*, (New York: Alfred P. Knopf, 1997): 263-268.



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general prosperity in southeastern Nebraska during the late 19<sup>th</sup> century.<sup>9</sup> Comparable Queen Anne houses are primarily found in Falls City, Stella, and other Richardson County towns. The farmhouse at the Way Side Stock Farm stands out, primarily due to its unique porches, balconies, and dormers. For example, the Free Classic Queen Anne houses in nearby Stella and Shubert have prominent gable ends and classical porches with pedimented entryways—none feature large circular elements or extensive second floor balconies. The 1917 Richardson County History specifically mentions that McMullen “erected a commodious new modern house, one of the finest farm residences in Richardson County” and that “...he has long been recognized as one of the most substantial farmers and stockmen in the northern part of the county.”<sup>10</sup>

The adjacent horse barn, constructed in 1904, further reflects McMullen’s status as a successful farmer and complemented the house in this message. The horse barn is a rare square barn, 38 x 38 feet in dimensions, and is embellished by Palladian style molding in the center of the front gambrel gable. The highly symmetrical and compact nature of the barn, with its four gambrel gables flanked by low hipped roofs and topped by a tall lantern further reinforces the barn’s Palladian aesthetic. The interior is characteristic of standard horse barns, with a feeding aisle in the center, horse stalls with mangers on the east side with a rear aisle, and a grain bin and tack room on the west side. The barn’s shape and decoration contrasts with the rectangular barns documented in the Richardson County survey; many of these barns fall into one of three categories: English barns, Midwest feeder barns, and Pennsylvania bank barns.<sup>11</sup> The English and Midwest feeder barns represent common barn types in Nebraska, while the bank barns were associated with a large influx of German immigrants that relocated to Dawson in central Richardson County from Williamsport, Pennsylvania between 1873 and 1885.<sup>12</sup> This influx, however, was not connected to McMullen or Bair’s immigration to Richardson County, as Bair, McMullen, and the Germans all hailed from different regions in Pennsylvania.<sup>13</sup> The barn thus serves to contrast with those in the rest of the county, and the architect’s use of Palladian design elements reinforces the farmstead’s overall symbolism of success and wealth.

Moses Bair’s house and barn at the Way Side Stock Farm are the only buildings attributed to Bair from his 14 years in southeast Nebraska. He is better known for work in central Nebraska. By 1909, Bair moved his practice to Hastings, where he proceeded to design several public libraries and churches in the surrounding region and actively advertised his services in the local city directories.<sup>14</sup> Bair designed libraries in Aurora, Sutton, Fullerton, Gibbon, Shelton, Broken Bow (NRHP 1998) and Gothenburg (NRHP 1986). Bair’s public buildings were primarily designed in the Prairie style, which was popular in the 1910s, although his most significant work, the Gothenburg Carnegie Library, was completed in the Jacobethan Revival Style. Bair’s stay in Hastings was his most productive time. Bair is representative of turn of the century architects, who were not limited to one single style. After 1915, he moved back to Pennsylvania, where he resided in Harrisburg until his death in 1934.<sup>15</sup>

The Way Side Stock Farm house and barn is a rare example of an architect designed farmstead from the turn of the twentieth century. It embodies the distinctive characteristics of late Victorian architectural design that stressed ornamentation and combination of stylistic elements to create interesting compositions. The Way Side Stock Farm expresses the success of its owner, Alexander R. McMullen, in architectural form, and is the earliest example of Moses N. Bair’s work in eastern Nebraska.

<sup>9</sup> John Kay et al., *Nebraska Historic Buildings Survey: Final Report of Richardson County Nebraska* (Lincoln: Nebraska State Historical Society, 1993): 39-54.

<sup>10</sup> Lewis C. Edwards, *History of Richardson County: Its People, Industries and Institutions*, Volume II (Indianapolis: B. F. Bowen & Company, 1917), 1179.

<sup>11</sup> Kay, 39-55.

<sup>12</sup> *Ibid.*, 90-91.

<sup>13</sup> Moses N. Bair, US Census 1880; Alexander R. McMullen, US Census 1880; Kay, 90.

<sup>14</sup> David Murphy, Architect File for Moses N. Bair.

<sup>15</sup> Moses N. Bair, U.S. Census, 1920

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**Previous documentation on file (NPS):**

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67 has been requested)
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey #
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record #
- recorded by Historic American Landscape Survey #

**Primary location of additional data:**

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other (Name of repository)

Historic Resources Survey Number (if assigned): RH00-355

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**10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of property 2.8 acres USGS Quadrangle Verdon

(Use either the UTM system or latitude/longitude coordinates. Delete the other.)

**Latitude/Longitude Coordinates**

Datum if other than WGS84: \_\_\_\_\_

- 1. Latitude 40.233661 Longitude -95.732598
- 2. Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Latitude \_\_\_\_\_ Longitude \_\_\_\_\_

**OR**

**UTM References**

Datum (indicated on USGS map): \_\_\_\_\_

     NAD 1927 or      NAD 1983

- 1. Zone \_\_\_\_\_ Easting \_\_\_\_\_ Northing \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Zone \_\_\_\_\_ Easting \_\_\_\_\_ Northing \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Zone \_\_\_\_\_ Easting \_\_\_\_\_ Northing \_\_\_\_\_
- 4. Zone \_\_\_\_\_ Easting \_\_\_\_\_ Northing \_\_\_\_\_

**Verbal Boundary Description** (Describe the boundaries of the property.)

Thence N89 degrees 43' 54 " W and along the Northerly Right-of-way of State Highway 62 a distance of 510.49 feet;  
Thence N01 degrees 07' 28" East a distance of 267.39 feet.  
Thence S87 degrees 37' 09" E a distance of 395.93 feet.  
Thence S13 degrees 29' 57" E a distance of 188.98 feet

**Boundary Justification** (Explain why the boundaries were selected.)

The boundary corresponds to the land historically associated with the Way Side Stock Farm farmstead, including the house, barn, and outbuildings.

**11. Form Prepared By**

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Richardson County, Nebraska  
**County and State**

**Additional Documentation**

Submit the following items with the completed form:

- **Maps:** A **USGS map** or equivalent (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources. Key all photographs to map.
- **Additional items:** (Check with the SHPO for any additional items.)



Figure 1: Historic photograph of the Way Side Stock Farm, with house, barn, and windmill.

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Figure 2: Historic photograph of the barn and original windmill.

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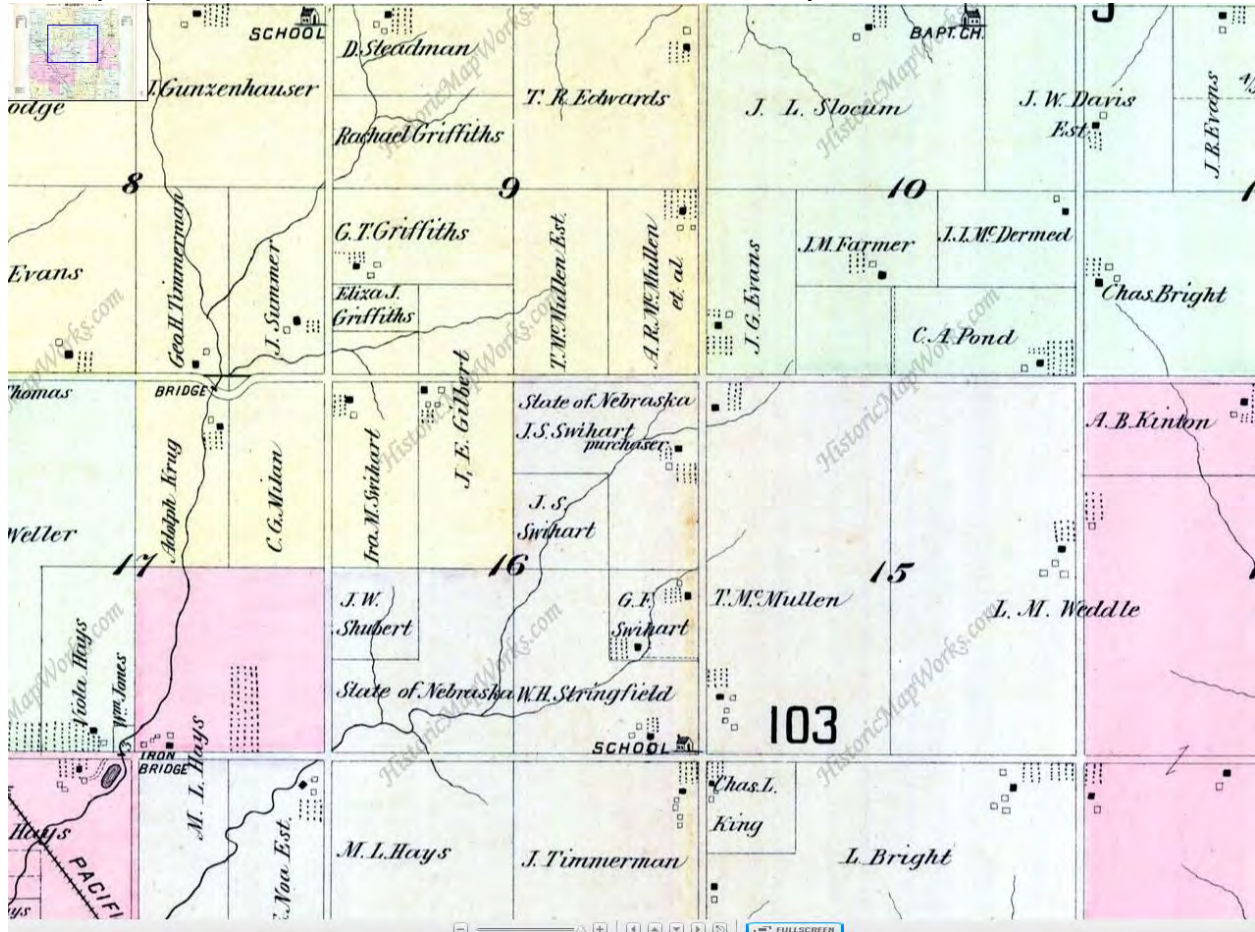


Figure 3: Detail of Muddy Township plat map, 1896 Richardson County Atlas, showing the land holdings of A. R. McMullen and his father, T. McMullen. Note the original location of the farmstead in the northeast corner of the SW ¼ of Section 9. This property is no longer extant.

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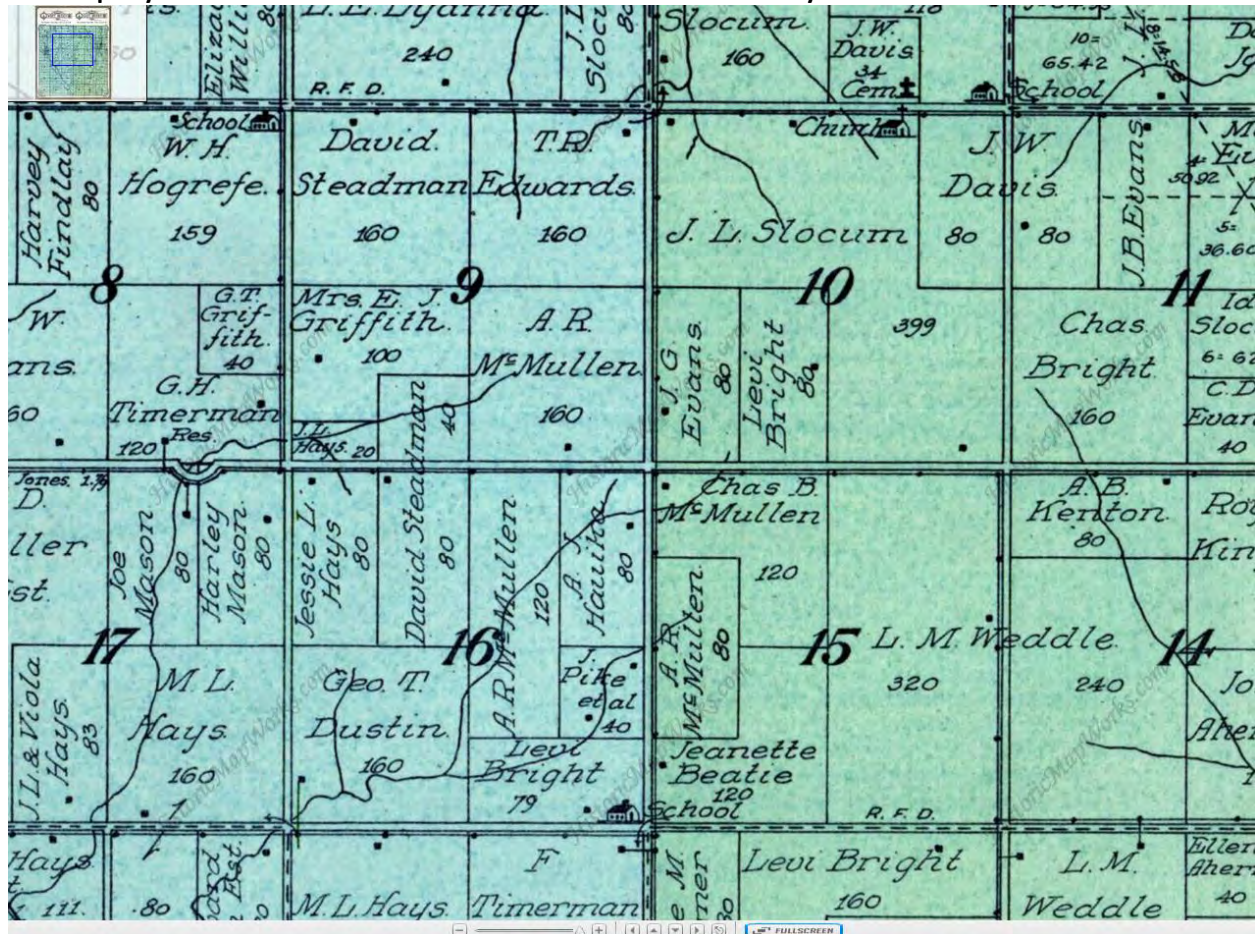


Figure 4: Detail of West Muddy and East Muddy Township Plat Map, 1913 Richardson County Atlas, showing Alexander R. McMullen's combined holdings in Sections 9 and 16. The current farmstead is marked by a black square in the southern half of the SW ¼ of Section 9.

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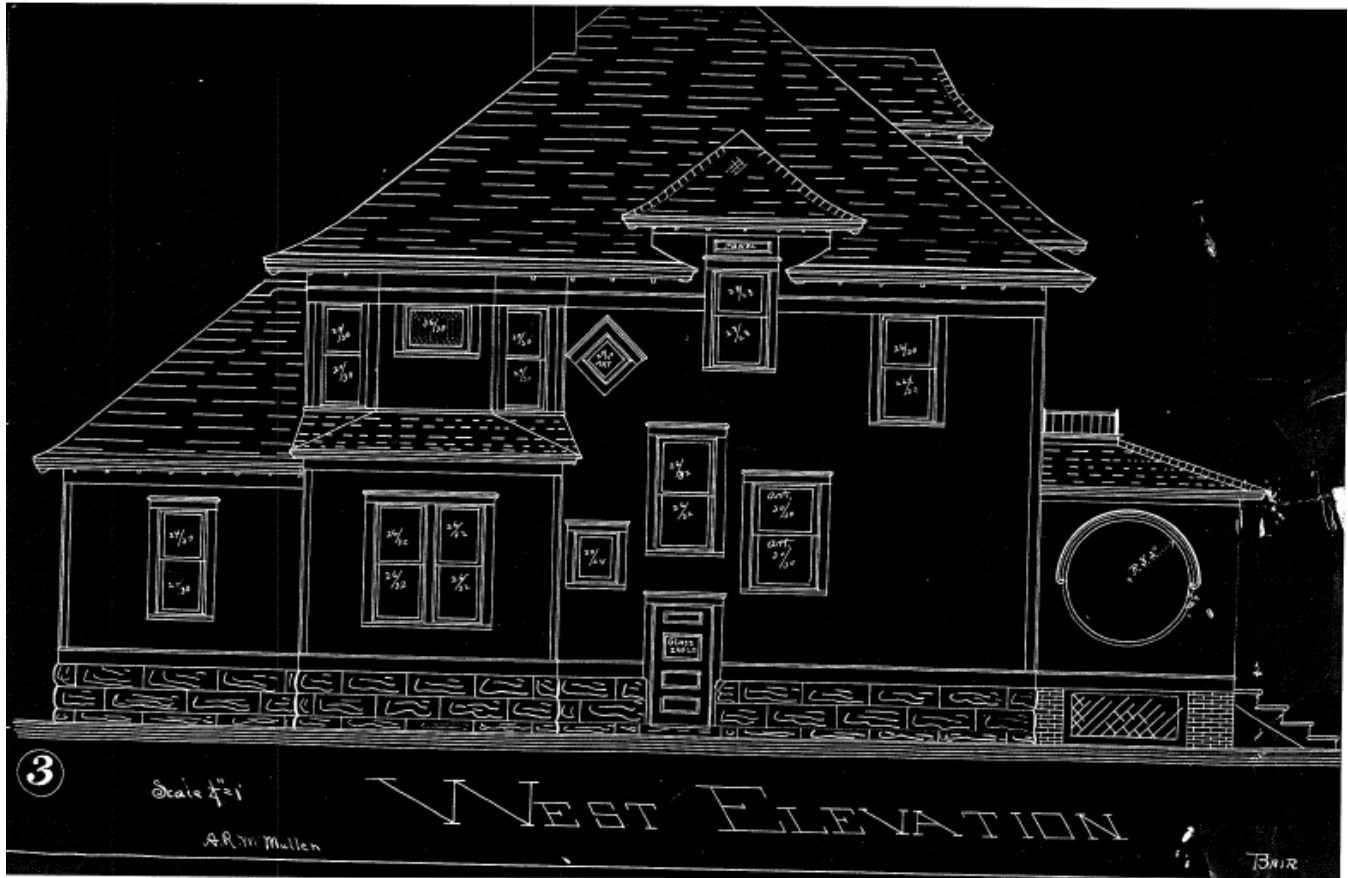


Figure 5: West elevation drawing, Moses N. Bair, 1904.



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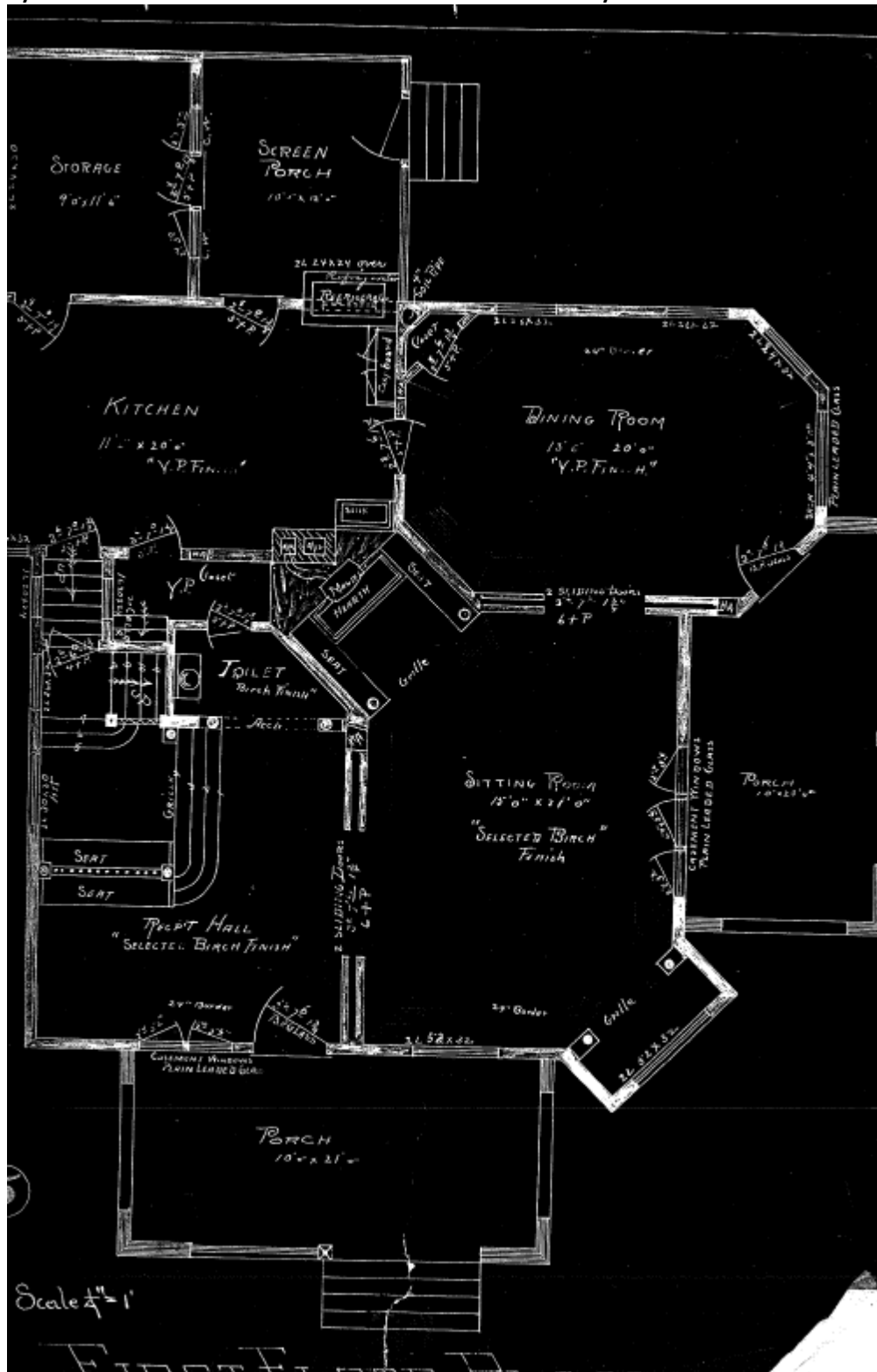


Figure 6: First Floor Plan, Moses N. Bair, 1904.

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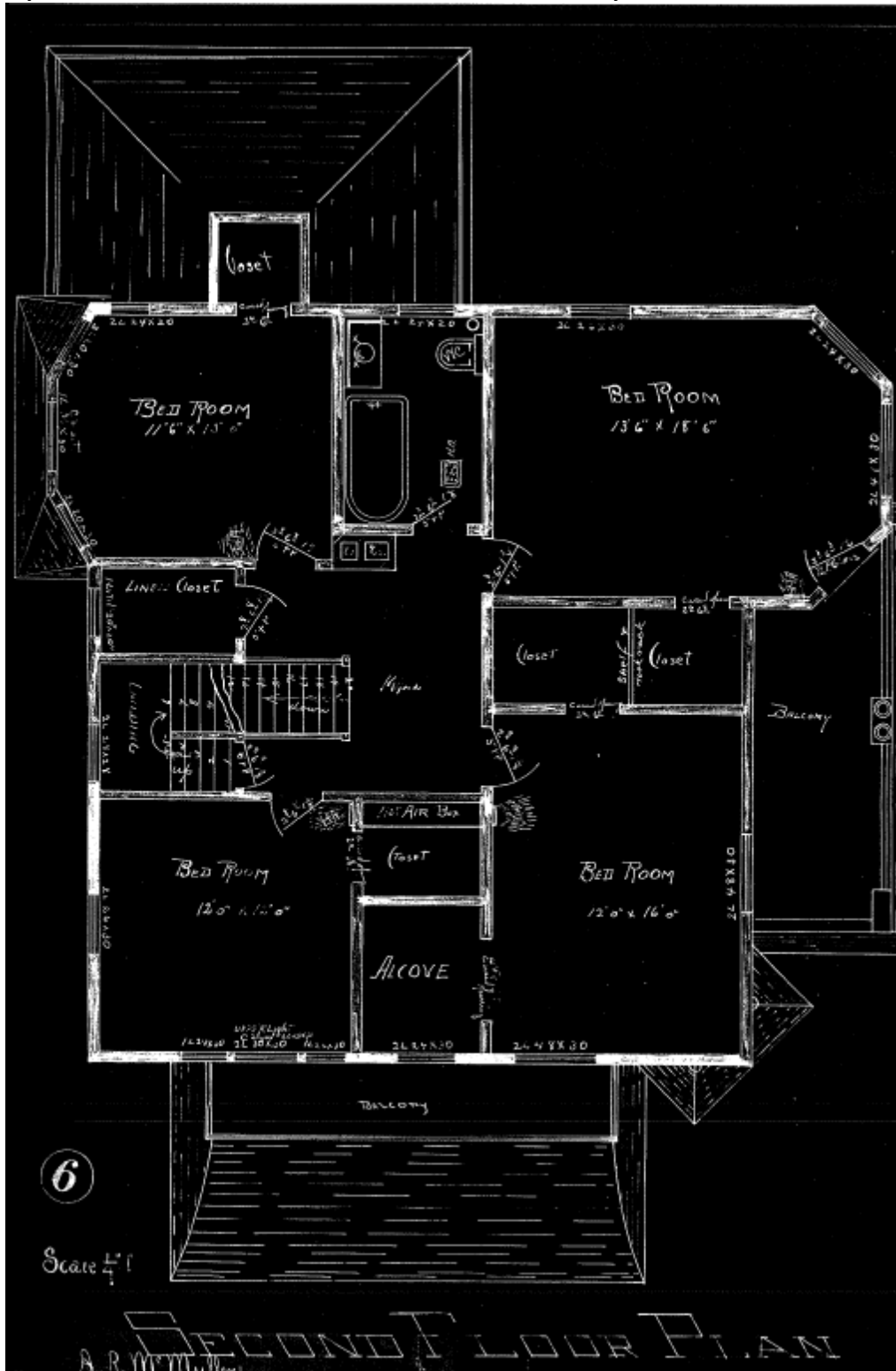


Figure 7: Second Floor Plan, Moses N. Bair, 1904. The plan was modified after this drawing was completed, as the closet opening to the northwest bedroom was never constructed.

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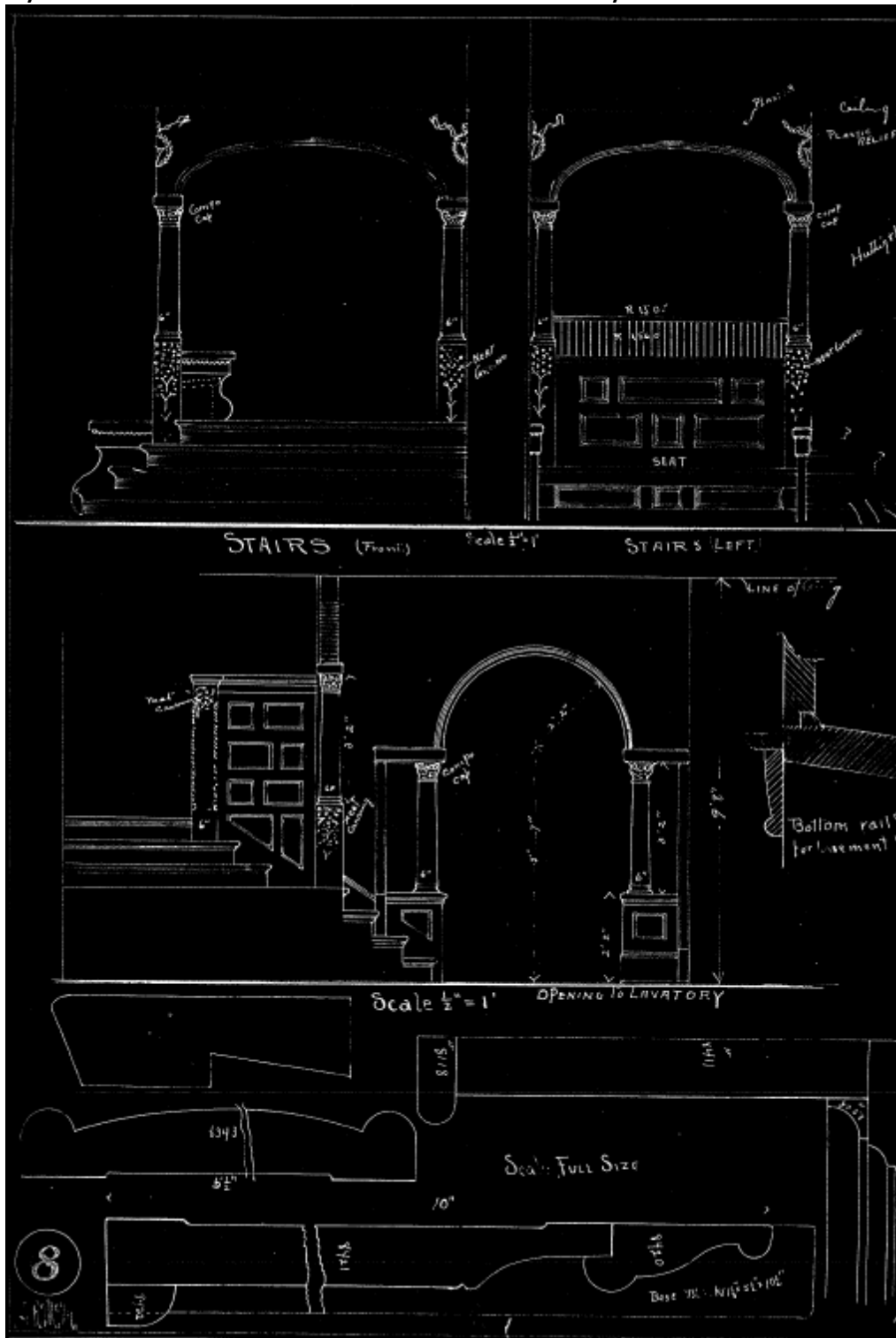


Figure 8: Drawings for classical detail elements, front reception hall. Moses N. Bair, 1904.

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64480 718 Road  
Stella, Richardson Co.  
Nebraska


USGS Quadrangle: Verdon

Latitude/Longitude Coordinates:

40.233661, -95.732598

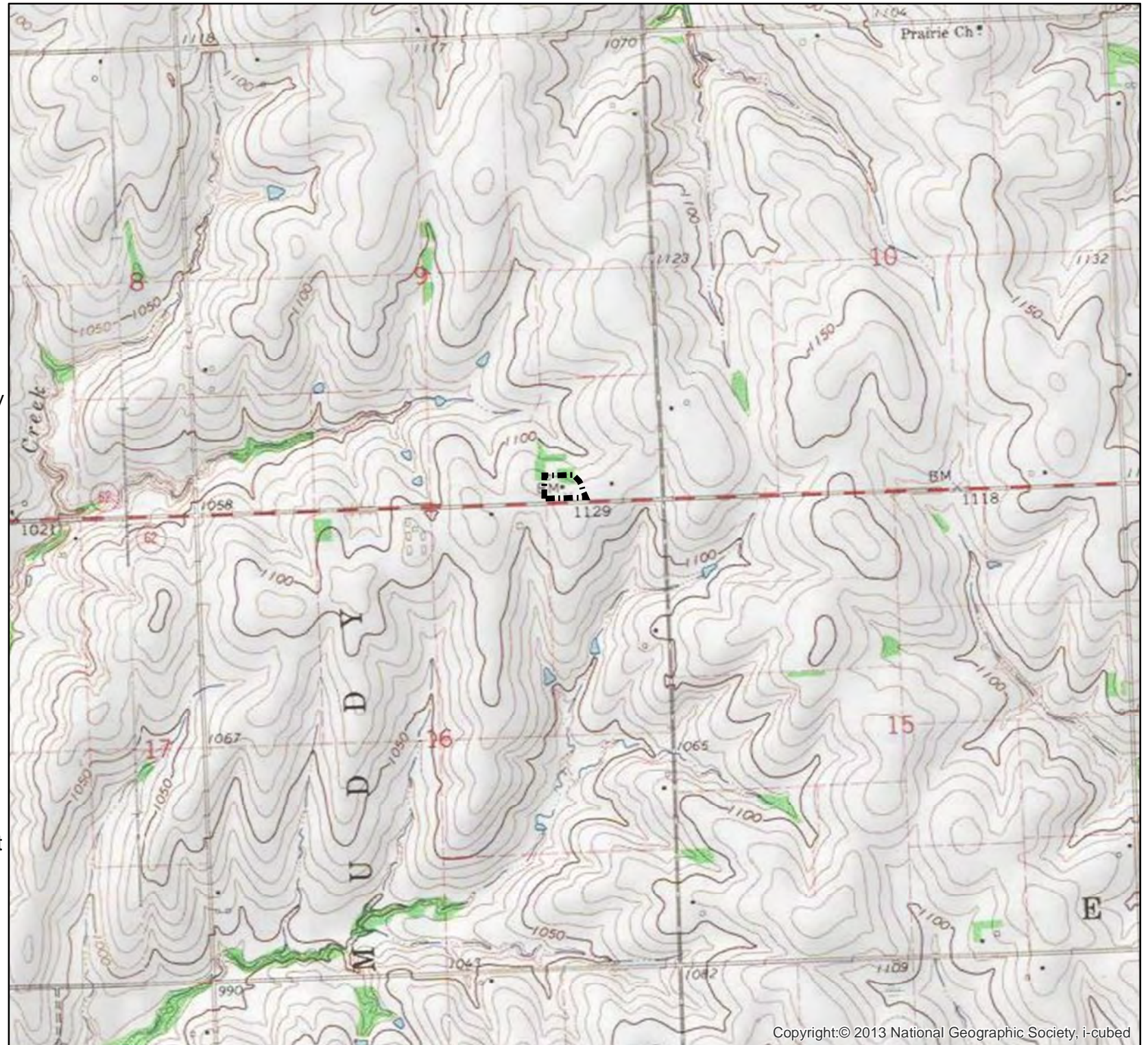
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 Proposed NRHP Boundary

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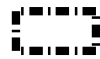
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**Photographs**

Submit clear and descriptive photographs. The size of each image must be 1600x1200 pixels (minimum), 3000x2000 preferred, at 300 ppi (pixels per inch) or larger. Key all photographs to the sketch map. Each photograph must be numbered and that number must correspond to the photograph number on the photo log. For simplicity, the name of the photographer, photo date, etc. may be listed once on the photograph log and doesn't need to be labeled on every photograph.

**Photo Log**

Name of Property Way Side Stock Farm

City or Vicinity Stella County Richardson State Nebraska

Photographer Patrick Haynes Date Photographed October 17, 2014

Description of Photograph(s) and number, include description of view indicating direction of camera.

1. Way Side Stock Farm house, front façade. View to N.
2. Front Porch detail showing original door and leaded glass casement windows. View to N.
3. House, west elevation. View to E.
4. House, rear elevation. View to S.
5. House interior, Inglenook. View to NW.
6. House interior, living room pocket doors to reception hall. View to W.
7. House interior, main stair. View to N.
8. House interior, second story diamond window. View to W.
9. House interior, southwest bedroom windows. View to S.
10. Horse barn and windmill. View to NW.
11. Detail, original barn door hardware. View to N.
12. Barn interior, looking up to vent.
13. Barn interior, west gable. View to W.
14. Barn interior, hay chute. View to SW.
15. Barn interior, detail of structural post and beam with angle braces.
16. Barn interior, livestock area. View to SW.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Way Side Stock Farm

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: NEBRASKA, Richardson

DATE RECEIVED: 1/30/15 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 3/05/15  
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 3/20/15 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/17/15  
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 15000090

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N  
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N  
REQUEST: Y SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT  RETURN  REJECT 3.17.2015 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS: Automatic Listing

interesting Architect - designed Farm house & Barn

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept C

REVIEWER Jim Gabbart DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/~~N~~ see attached SLR Y/~~N~~

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.



January 26, 2015

J. Paul Loether  
National Register—National Historic Landmarks Programs  
National Park Service  
1201 "I" Street NW, 8th Floor  
Washington, DC 20005


RE: Way Side Stock Farm  
Richardson County, Nebraska

Dear Mr. Loether:

The enclosed disk contains the true and correct copy of the nomination for the above referenced property to the National Register of Historic Places. This form has met all notification and other requirements as established in 36 CFR 60.

If you have any questions concerning this nomination, please let me know.

Sincerely,

  
L. Robert Puschendorf  
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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