

MINNESOTA HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM

APR 15 1980

HISTORIC NAME: David N. Peet Farm COUNTY: Wilkin
 CURRENT NAME: Peet Farm CITY/TWP.: Wolverton v.c., Deerhorn Township

LEGAL DESC.: SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SW $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 6, T. 136, R. 47, From the SW corner of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 6: 300' north, 300' east, 300' south, and 300' west to point of origin. ADDRESS: County Highway 32

CLASSIFICATION:	CONDITION:	SIGNIFICANCE:	THEME/S:
Building <u>X</u>	Excellent <u>X</u>	Local <u>X</u>	Primary <u>Agriculture</u>
Structure _____	Good _____	State _____	Secondary _____
Object _____	Fair _____	National _____	Others _____
District _____	Deteriorated _____		

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Yes ___ No X Restricted ___ PRESENT USE:
 VISIBLE FROM THE ROAD: Yes X No ___ farm, museum
 OCCUPIED: Yes X No ___

DATE CONSTRUCTED: 1901-1920 ORIGINAL USE: farmstead
 ORIGINAL OWNER: Walter J. Peet ARCHITECT/BUILDER: William Merritt, Moorhead

OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: David Peet
 Wolverton, Minnesota 56594 ACREAGE: Less than one acre _____
 approximately 2 acres X

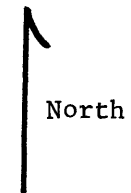
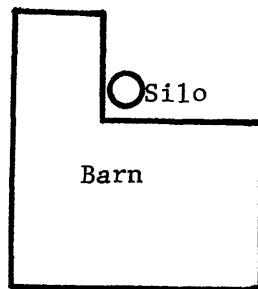
LOCAL CONTACT/ORG.: UTM REFERENCE:
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 FORM PREPARED BY: Tom Harvey
 DATE: September 1979 Wolverton 7.5 quad

DESCRIPTION:
 The David Peet farmstead consists of four significant structures within a larger complex of altered and moved buildings. The significant structures are closely spaced. The non-contributing buildings are peripheral to the core structures. The four buildings of note are the farmhouse, barn, silo, and windmill.

1. Farmhouse - A 1902, frame Queen Anne style house built to the plans of a neighbors house (since razed). The irregular plan house has an octagonal corner tower with a flared, conical roof, a first-floor bay window on one side, Palladian window in the front gable, and a sunburst-decorated open gable above a screened front porch. The only alterations have been enclosure of porches at the rear of the house. The two-story house has a stone basement and maple flooring.
2. Barn - The original, gable roofed barn has had several additions to where the plan is now L-shaped with some small appendages. The barn has a very large hay loft loaded by a pulley system attached under an extended hay hood. Constructed 1901.
3. Silo - Wood hoop silo held in tension by metal bands. The silo is to the rear of the barn and attached by a low shed. Constructed 1912.
4. Windmill - The metal frame, manufactured windmill is still intact and is located between the barn and house. Constructed 1920.

SIGNIFICANCE:
 The David Peet farmstead is significant as Wilkin County's best example of the late nineteenth century economic successes enjoyed by area family farmers. The house is one of the most elaborate rural homes in the county. A frame barn and a wood stave silo add to the farmstead. Walter J. Peet came to Wilkin County from Vermont in 1881 and purchased a home-stead relinquishment. He taught school in nearby Dakota Territory and farmed in Deerhorn township. In 1902 he replaced his small, original house with the present house. The barn was built at about the same time, as was a granary (now converted into a garage). The house was one of the first rural homes in the area with hot air heat and running water. The wood-hoop silo is fairly uncommon on today's farms. The windmill pump is also seldom seen on modern farms.

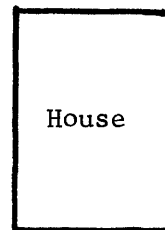
DAVID N. PEET FARMSTEAD
Deerhorn Township
Wilkin County, Minn.



(Granary)



Windmill



House



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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

for Keeper Melvin Lynn
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Note: These changes apply to
Peet, David N., Farm in Wilkin
County, Minnesota.

REFERENCE NUMBER: 80002187

STATE: MINNESOTA

COUNTY: Wilkin

RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Peet, David N., Farmstead

CITY:

VICINITY OF: Wolverton

ADDRESS: Co. Rd. 32

CERTIFICATION DATE:

REMOVED DATE:

COMMENTS:

Nina M. Archabal

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State Historic Preservation Officer

JUN 17 1988

Date