

Iowa Site Inventory

Office of Historic Preservation
Iowa State Historical Department
East 12th & Grand Avenue
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

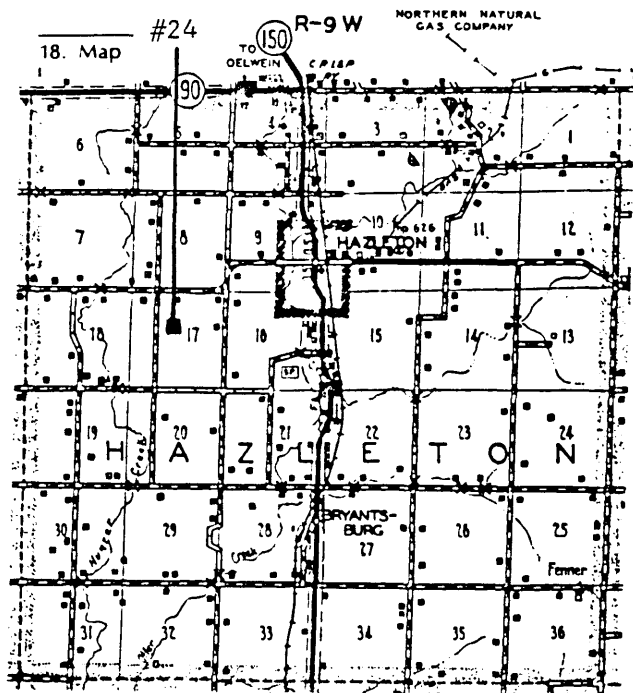
Site Number 24
District Name _____
Map Reference # 24

Identification

1. Site Name Ezra McKenzie Round Barn
2. Village/Town/City Hazleton vic. Township Hazleton County Buchanan
3. Street Address Off IA 150
4. Legal Location 90N 9W 17 5 1/2 of NW 1/4
Urban: Rural: subdivision township block range parcel section subparcel 1/4 section of 1/4 section
5. UTM Location: zone 15 easting 587,340 northing 4,717,530; Acreage less than one acre
6. Owner(s) Name Abner M. Schwartz
7. Owner(s) Address RR 1 Box 197 Hazleton Iowa 50641
(Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
8. Use: Present Dairy barn Original Dairy barn

Description

9. Date of Construction 1922 Architect/Builder Ezra McKenzie
10. Building Type:
 single-family dwelling industrial other institutional religious
 multiple-family dwelling educational public agricultural
 commercial
11. Exterior Walls: clapboard stone brick board and batten shingles stucco
 other Clay tile
12. Structural System: wood frame with interlocking joints wood frame with light members (balloon frame)
 masonry load-bearing walls iron frame steel frame with curtain walls reinforced concrete
 other _____
13. Condition: excellent good fair deteriorated
14. Integrity: original site moved—if so, when? _____
 Notes on alterations, additions (with dates and architect, if known) and any other notable features of building and site:
See reverse side.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property: barn other farm structures carriage house garage privy
 other _____
16. Is the building endangered? no yes—if so, why? _____
17. Surroundings of the building: open land woodland scattered outbuildings densely built-up commercial
 industrial residential other _____



19. Photo Roll 655 Frame 4A View _____

VBD: A circle 90' in diameter, based upon the center point of the barn. Includes no other buildings.

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Significance (Indicate sources of information for all statements)

20. Architectural significance

- a. Key structure/individually may qualify for the National Register
- b. Contributing structure
- c. Not eligible/intrusion

N/A

Continuation of 14. Integrity.

Interior - central silo with stanchions facing on alley around silo, Gambrel roof, hay dormer, cupola. Family is Mennonite so barn is still used with horses.
Diameter - 70', silo clay tile.

21. Historical Significance

Theme(s) True Round; True-Round; Iowa King type; Johnston Bros. Specialty Contractor; Clay Tile Supplier.

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See Continuation Sheet.

22. Sources (for primary and secondary sources, give complete facts of publication: author, title, place of publication, date, etc.):

Frank Hunter conversation, in 1979, with son of Abner Schwartz, Hazelton, IA 50641
Soike, Lowell J. Without Right Angles. Des Moines, Iowa: Iowa State Historical Department, Office of Historic Preservation, 1983.

Prepared by _____ Date _____
Address _____ Telephone _____
Organization _____

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1. Office Information Sources on this Property

- County Resource File
- Windshield Survey
- National Register
- Grants-In-Aid: _____
- Determination of Eligibility

Review and Compliance Project:

- Other _____
- Other _____
- Other _____

2. Subject Traces

- a. _____
- b. _____
- c. _____
- d. _____
- e. _____

3. Photo Images _____

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Continuation Sheet

Item Number(s)

This barn is specifically characterized as a Johnston Brothers' sub-type by its exterior wall of "...small red clay tile in the lower story and larger tile above..." (Soike 1983). The clay tile exterior wall and silo wall generally classify this barn as an Iowa Agricultural Experiment Station / Matt King influenced type. The use of structural clay tile was one of the later improvements in the history of round barns, being introduced around 1910.

It is known from the 1979 Mail Questionnaire that this barn was originally a dairy barn and has been used as such ever since. An alley and then twenty-four inward facing cow stanchions surround the central silo. Owned by a Mennonite family, this is the only round barn in Iowa being used with horses rather than modern equipment.