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Site # CZ 18

1. Teibel-Sykora Rubblestone Barn.
2. Lincoln Township
Tabor Vicinity
South Dakota Code: 046
- First Congr. District
Bon Homme County Code: 009
3. Building; Privately owned; NA acquisition; Occupied; Restricted access;
Agricultural.
4. Roger Sykora
RR 2, Box 71
Tyndall, SD 57066
5. Register of Deeds
Bon Homme County Courthouse
Tyndall, SD 57066
7. Good; Unaltered; Original site.

The Teibel-Sykora Barn is a rectangular rubblestone structure sited on a working farm and is an integral part of the daily hog production operation. There is some evidence of an excavated foundation of heavy field stone mortared with cement. The outer walls are constructed of dressed stone and rubble field stone to a height of approximately ten feet with perimeter dimensions of 30'4" by 80'6". Ceiling joists are machine-cut 2"x6" boards and are set into the masonry walls just below the 4"x4" machine-cut wall plate. The plate is notched for each rafter. A gable roof is constructed of 41 common rafters with triangular collars and additional transverse braces at the peak. Horizontal boards and wooden shingles cover the roof superstructure. The roof is anchored by iron straps extending from window and door lintels to the wall plate.

Window and door openings are carefully beveled toward the interior and are capped by chalkrock jack arches. There are two small entry doors, five small windows, and a dormer on the east axial facade. The west axial facade has one small entry door and four small windows. Each gable end has one large door as well as upper-story door for filling the lay loft. Ventilation ports with wood frames are located along both axial facades.

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Interior space is divided by a wood frame wall bisecting the building, and by wooden animal stalls along axial walls. Sometime after initial construction, additional roof and loft support was achieved by installing post-and-lintel braces along the central axis of the barn. Some evidence of a whitewash is visible on the interior walls.

Between the barn and a remodeled early 20th Century house is a vaulted root cellar built of pressed bricks. Also, toward the northern end of the site are the ruins of a rubblestone foundation, which may have been support for the original house.

8. 1870-1920; Architecture, Exploration/Settlement, Czech Ethnic.

Specific date, circa 1900. Attributed to Joseph and Anna Teibel.

Significant in architecture, the Teibel-Sykora Rubblestone Barn is a good example of the use of the Czech masonry technique into the twentieth century. While its builders employed many machine-cut materials, they still utilized many traditional Czech building technologies such as stone jack arches, tapered window openings, and general use of stone masonry for load-bearing walls. The present owner continues to use this building in his daily hog production operation.

The Teibel-Sykora Barn is also significant in the history of Czech settlement in the state. Joseph and Anna Teibel homesteaded this site after coming to Dakota Territory in 1869. Joseph was a charter member and presiding officer of the local Z. C. B. J. lodge. They built this barn probably shortly after 1900. Thomas Sykora, another early Czech settler and great grandfather of the current owner, purchased the property in the early 20th Century.

Major biographical source: Dvorak (1980), 17-8, 47, 59, 116.

10. Acreage: Less than one acre. Scale: 1:24,000.
Quad.: Kloucek Lake. UTM: 14/ 604210/ 4763760.

The boundaries of this property are imaginary lines that connect to form a rectangle centered on the rectangular barn. The lines lie 10 feet from the exterior walls of the barn. The site is located in the Northwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter of Section 29, Township 95 North, Range 58 West, in Bon Homme County.

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SITE PLAN OF FARMSTEAD CONTAINING CZ 18 ON REVERSE SIDE

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