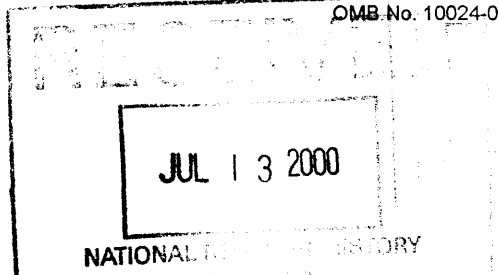


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**National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form**

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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an 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. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Conant's Cabin and Park

other names/site number Rural Wayside Rest and Recreation Site

2. Location

street & number Iowa Highway #96 - 3 miles ^{east} ~~west~~ of Gladbrook, Iowa N/A not for publication

city or town Gladbrook vicinity

state Iowa code IA county Tama code 171 zip code 50635

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 nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Patricia Quinlan *OSHA* *7-11-00*
Signature of certifying official/Title Date

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IOWA

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

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

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

Jonda McCalland

12/17/00

Conan's Cabin and Park
Name of Property

Tama County, Iowa
County and State

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	
3	0	buildings
1	0	sites
		structures
		objects
4	0	Total

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

N/A

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

RECREATION AND CULTURE/outdoor recreation

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

RECREATION AND CULTURE/outdoor recreation

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

LATE 19th & EARLY 20th CENTURY AMERICAN

MOVEMENT/Bungalow/Craftsman

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation CONCRETE

walls WOOD/Log

roof ASPHALT

other

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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 grave.
- D** a cemetery.
- E** a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F** a commemorative property.
- G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

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 # _____

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

ENTERTAINMENT/RECREATION

Period of Significance

1920-1950

Significant Dates

1920

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

Architect/Builder

Conant, George

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository:

Conant's Cabin and Park
Name of Property

Tama County, Iowa
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of Property _____ 15 acres _____

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title _____ Dr. Richard H. Thomas _____
organization _____ Cornell College _____ date _____ July 3, 2000 _____
street & number _____ 600 1st Street West _____ telephone _____ 319-895-8348 _____
city or town _____ Mt. Vernon _____ state _____ IA _____ zip code _____ 52314 _____

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the complete form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A **USGS map** (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A **Sketch map** for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name _____ The John W. Broeker Trust _____
street & number _____ 940 E. Bailey Road _____ telephone _____ 630-420-2467 _____
city or town _____ Naperville _____ state _____ IL _____ zip code _____ 60565 _____

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Conants's Cabin and Park is a private park built in 1920 by George Conant on a 15 acre piece of the farm he owned along Iowa Highway # 96, three miles East of Gladbrook, Iowa, in rural Tama County. The Park and Cabin are set in a grove of Burr Oak and was built for the recreation and enjoyment of citizens of Gladbrook and neighboring areas. The property features a two room cabin and two outdoor toilets made of logs chosen from the grove. The buildings, built in the pioneer manner of building log structures, are set on a modern cement foundations with asphalt shingle roofs. While the foundation and current shingles are not part of pioneer construction, the dominate log construction clearly retains the element of pioneer style.

The site was chosen not only because the Burr Oak Grove was conveniently located on Highway 96, but because the pasture in the back of the grove is defined by Wolf Creek, as such, the creek is considered a contributing element. The Park and Cabin are surrounded by farm land. A circular gravel driveway passes the Cabin. Two outdoor toilets are located toward the back of the property overlooking Wolf Creek. These are considered contributing to the property.

The Cabin, also considered Contributing, has two rooms. The first is 25 feet by 36 feet. The second room is about 25 feet by 15 feet. The two outdoor toilets are approximately 4 feet by 4 feet, traditional dimensions for a farm privy. There are outdoor and indoor picnic tables, grills, a swing, merry-go-round and horseshoe pit. The logs for the building were carefully selected by George Conant's father, Jonathan Conant, from among those growing in the site. They were chosen and cut to insure the retention of the bark over time. The original bark remains today. The roofs of all the buildings are pitched and shingled. The main room of the Cabin has a brick and tile fireplace.

The Cabin and Park remain as originally built in 1920. And continued to be used for recreation. Through the years the original beveled glass windows have been replaced with modern window glass. The original furniture, piano, fully appointed kitchen and flower boxes were replaced with picnic tables. The original location of the swinging bridge over the Wolf Creek, the ball field, and tennis court are now pasture.

The logs for the cabin were selected by Jonathan Conant from the surrounding grove. It took five weeks to cut and prepare them. They were cut in the months of October and November so that the bark will not peel (Traer Star-Clipper, July 2, 1920)

The main windows are 24 inches in height by 48 inches wide. The original windows were beveled glass (Toledo Chronicle, July 22, 1920)

The Chronicle also reports the original "kitchen is equipped with a range, cupboard, kitchen cabinet, table, sink, and underground iceless refrigerator of the 'dumb waiter' type, water piped into the kitchen, and all necessary dishes and cooking utensils (Toledo Chronicle, July 22, 1920.)

The Main Room contained a fireplace with 'old fashioned' andirons, beamed ceiling, dining table, library table, rockers, day-bed, grass rugs, pictures and draperies (Toledo Chronicle, July 22, 1920)

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The Traer Star-Clipper (July 2, 1920) commented that the building was already wired for electricity and contained all the light fixtures. Power was to be obtained from a new high voltage line soon to be constructed along the highway from Gladbrook and extending beyond the Park.

“There is not another place like it in Iowa and probably few in the United States” trumpeted the local press before presenting the following description of the Park and landscape.

The park is a beautiful wooded tract of fifteen acres, a part of the farm which Mr. Conant bought last year. ... Along the outside of the house are being placed log window boxes for flowers... Just in front of the house is a large beautiful flower bed. The site is ideal, with the tall and stately old trees all around. ... West of the house there are already in use two double tennis courts, two croquet grounds and five courts for pitching horseshoes. There are thirty swings for the children and the swinging foot bridge. There are twelve picnic tables and three old fashioned styles over the rear fence affording access to Wolf Creek on the north. ... This week an attractive steel fence is being installed in front of the grounds. Recently twelve bird houses, built by the manual training class in the Gladbrook schools were added to the park (Toledo Chronicle, July 22, 1920).

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE - Criterion A - History

George Conant was born on the Conant Homestead south of Gladbrook. He moved with his parents to Gladbrook in 1885. George attended Gladbrook High School and for 15 years clerked in a mercantile store. Later he purchased the store and operated it for 9 years. He married Olinda Broeker in 1900. They were without children. George served as a trustee of the Methodist Church and was a prominent Mason. In 1920 he built the Conant's Cabin (see Harvey 1998).

The local press spoke glowingly of the cabin and the park, giving numerous details of the building, playground with equipment, and camping and picnic facilities. The Cabin was a memorial to George's pioneer father, J. W. Conant, who wanted to "see a log cabin in the grove to commemorate the old log cabin of pioneer days" which J.W. had built on the old Conant homestead in 1855. George took up his father's dream and enlarged on the idea by "making the log house a modern bungalow and turning the grounds into a public park." It is clear that George intended the park and cabin to be available indefinitely for area family reunions and general recreational use (see Toledo Chronicle for July 22, 1920)

The site has great significance in the history of Iowa's State parks. It also is significant in the context of the beginnings of State Parks in the United States. The Park was designed and built at the time Iowa was starting to develop a state park system. The log building predates the construction of park structures in Backbone State Park, Iowa's first State Park. A discussion with architects at the Iowa Department of Natural Resources, State Parks Division, verified that this may be one of the oldest if not the oldest Shelter structure in the State. The 1917 Iowa State Parks law was far from effective implementation when George Conant constructed this park. In 1920 there were few automobiles registered in Iowa so it is clear that this recreation area was designed to provide a place for the Conant family and neighborhood friends who would mostly arrive by wagon. The area is located on a rural road, but one recognized by local residence as a significant pathway to the commercial center of Gladbrook. The turn of the century saw the beginnings of a federal national park program. That movement took roots slowly and any national designation of areas in Iowa was a long way off. One of the important features of the Conant Park is that it is primarily the result of one family's sense of community or civic responsibility. It comes from a strong Protestant ethic of giving to others from the abundance one has achieved and at the same time looks back to the early settlers and their courage and contribution. One should not see this area as the fruition of a national movement which arrives in Iowa but a local expression of civic duty and family pride. George Conant did not create this park because everyone was doing it, but because it was a community good and a way to honor the energy, creativity and endurance of the first generation of pioneers. It would be a mistake to read too much into both the Craftsman influence and the larger state and national park movement when considering this nomination. The creation of this recreation area owes more to the old notion of stewardship and pride than national movements in architecture and environmentalism.

Additional evidence of the importance of the Park is given in the Tama Northern newspaper of July 23, 1920. "George Conant has received a note from the State Park Commission asking for plans and specification of the log cabin.... Two members of the commission visited the park last week and said that it is the best equipped park in the state..." From its creation, the Cabin and Park attracted more than local interest. It quickly gained popularity among

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Gladbrook area residents and was easily accessible. With increased "recreational motoring" the Park began to serve tourists and those outside the Gladbrook area. It is said that Robert Waller began his notes for, The Bridges of Madison County while resting in Conant Park during a drive.

At no time over the years were the land and facilities deeded to any government agency. The Cabin and Park remain on private property, undivided from the larger farm tract. For many years area service clubs have aided in maintaining the area. A small portion of the original park across the stream to the North was reclaimed for crop land in the 1930's.

Criterion C - Architecture

The cabin proper and the restroom buildings, all of native log construction, are early examples of the "rustic" architecture that became the standard for park buildings throughout the country in the 1920's and 1930's. The Conant buildings appear to be strongly influenced by a series of designs for rural houses, schools, and summer cabins promoted by Gustav Stickley in his Craftsman magazine and a series of house and building plan books. Conant's Cabin appears to be a somewhat scaled down version of Stickley's "A Plain Little Cabin that Would Make a Good Summer Home in the Woods," which appeared in his Craftsman Homes, published in 1909. These cabins or cottages were to be of stone, brick,

or any one of a number of our native woods suitable for such construction...specially planned for its own use" and "standing...in small clearings made in the natural woodland. Therefore, they are designed especially for such surroundings and are most desirable for those who wish to build inexpensive summer or weekend cottages for holidays and vacation use" (Craftsman Homes 1909:81).

The Conant Cabin is similar to Stickley's in terms of its overall rectangular form; window size and placement, design and placement of chimney; and especially the utilization of large logs for porch posts. In adapting the Stickley design, Conant eliminated the two bedrooms, while retaining and enlarging the living room and kitchen and utilizing a gable roof rather than an hipped one. According to a contemporary newspaper account, Conant, who had been successful in business and real estate "designed the log cabin and other improvements in the park" and "obtained the idea of a log cabin from his aged father," who had built such a structure seven miles southwest of the park in 1855 (Toledo Chronicle, July 22, 1920). Conant took his father's idea "and enlarged on it by making the log house a modern bungalow" (ibid.).

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GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

UTM References

5 Zone 15 Easting 528,470 Northing 4,669,320

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary of Conant's Park and Cabin is shown on the accompanying map entitled "Plat of Survey."

Boundary Justification

This is the legal platted boundary of Conant's Park and encompasses the buildings, structures, and site historically associated with Conant's Park and Cabin. Originally the depth of the area set aside for recreation included several acres to the north of the current boundary. However, that land has been under cultivation for several years and is not included in the nominated boundary.

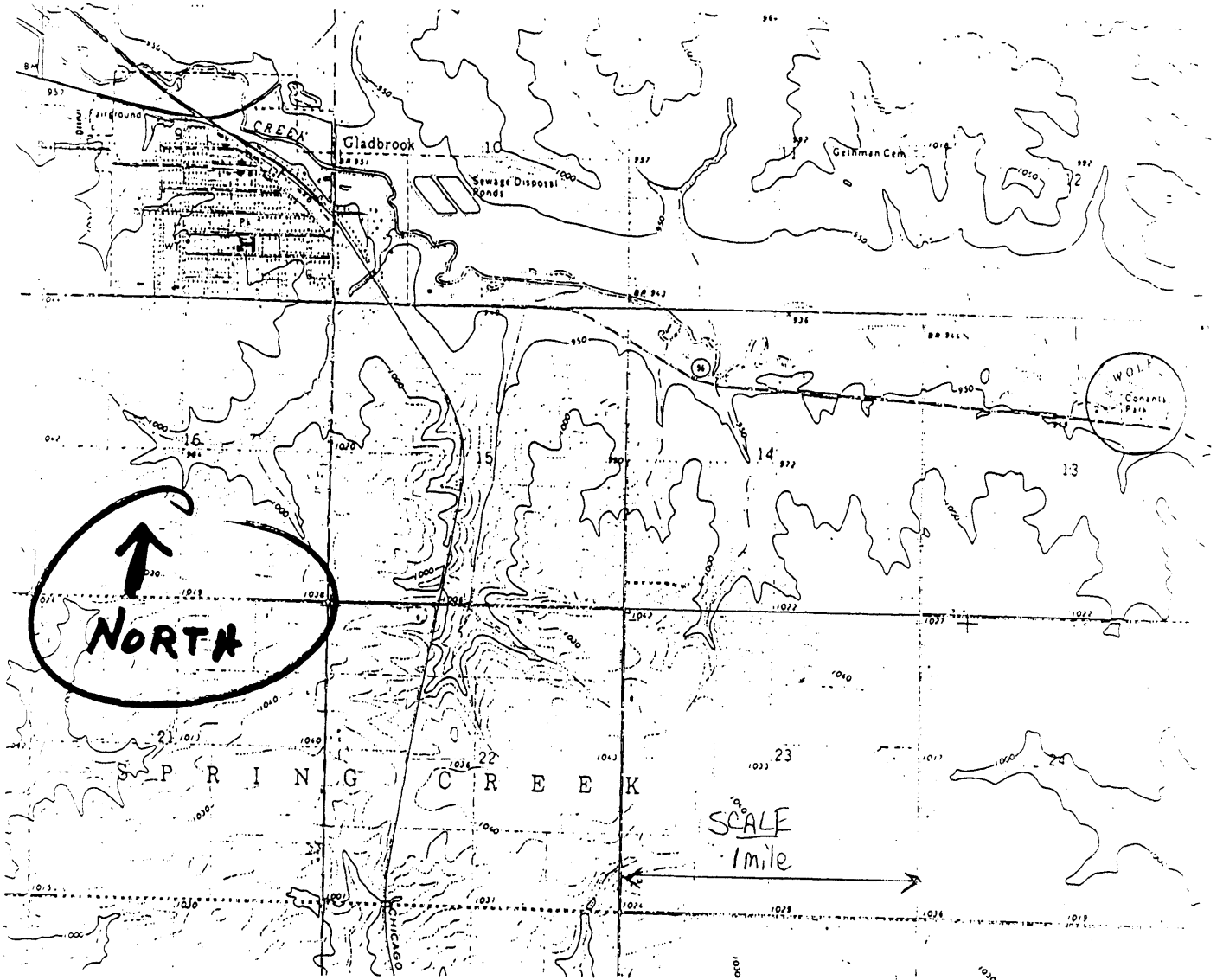
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USGS Topographic Map (Gladbrook Quadrangle, 7.5' Series)
Showing General Location of Nominated Property



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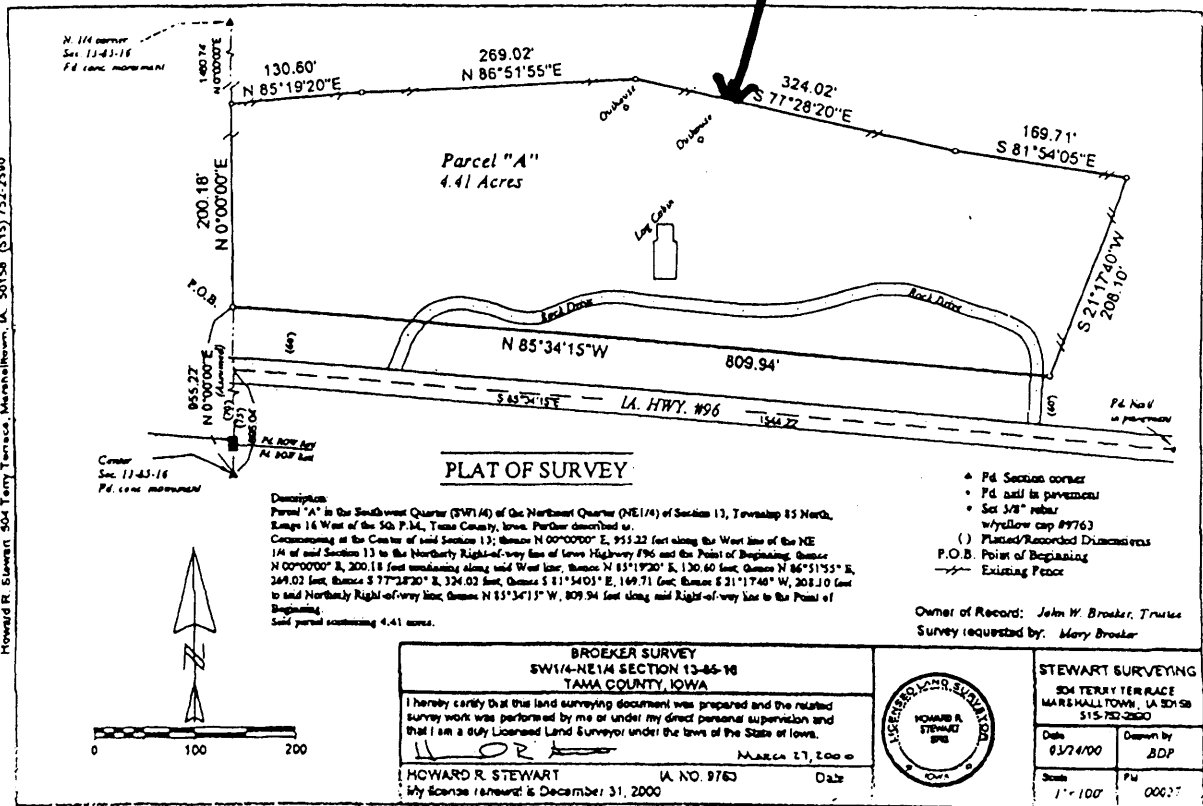
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Plat of Survey of Nominated Property Showing National Register Boundary

NRHP Boundary



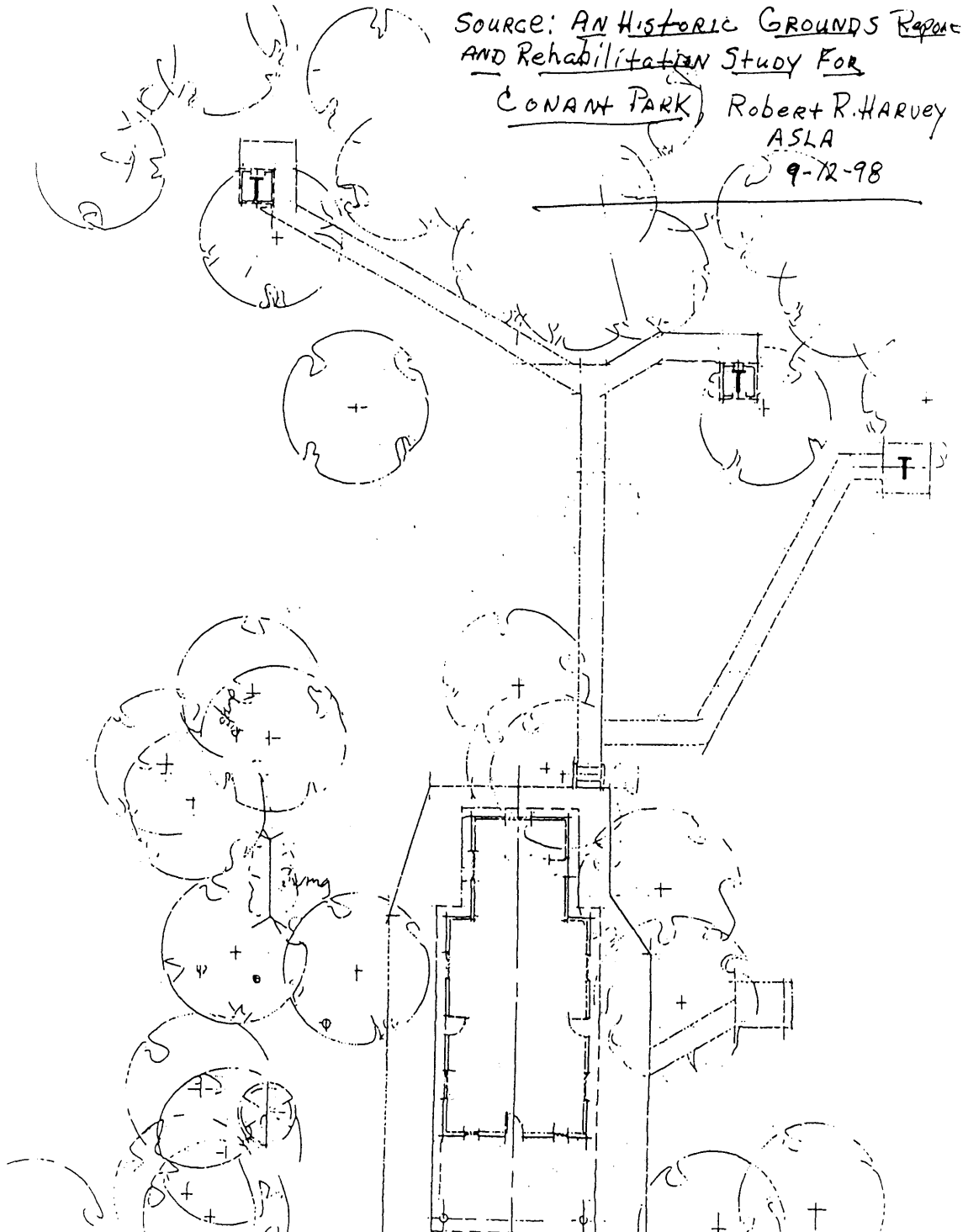
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Detail Map of Nominated Property Showing Cabin and Restroom Locations



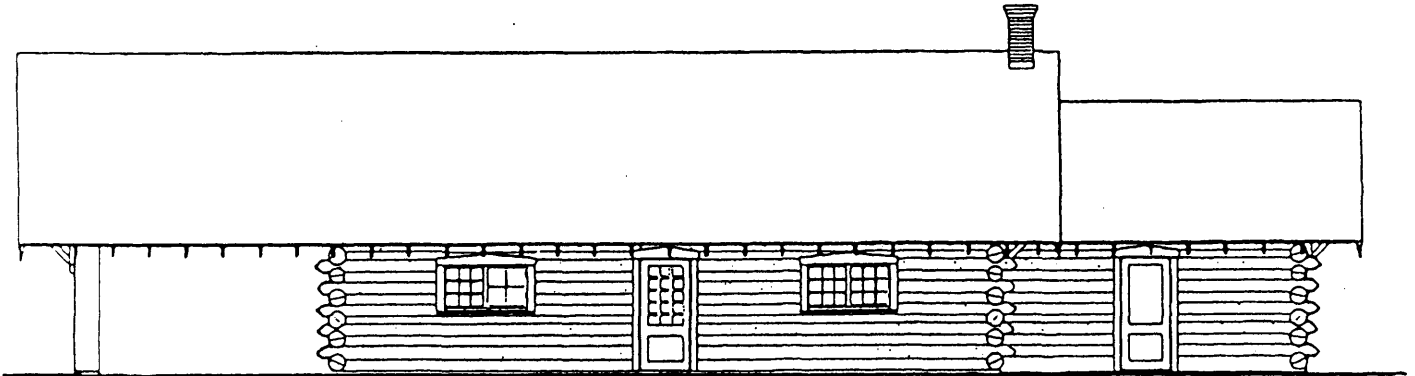
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Conant's Cabin East Elevation
Source: John Byerly, AIA, Marshalltown, Iowa



Conant's Cabin
3 EAST ELEVATION 28 March 2000
1 Gladbrook, Iowa

Scale 
1ft 5ft 10ft

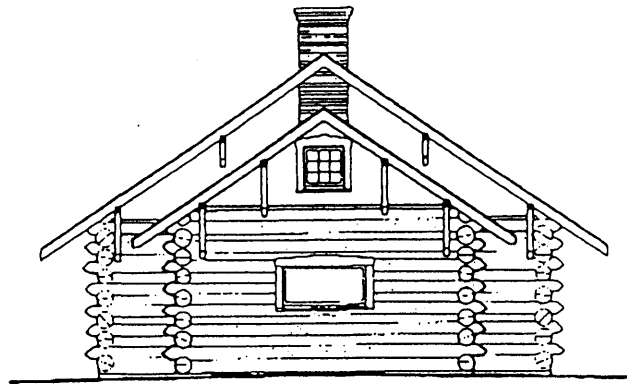
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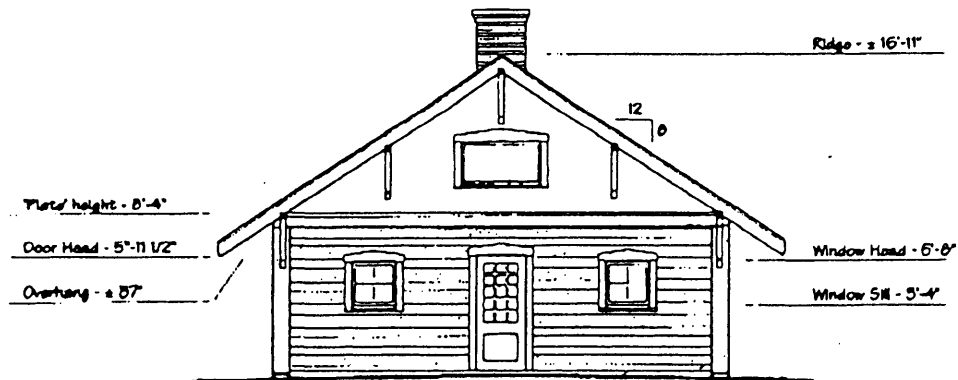
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Conant's Cabin North and South Elevations
Source: John Byerly, AIA, Marshalltown, Iowa



Conant's Cabin
④ NORTH ELEVATION 28 March 2000
① Gladbrook, Iowa



Conant's Cabin
② SOUTH ELEVATION 28 March 2000
① Gladbrook, Iowa



John Byerly, AIA
MARSHALLTOWN, IA

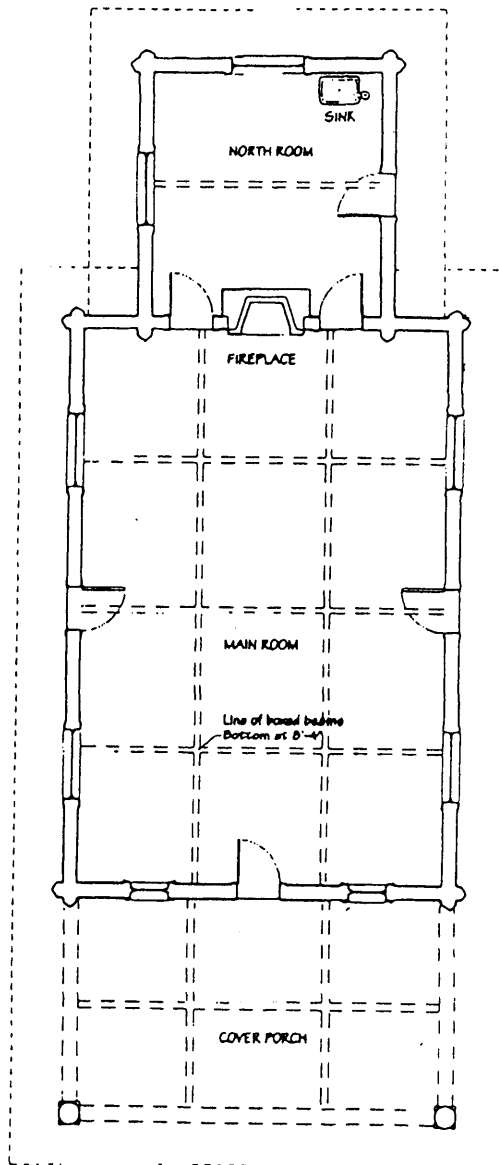
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Conant's Cabin Floor Plan
Source: John Byerly, AIA, Marshalltown, Iowa



John Byerly, AIA
MARSHALLTOWN, IA



Conant's Cabin
FLOOR PLAN 28 March 2000
Gladbrook, Iowa



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Article on Conant's Cabin

Source: Toledo Chronicle, May 20, 1920

GLADBROOK HAS
NOVEL NEW PARK

GEORGE CONANT DONATES FIFTEEN ACRES OF WOODLAND FOR PLAYGROUND

Log Cabin Built in Memory of Father—Spending Large Sums for Playgrounds and Amusements—An Ideal Picnic Spot

North Tama has a new public park that is destined to become one of the most popular beauty spots in this section of Iowa. The place is known as Conant park, owned and improved by George Conant, of Gladbrook, and located on the Traer-Gladbrook road about three miles east of Gladbrook. The park, and the purpose for which it was established, are original and unique. There is not another place like it in Iowa and probably few in the United States.

The park is a beautiful wooded tract of fifteen acres, a part of a farm which Mr. Conant bought last year. The feature of the improvements is a beautiful modern bungalow fashioned after the old log cabins of pioneer days. The building consists of two rooms, a kitchen fifteen feet square and a large living room 25x36.

The building was constructed of logs cut from the surrounding grove and laid in concrete. There is a concrete platform around the structure, fourteen feet in front and twelve feet on the sides and rear. The main windows are 24 inches in height and 48 inches wide. The windows in front are of the finest beveled plate glass. The kitchen is equipped with a range, cupboard, kitchen cabinet, table, sink, an underground iceless refrigerator of the "dumb waiter" type, water piped into the kitchen, and all necessary dishes and cooking utensils. The main room has a beautiful brick fireplace with old fashioned andirons, and has beamed ceiling and other bungalow features. It is equipped with dining table, library table, rockers, day bed, old fashioned draperies, grass rugs, pictures, etc. Along the outside of the house are being placed log window boxes for flowers that would delight any woman. Just in front of the house is a large and beautiful flower bed. The

The cabin is already being used by campers. Its use is confined to Mr. Conant's friends and acquaintances. The grounds, however, are open to the general public. West of the house there are already in use two double tennis courts, two croquet grounds and five courts for pitching horseshoes. There are thirty swings for the children and a swinging foot bridge. There are twelve picnic tables and three old fashioned styles of the rear fence affording access to Wolf creek on the north.

The park was established by Mr. Conant primarily for picnics, camping parties, family reunions, club and fraternal gatherings and the like. He allows camping parties the use of the grounds indefinitely, with privilege of using the water and fuel on the grounds.

Mr. Conant encourages the use of the grounds for these purposes, but will prohibit public dances. He has given the Gladbrook American Legion boys the exclusive right to sell ice cream and soft drinks on the grounds, but to date has allowed nothing to be sold on Sundays.

Mr. Conant himself designed the log cabin and other improvements in the park and has given most of the last six months to manual labor there. He obtained the idea of building a log cabin from his aged father, J. W. Conant, eighty years old, and pioneer of northwest Tama. The senior Mr. Conant wanted to see a log cabin in the grove, to commemorate the old log cabin of pioneer days which he himself built on the old Conant homestead, seven miles southwest of the park, in 1855. The son, who has made success in business and real estate, was impressed with the idea and enlarged on it by making the log house a modern bungalow and turning the ground into a public park at an expense of many thousand dollars.

Next year Mr. Conant will equip the ground east of the cabin with the latest and best playground apparatus for children. He has also decided to improve the ground laying to the north of the house in another year or two. He will probably lay out a baseball park or construct a swimming pool.

The building is wired and equipped with beautiful electric light fixtures. Lights will be supplied by a high tension line from Gladbrook, which is soon to be constructed past the park. This week an attractive steel fence is being installed in front of the grounds. Recently twelve bird houses, built by a manual training class in the Gladbrook schools, were added to the park.

T.C. 22 Feb 1920

Friday afternoon about twenty of the live wires from town went on to the log cabin that George Conant recently had built and helped clean up. Some were put to work with rakes while others used shovels. In about two hours Mr. Conant said the results were wonderful. Mr. Conant is planning to let the public use the as a picnic ground and has already purchased camp benches which are placed under the trees. The cabin is modern thruout and is something to be proud of.

TC May 20 1920

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PHOTO IDENTIFICATION RECORD

All photos attached were taken by Robert Harvey, Ames, Iowa in 1999. The negatives are in his possession.

1. The cabin on the left with view of the grove showing the setting along Iowa Highway 96. Camera is facing Northeast.
2. The cabin showing overhang and log work. Camera is facing West.
3. Rear of the cabin showing the kitchen wing, log work and brackets. Camera is facing South.
4. Windows on West. These were once beveled glass. Camera facing East.
5. Interior of large room showing ceiling beam structure, pitch of roof and fireplace. Camera facing North.
6. Toilet log construction technique and roof composition and pitch. Camera is facing North.
7. Landscape showing swings and merry-go-round with edge of the cabin on the left. Camera is facing Southeast.
8. Close-up of original merry-go-round. Camera facing Southeast.

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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION

PROPERTY NAME: Conant's Cabin and Park

MULTIPLE NAME:

STATE & COUNTY: IOWA, Tama

DATE RECEIVED: 7/13/00 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 8/27/00
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 00000920

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: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

ACCEPT RETURN REJECT 1-18-02 DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM. / CRITERIA

REVIEWER Edson Beal DISCIPLINE _____

TELEPHONE _____ DATE _____

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

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EXPLANATION OF THE AMENDMENT

This amendment to a previously listed National Register Registration Form is being filed under "Section VI. Amending National Register Forms" of National Register Bulletin 16-A, using alternative #1 listed on page 71. Alternative #1 requires submission of "continuation sheets with the new information and an explanation of the amendment."

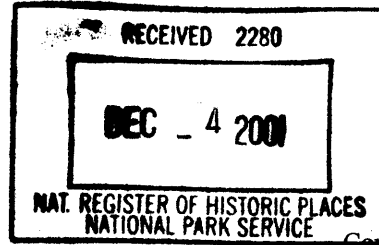
This nomination is being amended to correct the address in number 2 on the front of the nomination form to indicate that the property is located east of Gladbrook not west of Gladbrook:

2. Location

street & number Iowa Highway #96 – 3 miles east of Gladbrook, Iowa N/A not for publication _____
city or town Gladbrook _____ vicinity X
state Iowa code IA county Tama code 171 zip code 50635

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3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this X 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 X meets _____ does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant _____ nationally _____ statewide X locally. (_____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Rowell J. Sorke, October 30, 2001
 Signature of certifying official Date

STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IOWA

State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property _____ meets _____ does not meet the National Register criteria. (_____ See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau