

Iowa Site Inventory

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

Site Number 51
District Name 51
Map Reference # 51

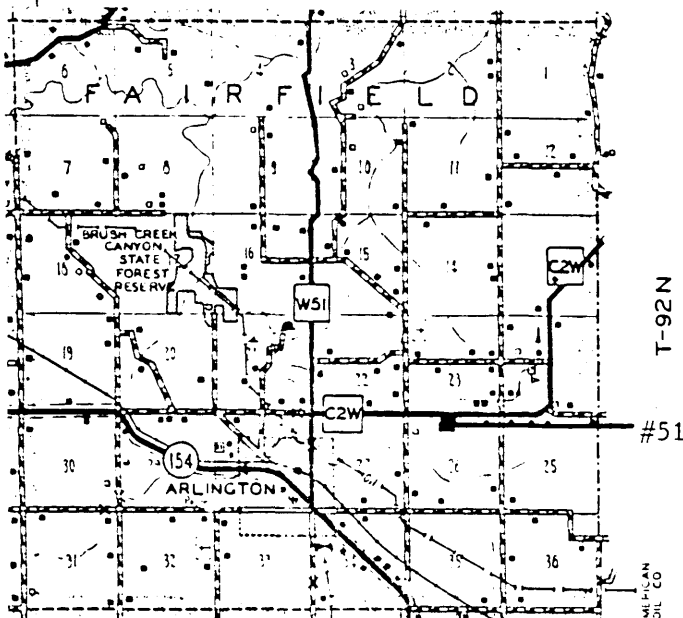
Identification

- Site Name August Nus Polygonal Barn
- Village/Town/City Arlington vic. Township Fairfield County Fayette
- Street Address County C-2W
- Legal Location 92 N 7 W 26 NE 1/4 of NW 1/4
Urban: subdivision block parcel subparcel
Rural: township range section 1/4 section of 1/4 section
- UTM Location: zone 15 easting 611,310 northing 4,734,830 Acreage less than one acre
- Owner(s) Name David
- Owner(s) Address R. R. #2 Box 45 Arlington Iowa 50606
(Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
- Use: Present Gen'l purpose barn Original Dairy barn

Description

- Date of Construction 1906 Architect/Builder August Nus, owner
- Building Type:
 single-family dwelling industrial other institutional religious
 multiple-family dwelling educational public agricultural
 commercial
- Exterior Walls: clapboard stone brick board and batten shingles stucco
 other horizontal wood
- 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 _____
- Condition: excellent good fair deteriorated
- 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.
- Related Outbuildings and Property: barn other farm structures carriage house garage privy
 other _____
- Is the building endangered? no yes—if so, why? _____
- Surroundings of the building: open land woodland scattered outbuildings densely built-up commercial
 industrial residential other _____

18. Map



19. Photo

Roll 384 Frame 14 A View _____

VBD: A 80 foot diameter
based upon center point of barn,
includes only barn.

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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

Interior - open, feed bunk around central silo. Diameter - 60'.
Silo - clay tile, diameter 14'. Asphalt shingles over wood. 13 - sided.

21. Historical Significance

Theme(s) Common Variation; Flat Roofed type.

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One of four flat roofed barns known to have been built on an Iowa farm, the Nus Round Barn, built in 1906, has the earliest construction date of the four. This 1906 date slightly precedes the busiest years of round barn building in Iowa and the period of most frequent experimental design variation, 1910-1920. The flat roof and the central silo extending above the roof are the identifying characteristics of this type.

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

David Turner, RR, Arlington, IA 50606

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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