

MINNESOTA HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM

HISTORIC NAME: P.P. Kilstofte Farmstead

COUNTY: Pine

80002109

CURRENT NAME: "Danish Farmstead"

CITY/TWP.: Askov

LEGAL DESC.: That part of T43N, R19W, Section 19 described as follows: Beginning at the NE corner of the SE quarter of the NE quarter of Sec. 19, thence south along the section line 350 feet, thence west 800 feet, thence north 350 feet, thence east 800 feet to point of beginning.

ADDRESS: County Road 33 North of State Highway 23

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

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Yes No X Restricted
 VISIBLE FROM THE ROAD: Yes X No
 OCCUPIED: Yes X No

PRESENT USE:
Residence

DATE CONSTRUCTED: 1913

ORIGINAL USE: Farm

ORIGINAL OWNER: P.P. Kilstofte

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: P.P. Kilstofte

OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Reverend & Mrs. Norman Nissen
Route 1, Box 14
Askov, MN 55704

ACREAGE: Less than one acre
 6.5

LOCAL CONTACT/ORG.: Pine County Historical Society
Askov, MN 55704

UTM REFERENCE:
Sandstone Quad. 15
15 / 516640 / 5115760

FORM PREPARED BY: Mark Haidet
DATE: March 1980

DESCRIPTION:

The P.P. Kilstofte Farm is located in an agricultural setting one half mile north of Askov's business district on County Road 33. It is within the village limits of Askov. Numerous stands of evergreen and deciduous trees are located on the property, which has not been used for agricultural purposes since the 1930s.

The farm was developed by Kilstofte, a contractor, in 1913. The house is a two story T-plan bungalow style residence covered by a low pitched gable roof with overhanging eaves and exposed rafter tails. An early single story addition on the southwest corner continues the slope of the original roof. The front facade features a wide shed dormer and open porch extending across the entire facade. A wide-based brick chimney is located on the exterior of the south side; an additional chimney pierces the roof on the north side of the rear gable section. Fenestration consists of six light casement windows often grouped in horizontal bands. A gable-roofed frame storage area adjoins the rear of the house. The interior remains virtually unaltered and features a brick fireplace which dominates the south wall of the living room. A decorative terra-cotta panel is inset in the brickwork.

The gable-roofed barn, a local landmark, is situated directly north of the house. The base of its stable or lower level is constructed of poured concrete while the upper portion is of frame construction veneered in stucco. The south wall has several decorative features including rubble facing on the lower portion and six over six double hung windows grouped in fours and threes, and separated from the rubble by a continuous concrete sill. The exterior of the large haymow or upper level is constructed of narrow vertical siding. A poured concrete silo faced in rubble is attached to the barn's east side. The north foundation is suffering some deterioration.

A gable-roofed frame carriage house measuring 20' by 71' is situated at the west end of the farmyard. The remains of a stone well capped by a windmill stand is located in the center of the yard.

SIGNIFICANCE:

The P.P. Kilstofte Farmstead is significant both for its distinctive design features and for its association with an early prominent businessman in the Danish-American community of Askov. P.P. Kilstofte, a building contractor whose specialty was stonework, immigrated to the United States from Denmark in the early 1890s. After residing in Chicago for nearly two decades, the seventeen member family moved to Askov in 1913. Kilstofte soon established himself as the region's foremost building contractor and one of the community's leading citizens. The farmstead, with its large bungalow style house and unique stonework, has been a local landmark since its development in 1913. For many years, the Kilstofte family operated a sizable dairy operation with a prize herd of Danish belt dairy cattle. The farmstead retains significant design integrity.

P.P. Kilstofte Farmstead

Pine County
Askov, MN

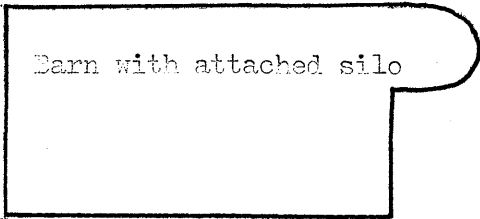
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F. P. KELSO'S FARMHEAD

- Map showing approximate locations of buildings;
not drawn to scale

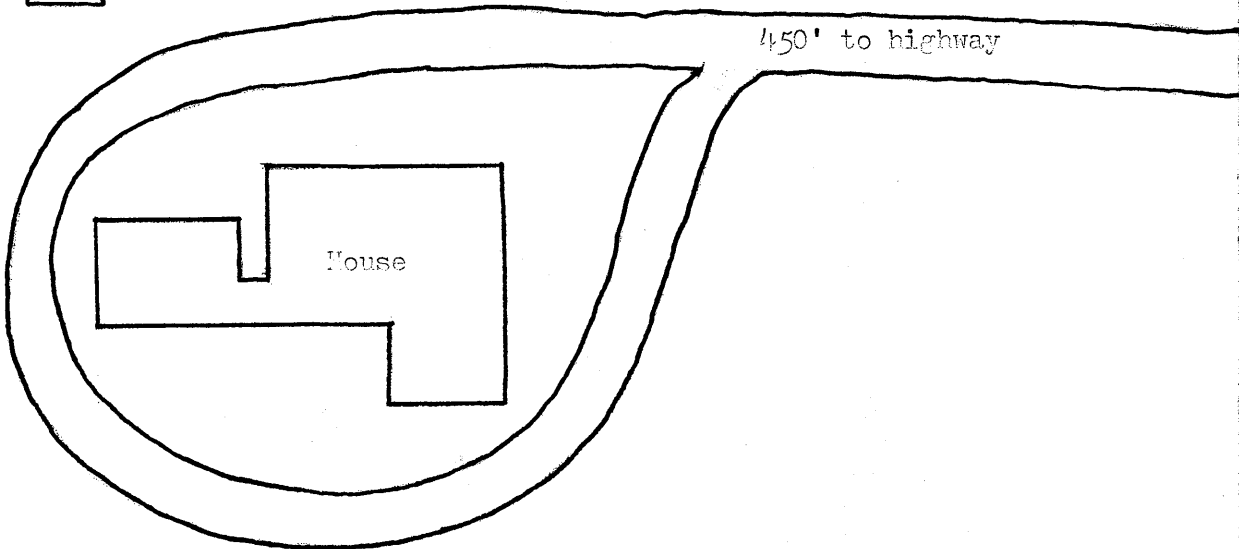


Barn with attached silo



Well

Carriage
House



450' to highway

House

County Road 33

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

for Keeper *Melvin Lynn*
11/19/89

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**Note: These changes apply to
Kilstofte, P. P. Farmstead in
Pine County, Minnesota.**

REFERENCE NUMBER: 80002109

STATE: MINNESOTA

COUNTY: Pine

RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC): Kilstofte, Peter, P., Farmstead

CITY:

VICINITY OF:

ADDRESS: Co. Hwy. 33

CERTIFICATION DATE:

REMOVED DATE:

COMMENTS:

Nina M. Archabal

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State Historic Preservation Officer

JUN 17 1988

Date