

MINNESOTA HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM

HISTORIC NAME: Anton Gogala Farmstead COUNTY: Stearns **MAR 11 1982**
 CURRENT NAME: Gogala Farm CITY/TWP.: Krain Township
 LEGAL DESC.: SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$, ADDRESS:
 Sec. 32, Township 126, Range 31 St. Anthony vicinity
 Co. Rd. 39 and 238
S.R. 39 and MN 238

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

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: Yes ___ No x Restricted ___ PRESENT USE:
 VISIBLE FROM THE ROAD: Yes x No ___ Farmstead
 OCCUPIED: Yes x No ___

DATE CONSTRUCTED: 1880-1965 ORIGINAL USE: Farmstead
 ORIGINAL OWNER: Anton Gogala, Junior ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Gogala family

OWNER'S NAME AND ADDRESS: Anthony J. & Andrew J. Gogala RR 2 Albany, MN 56307	ACREAGE: Less than one acre _____ 10 acres <u>X</u>
LOCAL CONTACT/ORG.: John Decker Stearns Co. Historical Society	UTM REFERENCE: A. 15 / 374940 / 5058880 B. 15 / 375120 / 5058880 C. 15 / 375120 / 5058680 D. 15 / 374940 / 5058680
FORM PREPARED BY: Thomas Harvey	
DATE: October 1980	

DESCRIPTION: Albany, MN Quad. 7.5

The Anton Gogala farmstead sits in a group of trees a mile south of the hamlet of St. Anthony. The fifteen buildings constructed between 1880 and 1965 reflect an agricultural life-style generally superseded in Stearns County and throughout the state. The Gogala brothers farm only eighty acres as part of a small dairy operation. Half the buildings are of log construction, and the most recent structure, the pig pen, continues a traditional family design. The original log house has been razed, but part of the present house dates from the early 1880s. Typical of traditional construction, there was little change over time. Some buildings dating from after the turn of the century are of traditional form.

The buildings are listed below. Numbers refer to the attached map. Pre-1945 dates are approximate.

1. Farm house - 1880, 1916
 One-story log wing with loft built 1880. Two-story frame addition added at right angle to the log portion in 1916. Entire dwelling is covered with clapboard siding.
2. Cow Barn - 1875
 Log construction with gable roof. Undivided single room below with cattle stalls; hay loft above. North and east walls covered with sheet metal.
3. Silo - 1952
 Wood stave construction. Attached to cow barn by low silo shed.
4. Horse Barn - 1905
 Log construction. Interior divided in half by a log partition. Hay loft above. Frame lean-to added to west wall in 1910. Sided with clapboard.

5. Smokehouse - 1880

Log construction, Low, single room building with a small log addition for miscellaneous storage.

6. Blacksmith shop - 1915

Single room log building, now used for tool storage.

7. Corn crib - 1890

Log construction. Gaps in logs left open to allow air circulation.

8. Hog barn - 1905

Log construction. Storage in loft. Main floor divided into two pens. Covered on the north, south, and west with clapboard.

9. Outhouse - 1940

Frame construction.

10. Garage - 1918

Single bay, frame construction.

11. Machine shed - 1952

Frame construction, double bay, with lean-to on south side.

12. Granary - 1962

Frame construction. Stands a few feet west of the original granary. Some wood from old buildings used in new granary.

13. Brooder house - 1952

Frame construction, Small, gable roofed building. Now used as a feed shed.

14. Shed - 1905

Now used for storage. Original use was to house a kettle to cook slop for hogs.

15. Pig pen - c. 1965

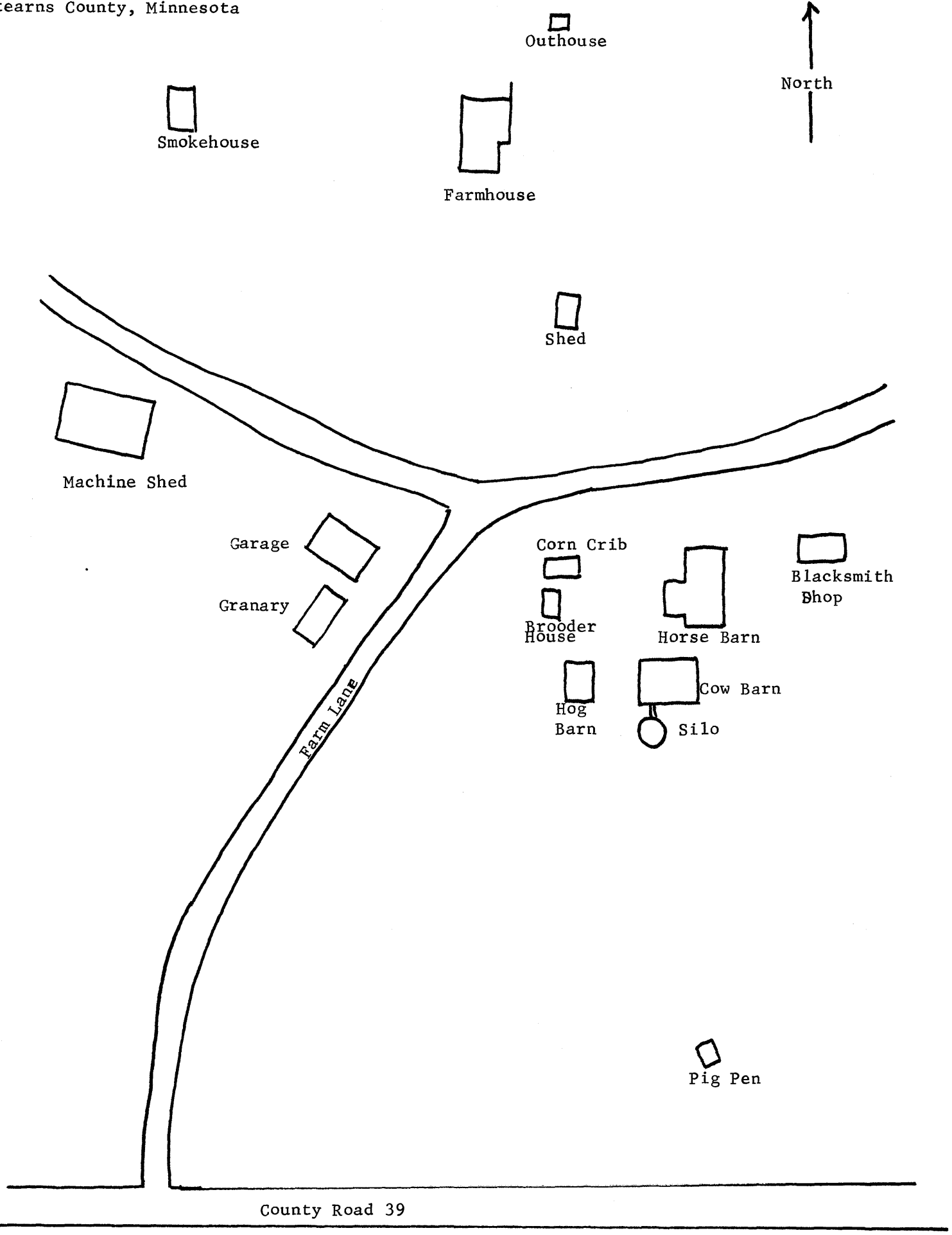
Horizontal posts nailed to uprights are filled with thatch to form walls. Roof is of thatch.

SIGNIFICANCE:

The Anton Gogala Farmstead is the best known example of an early settlement type farm in Stearns County. In its complex of buildings and scale of operations, the farm is reminiscent of the late 19th century, rather than the big-scale, large machinery type of agricultural operation common today. Few modern additions have been made to the farmstead and most of the older buildings remain standing. The Gogala family was instrumental in establishing the Slovenian settlement of St. Anthony. The Anton Gogala, Sr. family migrated from Slovenia to Krain Township by way of St. Joseph and the Slovenian settlement at St. Stephen, both in Stearns County. The senior Gogala homesteaded the northwest quarter of Section 32, and later donated land for the church and school at St. Anthony, while Anton Gogala, Junior, homesteaded the southwest quarter of the section. Eighty acres were eventually sold, but the south half of the southwest quarter remains in the Gogala family and is operated by two brothers.

ANTON GOGALA FARMSTEAD

Krain Township
Stearns County, Minnesota



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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

for Keeper Melvin Lyman
11/19/89

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Note: These changes apply to
Gogala, Anton, Farmstead in
Stearns County, Minnesota.

REFERENCE NUMBER: 82003048

STATE: MINNESOTA

COUNTY: Stearns

RESOURCE NAME (HISTORIC):

CITY:

VICINITY OF:

ADDRESS: Co. Hwy. 39 and Mn. Hwy. 238

CERTIFICATION DATE:

REMOVED DATE:

COMMENTS:

Nina M. Archabal
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State Historic Preservation Officer

JUN 17 1988
Date