

# Iowa Site Inventory

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

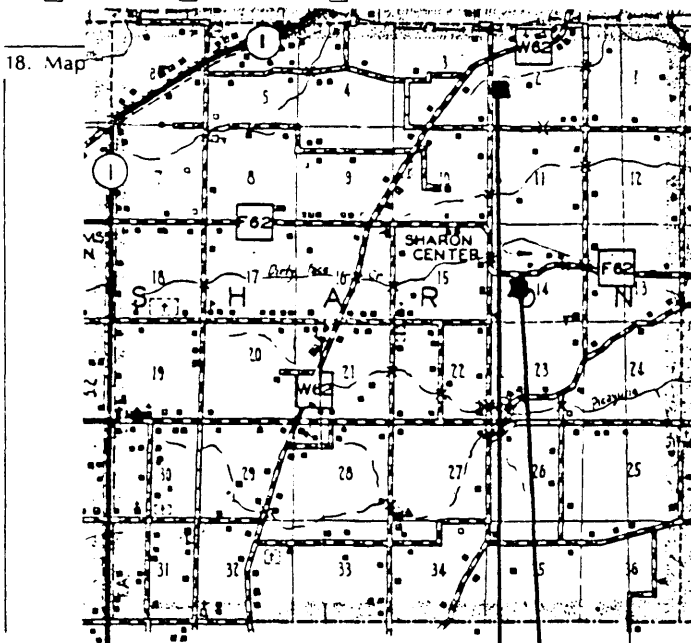
Site Number 85  
District Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Map Reference # 85

## Identification

1. Site Name Miller Round Barn
2. Village/Town/City Sharon Center vic. Township Sharon County Johnson
3. Street Address County F62
4. Legal Location 78 N 7 W 14 NE 1/4 of SW 1/4  
Urban: subdivision block parcel subparcel  
 Rural: township range section 1/4 section of 1/4 section
5. UTM Location: zone 15 easting 614,150 northing 4,601,680; Acreage less than one acre
6. Owner(s) Name Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mouglin
7. Owner(s) Address R. R. #1 Riverside Iowa 52327  
(Street address) (City) (State) (Zip)
8. Use: Present Hog and cattle barn Original Gen'l purpose

## Description

9. Date of Construction 1918 Architect/Builder Joseph Miller, first owner  
John Schrader
10. Building Type:  
 single-family dwelling     industrial     other institutional     religious  
 multiple-family dwelling     educational     public     agricultural  
 commercial
11. Exterior Walls:  clapboard     stone     brick     board and batten     shingles     stucco  
 other \_\_\_\_\_
12. 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 \_\_\_\_\_
13. Condition:  excellent     good     fair     deteriorated
14. 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.
15. Related Outbuildings and Property:  barn     other farm structures     carriage house     garage     privy  
 other \_\_\_\_\_
16. Is the building endangered?  no     yes—if so, why? \_\_\_\_\_
17. Surroundings of the building:  open land     woodland     scattered outbuildings     densely built-up     commercial  
 industrial     residential     other \_\_\_\_\_



9. Photo Roll 691 Frame 8 View \_\_\_\_\_

VBD:  
A circle 120' diameter center point at center of barn. Excludes road just to west.

# 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

Bank barn on slope. Circular interior with litter carrier, hay track 60' diameter. Clay block silo in center with 10' diameter. Probably cost \$6,000 when built. Gambrel roof with original cupola. Cement foundation and ground floor. Wood siding.

## 21. Historical Significance

Theme(s) True-Round; Illinois/Crouch type.

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This barn, as an example of an Illinois Agricultural Experiment Station / H.E. Crouch type, possesses the characteristic true-round form, wood frame construction, central silo, circular interior arrangement, and a self-supporting single hip gambrel roof. A widely circulated bulletin from the Illinois Ag. Exp. Station successfully promoted the round barn and is responsible, directly or indirectly, for influencing the design of many round barns throughout the midwest.

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

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Prepared by \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Organization \_\_\_\_\_

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### 1. Office Information Sources on this Property

- County Resource File
- Windshield Surveys
- National Register
- Grants-In-Aid: \_\_\_\_\_
- Determination of Eligibility

### Review and Compliance Project:

- Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Other \_\_\_\_\_
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. Subject Traces

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_\_\_
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### 3. Photo Images \_\_\_\_\_

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