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## NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

Requested Action:	Removal			
Property Name:	Midway Stock Farm Barn			
Multiple Name:	Louden Machinery Company, Fairfield Iowa MPS			
State & County:	IOWA, Van Buren			
Date Rece 11/26/20	를 하면 없는 사람들은 이번 전에 있어요. 이번 문문 이번 전에 대한 사람들은 사람들이 되었다면 보고 있다면 보다는 사람들이 되었다면 보고 있다면 보다 하는데 보고 있다면 보다 다른데 다른데 다른데 다른데 다른데 다른데 다른데 다른데 다른데 다른			
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Abstract/Summary Comments:	Midway Stock Farm Barn was destroyed by a Tornado on July, 19, 2018. The barn no longer has integrity to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places and has been removed.			
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DOCUMENTATION	see attached comments : No see attached SLR : No			

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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 Market Gomplete each Health and Estacking "x" on the appropriate line 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 Prope	erty	
historic name	MIDWAY STOCK FARM BARN	
other names/site number		
2. Location		
street & number	1/3 mile south of junction of Iowa Highways 1 and 16	N/A not for publication
city or town	Keosauqua	X vicinity
state <u>Iowa</u>	code <u>IA</u> county <u>Van Buren</u> code <u>177</u>	zip code <u>52565</u>
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Midway Stock Farm Barn Name of Property		County and State	
5. Classification			
Ownership of Property (Check as many lines as apply)	Category of Property (Check only one line)	Number of Resources within Property (Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)	
X private _ public-local _ public-State _ public-Federal	X building(s)  _ district _ site _ structure _ object	Contributing Noncontributing    0	
Name of related multiple property listing (Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)  Louden Machinery Company, Fairfield, Iowa		previously listed in the National Register	
6. Function or Use			
Historic Functions (Enter categories from instruction AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTEN		Current Functions (Enter categories from instructions)  AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE: animal facility	
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NO STYLE		walls Wood	
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Narrative Description
(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION

This is a large, bank barn, built on a heavy timber framing system, which rests on a stone foundation. Constructed circa 1880, the barn features walls clad with boards and battens, possesses a rectangular footprint, and is covered by a gable roof. A lean-to was added to this barn circa 1916. At this same time, this barn was retrofitted with a series of Louden-designed and manufactured products to facilitate its use for dairy farming. (An earlier version of a Louden hay carrier system had previously served this barn.) This equipment included a new hay carrier system, as well as a metal aerator and a litter carrier system. This barn is presently used for storage. For a barn of its age, the building is in fine condition.

#### BARN

This is a bank barn, resting on a stone foundation, and featuring heavy timber framing and a side gable roof. The attached lean-to is situated on the south elevation and is covered with a shed roof. The barn is painted white.

The main portion of this barn is rectangular in shape and measures approximately 40' x 62'. The building's frame system consists of heavy oak timber, with the solid posts and beams interlocking with mortise and tenon joints. A typical bent is illustrated on Continuation Sheet 7-10. There are four of these bents within the interior of the barn. The ground floor features a poured concrete floor.

This barn possesses a total of 27 window openings. These windows are regularly configured on all four elevations on the upper and lower portions of the main floor of the barn. These windows feature permanently-fixed, wooden louvers, which are original to the barn's construction. The ground floor of the barn also features regularly configured window openings. The windows here are fixed. The ghost sign "Midway Stock Farm" is painted in black across the gable end of the east elevation of the barn.

The barn can be accessed by four entrances. The north elevation features double sliding doors to the main floor and is accessed from the bank barn drive. The east elevation of the ground floor features a single, hinged door on the northeast corner and a sliding door on the southeast corner of the lean-to. The west elevation of the lean-to also features a sliding door.

The roof of this barn is covered with asphalt shingles. There is no silo associated with this barn presently or historically.

A lean-to was added to the south elevation of the main barn circa 1918. The lean-to measures approximately 16' x 62'. It runs the full length of the south elevation of the main barn. The lean-to rests on poured concrete footings and features exterior walls clad with board and battens. The lean-to is covered with a shed roof of asphalt shingles. The updating of this barn with newer Louden-designed equipment probably occurred at the same time that the lean-to was constructed.

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In the interior, the ground floor consists of two sections. The north section is situated within the barn proper, and the south section is situated within the lean-to addition, which stands on the southern elevation of the building. The northern section is accessed by a doorway in the northeast corner of the east elevation. The southern section is accessed by a double door in the east elevation and by a double door in the west elevation. To provide access between the lean-to and the ground floor of the main barn, portions of the main barn's stone foundation have been removed at the southeast corner and at the southwest corner.

The north section of the ground floor consists of one large room. It features a concrete floor, stone walls, and log floor joists, some unstripped of bark.

A Louden litter carrier remains almost intact on the ground floor of this barn. It features two lines of Louden double bead steel track. One track runs along the north side of the room, and one track runs along the south side of the room. A connecting track runs along the eastern side of the room and links these two tracks together at the east doorway between the north and south sections. (See Continuation Sheet 7-9.) A Louden-designed and manufactured switch is located where these two tracks meet. This switch allows the litter carrier to move along only one of the tracks to and from the north section. From this switch, one double bead, carrier track runs along the south side of the lean-to and out the rear door to the west. (See Continuation Sheet 7-9.) "Double bead" was the way Louden described the monorail along which the litter carrier moved. This track resembles, in section view, a plus sign-"+". According to Louden:

the shape of Louden track eliminates all unnecessary friction, and much less power is necessary to operate a car than with the ordinary, cheaply constructed track. A thin, flat sided track will buckle over or become wavy, carrying half the load that Louden track will carry with ease. (Louden Machinery Company c. 1915:153)

Other component parts of the litter carrier system include a variety of track fittings--track hangers which hold the track to the supporting beams and end stop blocks to prevent the box from derailing, rollers along which the box moves, a hoisting gear to raise and lower the box, hand chains to operate the hoisting gear, and the switch described above. One of the sprockets of the hoisting gear is embossed "Pat Sept. 10 07." This device is similar to "The Emancipator Hoisting Gear" illustrated in Louden's c. 1915 catalog. (See Continuation Sheet 7-11.) Although the litter carrier box itself is nonextant, the workings of this litter carrier equipment can be easily visualized from its extant components, all of which are Louden-designed and manufactured. Another piece of Louden equipment remains, now dismounted, in the barn. It consists of a wooden track and an iron carrier, whose rollers are embossed "Dec. 18, 83" and "March 2 86." These dates correspond with patents #290,591 and #337,173 respectively, as granted to William Louden for hay carriers by the U.S. Patent Office.

The main floor of this barn is accessed by a bank drive situated on its northern elevation. The main floor serves as the barn's hay mow and features one large area of approximately 2,400 square feet. A Louden-designed hay carrier and fork remain in place under the ridge of the barn's roof. The hay

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carrier is mounted on a steel track, which runs the length of the building. A Louden-designed, metal aerator is situated at the center of the barn's roof ridge. A Louden-designed monorail, constructed of wood, and a metal hay carrier lie on the main floor of this barn, detached from the structure itself. Although it is not presently known how this equipment is associated with the Midway Stock Farm Barn, wooden monorails predate the company's steel monorails. Perhaps the presently-installed hay carrier equipment replaced these earlier Louden products.

Only a few alterations have been made to the Midway Stock Farm Barn since the 1910s. Presently, there are no dairy stanchions in the barn, and these were presumably removed some time in the past. Although the loss of these stanchions diminishes somewhat the barn's ability to tell the story of dairy farming, the presence of the littler carrier and the litter track provides visual information about the arrangement of the barn's stalls and how the building operated.

Presently, the Midway Stock Farm Barn is in good condition.

#### SITE

This barn is situated in Section 6 of Washington Township in Van Buren County, Iowa. The National Register boundaries encompass a 75' x 100' parcel of land within the farmstead on which the barn is situated.

The farmstead possesses several other buildings. These buildings are oriented along a farmstead drive, which runs east and west and accesses the farmstead from Iowa Highway 1. A farmhouse, smoke house, and lean-to stand on the north side of this drive. Constructed of locally-fired, soft brick and constructed circa 1878, these buildings are architecturally interesting because of their age and design. The 2-1/2 story farmhouse is influenced by Italianate styling. The driveway into the farmstead bends to the south near the garage. The farm's outbuildings are clustered along this southern portion of the driveway. These buildings include a small barn (now being dismantled). The bank barn is situated at the southern terminus of this driveway.

This farmstead is probably eligible for nomination to the National Register as an historic district because of its architecture.

The immediate surroundings of the Midway Stock Farm Barn are of rolling topography. Land use is agricultural in all directions. Mount Zion Presbyterian Church is located 1,800 feet to the south. Iowa Highway 1 serves as an important overland road in eastern Iowa. It runs from Keosauqua (Van Buren County) in the south, through Iowa City and other points north.

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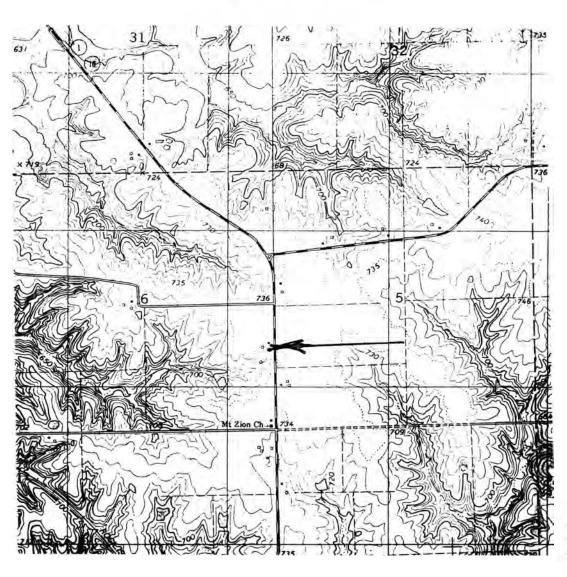
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### SITE MAP

#### ARROW LOCATES PROPERTY





Source: U.S.G.S. Map (7.5 Minute Series), Mount Zion Quadrangle, 1981.

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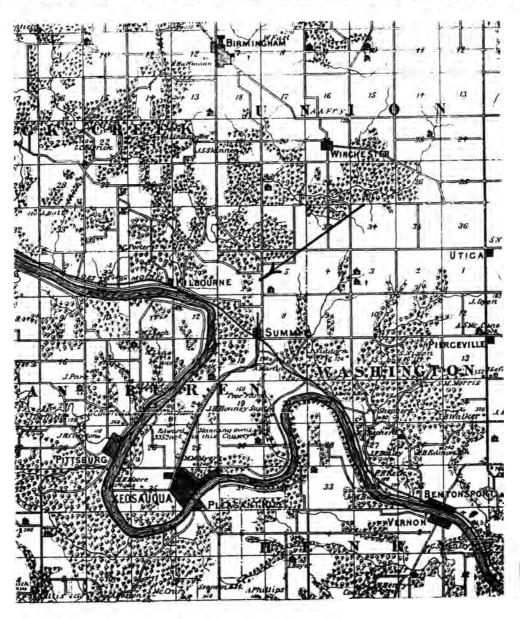
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### 1875 MAP

### ARROW LOCATES SITE OF PROPERTY, UNIDENTIFIED AS TO OWNERSHIP





Source: Andreas Illustrated Historical Atlas of the State of Iowa, 1875, p. 85.

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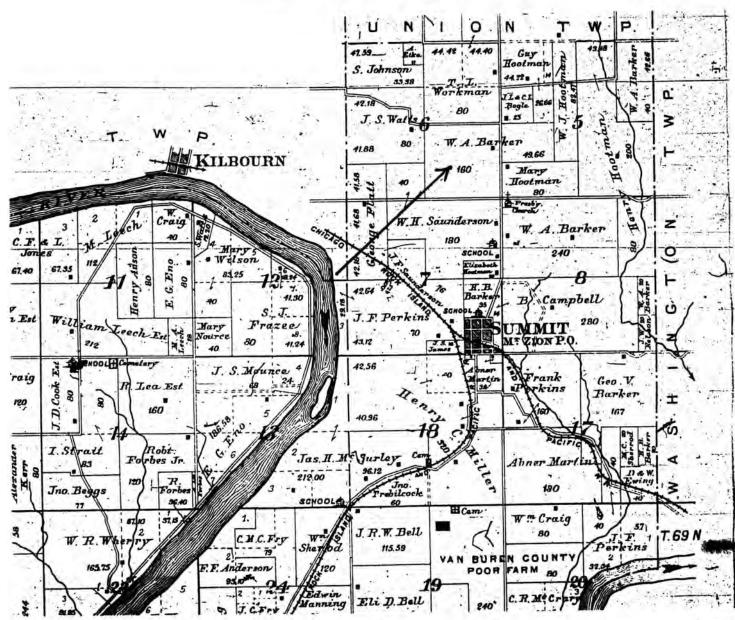
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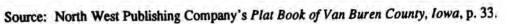
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### 1897 TOWNSHIP MAP

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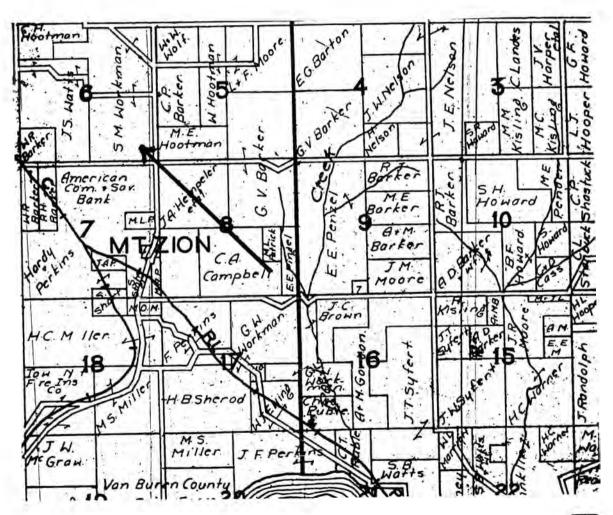
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## CIRCA 1920 TOWNSHIP MAP

ARROW LOCATES FARM





Source: Hixson's Plat Book of Van Buren County, Iowa.

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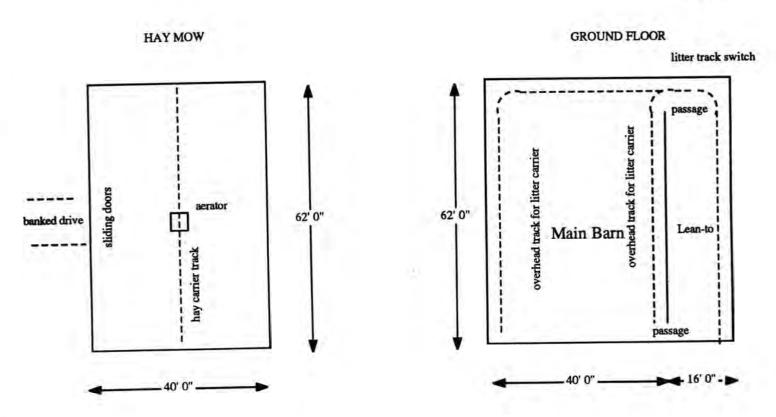
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## SKETCH PLAN OF LOUDEN EQUIPMENT

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Source: William C. Page computer.

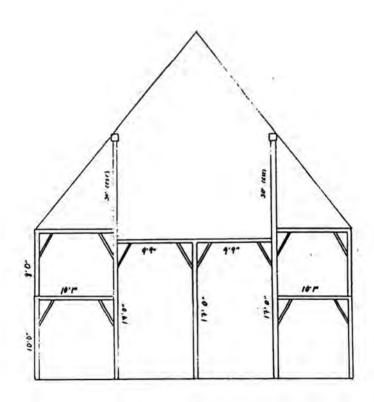
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## SKETCH OF TYPICAL BENT



Source: Robert Galloway.

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### LOUDEN HOISTING GEAR



There is no other carrier like it; no other carrier that has the same strength, symmetry, lifting power, or ease of propellment along the track. No other carrier has the exclusive special features of the Emancipator, without which any litter carrier falls short of perfection.

As has often been said, "The best evidence of worth is the name of the maker." The Louden Machinery Company is too well established, too well known, and too proud of its reputation for quality and square dealing, to offer any product that is not satisfactory and SAFE.

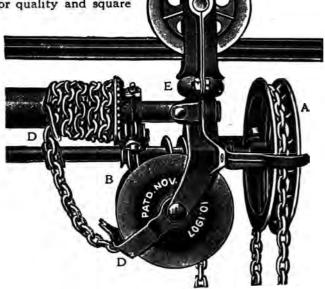


Fig. 881. The Emancipator Hoisting Gear.

The hoisting gear illustrate above was patented on November 10, 1907. It was an updated version of the hoisting gear patented on September 10, 1907 by William Louden and installed in the Midway Stock Farm Barn.

U.S. Patent Office records both these devices as "elevated carriers."

Midway Stock Farm Barn Name of Property		Jefferson County, Iowa County and State
Applie	tatement of Significance cable National Register Criteria "x" on one or more lines for the criteria qualifying the property	Areas of Significance (Enter categories from instructions)
for Nat	tional Register listing) Property is associated with events that have made	AGRICULTURE
	a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.	
_ B	Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.	
_ C 1	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	Period of Significance
	individual distinction.	<u>Circa 1918</u>
_ D 1	Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.	
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_ A	owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.	
133		Significant Person (Complete if Criterion B is marked above)
_ B	removed from its original location.	
_ C	a birthplace or grave.	<u>N/A</u>
_ D	a cemetery.	Cultural Affiliation
_ E	a reconstructed building, object, or structure.	MONTH OF THE PARTY
_ F	a commemorative property.	
_ G	less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.	Architect/Builder
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#### SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Midway Stock Farm Barn possesses local historical significance, under National Register Criterion A, as a surviving example of how a Nineteenth Century barn was converted from stock raising to dairy farming purposes through the installation of Louden equipment about 1918. Webb Barker, the son of the barn's original owner, built an addition on the south side of the circa 1880 barn and installed up-to-date Louden equipment throughout the building. This equipment included a litter carrier with tracks and switches on the ground floor; a hay carrier with steel track and grapple hook hay fork on the main floor, and a metal aerator on the roof. The litter carrier is historically significant as an important Louden invention. It is one of the few remaining examples of this equipment within the vicinity. Previously, this barn had been used by William A. Barker for stock raising.

The period of significance, under Criterion A, for the Midway Stock Farm Barn is circa 1918, the time when it was enlarged and retrofitted with Louden dairy equipment.

The property contains one resource for this nomination--the Louden equipment, including the barn to which it is affixed.

#### BACKGROUND

William A. Barker figured prominently in the history of Van Buren Township of Van Buren County in the late Nineteenth Century. Born in 1833 in Carroll County, Ohio, Barker relocated with his parents to Van Buren County in 1839. He participated in the 1850s Gold Rush, living in California from 1854 to 1859, at which time he returned to Van Buren County. In 1860 he and Rebecca True were united in marriage. She, too, was born in Carroll County, Ohio, and had relocated to Van Buren County, Iowa. In 1878, the Barkers had seven living children: Zora E., Aetna L., Della G., Lelia O., Bessie L., Wilda A., and an infant son. At this time, the Barkers had lost two children: Frank and Geary. Barker was a member of the Presbyterian Church and affiliated with the Republican party. (Western Historical Company:512)

Barker's land holdings and farm improvements indicate his stature. In 1878, he possessed 685 acres of land, valued at \$30 per acre. (*Ibid.*) There is the suggestion that his farmstead, located in Section 6 of Van Buren Township, was constructed a little after 1875. The Andreas historical atlas of Iowa, published in that year, does not show the Barkers' farmstead. (Andreas:85) By 1897, however, an atlas shows Barker owning the entire southeast quarter of Section 6 in that township. He also owned 240 acres directly to the southeast. A Presbyterian Church was located at the northwest corner of that property and was undoubtedly the church to which the Barkers belonged. (North West Publishing Company:33)

William A. Barker engaged in stock farming, as is evident by the name "Midway Stock Farm," which he chose as a name for his farm. An 1897 directory of Van Buren County lists W. A. Barker as "Farmer and Stock Raiser. Breeding of Sheep a Specialty." (Ibid.:51)

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Changes had taken place at the Midway Stock Farm by 1918. Webb Barker, the son of William A. and Rebecca Barker listed in the 1878 directory of Van Buren County cited above, now owned the property. A citation in the Patrons' Reference Directory of the 1918 atlas of Van Buren County, Iowa, lists Webb as a "Farmer, Dairyman, Stock Raiser and Breeder of Holstein Cattle." (George A. Ogle:no pagination) This reference documents the shift to dairy farming at Midway Stock Farm. While the Barkers still engaged in general farming and stock raising, they now listed dairy farming as their first specialty.

By circa 1920, the Midway Stock Farm had passed into the possession of S. M. Workman. (W. W. Hixson Company:no pagination)

#### AGRICULTURE

Originally built circa 1880 for stock raising, this building was retrofitted circa 1918 to serve as a dairy operation. Numerous Louden-designed and manufactured devices were purchased and installed to facilitate this conversion. This equipment included a Louden hay carrier, track, and fork; litter carrier gear hoist, track, and switches; and metal aerator. The hay carrier and fork and aerator remain in working order today. Although the litter box for the litter carrier is nonextant, the hoisting gear mechanism, tracks, and switches remain in place, and the viewer can visualize from them how this system functioned.

To facilitate the conversion of the Midway Stock Farm Barn, its ground floor was expanded circa 1918 with the construction of a lean-to on the south elevation and the laying of a concrete floor in the addition and the main block. Two small portions of the barn's south wall foundation were removed to provide access between them. Finally, the Louden litter carrier equipment, described above, was installed throughout the ground floor. This expanded and remodeled floor plan improved the efficiency of the bank barn because it provided a quick and easy way to dispose of manure. Up until this time, the large size of the ground floor had made this a difficult task.

Its preserved litter carrier equipment provides a tangible reminder of how this Louden-patented device helped dairy farmers keep barns clean. The track for this system begins at the west door to the new addition to the barn. From there, it runs to the east end of the addition, where it bends north. A switch is located at this point and facilitates movement of the litter carrier along two lines of track, which are situated along the north wall and along the south wall of the original portion of the ground floor. (See Continuation Sheet 7-9.) The total length of this track amounts to about 220 feet. All of the track, its switches, and the gear hoist mechanism of the litter carrier itself remain intact. The gear hoist is signed "Pat Sept. 10 07," the date the Louden Machinery Company obtained the U.S. patent for this device. A Louden catalog also pictures this gear hoist mechanism. (See Continuation Sheet 7-11.) Two rows of stanchions for dairy cattle faced the center of this barn. The litter carrier track ran behind these stanchions. The farmer shoveled manure into the bucket, which had been lowered to the floor, hoisted the bucket by a gear above the floor, and then pulled the entire mechanism, mounted on rollers, along the overhead track to the outside of the barn.

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The preservation of this Louden litter carrier distinguishes the Midway Stock Farm Barn from others in the vicinity. During a 1995-1996 survey of Louden-related resources, this was the only barn identified in Jefferson and Van Buren Counties, Iowa, with extant litter carrier equipment. Although the Loudendale Barn in Cedar Township of Jefferson County also featured one, that barn collapsed several years ago. When preserved at all, usually only a small section of the overhead track remains intact.

The Midway Stock Farm Barn is historically significant because it provides a fine, local example of a large, bank barn, whose vast mow area was made efficient by William Louden's invention of the hay carrier and track. Possessing 2,400 square feet on its main floor, this barn was equipped with a Louden-designed and manufactured hay carrier and fork, which operated along a wooden track. While it is unclear the date of its installation in the barn, this equipment remains inside it, dismantled and lying on the floor, today. The hay carrier is marked on its iron rollers "March 2 89" and "Dec. 18, 83 May 1886." These patent dates correspond to the dates at which time the U.S. Patent Office granted them to William Louden. (See cover document.) The hay carrier and fork moved along a wooden track, which also remains intact in the barn. Louden equipment was obviously serviceable to the Barker family, because when they retrofitted their barn for dairy farming about 1918, they installed an up-to-date Louden hay carrier and fork, which moved along a steel track. (This is the hay equipment, which remains in service in the barn today.) The preservation of a Louden hay carrier on a wooden track is unusual. Very few extant examples have been identified to date. The hay was pulled into the barn from the outside and then conveyed to appropriate storage areas by the hay carrier equipment.

### REPRESENTATION IN OTHER CULTURAL RESOURCES SURVEYS

In 1996 the Van Buren County Historic Preservation Commission sponsored an architectural and historical survey of bank barns in that county. This survey included the Midway Stock Farm barn. Molly Myers Naumann, consultant for the project, concluded that:

As a good, representative example of a fairly large Pennsylvania-type barn in Van Buren County, this barn is considered to be individually eligible. In addition, there is the strong possibility that the farmstead is eligible as a rural district. (Naumann)

This barn was surveyed in 1996 as part of the "Louden Machinery Company, Fairfield, Iowa" hybrid reconnaissance and intensive surveys of that historic context. Although the primary focus of that survey was Jefferson County, Iowa, this barn (which is situated in nearby Van Buren County) was also included because it was known to possess Louden-designed and manufactured equipment. As one resource within that survey, this barn was evaluated as individually eligible, under Criteria A, for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. The State Historical Society of Iowa was informed of this determination through the survey report and an Iowa Site Inventory Form.

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### RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FURTHER RESEARCH AND REGISTRATION

The Midway Stock Farm possesses a number of historic resources dating from the late Nineteenth and early Twentieth Centuries. As a collection, they may be eligible for nomination to the National Register as an historic district.

These resources include the bank barn (the subject of this nomination), drive-through granary, livestock barn, smokehouse, and farmhouse. These resources are unified by their period of construction, building materials (for example, all feature limestone foundations), and function (to provide for the livelihood and domestic shelter of a farming family).

The farmhouse is a large, 2-story, brick single-family dwelling. It features an el-shaped footprint, resting on a limestone foundation. The building possesses many architectural embellishments, including quoin work, exhuberant brackets under its wide eaves, a stone water table, and a 2-story bay window on the south elevation. The overall conception of the house, as well as its brackets, show the influence of the Italianate taste on its design. Although a 2-bay garage was constructed in the early 1990s or late 1980s and abuts the house, this garage is situated at the rear of the house and is not visually intrusive. Although this farmhouse has been sandblasted, it would serve as a contributing resource to the Midway Stock Farm Historic District.

A smokehouse is located directly southwest of the farmhouse. Constructed of brick, it features a front gable roof. The smokehouse is in good condition. Although this building has been sandblasted, it would provide a contributing resource to the Midway Stock Farm Historic District.

Other resources on this farmstead include two modern Butler bins, a modern pole barn, a windmill, a privy, a drive-through granary, and another granary. Each of these resources needs to be studied and evaluated if and when National Register documentation is prepared.

Concerning the bank barn itself, a further inspection of the building might reveal that dairy stanchions had been installed, although they are now nonextant.

The Midway Stock Farm Barn might be historically significant, under National Register Criterion A, because of broader associations with dairy farming in Van Buren County. The Keosauqua Creamery was an active operation during the first quarter of the Twentieth Century and produced quantities of dairy products for the surrounding countryside. There is the likelihood that the Midway Stock Farm helped supply raw products to that dairy. Further research on this topic might place the Midway Stock Farm Barn within this larger historic context.

### POTENTIAL FOR HISTORICAL ARCHAEOLOGY

Although the site's potential for historic archaeology is, as yet, unevaluated, the site identification of other ancillary structures associated with this property is possible, including the locations of privies.

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#### **ORAL HISTORY**

Galloway, Robert; Oral informant interview with William C. Page, January 29, 1998.

Jester, Jim; Oral informant interview with Sharon Galloway, February 19, 1998. Jester shared information about the Midway Stock Farm and its operations prior to World War II. During this period, he worked as a hired hand on the farm.

Midway Stock Farm Barn Name of Property			Jefferson County, Iowa County and State	
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Midway Stock Farm Barn, Van Buren County, Iowa.

### VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The property is a rectangular parcel measuring 75' x 100', whose northeast corner is 15 feet directly northeast of the northeast corner of the foundation of the barn, thence south 75 feet, thence west 100 feet, thence north 75 feet, thence east 100 feet to the point of beginning.

#### **BOUNDARY JUSTIFICATION**

Contains all land associated historically with the resource.

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### LIST OF PHOTOGRAPHS

- 1. Midway Stock Farm Barn Vicinity Keosaugua, IA 52565 Looking northeast William C. Page, Photographer January 29, 1998
- 2. Midway Stock Farm Barn Vicinity Keosaugua, IA 52565 Looking southwest William C. Page, Photographer January 29, 1998
- 3. Midway Stock Farm Barn Vicinity Keosauqua, IA 52565 Detail of Louden litter carrier & track Ground Floor William C. Page, Photographer January 29, 1998
- 4. Midway Stock Farm Barn Vicinity Keosauqua, IA 52565 Detail of Louden hay fork, carrier, & track and ventilator Main Floor William C. Page, Photographer January 29, 1998



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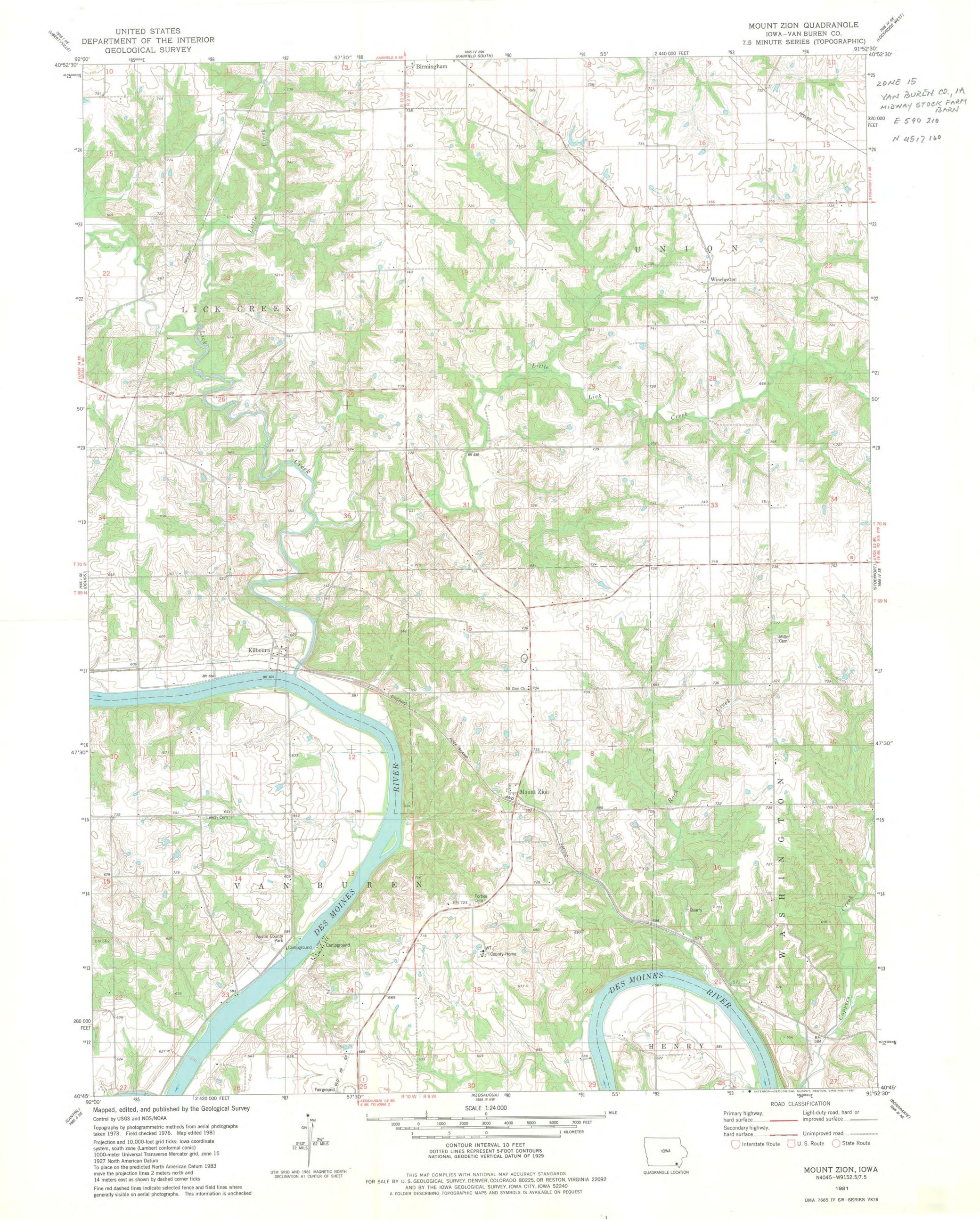
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### National Register of Historic Places Memo to File

# Correspondence

The Correspondence consists of communications from (and possibly to) the nominating authority, notes from the staff of the National Register of Historic Places, and/or other material the National Register of Historic Places received associated with the property.

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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

#### NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY Midway Stock Far NAME:	m Barn
MULTIPLE Louden Machinery NAME:	Company, Fairfield Iowa MPS
STATE & COUNTY: IOWA, Van	Buren
DATE RECEIVED: 1/08/9 DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/05/9 DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:	9 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 1/20/99 9 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 2/22/99
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#### CLG NATIONAL REGISTER REVIEW FORM

Van Buren Date of Public Meeting:

CLG:

4/15/1998

Name of Property: MIDWAY STOCK FARM BARN, Vicinity Mount Zion, Van Buren County 1. Van Buren County Historic Preservation Commission: [ XXXX] Recommendation of National Register Eligibility Recommendation of National Register Ineligibility Signature M Date 4/15/90 Chairman, Historic Preservation Commission Reason(s) for Recommendation: Upon motion of Gary Dinsmore, seconded by Max Wellborn, the Van Buren County Historic Preservation Commission unanimously agreed the Midway Stock Farm Barn is eligibile for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. This barn was listed as one of six recommended for listing after a survey of bank barns was completed in 1994. Ms. Nauman, consultant, stated, "This barn illustrates the necessity of a larger barn for a major livestock operation."

2. Van Buren County,: Recommendation of National Register Eligibility Recommendation of National Register Ineligibility Date 4-15 Reason(s) for Recommendation: The Midway Stock Farm Barn is an example of early structures in Van Buren County that were built specifically to suit the farming operation of the farm. This bank barn is in very good condition and the present owner is interested in preserving the structure and the history of this farmstead. Historic structures are a very important part of the tourism industry of Van Buren County also. 3. Professional Evaluation: Recommendation of National Register Eligibility Recommendation of National Register Ineligibility Reason(s) for Recommendation:

RETURN TO: NATIONAL REGISTER COORDINATOR, STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF IOWA, 600 E LOCUST, DES MOINES IA 50319-0290

## National Register of Historic Places

### Note to the record

Correspondence related to removal

# IOWA DEPARTMENT OF CULTURAL AFFAIRS

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August 22, 2018

Mark Meek, Chair Van Buren County Board of Supervisors 406 Dodge St P.O. Box 475 Keosauqua, IA 52565

Re:

Midway Stock Farm Barn/Galloway Barn

1/3 mile south of junction of Iowa Highways 1 and 16, Keosauqua, Van Buren County

Dear Mr. Meek:

It has come to the attention of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) that the above referenced property was been destroyed by tornado on July 19, 2018. We are providing notification that the SHPO will be requesting that the National Park Service delist/remove the property from the National Register of Historic Places. If we do not hear from you within 30 days from the date of this letter we will move forward with the delisting.

Kind regards,

Laura Sadowsky

State Historian and National Register Coordinator,

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August 22, 2018

Bob and Sharon Galloway 16677 Highway 1 Keosaugua, IA 52565-8263

#### Dear Bob and Sharon:

We at the State Historic Preservation Office were so sorry to hear of the news of the destruction of the Galloway Barn (formerly Midway Stock Farm Barn) during the tornadoes last month. Our deepest condolences to you on the loss of something so important to your family and the community.

Its destruction does mean that it has lost all the historic integrity that made it originally eligible for the National Register, which unfortunately also means that it will now need to be removed from the Register. This letter is serving as notification that the SHPO will be requesting that the National Park Service delist/remove the property from the National Register of Historic Places. If this is at all in error, we will need to hear from you within 30 days from the date of this letter. If we do not, we will move forward with the delisting.

Sincerely,

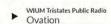
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Please Read: A letter from the Staff and Friends Advisory Board of Tri States Public Radio (http://www.tspr.org/letter-staff-and-friends-advisory-board-tri-states-public-radio)

## Historic Barn Captured On Canvas Hours Before Tornado Knocks It

By JASON PARROTT (/PEOPLE/JASON-PARROTT) - JUL 30, 2018

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The Galloway Barn: How it looked for 130+ years vs how it looks today.

JASON PARROTT / TSPR

Severe weather ripped through Van Buren County on July 19 with two EF-1 tornadoes (https://www.spc.noaa.gov/climo/reports/180719\_rpts.html) touching down near the county seat of Keosauqua. One of the twisters destroyed a piece of the county's history, but not before its image could be captured on canvas.

#### The Galloway Barn



The radio story

The Galloway Barn was built in the late 1880's. It stood about 150 feet tall at its peak, with white, wooden walls, a stone foundation, and four rows of windows.

It was added to the National Register of Historic Places (https://npgallery.nps.gov/NRHP/GetAsset/2fca376a-691a-4b82-b497-c927ac8e5fdf/) as the "Midway Stock Farm Barn" in 1999 due to its use as an agricultural barn in the late 1910's.

Brad Klodt, who manages the Facebook Page: Barns of Van Buren County Iowa (https://www.facebook.com/Barns-of-Van-Buren-County-Iowa-193380533548407/), which provides information about the county's historic 100+ year old barns, said the Galloway Barn stood out because of its size. He said most of the historic barns in the county were built to house only a handful of animals but the Galloway Barn was different.

"It was probably one of the more massively-built barns in the county that was still standing," said Klodt. "Originally it was built as a loose hay and livestock barn that was built into the side of a hill."

Klodt said building it into the side of a hill provided more room for livestock to be brought into the barn. He said it also improved the stability and helped regulate the temperature of the barn, keeping it cool in the summer and warm in the winter.

Klodt said the best way to describe the Galloway Barn was as a "landmark of Van Buren County." But the landmark is no more.

July 19, 2018

Several tornadoes ripped through central lowa that afternoon, with some of the worst damage being seen in Pella and Marshalltown. A few hours later, the skies started to turn in Van Buren County.

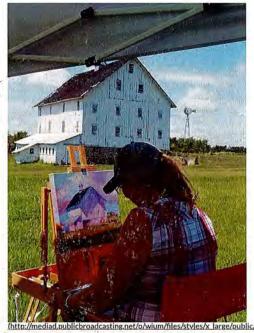
Steve Kisling of Keosuaqua was driving home from Ames, Iowa that

"I left up there and caught up to the storm in Pella," said Kisling. "I actually watched the tornado cross in front of me there."

Kisling said he took his time coming home, eventually stopping in Oskaloosa, lowa. He said that's where he found clear skies and sunshine, so he got back on the road for Van Buren County. He said it eventually started raining again.

"It was just a nice steady rain," said Kisling. "It did not seem too bad, so I decided to go home."

Looking back, Kisling said that might not have been his best idea because the rain picked up and the wind started to howl, making it difficult to keep his truck on the road.



Sheri Dill-Billings of New London, Jowa spent about 5 hours painting the Galloway Barn on July 19, before it was destroyed by severe weather that hit Van Buren County. CREDIT MARYDAWN SCHUCK

He decided to pull into the driveway leading to the Galloway Barn. He knows the family well and even loaded cattle out of the barn when he was younger.

Kisling missed the driveway, though, while he was concentrating on driving. He did look out his window, just as the barn was in its final moments.

"I looked back and [the barn] was going up in the air. And it went, I don't know how to gauge it, there is nothing around it, but I would say at least 10 feet off the ground," said Kisling. He said the bulk of the barn went straight up and slammed down, splintering into thousands of pieces.



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All that remains of the historic Galloway Barn in Van Buren County is a giant pile of rubble.

Kisling said after witnessing that, he decided he needed to get home so he drove off, fighting to keep his truck on the road throughout the trip.

#### **Family Reaction**

Bob and Sharon Galloway live in a two-story brick home near the intersection of Highways 1 & 16, a few miles north of Keosauqua. The barn was located a couple hundred yards south of their farmhouse.

Sharon Galloway said the barn had been in her family for about 60 years. But she was not around for its final moments because she and her husband were visiting friends in Farmington when the storm hit.

Sharon Galloway's daughter, Marydawn Schuck, called her as the storm intensified on July 19 to make sure her mom and her step-father were safe.

"I told [Marydawn] that we were, so she said she would be going by [the house] soon, so she would let us know how the farm held up," said Galloway. "She called me back and said the home was spared... but the barn was gone."

Galloway said as soon as it was safe to leave, she and her husband drove home to check on the damage. She said her husband walked out to inspect it but she did not, choosing instead to visit the giant pile of rubble the following day.

"I feel like crying."

That was Galloway's initial reaction when she saw for the first time what remained of the Galloway Barn.

"But I'm very thankful it was not the house and that no one was hurt. I just cannot believe it. This is going to be a mess to clean-up."



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Sharon Galloway inspects what remains of the family barn, which stood for more than 130 years.

Galloway said as soon as the storm passed, neighbors and friends started calling or stopping by to offer to help with the clean-up. She said while her family appreciates all of the offers, they plan to wait until the ground hardens to start the clean-up.

"We know that's what Van Buren County is like and what the people who live here are like," said Galloway.

The storm actually answered a significant question for the family.

Galloway said the barn needed about \$40,000 in repairs -- namely a new roof -- and all it was used for was storage. So she said the tornado helped answer the question of whether it was worth spending that much on the structure.

Marydawn Schuck was shocked when she saw the barn on the ground. She said she thought back to her youth, playing in the barn with friends and family.

"When I was little, I had a brother who was two years older and a sister who was four years older, and we used to play out there all the time. And there would always be cats and we would kinda play hide and go seek and all that kind of stuff," said Schuck.

Schuck said, looking back, the biggest surprise was not that a tornado with winds of around 100 miles per hour knocked down a 130+ year old wooden barn.

She said it was the fact that there were professional artists on-site a few hours earlier, documenting the final hours of the Galloway Barn.

#### Art Competition

The Villages Folk School (https://www.facebook.com/VillagesFolkSchool/?



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Sharon Galloway (R) said Sheri Dill-Billings depiction of her family barn was so realistic that she purchased it at the end of the art show.

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Mel Stockwell of the Villages Folk School said about a dozen artists from throughout southeast lowa participated in the competition. She said they had about 48 hours to paint at least two scenes for a competition with cash prizes.

"They're painting outdoors," said Stockwell. "They put up with rain and wind. They are really good at it and we are very excited to have had them in Van Buren County for this competition.

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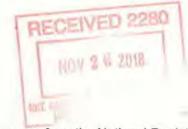
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November 19, 2018

Joy Beasley, Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places National Park Service National Register of Historic Places 1849 C Street, NW, Mail Stop 7228 Washington, DC 20240



Dear Ms Beasley:

The Iowa State Historic Preservation Office is requesting the removal of one resource from the National Register of Historic Places due to destruction by tornado:

- Midway Stock Farm Barn, #99000126 (listed 1999).
  - 1/3 mile south of junction of Iowa Highways 1 and 16, Keosauqua, Van Buren County.
  - Destroyed by tornado July 19, 2018.
  - Enclosures:
    - Notifications to owner and chief elected official.
    - Online news account of destruction.

In accordance with 36 CFR 60.15, the chief elected officials and owners of each property have been notified in accordance with the state's established notification procedures and were given 30 days to respond. No responses were received from any party. Copies of all letters are enclosed.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Laura Sadowsky, State Historian and National Register Coordinator, at <a href="mailto:laura.sadowsky@iowa.gov">laura.sadowsky@iowa.gov</a>.

Sincerely/

Steve King, AIA

Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

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Enclosures.