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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORMSEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Orson Rogers House

AND/OR COMMON

Colonial House

2 LOCATION

E of Marengo at

STREET & NUMBER

19621 E. Grant Street

CITY, TOWN

Marengo

VICINITY OF

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

13

STATE

Illinois

CODE

12

COUNTY

McHenry

CODE

111

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

 DISTRICT
 BUILDING(S)
 STRUCTURE
 SITE
 OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

 PUBLIC
 PRIVATE
 BOTH
PUBLIC ACQUISITION
 IN PROCESS
 BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

 OCCUPIED
 UNOCCUPIED
 WORK IN PROGRESS
ACCESSIBLE
 YES: RESTRICTED
 YES: UNRESTRICTED
 NO

PRESENT USE

 AGRICULTURE
 COMMERCIAL
 EDUCATIONAL
 ENTERTAINMENT
 GOVERNMENT
 INDUSTRIAL
 MILITARY
 MUSEUM
 PARK
 PRIVATE RESIDENCE
 RELIGIOUS
 SCIENTIFIC
 TRANSPORTATION
 OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Willis S. Brown

STREET & NUMBER

1297 Club House Road

CITY, TOWN

Gladwyne

VICINITY OF

STATE

Pennsylvania 19035

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

McHenry County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

2200 North Seminary

CITY, TOWN

Woodstock

STATE

Illinois

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Illinois Historic Sites Survey

DATE

c1975

 FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Illinois department of Conservation, Div. of Historic Sites

CITY, TOWN

Springfield

STATE

Illinois

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Orson Rogers house is a Greek Revival residence built in c 1846 by one of the earliest settlers of Coral Township, McHenry County, Illinois. The house has two stories. It is built of wood, painted white with black shutters flanking the front facade windows and has an asphalt shingle roof.

At the front of the house is a porch with six 14 foot tall, symmetrically placed Doric columns supporting the roof which projects over the front porch extending the full width of the house. There are four windows in the front facade, two on each side of the doorway. Beneath each window is a panel with a simple double medallion pattern. The doorway has a massive mantle supported by two pilasters and two columns in the Doric order between the door and the narrow windows on either side of the door. On the sides of the house one can see further examples of the symmetry and detail popular in the Greek Revival Style. The roof of the front part of the house is a peaked saddleback with a heavily emphasized cornice. At the center of the left wall (facing the house) is a large bay.

The house is built on a foundation of stone and hand-hewn oak timbers. The entire house is clad with clapboards, although those in use are probably not the original.

At the rear of the house is a simple single story extension with roofline perpendicular to the main portion of the house and lacking Greek Revival details.

The adjacent Orson Rogers and Anson Rogers homes were originally virtually identical, however, the Orson Rogers survives virtually unaltered.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES Built c 1846-1848 BUILDER ~~ANSON~~ Orson Rogers

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Orson Rogers house is an excellent example of Greek Revival architecture in Illinois. The Greek Revival style is usually not found this far north, making the Orson Rogers house and its very similar neighbor, the Anson Rogers house, unusual for the northeastern Illinois region. The elegant simplicity of the facade and its unaltered condition make the house especially notable.

Orson Rogers and his brother Anson, builder of the neighboring house, were among the earliest settlers in McHenry County. Orson Rogers was a prominent banker and businessman in the county. At one time, the farm on which the house sits had a large butter and cheese factory which served the Palmer House and other major hotels in Chicago.

The house is nearly identical to the Anson Rogers House which Talbot Hamlin, in his Greek Revival Architecture in America, identifies as a significant type which reveals the cultural attitudes of the early settlers in the region. He also suggests that this type of building is very like cottages found on the Maine coast and is probably derived from Edward Shaw's Rural Architecture.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Talbot Hamlin, Greek Revival Architecture in America, (New York: Oxford University Press, 1944).

McHenry County. McHenry County Board of Supervisors, Woodstock, Illinois 1968

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1.38 acres

QUADRANGLE NAME Marengo South

QUADRANGLE SCALE _____

UTM REFERENCES

A | 16 | 369 | 570 | 4677 | 020 |

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See continuation sheet

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE Philip Lindsay Pomerance, Architectural Historian
Richard D. Mariner, Senior Planning Analyst

ORGANIZATION Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission DATE _____

STREET & NUMBER 400 West Madison Street TELEPHONE 454-0400

CITY OR TOWN Chicago, STATE Illinois 60606

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL ___ STATE ___ LOCAL X

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE Daid Kennedy

TITLE Director, cell. Dept. of Conservation DATE 3/29/79

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER [Signature] DATE 6-22-79

ATTEST: William H. Graham DATE 6-20-79

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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CONTINUATION SHEET

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: ORSON ROGERS HOUSE

The Orson Rogers house in Section 6 of Coral Township, McHenry County is located within an area which is three hundred feet in depth extending southwest and perpendicular from the right-of-way of U.S. Route 20 (E. Grant St., Marengo, Illinois) and two hundred feet in width parallel to Rt. 20 and extending one hundred feet in each direction from the center of the facade of the house.

Property Rogers, Orson, House

State Ill. (McHenry) Working Number 4.18.79. 835

79003114

TECHNICAL

Photos 2
Maps 1

CONTROL

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OK 4.18.79
HISTORIAN

*Excellent resource - Ok Review -
why weren't others nominated if they
were just like this one?
- this felt to have more
integrity - other one (Ann Manuel*

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

Accept
Bratham
6-18-79

ARCHEOLOGIST

OTHER

HAER

Inventory _____
Review _____

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept
Bratham
6-18-79

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

National Register Write-up _____
Federal Register Entry 7-3-79

Send-back _____
Re-submit _____

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NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS PLANNING COMMISSION
400 West Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois 60606 (312) 454-0400

Orson Rogers House

Marengo, Illinois, *McHenry County*

8/10/78

photographer - Phil Pomerance

Neg. - NIPC, 400 W. Madison, Chicago, IL

View South

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View SW

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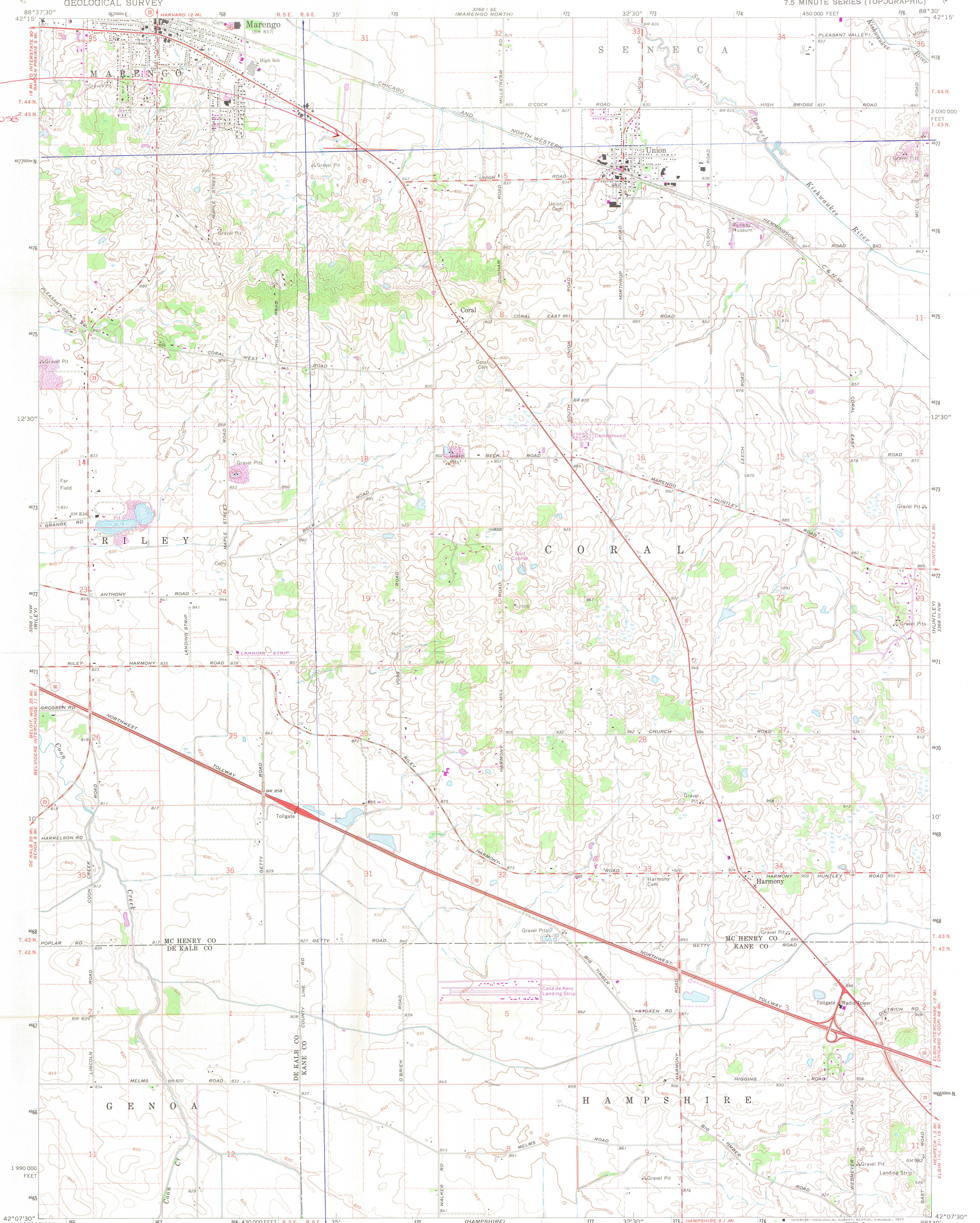
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UNITED STATES
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GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

MARENGO SOUTH QUADRANGLE
ILLINOIS
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

OLSON ROBERTS HOUSES
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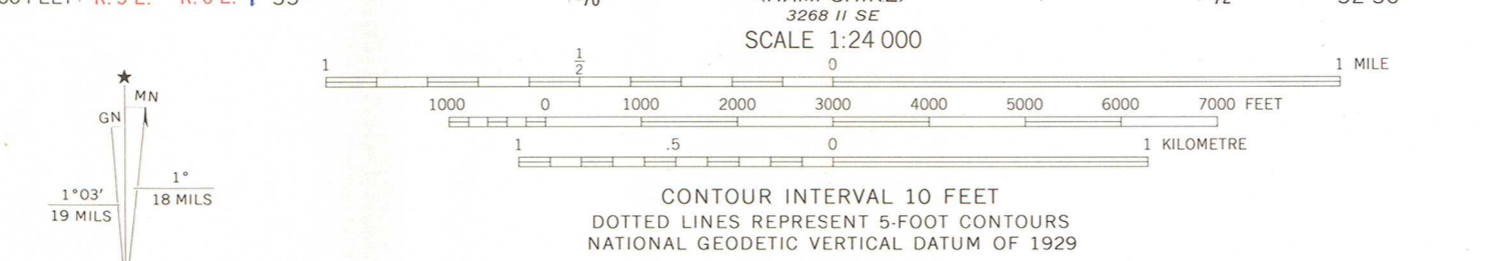


GARDEN PRairie
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3288 I SW

3288 I SW
WOODS TOCK



Maped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey
Control by USGS and USC&GS
Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial
photographs taken 1965. Field checked 1968
Depth curves compiled from chart furnished by
Illinois Department of Conservation
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Illinois coordinate system, east zone
1000-metre Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,
zone 16, shown in blue
Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where
generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked
Revisions shown in purple compiled from aerial photographs
taken 1975. This information not field checked



ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Primary highway, all weather, hard surface	Light-duty road, all weather, improved surface
Secondary highway, all weather, hard surface	Unimproved road, fair or dry weather

Interstate Route U. S. Route State Route

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MARENGO SOUTH, ILL.
 N4207.5-W8830/7.5
 1968
 PHOTOREVISED 1975
 AMS 3288 II NE-SERIES V863

UTM GRID AND 1975 MAGNETIC NORTH DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS FOR SALE BY U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, RESTON, VIRGINIA 22092 AND BY THE STATE GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, URBANA, ILLINOIS 61801 A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

QUADRANGLE LOCATION

Illinois



Department of Conservation

life and land together

605 WM. G. STRATTON BUILDING • 400 SOUTH SPRING STREET • SPRINGFIELD 62706

CHICAGO OFFICE – ROOM 100, 160 NO. LASALLE 60601

David Kenney, Director • James C. Helfrich, Assistant Director

April 5, 1979

William J. Murtagh
Keeper of the National Register
National Register of Historic Places
Department of the Interior
Heritage, Conservation &
Recreation Service
440 G Street, NW
Pension Building, Room 220
Washington, D. C. 20243

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NATIONAL
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Dear Dr. Murtagh:

Enclosed are National Register nomination forms for the
① Graham-Ginestra House in Rockford, ② the Lemuel Milk Barn in
Kankakee, the ③ Orson Rogers House in Marengo, and the ④ Dutch
Mill, vicinity of Batavia, Illinois.

Thank you for your kind attention to these forms.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey S. Flemming

Jeffrey S. Flemming
National Register Assistant
Division of Historic Sites

JSF/js

Enclosures

WILLIS S. BROWN
1297 CLUB HOUSE RD.
GLADWYNE, PENNA. 19035

April 30, 1979

Mr. William J. Murtagh
Keeper of the National Register
U.S. Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation & Recreation Service
Washington, D.C. 20243


Dear Mr. Murtagh:

This concerns the Rogers, Orson House, IL, your number H32-NR.

Please be advised that I have recently sold this house and the surrounding land to Robert W. Kling, 19809 East Grant Highway, Marengo, Ill. 60152.

I have forwarded the material you have sent to me to Mr. Kling.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W.S. Brown", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Willis S. Brown

THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

DATE RECD **MAY 7 1979**

INDEXED _____ RESPONSE (ATTACHED) _____

TELEPHONE CALL (DATE) _____

D. S. D. W. TAKEN _____

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ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ILLINOIS

STATE

Date Entered JUN 22 1979

Name

Location

Rogers, Orson, House

**Marengo
McHenry County**

Also Notified

Honorable Adlai E. Stevenson

**Honorable Charles H. Percy
Honorable Robert McClory**

**State Historic Preservation Officer
Dr. David Kenney
Director, Department of Conservation
602 State Office Building
400 South Spring Street
Springfield, Illinois 62706**

NR Byers/bjr 6/25/79

For further information, please call the National Register at (202)343-6401.