

United States Department of the Interior  
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National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic THE NISBET HOMESTEAD FARM

and/or common "THE OLD STONE HOUSE"

2. Location

street & number ~~RED #3~~, Suydam Road, not for publication

city, town Earlville, x vicinity of Village of Rollo

state Illinois, 60518 code 012 county DeKalb code 037

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Trust #65, First State Bank,

street & number 706 Washington Street,

city, town Mendota, vicinity of state Illinois, 61342

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. DeKalb County Court House

street & number 133 West State Street,

city, town Sycamore, state Illinois, 60178

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Illinois Historic Landmarks DeKalb County has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date 1974  federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records Illinois Dept. of Conservation - Historic Sites Division.

city, town Springfield, state Illinois.

## 7. Description

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date <u>January 18th, 1984</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

BUILDING "D" Stone House.

This is an 1840 Midwest Greek Revival farmhouse built with rough faced limestone which was brought by oxen cart from a quarry near Ottowa, Illinois, a distance of 23 miles from the house site. Construction was started in 1848 and completed in 1863.

This two story central block house with a story and a half wing is unusually constructed. The 24 inch hollow stone walls are constructed as described by Downing. Sixteen inch stones, a hollow space of four inches then a course of six inch stones in which 2x8 wooden beams were placed to support an interior wooden frame. Evidence of this construction was found when a back window was changed in 1950. Also, evidence was found that a wood stove had been piped into the hollow space and soot was found here and in the attic. There are openings for a stove pipe into this space on the outside wall of every room in the house. In the central two story block the smoke drifted into the attic. In the story and a half wing, the smoke went into a chimney constructed at the East end evidenced by old photographs. A main chimney constructed from foundation to roof ridge is in the center of the two story block and another in the center of the story and a half wing. These chimneys served the larger main heating stoves.

The stones used on the front facade and sides are of rather uniform shape and size, but the back, North side of the house shows stones of a greater variety in size.

The two story block has the entry near the story and a half el. The doorway has a clear glass transom and clear glass side lights. On the lintel is carved M.N. 1863, the initials of the builder, Matthew Nisbet and the date of completion. The windows in this section are double hung, 12 lights, with slab lintels and sills. There is a small round headed window in the pediment. There is no ornamentation on the house.

Originally there was a recessed porch in the el where the story and a half section attaches to the two story block. This is ornamented with two stone columns with Doric order capitals. Windows in the frieze above the columns are small single paned.

The interior of the house has original eight inch woodwork with Greek Keyhole trim in the parlor and livingroom. The original staircase has a hand turned balustrade of walnut.

Alterations to the house include the addition of a 24x12 foot room on the rear facade to replace the lean-to kitchen and woodshed which was demolished in 1949. Interior alterations to adapt to modern living involve enclosing the recessed porch and removal of the second stairway to the hired men's quarters and adding a fireplace. The stone columns on the front facade remain visible.

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Please refer to the nominated site plan with each Building, Site and Farm Structure coded by letter. All the wooden structures are painted barn-red.

Building "H" Before 1900 English or Three Bay Barn is a frame structure with an additional livestock wing built at the time of construction and is 60x 60 feet in size. It has a steep pitched salt-box roof extending on the West side over the wing to 10 feet from ground level. It is gabled at each end with an uninterrupted ridge line and the wood shingles were replaced by asphalt shingles in 1960. The sides are of barn board (vertical) and batten with the original foundation replaced by concrete 3 foot high, the original being limestone. There are double wagon doors at either end of the central bay and single sliding barn doors at either end of each of the other bays. Large single barn doors are at either end of the West wing. There are four 6 light windows at the front and back of the barn and four more along the west side of the West wing. In the interior of the barn the threshing floor and all the ground floors have been replaced by concrete. The front, South bay is divided by an alleyway with horse stalls and a milking stall on either side. The loft has a 3 foot raised floor above the central bay. There is a 2 foot raised floor above the west wing.

The beams are secured by both mortised and pegged joints and wedged mortise and tennon joints. There is no ridge board and the purlin beams are supported by diagonal posts and fan struts mortised into the purlin and tie beams at bay intervals. There is fork hay carrier in the ridge line of the roof. At the North end of the barn is a hay door high in the gable with a roof projection above for the pulleys.

Building "J" 1900s This is a Banked Barn facing South 60x50 feet with three bays running the length of the barn. There are single barn doors on either end of the East and West Bays and hay doors at the gables of each end of the central bay. Four 4 light windows are on either side of the building and two more on the North end. The frame structure is sided with shiplap vertical boards. The foundation is concrete and three feet high, including the division of the bays, though these seem to have been added later. The roof is gable with a long steep pitch from the ridge line to 10 feet above ground eaves a distance of 45 feet, at a 10/12 pitch. The interior has the three bays running from South to North ending with open space 15 feet before the North wall. The roof is supported by wooden poles from sill beam to plate beam and from the bay dividers to the purlin beam. Tie beams run the length of the barn at plate level and across the West and East bays, but not the center bay. The wood shingle roof was replaced by an asphalt shingle roof in 1983. There is a ridge board and a hay fork carrier in the ridge line.

Building "K" 1935 This Double Corn Crib is a rectangular frame building 50x30 feet facing South with a gable roof and square cupola. The twin cribs have slatted sides and an entrance for wagons in the center aisle with double wagon doors at either end. The gables are sided with verticle tongue and groove siding and the roof is wood shingle. There is in the aisle floor a conveyor leading to a bucket elevator. There are three bins overhead the center aisle.

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Continuing a description of the farm buildings with the Keyed site map.

Building "C" date unknown is a frame structure with a gable roof 40x20 feet, built on the site of a large hay and livestock barn which burned down in 1909. The sides are barn board and batten and it has a tin roof. The building has been remodelled for modern use.

Structure "B" The Windmill Well its original site as of 1842. A wooden windmill was used for this well until the present metal structure was erected. The structure and windmill and vanes are in good condition and the windmill supplied water for the house and barns up until 1975. The well pump is now operated by an electric motor.

Structure "G" The Water Gravity and Storage Tank Structure, date unknown. This is a circular building of stone coated with cement inside and out. It is 12 feet in diameter and about 20 feet high with a cone shaped stone top. There is an opening 4x2½ feet at ground level with steps leading down to the interior foundation where milk was kept cool from the dripping water. Water dripped down from the wooden storage tank which is round and occupies the upper half of the structure. There is also an opening in the cone roof covered by wood, for access to the top of the tank. The windmill pumped water up into this tank and then gravity flowed to the stone house and the barns.

Site "A" The Log Home was a two story log home in use until the Stone House was occupied in 1863. It was then used as a corn crib until the new one was built in 1935. It was demolished in 1942. The stone foundations are apparent in some places the rest under 6 inches of dirt. In digging in the area, pieces of dishes have been found.

Site "C" The Basement Barn Except for the foundations of the present small structure "C", there is no longer evidence of the Basement Barn which burned down in 1909, but which shows on an early photograph.

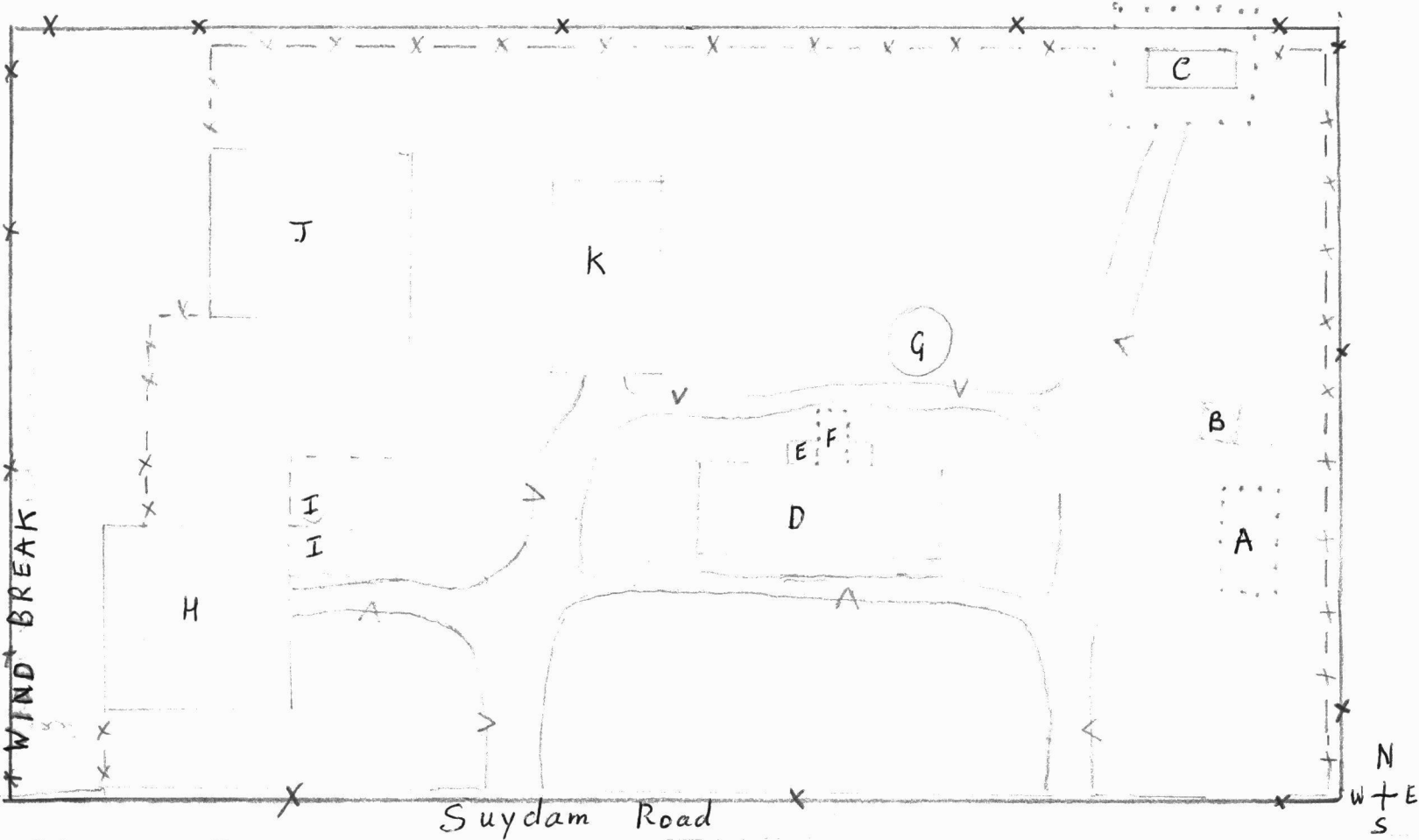
Structure "I" 1935 Silo and Silo Shed. The silo shed was added to the English Barn when the silo was built in 1935. The shed is of tongue and groove vertical siding and has a wood shingle roof. The Silo is of the Elgin rib-stone concrete stave make and measures 14x50 feet. Presently it is without a cover.

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NISBET HOMESTEAD FARM  
DeKalb County Il.

- A. 1842 Log home site
- B. 1842 Original well in use
- C. 1840's Basement barn site  
now a small building
- D. 1863 The Old Stone House
- E. 1949 Back porch addition
- F. Site of original lean-to
- G. 1863 Water gravity tank  
building
- H. 1850's Peg and Beam horse barn.
- I. 1920's silo and shed
- J. 1909 Pole livestock barn
- K. 1949 Corn Crib.

- Key:
- Buildings
  - ..... Sites
  - x-x Fence
  - v— Driveways
  - x— Boundary of Nominated Area

## 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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

**Specific dates** 1841-1863-1984      **Builder/Architect** Matthew Nisbet

**Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)** HISTORIC - SETTLEMENT;

Matthew Nisbet, builder of "The Old Stone House", was a pioneer of Paw Paw Township, DeKalb Co., Illinois, in 1841. He was born in Scotland April 1st., 1819, and emigrated to London, Canada, in 1839 where he stayed with cousins who had taken residence there.

In 1840 at the age of 21 years, he chose to leave Canada travelling by boat to Chicago. Having heard that the last Indian War was over and the Indians moved West of the Mississippi he set out to find land to farm. Matthew never rode a horse and walked from Chicago westward on the old Chicago wagon trail Road, in the Spring of 1841. He spent some time at the settlement of Ross Grove on the Chicago Road in Paw Paw Township, where he met the Harper family. James and Elizabeth Harper and their four sons and one daughter had immigrated from Scotland to Argyle Co. New York State, and in 1840 arrived by wagon train at Ross Grove where they purchased land.

Matthew continued westward on foot, crossing the Mississippi into Iowa. Finding no better land or more beautiful country than Ross Grove, he returned, making claim to 160 acres on the South end of Ross Grove Sec. 22. He built a log cabin, dug a well and cleared the land. In 1847 he married Agnes Harper, the real reason he returned to Ross Grove, so the story goes.

In 1848, with the government lands purchased and surveyed, many farmers began building Greek Revival farm houses all on the same floor plan of the main block with an el, and even the same walnut banisters. These homes built of wood have now all but disappeared from the area. Matthew, having known only stone houses in his native Scotland decided to build his house of stone. For the next 15 years Matthew and his brother Peter hauled the stone by oxen cart from Ottawa, 25 miles away and a 5 day round trip for each load. The Nisbets were fine stone masons. While building the house, Matthew and Peter cleared the land, raised livestock, and increased the farm from 160 acres to 725 acres.

Agnes Nisbet managed the log cabin which grew to be 2 stories, lath and plastered inside. During the 15 years of the building of the house, her household swelled to include 6 children and Matthew's sister, Margaret, and brothers Peter and William. Besides these, other family members stayed for varying lengths of time as they immigrated from Scotland, all in the log home.

The well just north of the log cabin was equipped with a windmill. On completion of the Stone House, pipe was run from the well to a stone storage building, a circular structure north of the Stone House which contained a wooden water tank in its top half. The water storage tank provided gravity water flow to the kitchen in the lean-to on the rear facade of the Stone House. North and West of the lean-to kitchen-bath-wood house was also a V shaped structure for ashes for making lye. North of this again some distance was the out-house.

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## 10. Geographical Data

Acree of nominated property 5 acres  
Quadrangle name Shabbona Grove, Ill.

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

### UTM References

A 

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B 

Zone		Easting				Northing								

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**Verbal boundary description and justification** Bounded by fence, the 5 acres are part of the legal discription on the continuation sheet. Within the 5 acre boundaries are: The Old Stone House, 2 barns, one corn-crib, wind-mill and well, gravity water storage tank and foundations of the log cabin.

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state Illinois code 012 county DeKalb code 037

state \_\_\_\_\_ code \_\_\_\_\_ county \_\_\_\_\_ code \_\_\_\_\_

## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Helen M. Nisbet

organization \_\_\_\_\_ date December 14th, 1983

street & number RFD. #3, Suydam Road, telephone (815) 246-9732

city or town Earlville, state Illinois, 60518

## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

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 *Doris K...*

title *Dorita* date 4/16/84

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

*Melvin Byers*  
Keener of the National Register

date 5-31-84

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

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In the 1850's a large basement barn was built where the present machine shed stands, a wooden structure. After the family moved into the Stone House, the log cabin was used for grain storage until the 1940's then demolished.

Matthew Nisbet died in 1874 at the age of 53 years. The farm was divided among his children his youngest son Laurence still at home, taking over the Homestead farm and Stone House and 270 acres. He cared for his Mother Agnes until her death in 1898. Laurence married Margaret Wallace, a Scottish immigrant in 1886 and they had four children. Crippled with arthritis, Laurence moved his family to California in 1907, renting out the house and farm to a local farmer. It remained rented out until 1952.

In 1933 with Laurence ill and mortgages due, he turned the farm over to his eldest son Franklin Nisbet, an Accountant in Detroit, to keep the farm in the family. Franklin persuaded his nephew Richard Nisbet and his wife Helen Leighton Nisbet, an immigrant from England, to take over the farming of the home place, which they did in 1952. Franklin spent the last two years of his life in the home of his birth, The Stone House, and died in 1972, aged 83. The Stone House and remaining 130 acres is now in Trust for Helen and her son Matthew Nisbet who was born in the Stone House, 1955.

The original basement barn burned down in 1909, and the present pole livestock barn built to replace it. The peg & beam barn was built in the 1800's. Franklin Nisbet built the corn crib in 1935. These barns are fast becoming a rarity since few farmers in the area produce livestock. The barns are being torn down and sold for barn-board and replaced by metal machine sheds. Also they are being taken down because of the increased taxes for each building on the farm. The barns are a redundant expense.

There are only one or two houses built on exactly the same floor plan as the Stone House down to the same balustrade. One was abandoned and burned down last summer. These are of wood siding construction. The Stone House is the only one in DeKalb County. Another was built in the 1850's but of single course stone and no air space and so mildewed and was torn down. As the only Stone House built in the 1850's in a very few years it may be the only example of early Greek Revival architecture in existence in this part of Illinois. Similarly, the wooden barns are fast becoming a rarity.

The original settlement of Ross Grove has long since vanished except for an old grave yard where Agnes' Mother Harper is buried. As the one room school houses and tiny Churches consolidated, Rollo became the village of Paw Paw Township. Today only the Church, Parsonage, Teacher's Cottage, and an elevator remain. The townhall however is a one room school house, built in 1857. A brick building that was the second consolidated school in the State of Illinois, and gymnasium was abandoned as a school 4 years ago and is now unused. Rollo came into existence when a single rail railroad running North-South was established towards the end of the last Century. The Rollo community is still a close one and decendants of Matthew Nisbet still farm here. "The Old Stone House" is a landmark in the area, and the Nisbet family has protected and preserved it

owners, all Nisbets, since Matthew Nisbet purchased the first acres from the Government in 1845.

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ILLINOIS

Working No. APR 23 1984

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Date Due: 5/24/84 6/7/84

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- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review:  sample  request  appeal  NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_

Discipline \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Nomination returned for: \_\_\_\_\_ technical corrections cited below  
\_\_\_\_\_ substantive reasons discussed below

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Has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

7. Description

Condition

- excellent
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- unexposed

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- unaltered
- altered

Check one

- original site
- moved date \_\_\_\_\_

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection





Nisbet Homestead Farm 1983  
House Front facing South

Name of Place: Nisbet Homestead Farm  
Location: RR3, Earlville, Ill. 60518  
Photographer: Wilma Sliwiak  
Location of Negatives: Wilma Sliwiak  
8709 S. 78th Ave.  
Bridgeview, IL. 60455  
Direction Camera pointing: *North*  
Date of photograph: 6-4-83

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Nisbet Homestead Farm Nr Rollo IL  
House Front facing South

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Bridgeview, IL 60455  
Direction Camera Pointing: NW  
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Nisbet Homestead Farm  
Full view of back, North  
of house with basement entry,  
back porch and  
lines of roof of original  
lean-to

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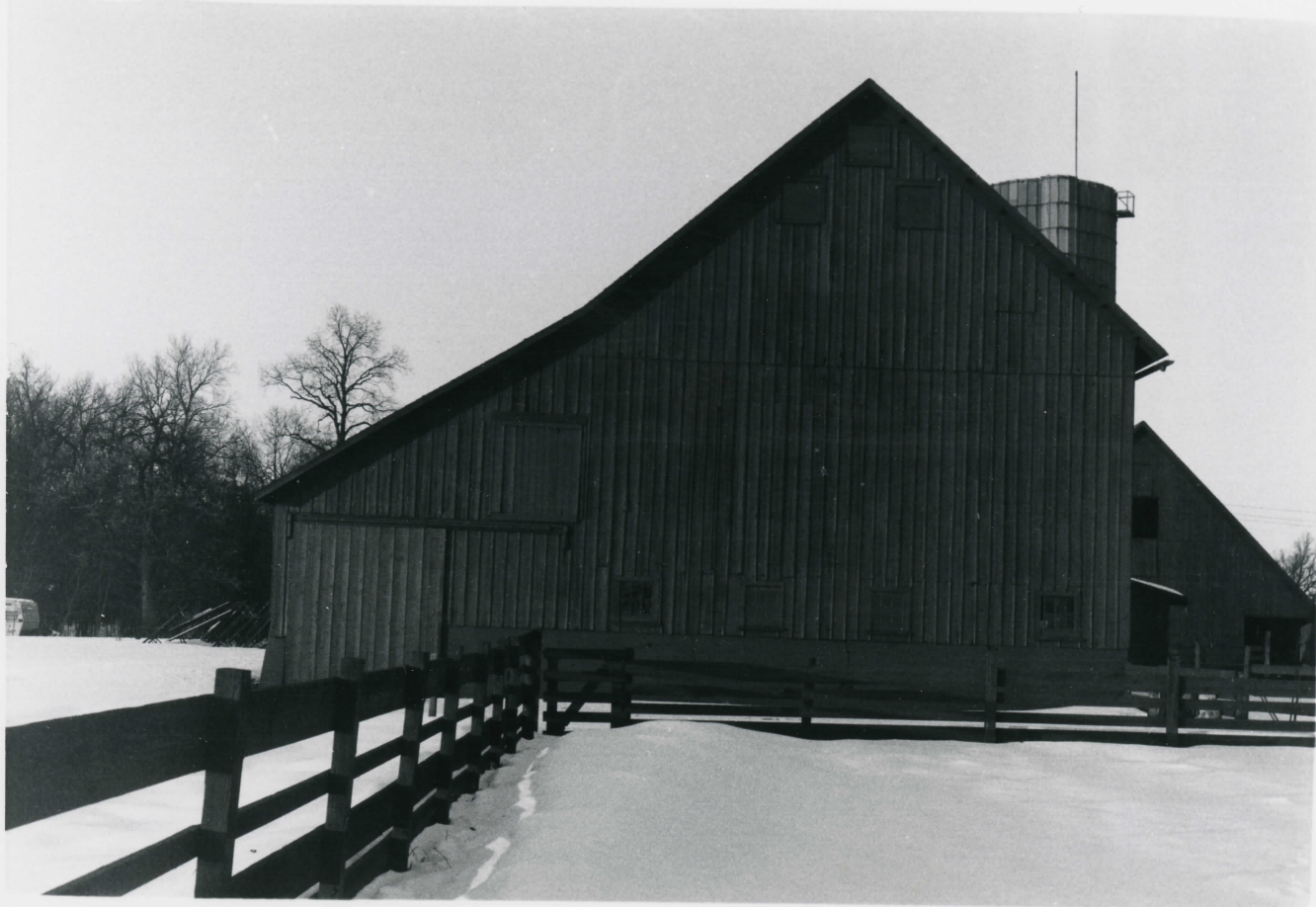
A black and white photograph of a stone building facade. At the top, a window shutter is partially visible. Below it is a horizontal stone ledge. A wide, rectangular stone lintel spans the width of the door below. The lintel is engraved with the text "M.N. 1863.". The door is dark and features a transom window with three panes and a main door with a diamond-patterned glass insert. The stone wall has a rough, textured appearance.

M.N. 1863.

Nisbet Farm Nr. Rollo  
Innitials carved in  
stone over the door  
Front M.N. 1863

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Nisbet Homestead FARM  
RR. #3 Earlville, I. 60518

CAMERA pointing East

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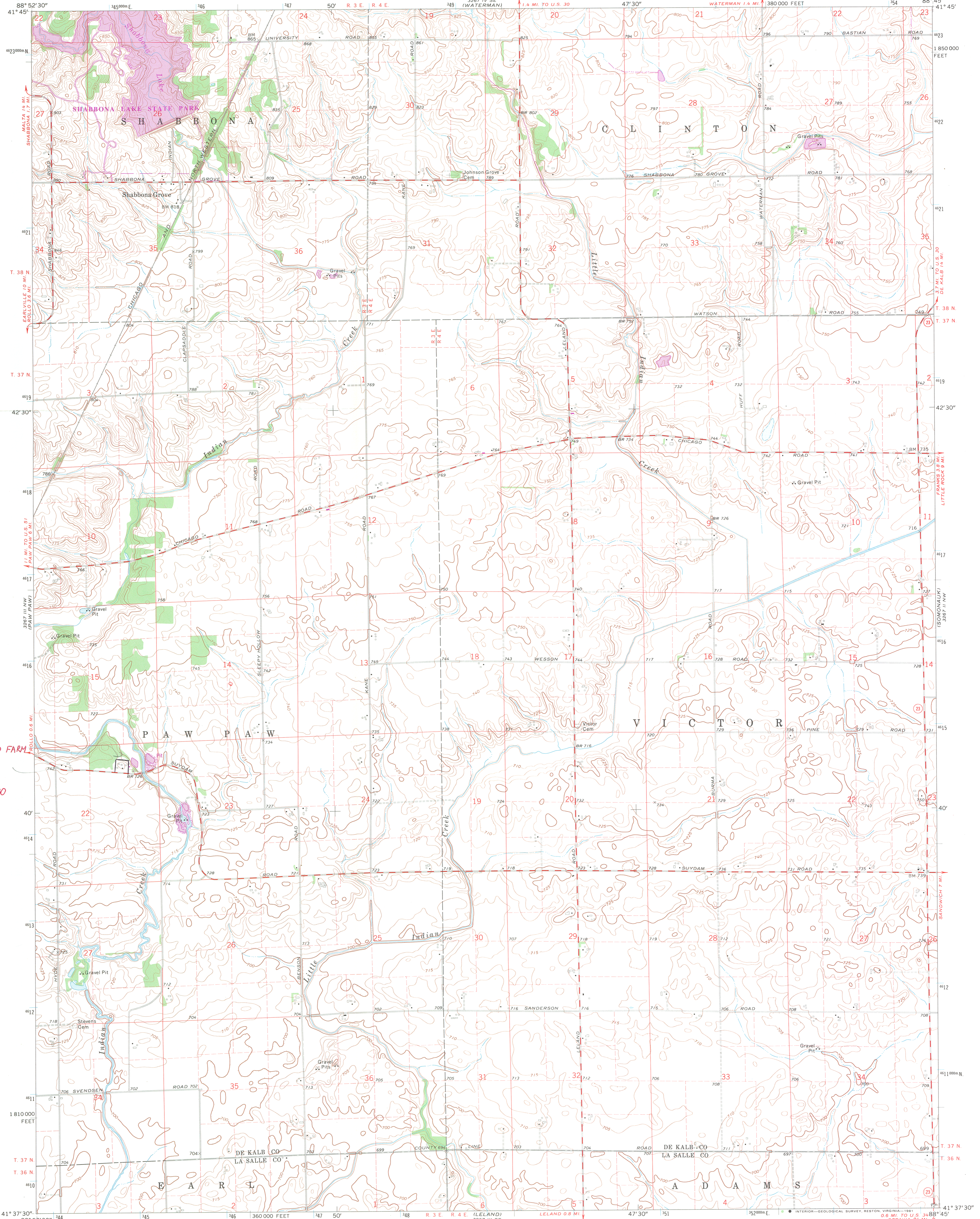
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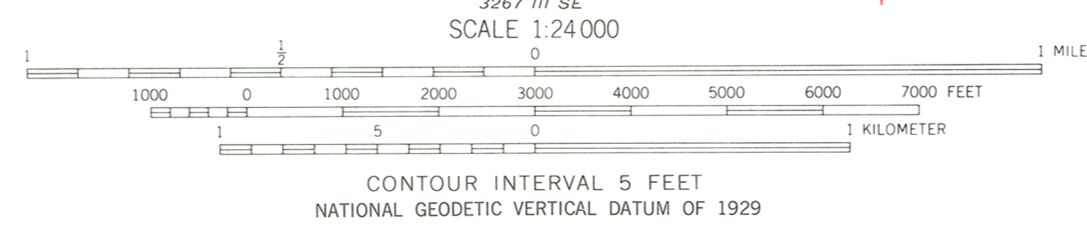
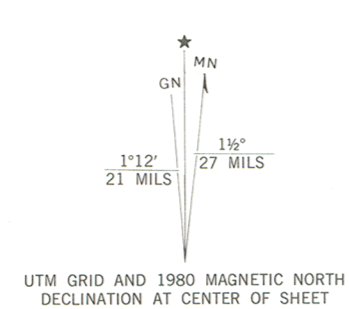
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SHABBONA GROVE QUADRANGLE  
ILLINOIS  
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)  
NE/4 EARLVILLE 15' QUADRANGLE



NISBET HOMESTEAD FARM  
ZONE 16  
EASTING 349 900  
NORTHING 4614680

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To place on the predicted North American Datum 1983  
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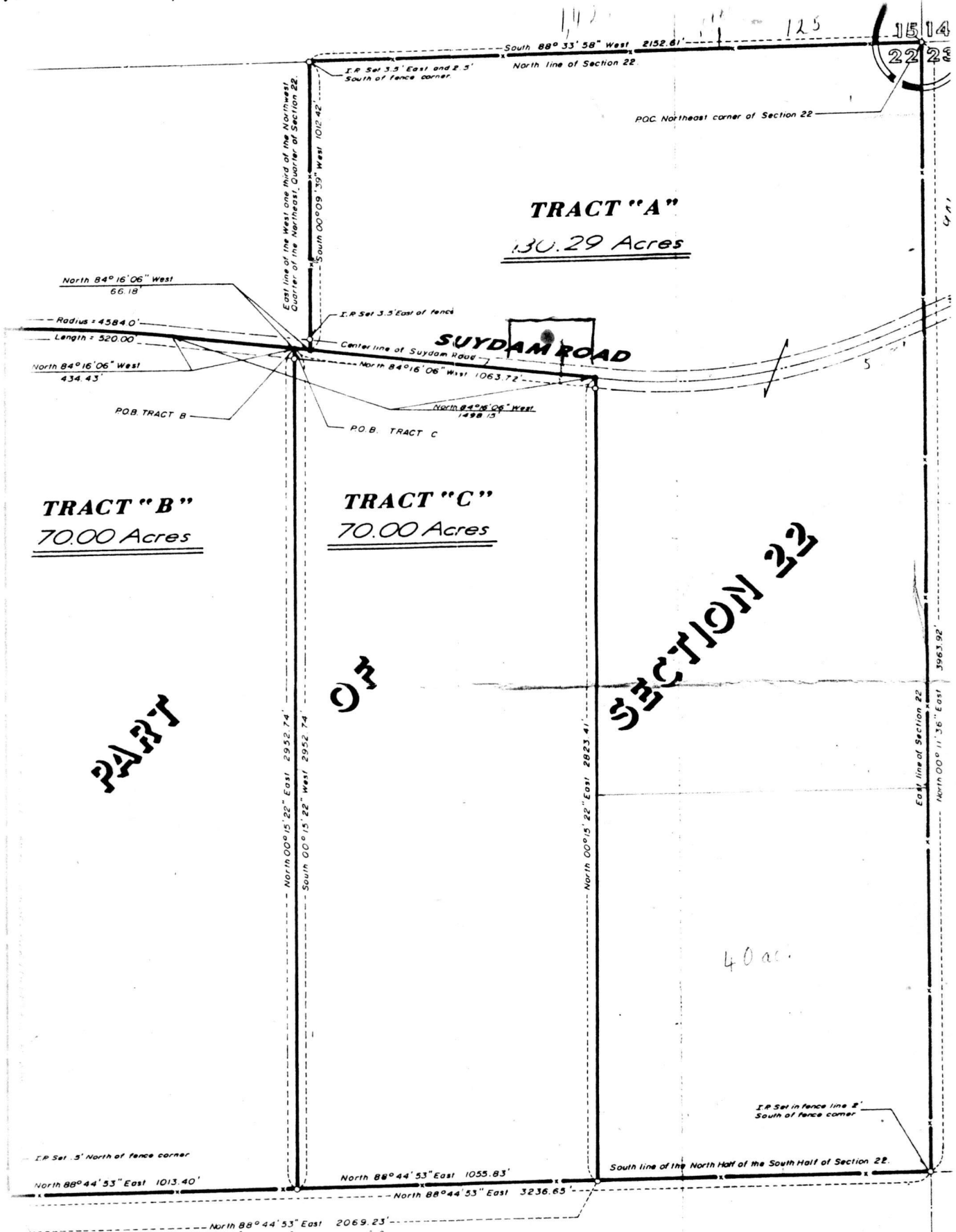
ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Primary highway, hard surface	Light-duty road, hard or improved surface
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	State Route

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Dear Mr. Rogers:

Enclosed please find the National Register nomination form for the Nisbet Homestead Farm. (Rollo vicinity, IL)

Your prompt attention to this form is appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Keith A. Sculle". The signature is written in a cursive style and is followed by a long horizontal line.

Keith A. Sculle  
National Register Coordinator

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