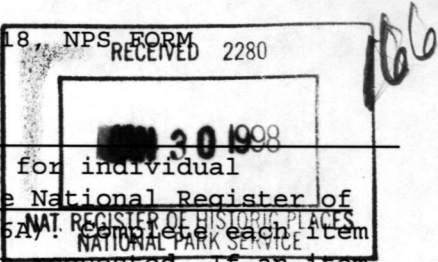


UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties or districts. See instructions in How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form (National Register Bulletin 15A). Mark each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classifications, 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 Property

historic name Blewer Farm

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 184 and 226 Blewer-Mead Road [] not for publication

city, town Newark Valley [] vicinity

state New York code 036 county Tioga County code 107 zip code 13811

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this [X] nomination [] request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property [X] meets [] does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant [] nationally [] statewide [X] locally. ([] See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

J.W. Aldrich
Deputy Commissioner for Historic Preservation
Signature of certifying official

8 December '97
Date

State or Federal agency and bureau _____

In my opinion, the property [] meets [] does not meet the National Register criteria. ([] See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

N/A
Signature of commenting or other official

Date

N/A
State or federal agency and bureau _____

4. National Park Service Certification

- I hereby certify that this property is:
- entered in the National Register.
- See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register. [] see continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain:)

Signature of keeper Beth A. Savage Date of Action 3/16/98

Blewer Farm

Tioga County, New York

Name of Property

County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property (Check as many boxes as apply)	Category of Property (check only one box)	Number of Resources within Property (do not include previously listed resources in the count)	
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing	
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	7	2	buildings
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<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure		2	structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object			objects
		7	4	Total

Name of related multiple property listings (enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing)
 Historical & Architectural Resources of the Town & Village of Newark Valley, N.Y.

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Function

(enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

AGRICULTURE/barn

Current Functions

(enter categories from instructions)

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

LATE VICTORIAN/Queen Anne

Materials

(enter categories from instructions)

foundation stone

walls wood/weatherboard

roof asphalt/composition shingles

other _____

Narrative Description

(describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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7. Description

The Blewer Farm, at 184 and 226 Blewer-Mead Road, is a 473-acre farm situated on both sides of the West Branch of Owego Creek. Most of the farm's acreage is located in the Town of Newark Valley, but approximately 47 acres are in the Town of Candor. The buildings in the farm complex are clustered together just east of a right angle turn at the southern end of Blewer-Mead Road. The buildings include the main house, a tenant house, work shop, dairy barn, livestock shed, former privy, two silos and two modern sheds. Most of the buildings were built between the late nineteenth century and the mid-twentieth century. The buildings are surrounded by open farmland on the south and east, scattered dwellings along Blewer-Mead Road to the north, and the West Branch of Owego Creek on the west. Also on the east, further from the buildings, is a wooded hillside. This is the only farm in the immediate vicinity.

The following buildings are located on the property:

1. Main house (ca. 1885-1900)

One contributing building. This two-and-one-half story, cross-gabled house was built in the Queen Anne style. The house exhibits asymmetrical massing, a large east-facing gable and several smaller cross gables. The house is sided in clapboards. Its stone foundation has been repaired in places with concrete or cinder blocks. The windows are typically one-over-one double-hung sash, although a small later addition on the north facade exhibits only single-light windows. Shutters frame the upper story windows on the west and south facades. Plain brackets under the eaves imitate exposed rafter ends. Composition shingles cover the roof.

Decorative detailing on the exterior is limited primarily to two porches that feature spindlework and turned posts. The larger of the two porches, located on the southwest corner of the house, shelters three entrances, including the main entrance. A more recent porch on the rear (east) facade is plainer in styling. Attached to the rear porch is a one-story wood shed with clapboard siding. Its gabled roof is covered in composition shingles, and it rests on a stone foundation.

The interior of the house, like the exterior, retains a high degree of integrity of form and materials. The original floor plan and finishes--including wood floors, lath and horsehair plaster walls, and door and window casings--survive in most of the rooms. Most window casings on both stories have decorative moldings, including corner blocks that feature simple circular designs. The den and parlor retain their original pocket doors. Built-in cabinets in the kitchen and pantry appear to date to the turn of the century, and are probably original to the house. On the second story, the walls in the hallway are curved, as are the corresponding bedroom and closet walls on the opposite side of the hallway walls. A bathroom at the turn in the staircase near the second story retains a clawfoot bathtub. Much of the hardware used throughout the house appears to be original.

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Few significant changes have been made to this house since its original construction. A two-story bathroom addition was built in the angle between the main section of the house and its north wing, probably in the mid-twentieth century. The rear porch appears to be a later addition. An exterior cinder block chimney was added in 1981 to the north facade of the north-facing wing. Other changes have been minor.

2. Tenant house (ca. 1836-1855)

One contributing building. This small house appears to be one of two houses built between 1836, when John Blewer first purchased this property, and 1855, when the houses appear on a landowner map of Newark Valley. It may have been the original farm house on this site, or it may have been built later for another family member.

The principal section of the house is three bays wide, side gabled, and one-and-one-half stories in height. The central bay of its front facade contains the front door, which is sheltered by a shed-roofed awning. The front door is flanked by a two-over-two-light window on either side. Windows are centered in both stories of the north and south facades. The roof is covered in composition shingles. The house is reportedly of plank construction. Extending north from the northeast corner of the house is a one-story shed-roofed addition of undetermined age. The only openings on this addition visible from the street are a door and a window.

This house has undergone several changes since its initial construction, but the principal section appears to retain its original form. Vinyl siding was added to the exterior in the early 1980s. The interior walls have been redone in sheetrock.

3. Work shop (ca. 1830-1860; moved ca. 1890-1920)

One contributing building. According to the present owners, this building was originally built as a residence. It was moved to its present site from a location south of the Blewer farm, on the former southern extension of Blewer-Mead Road near its intersection with the West Branch of Owego Creek. This section of the road is now closed and impassable. The building was moved prior to 1937, when the earliest available aerial photograph was taken, but the date of the move is not known with any more precision. The building's stone foundation suggests that it may have been moved by the first decade or two of the twentieth century, before concrete became the standard foundation material.

This one-and-one-half-story building is clad in clapboards on all facades but the rear (south) facade, which is covered in asphalt shingles. The roof, which is clad in composition shingles, features two shed-roofed dormer windows on each of its north and south slopes. The front facade, which faces north, is dominated by two large door openings on the first story. A single sliding door is mounted on a track that extends across both openings. The east and west facades feature two one-over-one-light windows on each story, except on the first story of the east facade, which features a door and a six-over-six-light window. A

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one-story, shed-roofed addition on the east facade may have once functioned as a vehicle shelter. This addition, which probably dates to the early twentieth century, is clad in vertical boards and features a single window opening on the south facade. The rear facade of this building exhibits two window openings and a cinder block chimney. The building rests on a stone foundation.

Many changes have been made to this building to convert it from a residence to its present use. Large vehicle openings were cut into the front facade, dormer windows and a shed-roofed addition were added, and interior partitions were removed to provide more space. The windows also appear to be later replacements.

4. Dairy barn (ca. 1935)

One contributing building. According to the present owners, this building was built to replace an earlier dairy barn that had been destroyed by fire. Built from a design developed at Cornell University, the barn was constructed of wood cut from the hill on the east side of the farm. It was used as a barn until about 1995. Now it is used primarily for storage.

The barn is T-shaped in plan, with the stem of the T extending east from the rear of the principal section. The stem of the T is not centered in the rear facade, but is offset to the north. The gambrel roofs over both sections are covered in composition shingles. The barn's corrugated metal siding was added in the early 1980s. The building rests on a poured concrete foundation. A small gable-roofed milk house extends north from the northwest corner of the barn. Constructed of the same materials as the barn, it was either built after the 1950s, or modified into its present form from an earlier milk house that had not been attached to the barn. The interior of the barn is divided into stanchions on the lower level and a large hay loft on the upper level. Calves and heifers were formerly housed in the rear section. A modified Shawver truss system supports the gambrel roof.

5 & 6. Silos I and II (ca. 1955-1965)

Two non-contributing structures. These two cylindrical silos are identical in materials and construction. Both are built of vertical wood slats, braced by metal bands, and capped by a mansard-like roof whose upper section is a low-pitched cone. A silo has occupied the location of Silo I (the western silo) since before 1937. Because Silo I is identical in materials and construction to Silo II, which was erected between 1955 and 1964, however, it is believed that both silos were erected together around 1960.

7. Livestock shed (ca. 1910-1930)

One contributing building. This building appears to date to the early or mid-twentieth century. The northern slope of its saltbox roof is longer than the southern slope. Composition strips cover the roof.

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The building is sided with vertically laid boards. It has an entry door on the west facade and larger openings for livestock on the north and south facades.

8. Privy (ca. 1890-1930)

One contributing building. This small building appears to be a former privy, but may have been a tool shed or served some other function. It has clapboard siding and a gabled roof covered with wood shingles. Its only fenestration is a front door. The building has a finished ceiling rather than simply exposed rafters. Although it is similar to other buildings that functioned as privies, its dirt floor provides no evidence of a former pit, and its interior walls retain no evidence of a former seat. It is not known whether the building was built in this location or moved here from elsewhere.

9. Shed I (ca. 1983)

One non-contributing building. This portable, gambrel-roofed storage shed is constructed of particle board.

10. Shed II (ca. 1990)

One non-contributing building. This small shed-roofed building has a wood frame, plywood siding and a corrugated metal roof.

11. Tenant house garage (ca. 1910-1940)

One contributing building. This front-gabled building has clapboard siding. Its front entrance appears to have been reduced in size from a larger opening. Although its age is uncertain, the building appears to date to the first half of the twentieth century.

Several other buildings or structures previously included in the farm complex are no longer standing. The largest is a gable-roofed addition--possibly a separate barn--that projected north from the northeast corner of the rear section of the dairy barn. It was probably an earlier building attached to the later barn, as its roof appears different from that on the rest of the barn in a 1937 aerial photograph. Other buildings formerly in the complex include a corn crib, located east of the house and removed within the past decade, and a silo, located at the south end of the dairy barn, probably removed around 1960 when the other two silos were built. The concrete foundation of this former silo is still standing.

In addition to the buildings clustered around the house, as late as the 1930s at least two other large buildings--houses or barns--were located on the property some distance south of the present complex.

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These may have been houses formerly occupied as independent farms, but consolidated with the present Blewer Farm in the late nineteenth or early twentieth century. These were isolated buildings rather than components of additional farm complexes. Nothing more of their history is known.

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark an "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A** Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B** Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C** Property that 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 individual distinction.
- D** Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in pre-history or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

- A** owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B** removed from its original location.
- C** a birthplace or grave.
- D** a cemetery.
- E** a reconstructed building, object or structure.
- F** a commemorative property.
- G** less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Area of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions.)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

Ca.1836-1940

Significant Dates

N/A

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above.)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

unknown

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS): Primary location of additional data:

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Building Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering
- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository:

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8. Statement of Significance

The Blewer Farm is significant under Criterion C for its architectural significance as an intact and representative example of farmstead development in Newark Valley. The farmstead is associated with the historic contexts "Settlement and Early Development of Newark Valley, 1791-1865" and "Agricultural Development and Rural Newark Valley, 1865-1946," identified in the Multiple Property Documentation Form, and satisfies the registration requirements outlined for residences in Section F. Specifically, the farm is directly associated with two significant historic contexts and retains a grouping of buildings that were constructed during the period of significance. The individual buildings retain integrity of location, setting, construction, form, materials and detailing, and display the distinctive features characteristic of their period and type of construction.

This property is significant as an intact grouping of farm buildings from the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Notable features of the farmstead include the Queen Anne style house, which retains its original form and nearly all of its original woodwork and other decorative details, and the gambrel-roofed dairy barn, built in the 1930s from plans developed at Cornell University. Although few nineteenth century buildings survive on the farmstead, and several of the smaller buildings were erected after the property's period of significance, the farmstead nonetheless retains the feeling of an early twentieth century farmstead.

Although most buildings on the Blewer Farm post-date 1890, the farm itself dates back to 1836, if not earlier. At the core of the farm is nearly 200 acres in Lot 60 of the Grand Division of the Boston Purchase. Lot 60 was occupied as early as 1820 by Simeon Galpin and Nathan Gates, but it is unlikely that any buildings from that early time survive on the farm, even in modified form.¹ The present farm was started by John and Julia Blewer in 1836, at around the time of their marriage. It remained in the Blewer family until 1950.

Little information about the Blewer family is available, but census records suggest that the progenitor of this family in the Newark Valley area was Charles Blewer, who settled in the Town of Candor prior to 1820. Charles Blewer apparently owned land across the West Branch of Owego Creek from the present Blewer Farm, land which was later incorporated into the Blewer Farm. John Blewer, who purchased the core of the present farm in 1836, was probably a son of Charles Blewer.

By the time of the 1855 map of Newark Valley, two houses stood near the location of the present farm buildings. Both houses belonged to "J. Blair," but census records indicate that one was occupied by Charles Blewer--probably a brother of John, as he is too young to be his father. John had sold Charles the south half of Lot 60, south of the Blewer Farm buildings, in 1847, but Charles apparently did not build his

¹ For Galpin and Gates, see W.B. Gay (compiler and editor), *Historical Gazetteer of Tioga County, New York, 1785-1888* (Syracuse, N.Y.: W.B. Gay & Co., n.d. [ca. 1888]), p. 243.

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own house on that property until about 1860, instead occupying one of the two houses on John's land. One of the two houses on John Blewer's land was replaced around the turn of the century by the present 184 Blewer-Mead Road, but the other most likely survives as the tenant house at 226 Blewer-Mead Road. It is not known which brother occupied the surviving house. The house that Charles Blewer built for himself south of the present farmstead has been demolished or removed.

In 1858, John Blewer acquired the south half of Lot 61, adjacent to his property on the north, thereby doubling the size of his farm to nearly 200 acres. Although he soon sold this property to two of his sons, John and William Blewer, the sons continued to live on their father's farm. A house built on Lot 61 between 1858 and 1869 was occupied by Levi Blewer, probably another brother of John. The house of Levi Blewer, like that of Charles Blewer, no longer survives, at least in its original location. It is possible that either Levi or Charles Blewer's house was moved onto the present farm to become the building now used as a work shop, although the present owner has heard that the work shop building came from a location south of the site of Charles Blewer's house.

After John Blewer's death around 1865, his property was acquired by his son William. In 1869, the two original houses on this property were occupied by "F. Blewer" and "H. Blewer," probably John F. (Frank) Blewer and his brother William H. (Henry) Blewer, both sons of John and Julia Blewer. Curiously, the 1850, 1870 and 1875 censuses indicate that these two brothers occupied the same house, so it is not known why they are depicted as occupying separate houses in 1869.

In 1886, about 55 acres in the Town of Candor were added to the property. This land was inherited by William Blewer's wife and sister-in-law from their Truman relatives. In the late nineteenth century, the farm was acquired--probably inherited--by George F. Blewer, Sr., son of William Blewer. Between 1899 and 1912, George Blewer and his relatives acquired all of the additional acreage included in the present farm, except for a single parcel of land of about 75 acres in the Town of Candor, acquired in 1970.

George F. Blewer, Sr., died in 1912, leaving the property to his wife, Cora. In 1938, she deeded the property to their son, George F. Blewer, Jr. The property finally left the Blewer family in 1950, when it was sold by George Blewer, Jr. The farm has had several owners since that time. The present owners acquired the property in 1990.

The present house was probably built for George F. Blewer, Sr., in the 1880s or 1890s. It apparently replaced one of the two original Blewer houses, while the other, now 226 Blewer-Mead Road, was retained as a tenant house. None of the original outbuildings appears to survive on the property. With the exception of the tenant house and the work shop, both of which date to the mid-nineteenth century, the earliest buildings on the property appear to date to the late nineteenth or early twentieth century. The main barn was reportedly built around 1932-1935, after an earlier barn on the site burned. The barn was reportedly designed at Cornell University and constructed from wood on the hill east of the house. It was resided in corrugated metal siding in the 1980s, but its framing, materials and overall form remain intact.

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Perhaps the most interesting building on the property is a building reportedly moved to this site from further south on Blewer-Mead Road. It was converted from a residence into a machine shop and refreshment stand in the 1940s, when air shows were held on the Blewer Farm. An undated "Program of Events" refers to the airfield on this farm as "Valley Field."

The boundaries of the farm have remained largely unchanged since 1950. A 75 acre parcel in the Town of Candor, now reduced to sixteen acres, was acquired in 1970, and a five-acre parcel containing the tenant house was sold separately in 1990 to the former owner. A broad swath was cut through the trees on the hillside east of the farm buildings in recent years to allow power lines to extend across the property.

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Tioga County, New York

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10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of property 473 Acres

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

1 Zone Easting Northing
3 Zone Easting Northing

2 Zone Easting Northing
4 Zone Easting Northing

Verbal Boundary Description

(Explain the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

- A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name Carl and Marilyn Akins
street & number 184 Blewer Road
city or town Newark Valley state New York zip code 13811

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Geographical Data

Newark Valley Quad
Acreage of property 473 acres
Zone 18

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10. Verbal Boundary Description

Town of Newark Valley tax parcel numbers 74-1-21.1 and 74-1-21.2, and Town of Candor tax parcel number 74-1-15.

Boundary Justification

The three tax parcels named above enclose most the land associated with the farm in 1912, the year it attained essentially its present form. Only land associated with the farm in 1912, and

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not separated from the farm in subsequent years, is included in the nomination. Town of Newark Valley tax parcel number 74-1-21.1 contains the bulk of the property, including the farm buildings. It is located on the east side of the West Branch of Owego Creek, and totals about 438 acres. Town of Newark Valley tax parcel number 74-1-21.2 is a five acre house lot that was separated from the rest of the farm in 1990 as a house lot for the former owner, but it remains under the same ownership as the rest of the farm. In the Town of Candor, on the west side of the creek, tax parcel number 74-1-15 contains 30.5 acres. The total acreage of the nominated property is approximately 473 acres.

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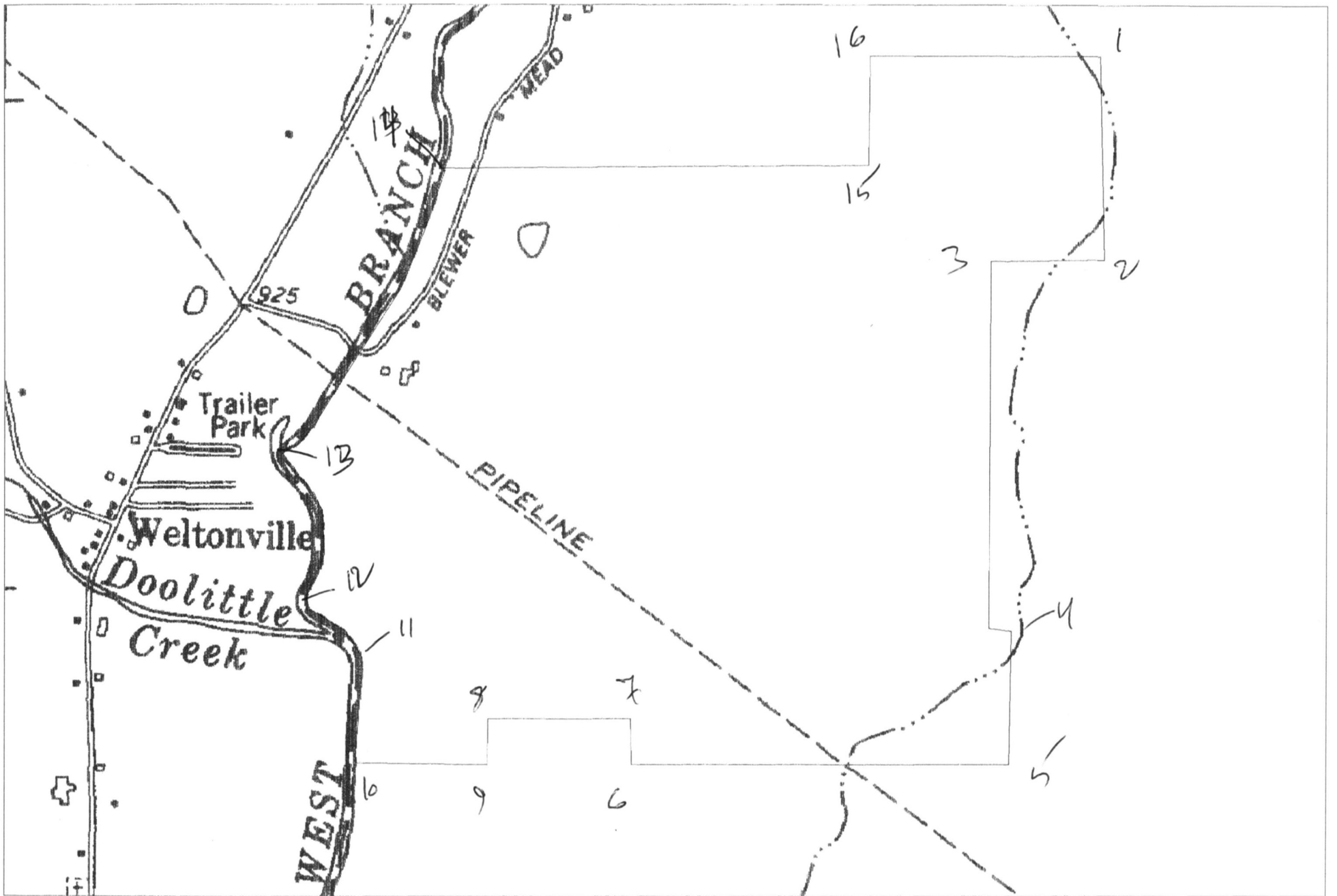
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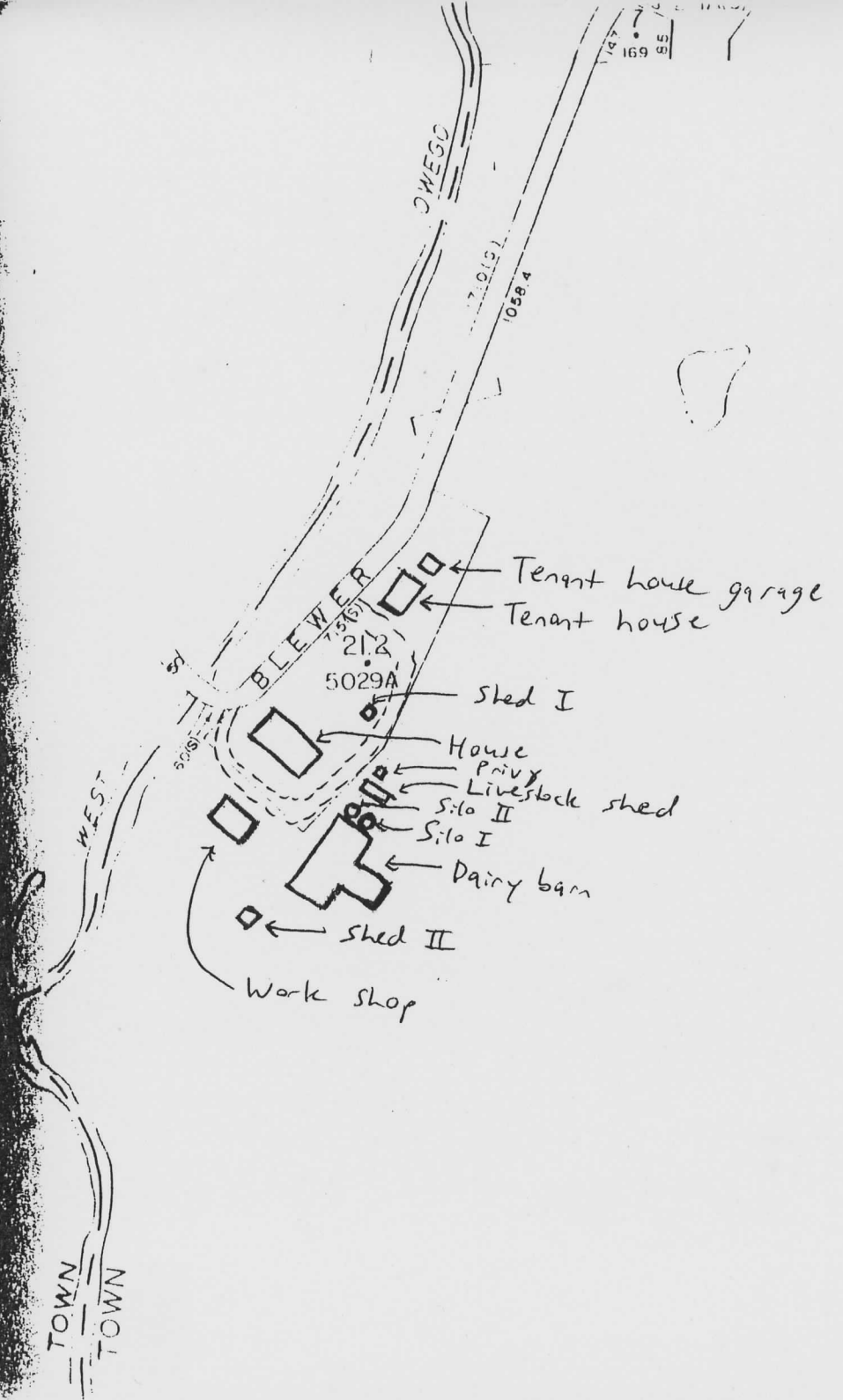
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Blewer Farm, Newark Valley
Tioga County, New York

Blewer / Painted
14-1-21.1
184 Blewer Rd

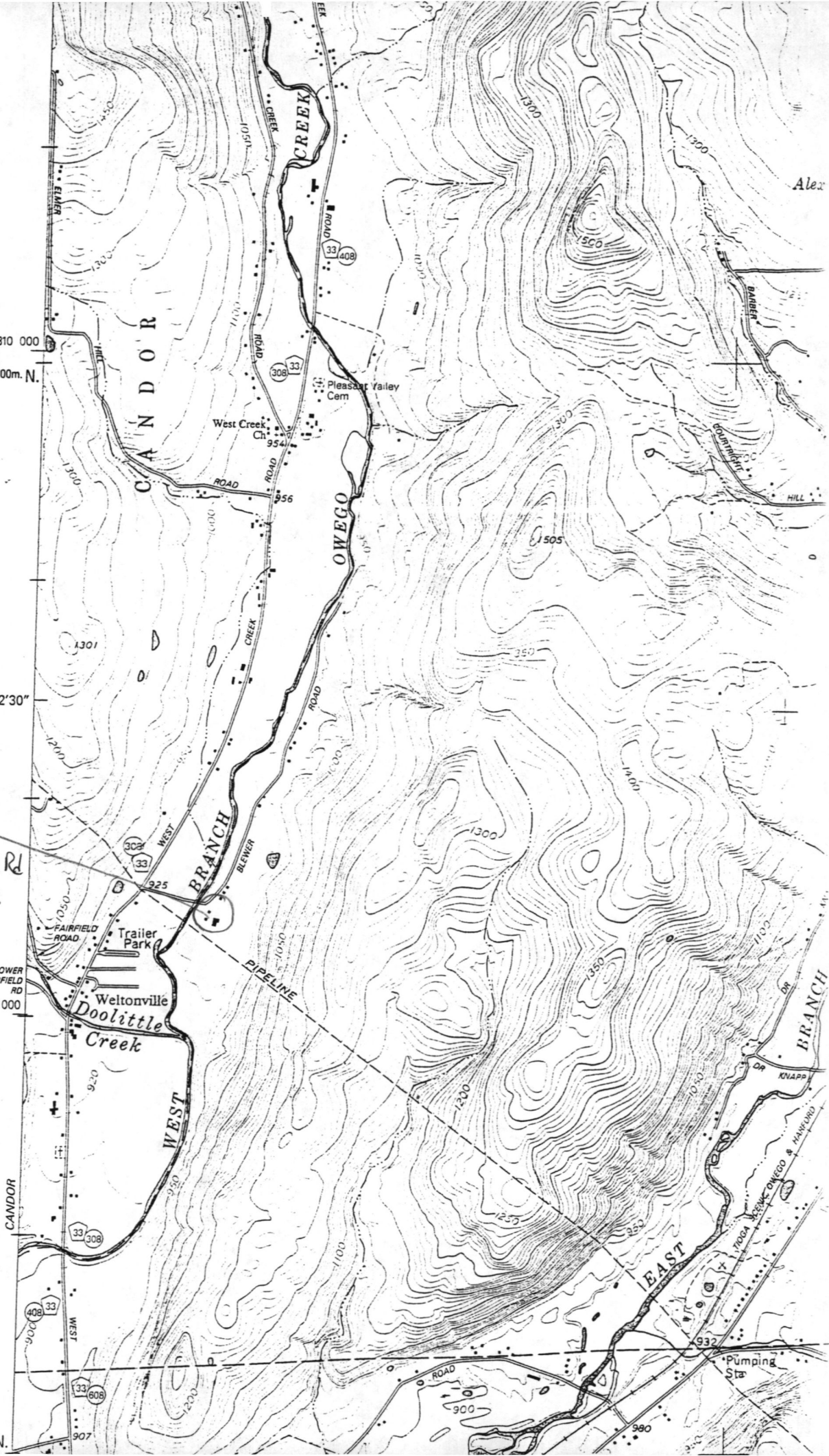
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Blewer Farm
184 and 226 Blewer Mead Rd
Newark Valley, Tioga Co.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: NOMINATION

PROPERTY NAME: Blewer Farm

MULTIPLE NAME: Newark MPS

STATE & COUNTY: NEW YORK, Tioga

DATE RECEIVED: 1/30/98 DATE OF PENDING LIST: 2/09/98
DATE OF 16TH DAY: 2/25/98 DATE OF 45TH DAY: 3/16/98
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 98000166

NOMINATOR: STATE

REASONS FOR REVIEW:

APPEAL: N DATA PROBLEM: N LANDSCAPE: N LESS THAN 50 YEARS: N
OTHER: N PDIL: N PERIOD: N PROGRAM UNAPPROVED: N
REQUEST: N SAMPLE: N SLR DRAFT: N NATIONAL: N

COMMENT WAIVER: N

 ACCEPT RETURN REJECT DATE

ABSTRACT/SUMMARY COMMENTS:

RECOM./CRITERIA Accept

REVIEWER Swage

DISCIPLINE Architectural History

TELEPHONE

DATE 3/16/98

DOCUMENTATION see attached comments Y/N see attached SLR Y/N



Blauer Farms
Newark Valley, Putnam Co
N.Y.

Photo by Richard Carlson
1/25/1997

Negative with the Newark
Valley Historical Soc.

Main house, facing E



Blewer Farms
Newark Valley, Putnam Co.
NY

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Negative with the Newark
Valley Historical Soc.

Main house, facing SSE



Blawie Farm
Newark Valley, Tioga Co.,
N.Y.

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Negative with the Newark
Valley Historical Soc.

Peasant house and tenant
house garage, facing SE



Blewer Farm
Newark Valley, Putnam Co.
N.Y.

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Negative with the Newark
Valley Historical Soc.

Work shop, facing SW



Blower Farm
Newark Valley,
Frogs Co., N.Y.

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Carlson, 1/25/1997

Negative with the
Newark Valley
Historical Soc.

dairy barn, interior,
upper level,
facing NE



Blewer Farm
Newark Valley, Tioga Co.
NY

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2/7/1997

Negative with the Newark
Valley Historical Soc.

Trailer homes north of
Blewer Farm, bldg. 7 (NOT
on Blewer Farm), facing NE



Blower Farm
Newark Valley, Tioga Co.
N.Y.

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Negative with the Newark
Valley Historical Soc.
Pring and livestock shed,
facing SSE



Blower Farm
Newark Valley, Tioga Co.,
NY

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Negative with the Newark
Valley Historical Soc.

Shed I, facing N



Blewer Farm
Newark Valley, Tioga Co.,
N.Y.

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Negative with the Newark
Valley Historical Soc.

dairy barn and silos
at the farm facing SSW



Blewer Farm
Newark Valley, Ringo Co.
N.Y.

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Negative with the Newark
Valley Historical Soc.

Main House, facing W



Blewer Farm
Newark Valley, Proigo Co.
ny

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Negative with the Newark
Valley Historical Soc.

Work shop, facing SW



Blumer Farms
Newark Valley, Tioga Co.,
NY

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Negative with the Newark
Valley Historical Soc.

Hay barn, facing SE



Blewer Farm
Newark Valley, Pioga Co.,
ny
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Negative with the Newark
Valley Historical Soc.

Shed II, facing SE



Blower Farm
Newark Valley, Tioga Co.
N.Y.

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Negative with the Newark
Valley Historical Soc.

Work shop, facing NW

Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64500461



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Business Hours, Tues. & Thur. 3:30 - 5 PM
and by appointment

RICHARD E. QUEST
Historian



August 28, 1997

Dear Ms. Pierpont,

After reviewing the list of Historic and Architectural resources for the Town of Newark Valley I was able to personally locate and view these properties. I can say most confidently, that all of these properties, are worthy of being listed on both the New York State and National Historic Registers.

If I can be of further service please let me know.

Sincerely,

Richard E. Quest

November 13, 1997

New York State Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation
Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau
Peebles Island, PO Box 189, Waterford, NY 12188-0189
Bernadette Castro, Commissioner

Dear Ms Castro,


For 18 years, the Newark Valley Historical Society has been working on the survey of our older homes. Finally, we have completed, with LOTS of assistance from your office, our consultant, the Preservation League of New York, and volunteer help from the community, the first phase of our project.

We feel it is important to preserve our history, and are finding that people in the community are beginning to feel some pride in this. The Historical Society's mission is to communicate this history to the public, and yesterday as I watched a group of students researching a property, I knew that some of our work was important. They began asking about other buildings they had noticed, and some we hadn't done.

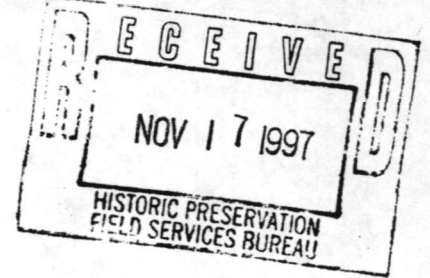
Therefore, I feel that State and National Historic Registry is important, so that they will realize that we, in our little community, have something of which to be proud.

Thank You for helping us to realize our dream.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Virginia H. Mullen". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Virginia H. Mullen
Cochairman, Landmarks Committee
Newark Valley Historical Society
325 Tappan Rd.
Newark Valley, NY 13811



November 14, 1997

Ms. Ruth L. Pierpont
Director, Historic Preservation/
Field Services Bureau
N. Y. S. Office of Parks, Rec. & His. Pres.
Peebles Island, P. O. Box 189
Waterford, New York 12188-0189

RE: Historic & Architectural Resources,
Town of Newark Valley

Dear Ms. Pierpont:

In early December the Committee which reviews structures for possible nomination to the State and National Registers will be considering several from the Town of Newark Valley.

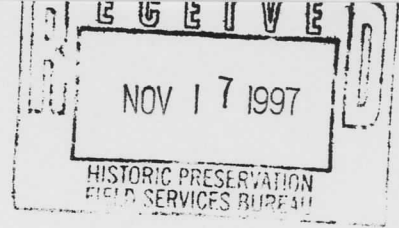
We trust that all applications and attachments are in order and if there are any questions Ms. Claire Ross or her replacement will contact Virginia Mullen, 607-642-5541, or myself, Dorothy Torrey, 607-687-1839, Co-Chairpersons of the Newark Valley Historical Society's Landmarks Committee, for clarification.

The Historical Society has been endeavoring for many, many years to have significant structures placed on the State and National Registers. We trust that 1997 will see eighteen properties in the Town of Newark Valley having "arrived". We estimate that there are that many more which, if funds and personnel are available, should be persued for the Registers, in future years.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Ralph Torrey

Dorothy E. Torrey
2719 West Creek Road
Newark Valley, New York 13811



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Domenico D'Angelo
Chairman

November 14, 1997

Ruth L. Pierpont, Director
Historic Preservation, Field Services Bureau
New York State Office of Parks,
Recreation and Historic Preservation
Pebbles Island, P. O. Box 189
Waterford, NY 12188-0189

Dear Ms. Pierpont:

I am grateful to you for sending me the list of properties located in Newark Valley and Owego that will be considered by the State Review Board for nomination to the National and State Registers of Historic Places.

Elisha Higbe House - Newark Valley
Silk Street Bridge - Newark Valley
Blewer Farm and Tenant House - Newark Valley
West Newark School House - Newark Valley
West Newark Congregational Church - Newark Valley
Knapp House - Newark Valley
Oscar Settle Farm - Newark Valley
Sherry Lipe Farm - Newark Valley
Morris Clinton House - Newark Valley
Hope Cemetery and Mausoleum - Newark Valley
Owego Central Historic District - Owego

I strongly support the nomination of the above listed properties. We, in Tioga County, are thankful for your work on behalf of New York State communities.

Sincerely,

Domenico D'Angelo
Chairman
Tioga County Legislature

DDA/ats

The Newark Valley Historical Society BOX 222, NEWARK VALLEY, NEW YORK 13811

November 13, 1997

Ms. Ruth L. Pierpont, Director
Historic Preservation Field Services Bureau
NYS Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation
Peebles Island, P. O. Box 189
Waterford, NY 12188-0189

NOV 17 1997

Dear Ms. Pierpont:

Thank you for your letter of November 3 regarding the Blewer Farm and Tenant House on Blewer Road in Newark Valley. The Society is pleased that this property is being considered for nomination to the National and State Registers of Historic Places. We are particularly happy to see this recognition come to fruition because part of our organization's mission statement specifies that we encourage preservation..

The Society is appreciative of your office's efforts in this matter.

Sincerely,


Harriet Miller
Executive Director

"He that will not look backward
with reverence, will not look
forward with hope."

EDMUND BURKE

PROPERTY NAME: Blewer Farm

OTHER NAME/ NOT APPLICABLE
SITE No. :

MULTIPLE NAME: Newark MPS

ADDRESS/ 184 and 226 Blewer-Mead Rd.
BOUNDARY :

CITY: Newark Valley

COUNTY: Tioga

STATE: NEW YORK

Restricted Location Information: Owner: PRIVATE Resource Type: BUILDING

Contributing Noncontributing

Buildings	7	2
Sites	0	0
Structures	0	2
Objects	0	0

Nomination/Determination Type: MULTIPLE RESOURCE

Nominator: STATE GOVERNMENT

Nominator Name:
NOT APPLICABLE

Federal Agency: NOT APPLICABLE

NPS Park Name: NOT APPLICABLE

Certification: DATE RECEIVED/PENDING NOMINATION

Date: 01/30/98

Other Certification: NOT APPLICABLE

Historic Functions: DOMESTIC
AGRICULTURE/SUBSISTENCE

Historic Subfunctions: SINGLE DWELLING
ANIMAL FACILITY

Current Functions: DOMESTIC

Current Subfunctions: SINGLE DWELLING

Level of Significance: LOCAL Applicable Criteria: ARCHITECTURE/ENGINEERING

Significant Person's Name: NOT APPLICABLE

Criteria Considerations: NOT APPLICABLE

Area of Significance: ARCHITECTURE

Periods of Significance: 1825-1849 1850-1874
1875-1899 1900-1924
1925-1949

Circa: Specific Sig. Years:
NOT APPLICABLE

Architect/Builder/Engineer/
Designer:

NOT APPLICABLE

Other Documentation:

NOT APPLICABLE

HABS No. N/A

Architectural Styles: QUEEN ANNE

Describe Other Style: NOT APPLICABLE

Foundation Materials: STONE
Wall Materials: WEATHERBOARD
Roof Materials: ASPHALT
Other Materials: NONE LISTED

Acreage: 473.0

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Cultural Affiliation:

NOT APPLICABLE

HAER No. N/A