

**LINN COUNTY INVENTORY OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES  
HISTORIC BARN SURVEY FORM**

**I. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

SHPO Inventory no.: 1296

Linn County no.: B-61

Hist. Name: David Aegerter Barn

Common Name:

Address: 41915 Ridge Dr. T/R/S: 9/1W/36 Tax map no./Tax lot: 9 01W 36/400

Owner: Cheryl S. Denger, 41915 Ridge Dr., Scio, OR 97374-9311

Original use: barn Present use: barn

Date of construction: 1915 (confirmed)

Arch/bldr:

Style: Agricultural

Bldg  Struct  Dist  Site  Obj

Theme: AGRICULTURE: farming and stock raising  
CULTURE; 20th century architecture; ethnic immigration

Quad: Jordan 7.5'

SURVEY METHOD: The following information was based on:

- viewing the property from a distance  
 on-site examination with no access to the interior  
 on-site examination with exterior and interior access

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**II. SETTING**

1. Topographic Locality: valley-foothill interface
2. Neighborhood Character: rural agricultural
3. Site Character: farmstead
4. Site Topography: hillside
5. Orientation of Main Ridgeline: N-S
6. Main opening faces: north/south

**III. PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION - EXTERIOR**

7. No. of floors: 2
8. Wall Construction: wood frame
9. Building Shape: Rectangular 38 x 48 feet
- 10a. # / Locations of Lean-tos:
- 10b. # / Locations of wings or ells:

11. Plan Type: end-opening/3 aisles/four-sided overhang
12. Roof Form/Materials: gambrel/metal
13. Eave Treatment: boxed eave/flat soffit; eaves flare
14. Other Roof Features:
15. Hay Hood Type/Location: pointed (ridge extended)/north
16. Foundation: concrete perimeter
17. Wall Siding: wide horizontal drop siding
18. Gable cladding: horizontal drop siding north/wood shingle south
19. Finish Elements: cornerboards; frieze board with eave return
20. Original Nail Type(s) observed: wire drawn round nails
21. Finish: painted polychrome -- body and doors are red and the window sash and trim are white. The barn is

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currently ornamented with "hex signs". Presumably, they are not original. The signs are not painted directly on the barn.

**22. Doors (#, type and location):**

West elevation: 0

East elevation: 1 roller stock door

North elevation: 1 roller wagon door (double leaf); 2 roller stock door; 1 gable hay door (double-leaf roller)

South elevation: 1 roller wagon door (single-leaf); 1 roller stock door

**23. Notable Hardware:**

**24. Windows:**

no glazed openings

glazed openings appear to be original

the glazed openings appear to have been added

**25. Describe Windows (glazed openings) in Walls:**

Windows on the first level are hopper windows that open inward. Shields are located on the insides of the window opening to prevent drafts.

North elevation: 1 double-hung window (1/1) second level

South elevation: 1 single window/4 light sash (located in door leaf)

East elevation: 4 single window/4 light sash first level and 3 single windows in the upper wall/1 light sash (replacement sash?); a single window with a single light is located on the south end of the east elevation. This window is different in size than other windows on this elevation.

West elevation: 5 single window/4 light sash

**26. Describe Windows (glazed openings) Located in Gables:**

North gable: 0

South gable: 1 double-hung 1/1

**27. Unglazed Openings:** 1 shuttered opening on the lower wall of the east elevation and 1 shuttered opening on the upper wall to the second level on the east elevation. This shuttered opening to the loft is large and centrally placed reminiscent of the upper level opening located on the forebay side of Pennsylvania barns.

**28. Number and Type of Silos: None**

**29. Associated Buildings and Features:** Craftsman Bungalow farmhouse; board fences adjacent to barn

**30. Exterior Alterations:** wood shingles added south gable; metal clads roof; hex signs probably added; sash may be replaced in upper level windows on the east elevation; weather vane is probably not original.

**IV. INTERIOR PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION**

**31. Wall Frame Type:** platform frame with 2 1/8" x 7 3/4" studs 2'o.c.; two longitudinal ceiling beams (6" x 10") are supported by posts; the beam is spliced with a half-lap scarf.

**32. Roof Frame Type:** Shawver truss; skip sheathing; no ridgepiece

**33. Number of Bays:**

**34. Number of Aisles:** 3 aisles

**35. Substructure details:**

**36. Flooring Material:** concrete with corrugated surface

**37. Functional Type (original):** multiple purpose barn

**38. Interior Features:** wagon drive center; metal stanchions, gutters, wood horse stalls and wood harness hooks, and mangers on the west side of the drive; walled grain bins and box stalls on the east side of the drive; hayfork carrier track for exterior unloading; loft stairs; hay hole over center aisle.

**39. Interior Alterations:**

**V. CONDITION AND INTEGRITY**

**40. Condition (Roof)**      **41. Condition (Walls)**

Excellent

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Good

Good

Fair

Fair

Deteriorated

Deteriorated

**42. Condition (Structure)**

Excellent

Good

Fair

Deteriorated

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**43. Integrity (Exterior)**

- Excellent (no character altering alterations)
- Good (some alterations but character still clear)
- Fair (alterations to character-defining features)
- Poor (barn no longer conveys its character)

**44. Integrity (Interior)**

- Excellent (original spatial organization and features)
- Good (original spatial organization; some original features removed or replaced)
- Fair (original spatial organization can be somewhat reconstructed but most or all features removed)
- Poor (original interior spatial arrangement not discernable and most or all features have been removed)

45. **Visual Quality:** very good; farmstead is notable for integrity of remaining buildings.

**VI. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND**

This barn was built for David Aegerter in 1915. Mr. Aegerter's name and the date are impressed in the concrete floor of the barn in several areas. David Argerter and his wife, Margareta, were born in Switzerland and immigrated to the United States in 1882 and 1881 respectively. It is interesting to note that Mr. Argerter built this barn in the same year that he became a U.S. citizen. The barn, with multiple overhangs (all elevations), is not typical in Linn County although several barns with overhangs on the side elevations are located very close by (see B-21 and B-29).

**VII. SOURCES CONSULTED**

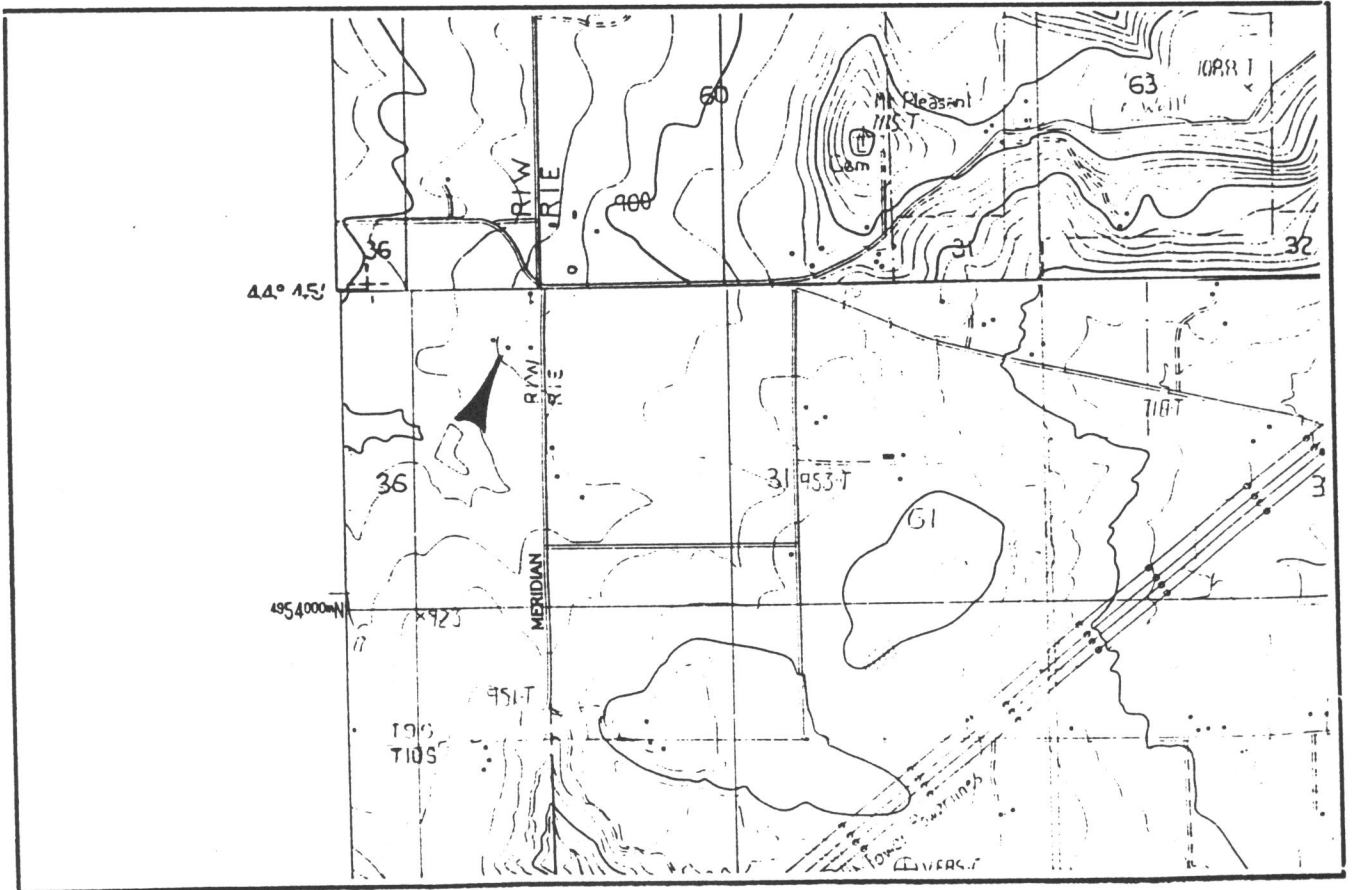
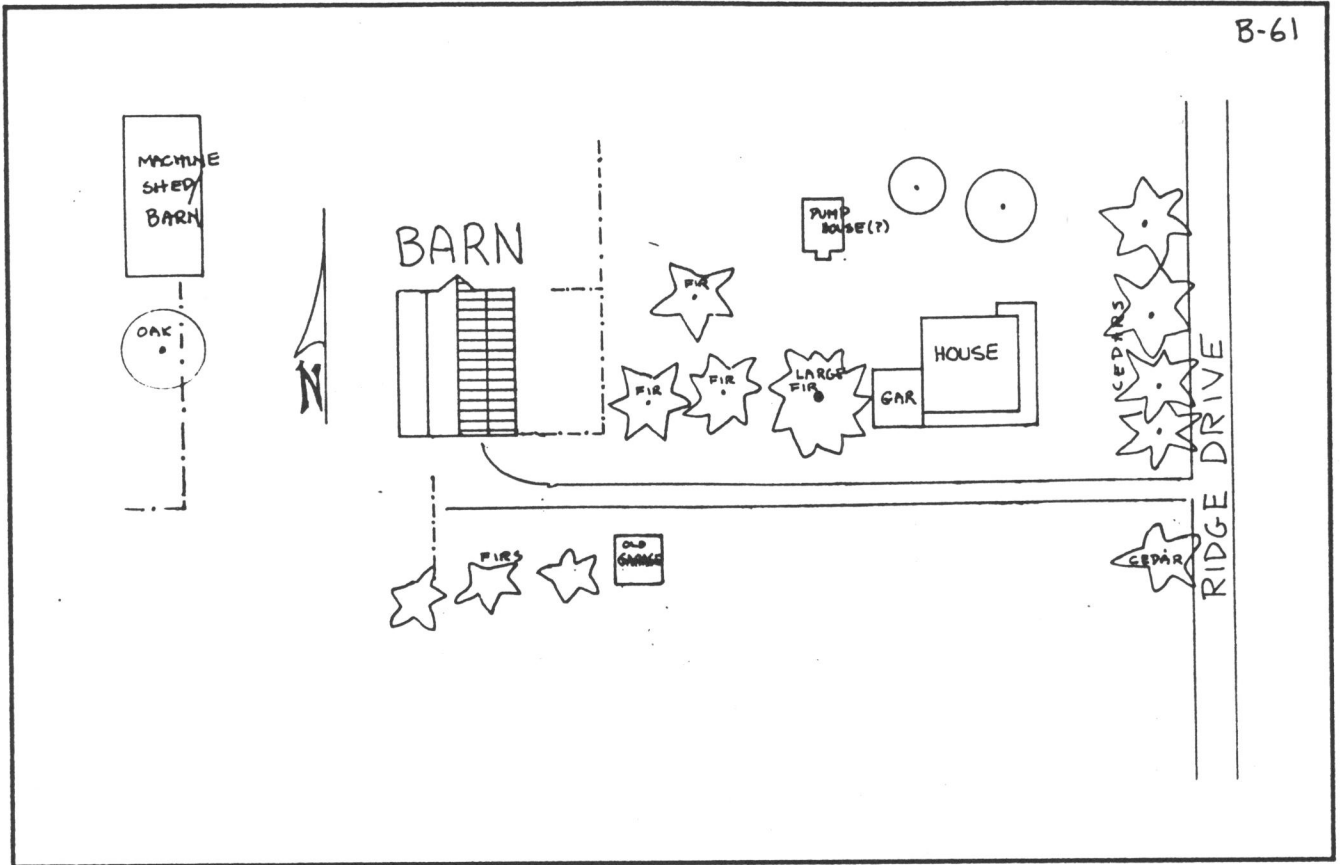
United States Census Records, Linn County, Oregon, 1920.

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B-61, West elevation. (Photograph: roll 25, frame 16)



B-61, East elevation. Note the loft level door. (Photograph: roll 25, frame 17)

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B-61, Detail of overhang on the north elevation. (Photograph: roll 25, frame 15)