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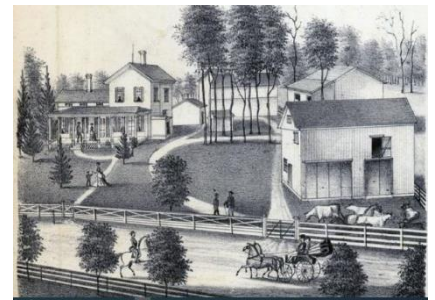
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State to Review Historic Kane County Farm for National Designation

The George Crego Farm is located on Finley Road in Blackberry Township, just south and west of IL Route 47. The farmstead consists of the main house, worker's house, granary, smoke house, machine shed, banked barn, a ceramic structural tile silo, hog furrowing house and metal grain bin. It has historical significance from 1852 to 1920 for agriculture and is a significant example of a successful 19th century dairy and grain farm.



The once prevalent farmsteads of the 19th century are an endangered resource that have been rapidly vanishing since the 1950s. As a result, few farmsteads, like the Crego Farm are associated with farm production today.

In April, the Kane County Historic Preservation Commission approved the nomination of the Crego Farm for the National Register of Historic Places. The request for the designation was made by the current owner of the farm. The Kane County Historic Preservation Commission's report will be reviewed at the June 24 meeting of the Illinois Historic Sites Advisory Council. The IHSAC will make a recommendation to the National Register Advisory Council which will make a final decision.



Since the creation of the National Register of Historic Places in 1966, thousands of Illinois historic and prehistoric places have been designated as important resources worthy of preservation.

(photos from National Register of Historic Places Registration Application for Crego Farm)