

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REQUESTED ACTION: REMOVAL

PROPERTY NAME: Farmers Cooperative Mercantile Company of West Stanford

MULTIPLE NAME: Isanti County MRA

STATE & COUNTY: MINNESOTA, Isanti

DATE RECEIVED: 4/08/16 DATE OF PENDING LIST:
DATE OF 16TH DAY: DATE OF 45TH DAY: 5/24/16
DATE OF WEEKLY LIST:

REFERENCE NUMBER: 80002079

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:

REMOVED
from
National Register

RECOM./CRITERIA Remove

REVIEWER Edson Beall

DISCIPLINE History

TELEPHONE _____

DATE 5.23.16

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

If a nomination is returned to the nominating authority, the nomination is no longer under consideration by the NPS.

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Nat. Register of Historic Places
National Park Service

Minnesota Historic Preservation Office

Request for Removal from the National Register of Historic Places

Name of Property: Farmers Cooperative Mercantile Company of West Stanford
(NR 80002079)

Address: 26219 Variolite Street NW

City/Township: Crown [St. Francis]/Stanford Township

County: Isanti

Reason for Removal: The property has ceased to meet the criteria for listing because the qualities which caused it to be originally listed have been lost or destroyed (36 CFR 60.15 (a)).

Dates and Nature of Change: Burned, 24 September 2008.

Comments:

The Farmers Co-operative Mercantile Company of West Stanford was listed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1980 and was considered "significant primarily for its association with the cooperative movement in rural Minnesota."¹ In 1945, the building became a privately owned grocery store, and by 2004 it was a restaurant called the County Line Bar and Grill owned by John Newstrom. The small community of Crown, Minnesota where the building stood retains the integrity of *location* and *setting* but the property's integrity of *design, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association* were lost when the building was destroyed by a fire where arson was suspected.

After the 2008 fire, Newstrom rebuilt the restaurant and it re-opened in 2013. In November 2015, the name on the sign outside the restaurant was "Crown Bar."

References:

¹Britta Bloomberg, "Farmers Cooperative Mercantile Company of West Stanford," National Register of Historic Places. Registration Form prepared for the Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office, 1979.

"County Line Bar Destroyed by Fire," *Star* (Cambridge, Minnesota), 27 September 2008, 1.

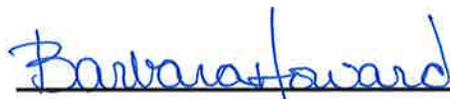
"County Line Restaurant and Bar Re-Opens in Crown," *Isanti County News*, 20 February 2013, isanticountynews.com. Accessed 14 December 2015.

<https://beaconbeta.schneidercorp.com/> [information on property, including sale dates]
Accessed 15 December 2015.

Field Check & Prepared By: Emily Ganzel, 16 December 2015

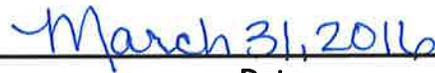
Legal Description:

Commence 45 rods north of the SW corner of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 9 T34 R25, thence east 10 rods, thence north 8 rods, thence west 10 rods, thence south 8 rods to beginning.



Barbara Mitchell Howard

Deputy Minnesota Historic Preservation Officer



Date

Crown Bar

COUNTY LIME
OFF-SALE

SUNDAYS FREE POOL
CHICKEN QUESADILLA 7.99
20LB. PROPANE 8.99
8LB ICE 3.99



HERLINGER'S GROCERY
DRINK
Coca-Cola

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