



This large white farmhouse sits on land purchased from the government in 1841 by Alexander Stenhouse. Built by his grandson, John Stenhouse, about 1900, it is of a simplified Victorian style, trimmed with beautiful scrollwork and finished with a beautiful wide wraparound verandah. When completed, it was the largest house in English Settlement and was the talk of the community at the time. It was painted dark red with white trim, and to set it off, the barn was painted white. Such a thing was unheard of in the area. After a few years, however, the barn was painted red and the house white, and it has been white ever since.

The second photo shows how haying was done in 1912 on the Stenhouse farm. Note that the ladies are pitching hay while wearing long dresses; and yet they're smiling!

Only two families have owned the house in almost one hundred years. Len and Celia Bork purchased it in 1959 from the Stenhouse family, after living there for a number of years. Their family still farms the land and raises Hereford cattle.

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