

Old house from the southwest, probably 1941.

This is another very informative photo of the old house from the southwest.



The picture includes the black car that Pa bought in 1940, the old house, especially the kitchen addition. The kitchen was likely added a decade or more before our folks bought the farm.

The pig shed, and windmill are also in the photo.

The kitchen chimney verifies that the kitchen stove was on the west side as I recalled.

The added pipe out the top of the chimney tells that the original height was not enough for a good draft.

The elms on the lawn are much smaller than I remember them, but the trees had ten more years to grow before they were cleared for the new house.

The photo also shows that there was no outside access to the small kitchen cellar.

There was just the trap door on the kitchen floor in the SW corner.

This photo was taken before electricity came to the farm. We got electricity the year I was born, 1946.

The red wooden pig shed is where I remember it.

After 1956 that shed was moved south of the new barn.

There it was used as a heifer shed for a decade. It stood east to west in that location.

After that we salvaged the roof, rotated it 90 degrees and moved 75 feet to the southwest.

We replaced the wood walls, which were rotten, with about six rows of concrete blocks.

Eventually Mike and Jim raised pheasants in it.

The stack on the roof, which looks like a chimney, was a wooden air vent.

Two black cars are in the photo. I think a cat is shading under the rear bumper of the extra car

The extra car in the yard means "company".

The nearest car is Pa's.

This could be Ma's first photo of her new home.