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SITE NO. 32

NAME

(Martin) Larson house

LOCATION

11½ miles southwest of Clifton, Bosque  
County, Texas, on A. Kuykendall survey

OWNER

Mildred Patterson  
Clifton, Texas 76634

PRESENT USE

Private residence

CATEGORY

Building

STATUS

Occupied

QUADRANGLE NAME

German Valley, Texas

QUADRANGLE SCALE

1:24000

UTM REFERENCE

14/617270/3511680

ACREAGE

less than 1 acre

PHOTO REFERENCE NO.

48

## DESCRIPTION

The Martin Larson house stands on gently rolling land just east of the Boggy Branch of Neils Creek. This one-and-a-half-story, wood-frame structure remains virtually unaltered and is in good condition. Its plan is asymmetrical, in the form of a "T." The front, or north, facade has a one-story porch with turned wooden posts, jig-cut brackets, and a frieze of turned spindles. A single doorway opens onto the porch, and the windows are double hung with two-over-two lights and vertical muntins. At the east end of the front, a steeply pitched, dormer-like gable rises from the roof and has a single window with two-over-two lights. The cross-gabled roof is covered by wooden shingles and pierced by two corbeled brick chimneys. A small shed-roof addition was built in the 1940s on the rear (south) elevation.

## SIGNIFICANCE

The present owner, who is a descendant of the original occupant, states that the frame house was built in 1904 for Martin Larson. Since that time it has remained virtually unchanged, and retains its historic integrity to a remarkable degree.

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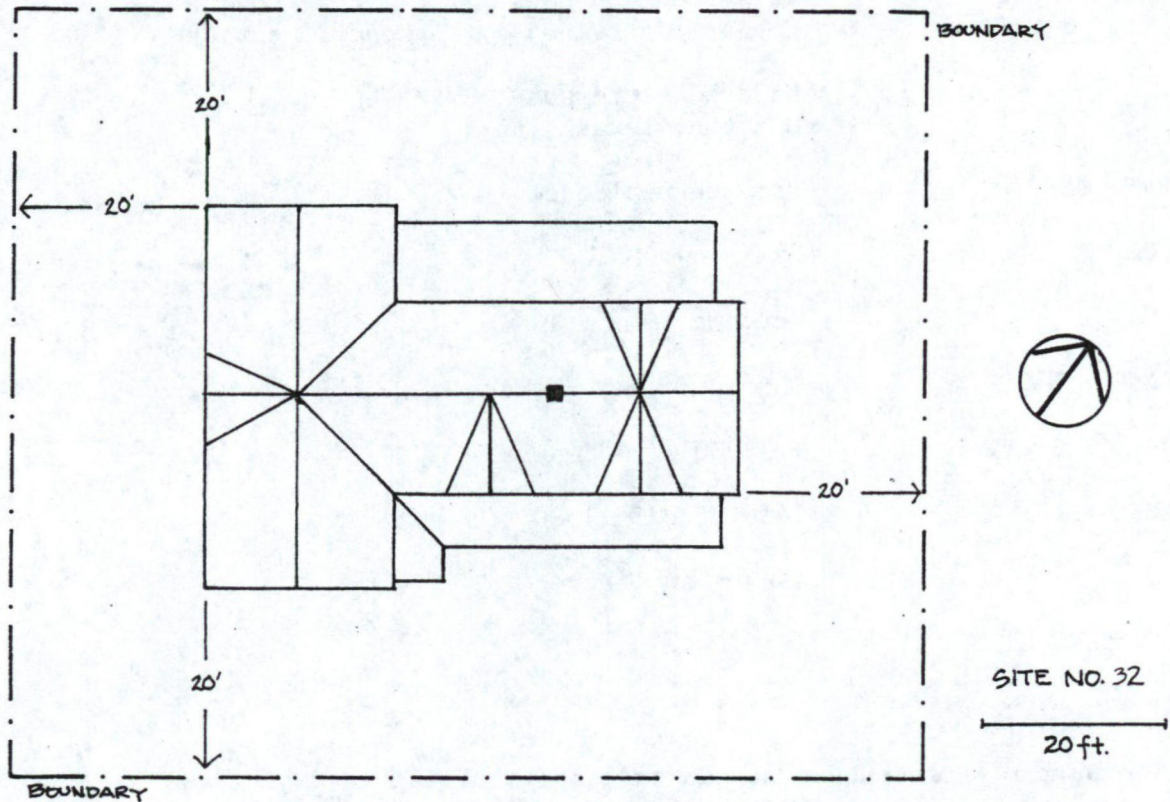
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AREA TO BE NOMINATED





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Multiple Resource Area  
Thematic Group

Name Norwegian Settlement of Bosque County Thematic Resources  
State Texas

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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| 11. Grimland, Gunsten and Lofise, House  | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
|  |                                     | Attest     |                              |
| 12. Grimland, Keddel and Liv, Farm       | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
|  |                                     | Attest     |                              |
| 13. Hanson, Hans, Farm                   | Substantive Review                  | Keeper     | <i>Return</i>                |
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| 14. Hoff-Ulland Farm                     | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
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| 15. Holen Farm                           | Substantive Review                  | Keeper     | <i>Return</i>                |
|  |                                     | Attest     |                              |
| 16. Jenson, James Jens and Martha, House | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
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| 17. Knudson, Christen and Johanne, Farm  | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
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| 18. Lahlum, A. H., House                 | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
|  |                                     | Attest     |                              |
| 19. <b>Larson, Martin, House</b>         | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
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| 20. Linberg, Eric and Martha, Farm       | Entered in the<br>National Register | for Keeper | 7/22/83 <i>Delores Byers</i> |
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# NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

EVALUATION / RETURN SHE

United States Department of the Interior  
National Park Service

Larson, Martin, House (Norwegian Settlement  
of Bosque County TR)  
Bosque County  
TEXAS

Working No. JUN 9 1983

Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.84

Date Due: 7/7/83 - 7/27/83

Action: ☒ ACCEPT 7/27/83

Entered in the ☐ RETURN

National Register ☐ REJECT

Federal Agency: \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ resubmission  
☐ nomination by person or local government  
☐ owner objection  
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Recom. / Criteria \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer \_\_\_\_\_

Discipline \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

☐ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: ☐ technical corrections cited below  
☐ substantive reasons discussed below

## 1. Name

## 2. Location

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

## 4. Owner of Property

## 5. Location of Legal Description

## 6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

## 7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph  
☐ completeness  
☐ clarity  
☐ alterations/integrity  
☐ dates  
☐ boundary selection



## **8. Significance**

Period \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates \_\_\_\_\_ Builder/Architect \_\_\_\_\_

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- \_\_\_\_\_ summary paragraph
- \_\_\_\_\_ completeness
- \_\_\_\_\_ clarity
- \_\_\_\_\_ applicable criteria
- \_\_\_\_\_ justification of areas checked
- \_\_\_\_\_ relating significance to the resource
- \_\_\_\_\_ context
- \_\_\_\_\_ relationship of integrity to significance
- \_\_\_\_\_ justification of exception
- \_\_\_\_\_ other

## **9. Major Bibliographical References**

## **10. Geographical Data**

Acreage of nominated property \_\_\_\_\_

Quadrangle name \_\_\_\_\_

USGS References

Verbal boundary description and justification

## **11. Form Prepared By**

## **12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification**

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

\_\_\_\_\_ national \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature \_\_\_\_\_

title \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

## **13. Other**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Maps
- \_\_\_\_\_ Photographs
- \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet







The Norwegian Settlement of Bosque County

Site No. 32, Martin Larson House, 11½ miles  
southwest of Clifton, Bosque County, Texas

Photograph: July 1979, by Daniel Hardy

On file, Texas Historical Commission

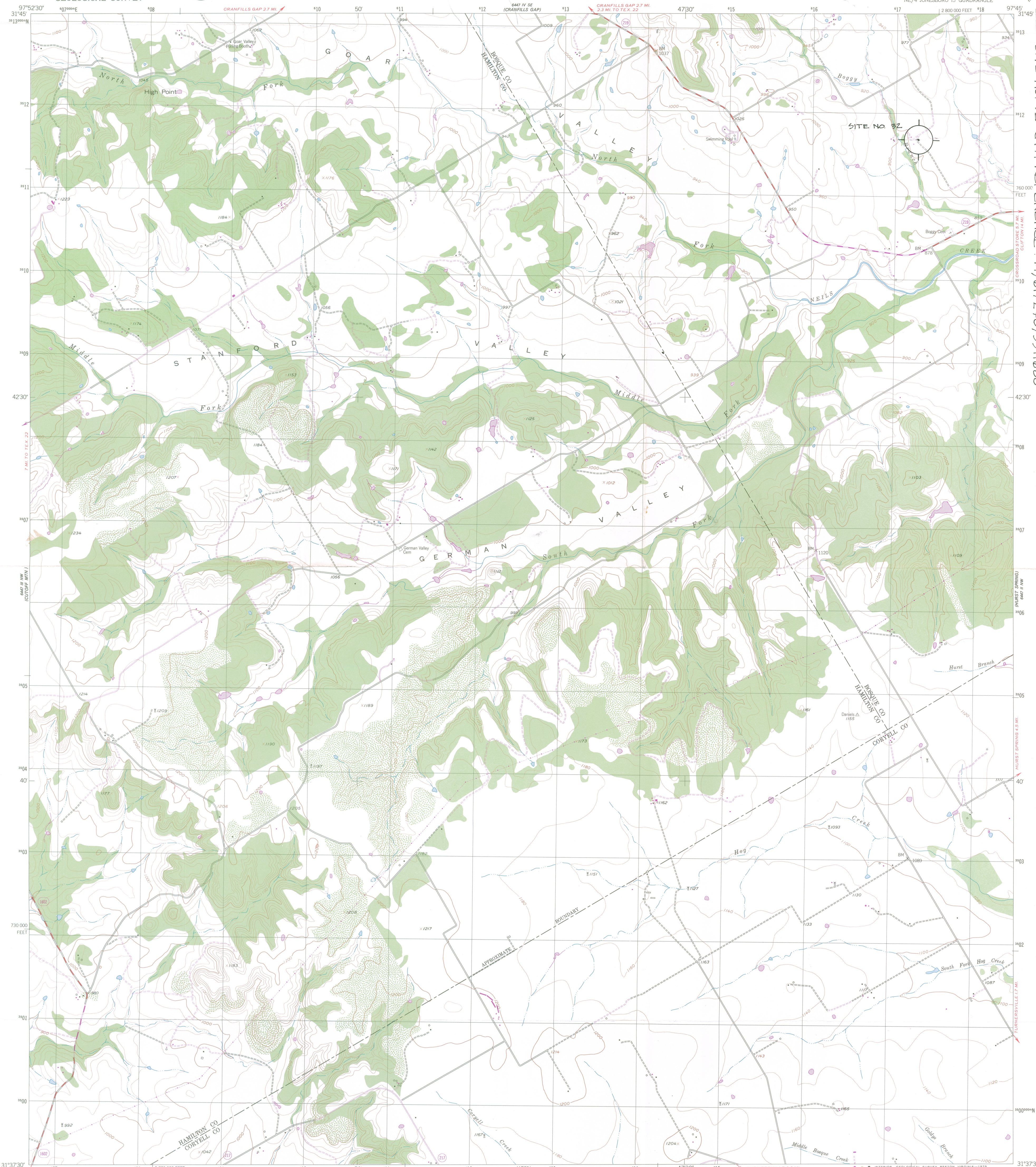
View of front facade, looking south

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THE NORWEGIAN SETTLEMENT of BOQUE COUNTY  
SITE NO. 32 UTM REFERENCE : 14/617270/3511600



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Topography from aerial photographs by ER-55 plotter  
Aerial photographs taken 1955. Field check 1956

Polyconic projection, 1927 North American datum  
10,000-foot grid based on Texas coordinate system,  
central zone  
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid, zone 14

Revisions shown in purple and woodland compiled from  
aerial photographs taken 1976 and other source data  
This information not field checked. Map edited 1979

UTM GRID and 1979 MAGNETIC NORTH  
DECLINATION at CENTER of SHEET



CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET  
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM of 1929

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS  
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QUADRANGLE LOCATION

ROAD CLASSIFICATION  
Primary highway, all weather, hard surface  
Secondary highway, all weather, hard surface  
Light-duty road, all weather, improved surface  
Unimproved road, fair or dry weather  
Interstate Route  
U. S. Route  
State Route

GERMAN VALLEY, TEX.  
NE/4 JONESBORO 15 QUADRANGLE  
N3137.5-W9745/7.5

1956  
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