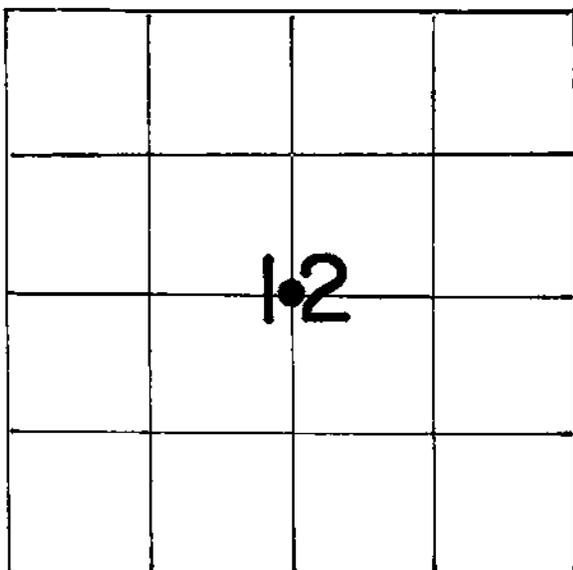


## U. S. PUBLIC LAND SURVEY MONUMENT RECORD

SECTION 12 T 18 N, R 5 W, TOWN OF BURNS

LA CROSSE COUNTY



LOCATION OF LANDMARK

Survey Crew: William Jung  
Perry Dahl  
8/13/85

## WISCONSIN COORDINATE SYSTEM

North

East

Theta Angle

Horiz. Order

Vert. Order

## TYPE OF LANDMARK

BERTSEN

## BEARINGS ARE REFERENCED TO

Assumed

Describe any record evidence, monument evidence, testimonial evidence or any other material evidence you considered and whether the monument was found or restored through acceptance of an obliterated evidence location.

This corner was set so as to agree with the old 1879 cemetery deed in Volume 51 Deeds, Page 574. The deed called for the Center 1/4 to be 66 feet South of the Southeast corner of the cemetery. The cemetery as presently fenced fits the old deed very well. As such I monumented the Center 1/4 so as to fit the old and long accepted occupied conditions. One of the oldest graves is from 1883 and is near the East fence. There may also be some unmarked graves near the East fence. One can assume that in 1879 the original pioneers knew where the original government  
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Describe or show any material discrepancy between the location of the restored corner and that of the corner previously restored or reestablished.

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corners were and as such also the Center 1/4. I cannot think that the old pioneers would have knowingly buried their friends and relatives on other than cemetery lands. The Center 1/4 as monumented is irregular and is about 16 feet North and 14 feet East of the true Center 1/4 (intersection of 1/4 lines). In my opinion the Center 1/4 was set in an irregular method in 1879 when the cemetery was measured out. While surveying in other counties in West Central Wisconsin it has been my experience on many occasions to see cases where the Center 1/4 was set in an irregular method in the 1860's and 1870's. After the law was changed in 1867 to its present method of setting the Center 1/4, many local surveyors continued to set the Center 1/4 in irregular fashions. I feel that this is the case with the Center 1/4 of Section 12. This location also best fits the old 3 rod road evidence as found further West by the school and the West 1/4 in where the road was taken out of the NW1/4 and the 1/4 line is the South R/W line. I talked to Marvin Schiller, an old resident of this area, and he stated that the cemetery fences have always been at this location. I wanted to check the old cemetery records, but Lois Schiller said that they had been lost. Ray Pelishek, the County Surveyor, also agreed that we should accept the cemetery evidence and monument the Center 1/4 as I did. The alternative is to run the 1/4 line through the cemetery and disrupt conditions assumed to be correct for 106 years. We feel that alternative to be unacceptable.

