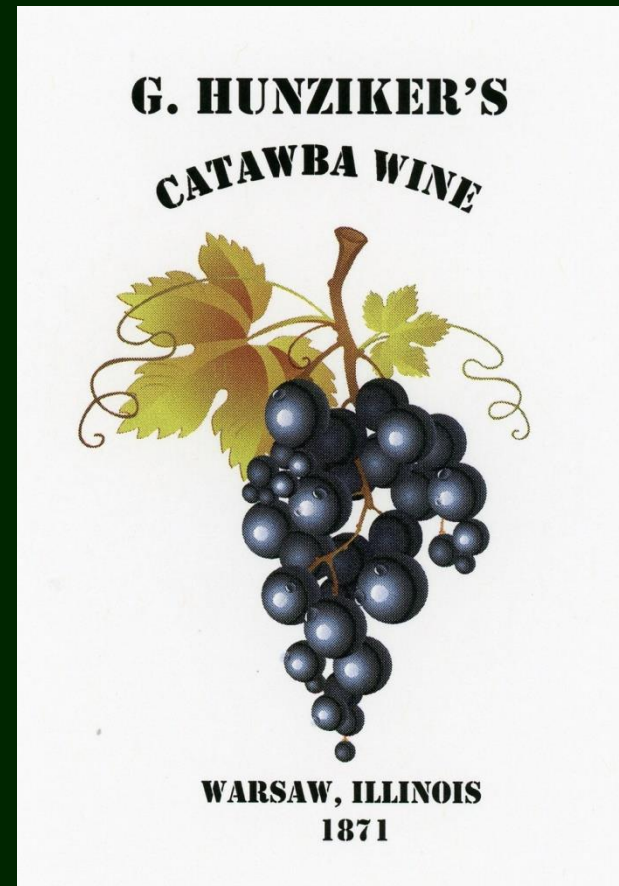


The Hunziker Winery Site, Warsaw, Hancock County, Illinois.

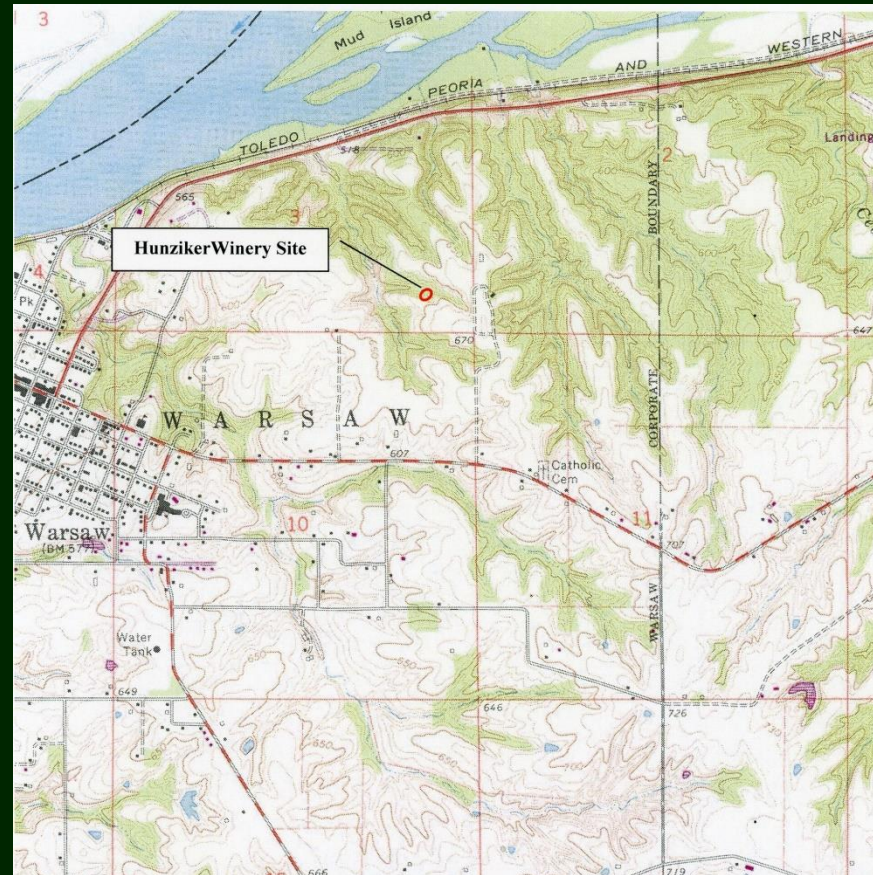
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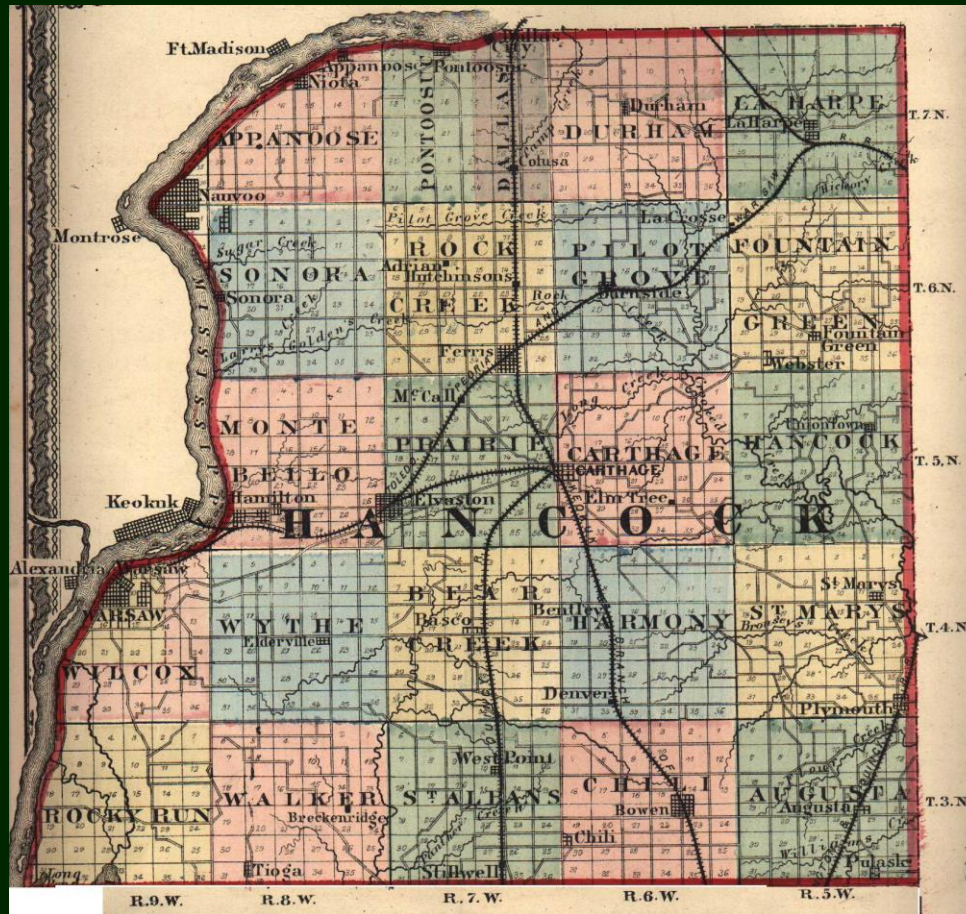
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Location of the Hunziker Winery Site, rural Hancock County, Illinois. The site is located in the Cedar Glen Hill Prairie Nature Preserve, managed by the Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR).

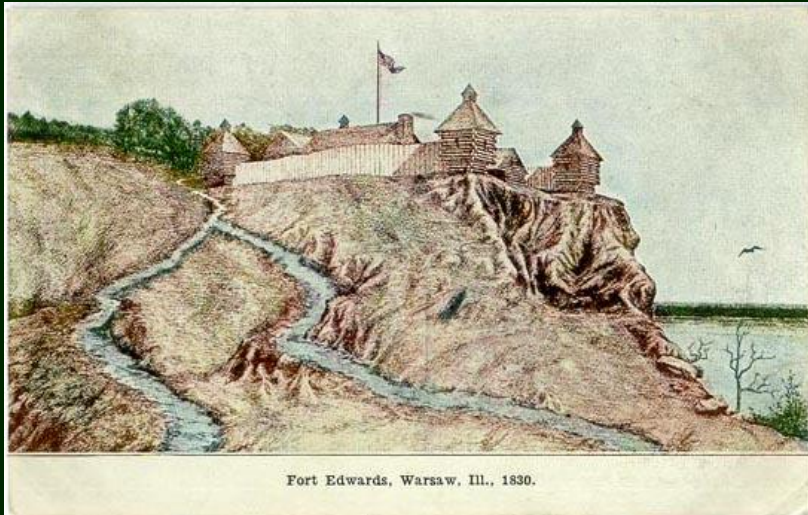


Warsaw is located opposite the mouth of the Des Moines River (and the town of Keokuk, Iowa). It is 17 miles south of Nauvoo, Illinois—which is located at the head of the Lower Rapids..



Atlas of Illinois (Warner and Beers 1870)

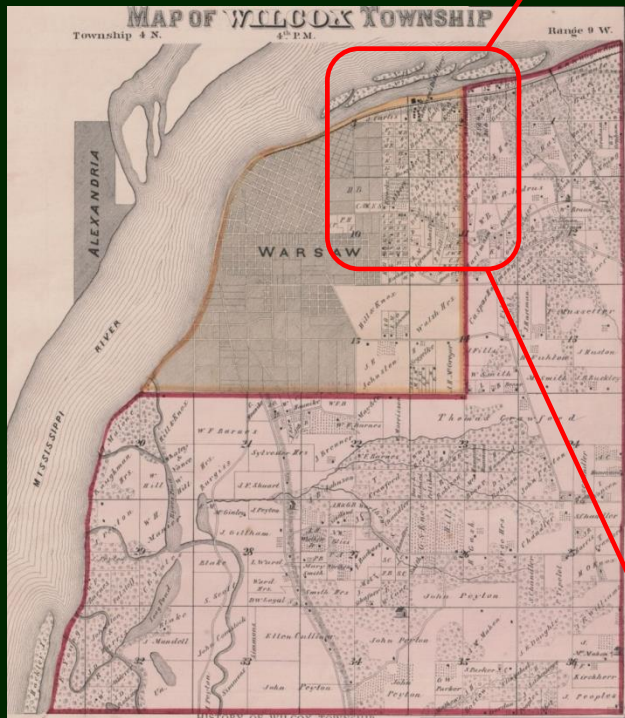
Warsaw is located on the east bank of the Mississippi River, at the head of the Lower Rapids (which was an impediment to early travel on the river). The site was a strategic military location (Forts Johnson and Edwards) during the early years of the nineteenth century. By the early 1830s, a small community had developed around the fort, which was abandoned shortly thereafter.



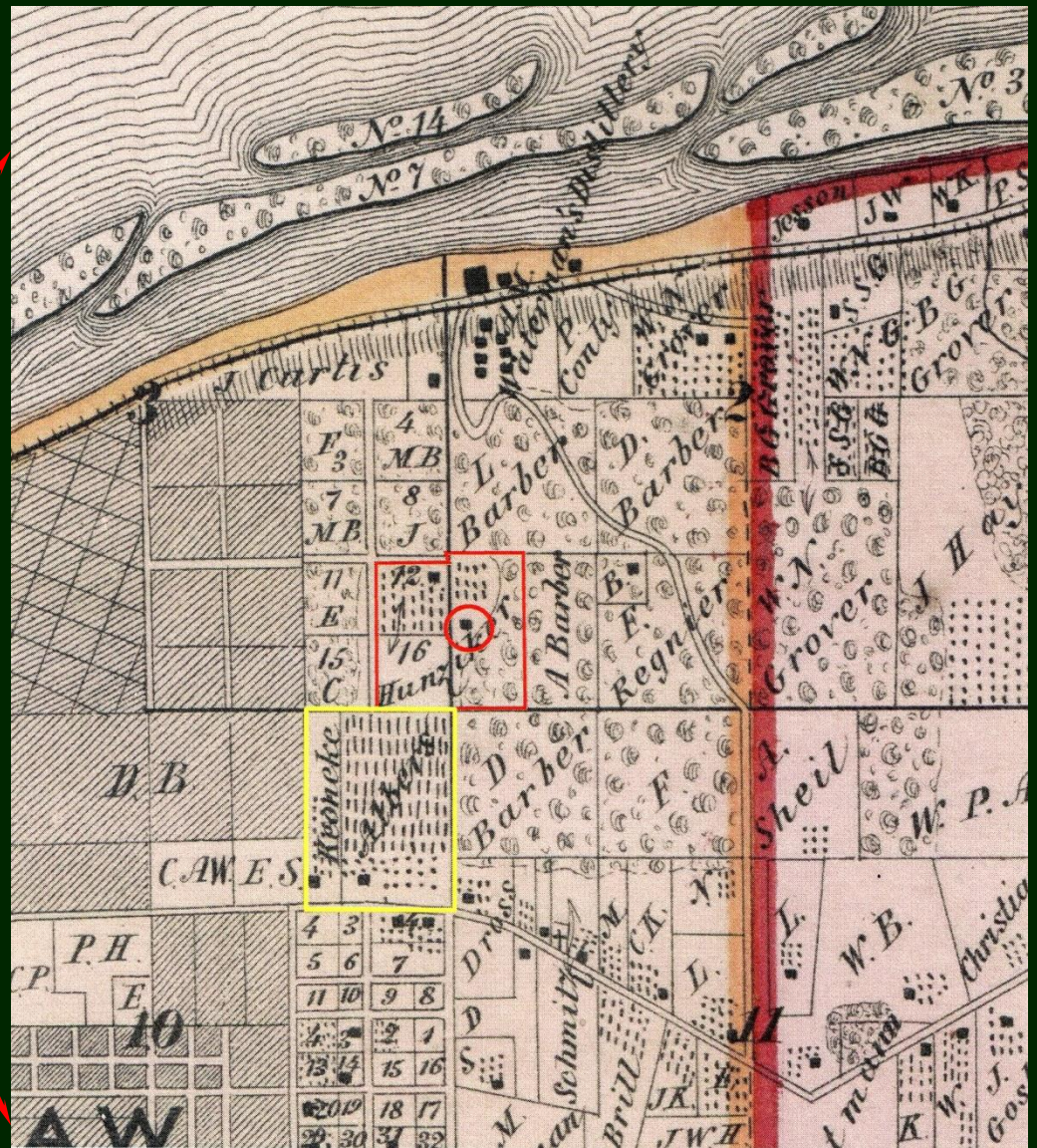
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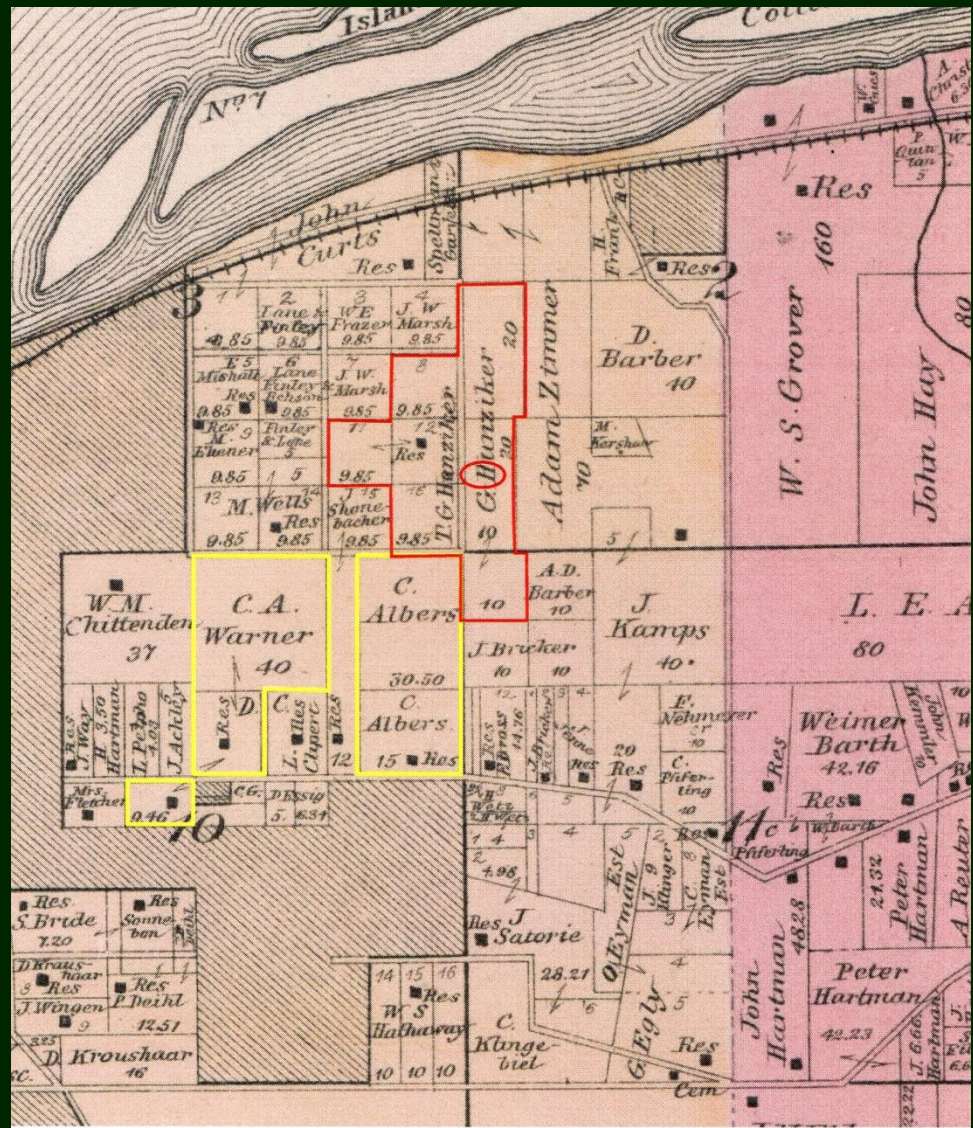
Gottlieb Hunziker's landholdings in 1874 (with the location of his winery circled in red). Note the extensive vineyards in the area at this time (such as that on Mr. Albers' adjacent land).



Atlas of Hancock County, Illinois (Andreas 1874:127)



Hunziker's landholdings had greatly expanded by the time of his death in 1893. Neighbors C. Albers and C. A. Warner were both known for their extensive vineyards. The location of the Hunziker Winery Site is circled in red.

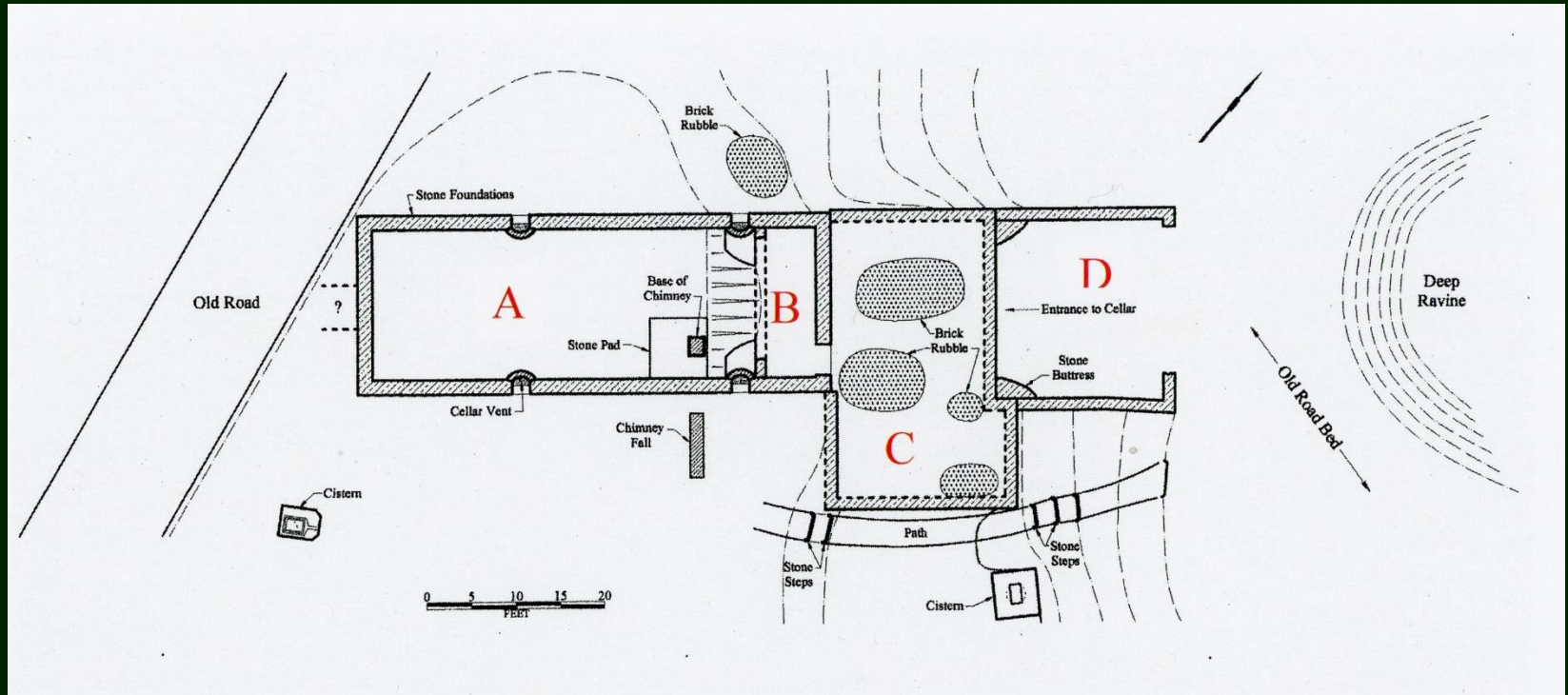


Plat Book of Hancock County, Illinois (Alden, Ogle and Co. 1891:43)

Detail of 1938 aerial photograph of Hunziker Winery Site location. Outlined in red is the limits of the Gottlieb Hunziker landholdings at the time of his death. The location of the winery and family farmstead is circled in red. Circled in yellow is the Keoneke/Shonebacker farmstead (which was connected by private road to the Winery Site; note old and overgrown vineyards).



Site plan of the Hunziker Winery Site. Areas A and B represent the above grade Wine House. Area C represents an enclosed addition. Area D represents the lower courtyard and entrance to cellar.















Worked stone cistern
cap.

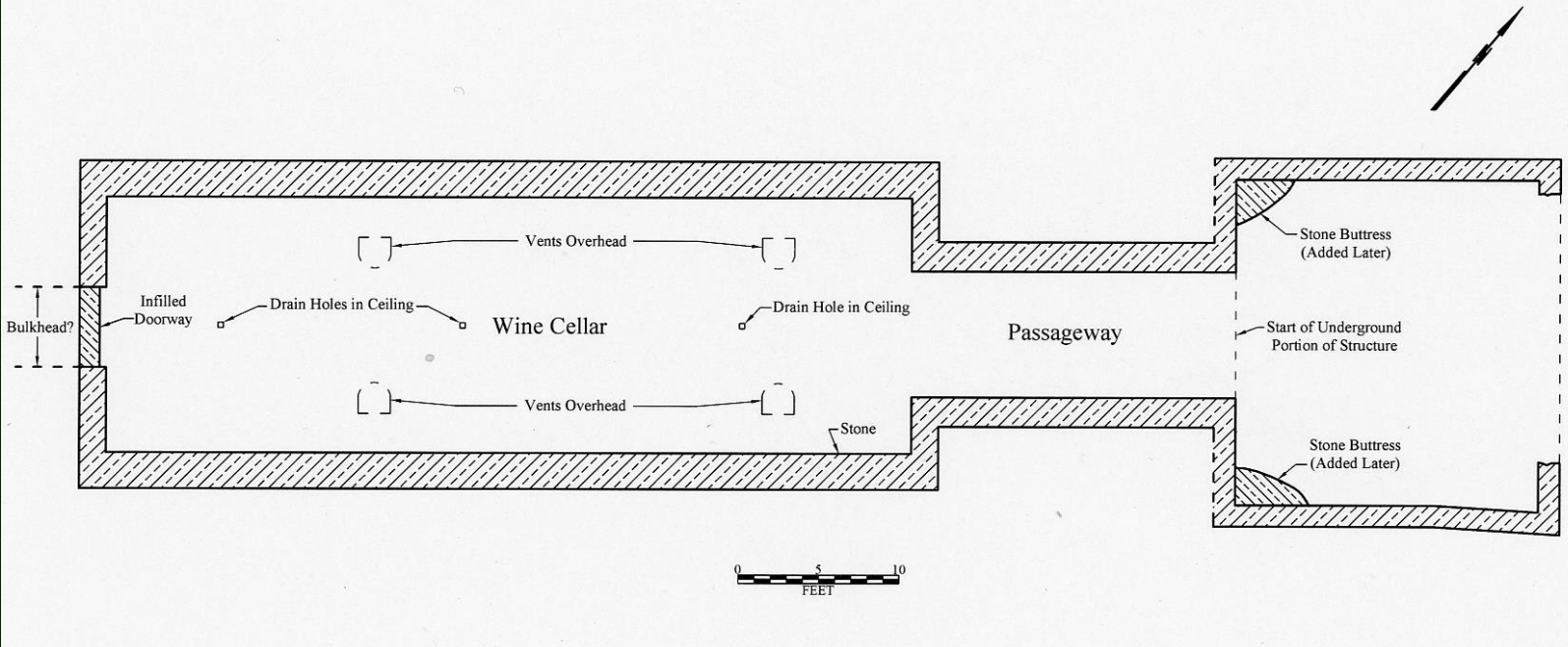


Concrete cistern cap (inscribed “11-10-1914 / Elvira
Zimmer” and impressed with two hand prints).





Associated landscape features included large patches of lilies along the front of the Winery Site.





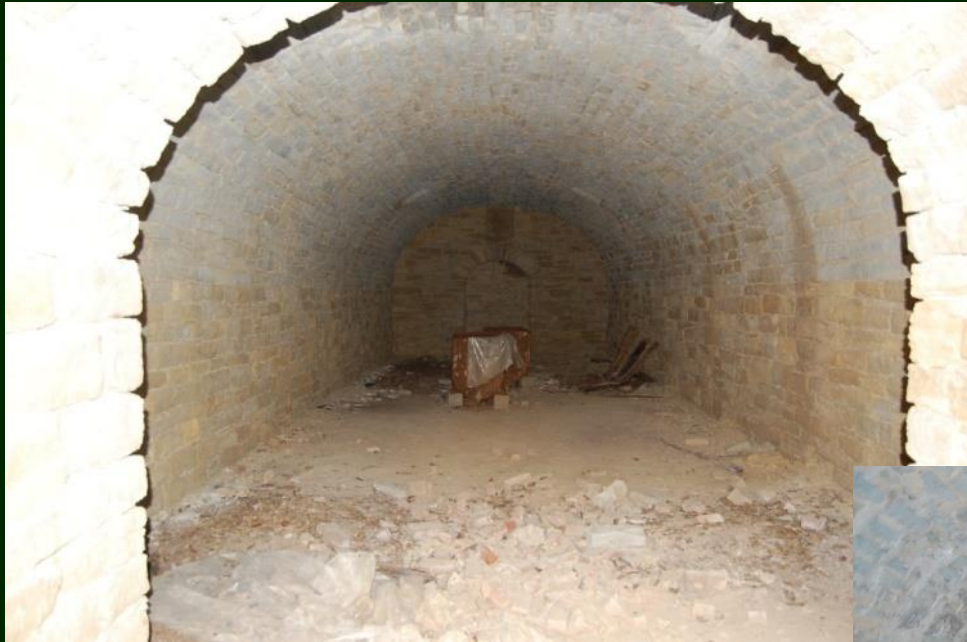
View looking uphill from cellar floor level to level of Wine House floor.



South (left) and north (bottom)
wing walls forming entrance
courtyard in front of cellar.

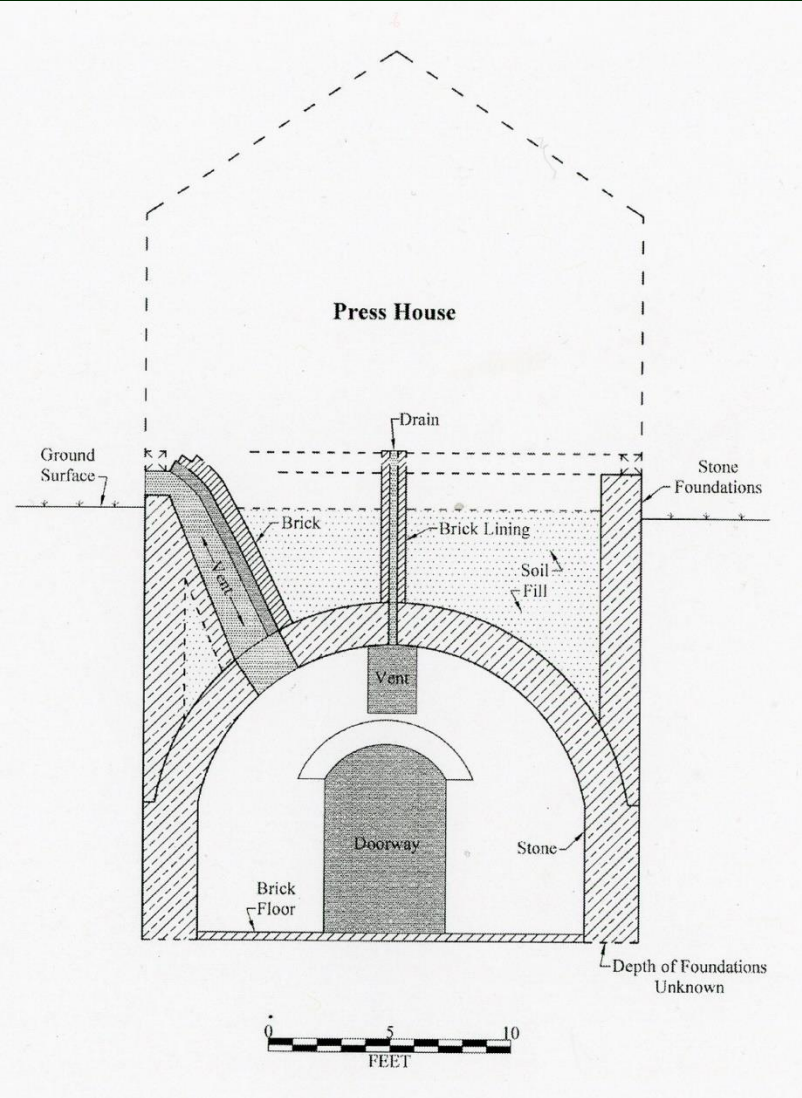


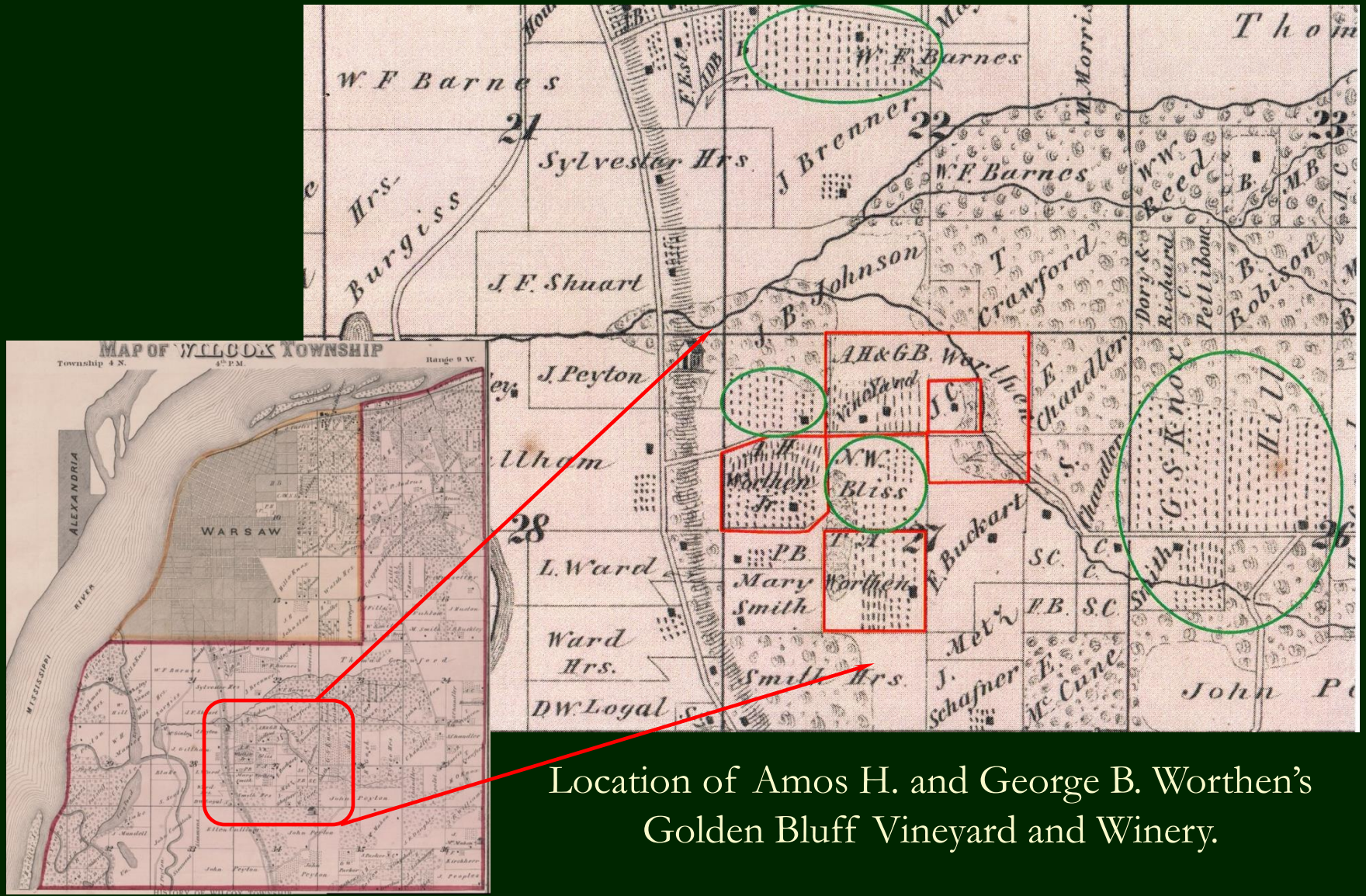






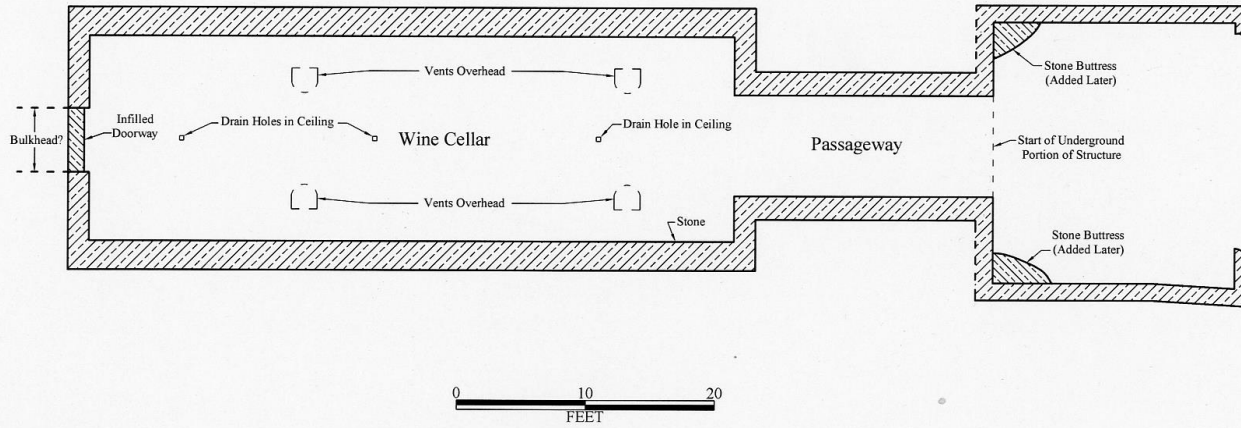




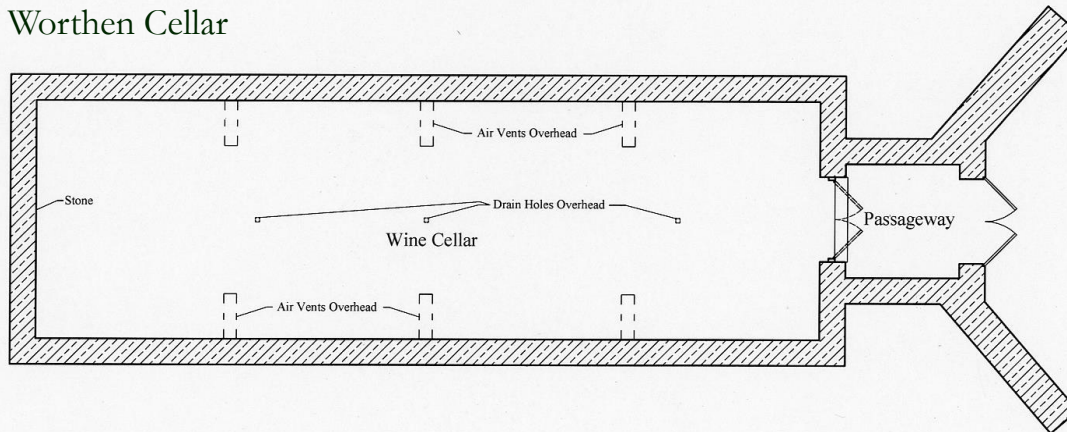


Location of Amos H. and George B. Worthen's Golden Bluff Vineyard and Winery.

Hunziker Cellar



Worthen Cellar





Worthen's Golden
Bluff Winery cellar



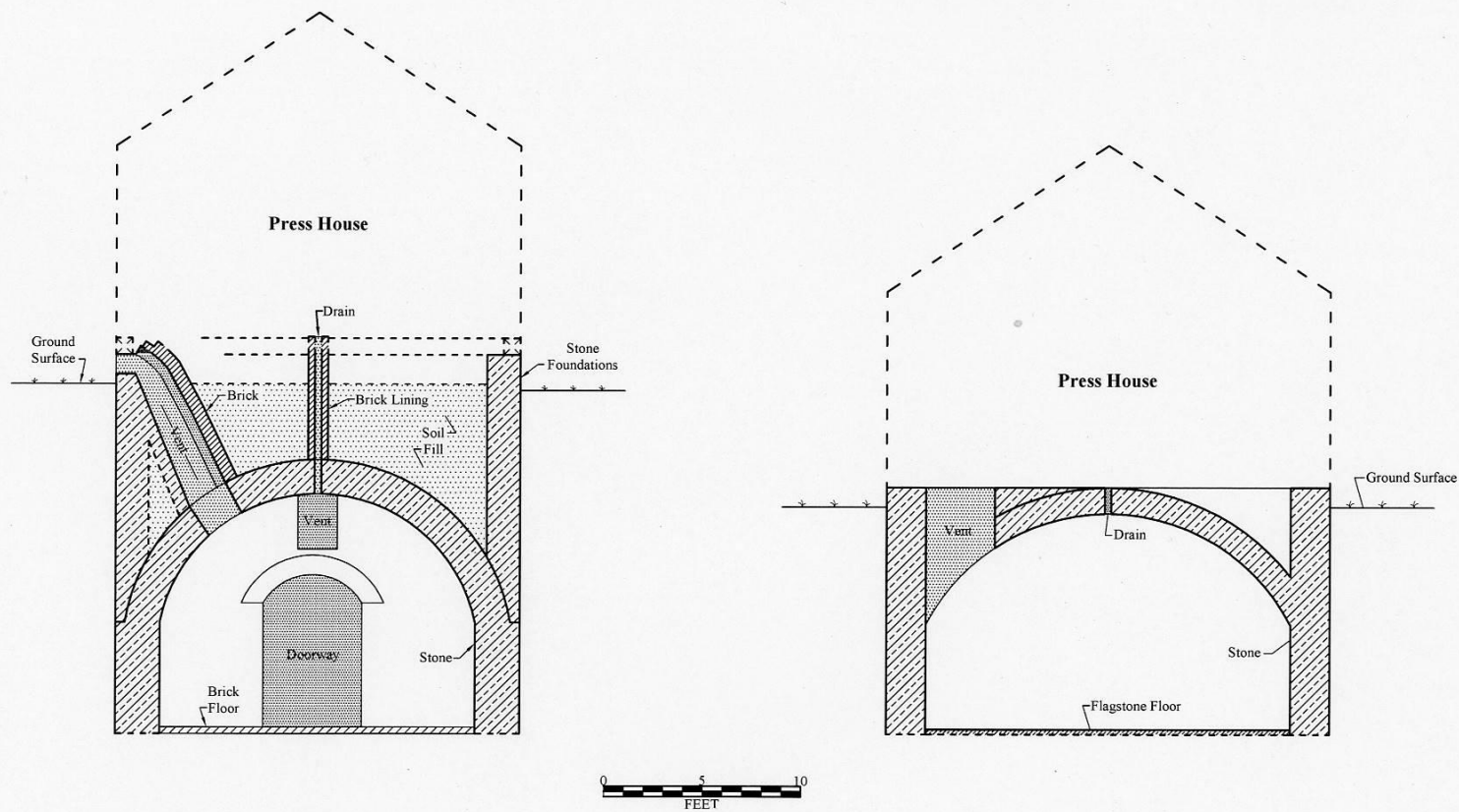
The cellar entrance at the Worthen Winery has a date of “1865” carved into the arch keystone.





Worthen's Golden
Bluff Winery cellar

Comparison of sectional views of the Hunziker Winery (left) and Worthen Winery (right) cellars.



Hunziker Winery Site (Warsaw, Illinois)

Relevant Criteria: Social History (Criterion A)
Archaeology (Criterion D)

Period of Significance: 1864 (G. Hunziker's purchase of property and suspected
to date of initiation of wine production)
1893 (G. Hunziker's death and suspected end
of wine production)

Areas of Significance: Agriculture (Processing)
Archaeology



Thank You.

