

IDENTIFICATION	Historic name: <u>H.C. Shiflett Barn</u>	STATUS	Open to public: Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/>
	Common name: <u>Hickman Barn</u>		Visible from road: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
	Address: <u>Route 1</u>		Occupied: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
	<u>Georgetown, Tennessee</u>		Present use: <u>Agriculture</u>
	Owner's name: <u>William Hickman</u>		Current condition: <u>Fair</u>
	Owner's address: <u>Route 1</u>		Alterations: <u>Side shed additions added later</u>
	<u>Georgetown, Tennessee 37336</u>		
	Classification: <u>Building-private</u>		Site features: <u>N/A (No other buildings are included within nominated boundaries)</u>
Tax map reference: <u>Dist. 1, Map 82, Parcel 7</u>			
Acreage: <u>.7 acres</u>			
UTM reference: <u>Zone 16 N 3913040</u>			
<u>E 689080</u>			
HISTORY	Date of construction: <u>1866</u>	SOURCES	Bibliographical data: <u>Interview with Mrs. William Hickman, Georgetown, TN., April 18, 1979 (great-granddaughter of H.C. Shiflett).</u>
	Architect/builder: <u>H.C. Shiflett</u>		
	Original or previous owners: <u>H.C. Shiflett</u>		
	Original use: <u>Agriculture (Barn)</u>		Form prepared by: <u>Stephen T. Rogers</u>
	Theme/s: Primary <u>Architecture</u>		Title: <u>Cultural Resource Surveyor</u>
	Secondary <u>Agriculture</u>		Organization: <u>Tennessee Historical Commission</u>
Other <u>N/A</u>	Date: <u>12/3/80</u>		
DESCRIPTION	<p>The Shiflett cantilever barn is a large two story double pen building; each half-dovetail notched log pen is one story high, square in shape, and measures 18'x18'. Constructed of large poplar, oak, and pine logs, the exterior dimensions of the log section of the barn is 55' x 32'. It rests on stone piers. The second story of the Shiflett barn has heavy timber framed construction, joined with mortise and tenon. Single vertical board doors are located on the southeast elevation and serve as an entrance to each log pen. The metal gable roof has a projecting gable bay on the southwest elevation which is used to lift hay into the second story.</p>		
SIGNIFICANCE	<p>The H.C. Shiflett Barn is the oldest cantilever barn in the county with an established date of construction. The Shiflett Barn represents an excellent example of a method of construction rarely seen in Tennessee. It is believed Austin Shiflett, who settled in Tennessee from Virginia and North Carolina is credited with the introduction of cantilever barn type into Meigs County. The Shiflett family prospered in the southern part of the county and Austin's son, H.C. Shiflett, 1838-1908, built this barn in 1866. It continues to be owned by Shiflett family descendents.</p>		

PHOTOGRAPHIC DATA

Photographer: Ann Toplovich

Date: 4/18/79

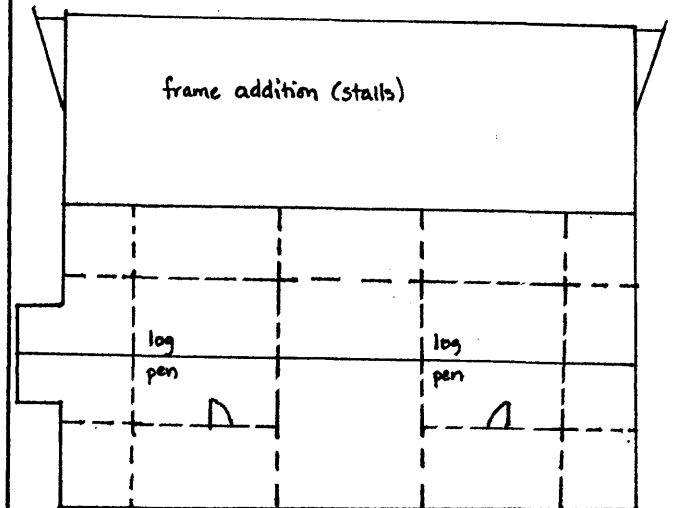
Negatives on file: Tennessee Historical
Commission

Photographer facing: S & W elevation-facing

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50 of 55, interior-facing N

CONTINUATION

SITE PLAN - Include North Arrow



---: log cantilever beams



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**National Register of Historic Places
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Verbal Boundary Description and Justification:

41. The boundaries begin at a point on the north side of the road 1000 feet northeast of the fork in Fisher Hollow Road, thence northeast along said road 150 feet, thence northwest 200 feet, thence southwest 150 feet, thence southeast 200 feet to the beginning. This boundary takes the form of a rectangle which encompasses the barn. Due to the lack of property lines or visual boundary lines on the northeast, northwest, and southwest sides, imaginary boundary lines were established to include the barn and approximately .7 acres of land on which it sits.

Historic Resources of Meigs County,
Tennessee
(Partial Inventory: Historic and
Architectural Resources)

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