

MARSHALLVILLE AND MACON COUNTY MULTIPLE RESOURCE NOMINATION
ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORIC PROPERTIES INVENTORY FORM

No. 4
Reg. # 80001447

IDENTIFICATION

Property Name Dick Dodd Residence Historic Name William Hamilton Felton House
Street Address McCaskill Street City Marshallville County Macon
Present Owner Richard E. Dodd Street Address McCaskill Street
City Marshallville State Georgia ZIP Code 31057
Original Owner William Hamilton Felton Acreage 348 (originally); 19.1 (presently)
U.S.G.S. Quadrant Marshallville, Ga. 1:24000 U.T.M. Reference A) Z.17 E.222590 N.3593920
B) Z.17 E.222920 N.3593900
Tax Map Reference 15th District; Marshallville Tax Map 25, Block B, Plot 2 (This 19.10 acre plot is the nominated property)

Architectural Description and Present Condition: The Felton House picks up many features of the Italianate Villa style: large brackets supporting wide eaves; tall, thin first floor windows; low pitched truncated hipped roof; and a rectangular, symmetrical shape. Ten rooms with 14'6" ceilings. Indoor bathrooms added in 1916-17, and the kitchen remodelled in 1963. Good condition. Frame outbuildings date from late nineteenth and twentieth century. The surrounding land is both orchards and timber.

HISTORY

Current Use Residence Historic Use Residence
1865 - 1916-1917;
Construction Date 1867 Architect/Builder _____ Date of Alterations 1963

Historical Narrative: Built immediately after the Civil War by W.H. Felton at a cost of approximately \$5,000, the Felton House was made from lumber and brick found on the land. Felton was the son of Billy Felton (the Billy Place) and his wife was a Crocker (Thronateeska). Cotton and peaches were the money crops on this farm and W.H. Felton, like S.H. Rumph, experimented with refrigerated peach crates. The house was purchased in the 1940's by Richard E. Dodd, who has entertained visitors such as Robert Frost, Donald Davidson, and other outstanding writers.

SIGNIFICANCE

Architecture;
Areas of Significance Agriculture Statement of Significance: The Felton House is important as an excellent example of mid-nineteenth century architecture. Its Italianate villa features are unique to Marshallville and its siting has remained virtually unchanged through the years. The house's agricultural history is similar to that of other farms in the area.

SOURCES

Prepared by Gladys A. Walker Street Address P.O. Box 99
City Marshallville State Georgia Date 10/2/79
Representation in Other Surveys None

Sources of Information:

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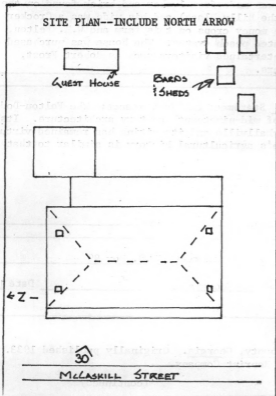
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Georgia. Interview. 2 October 1979.

U.T.M. Reference

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D) Z.17 E.222560 N.3593580