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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Cloverlands

AND/OR COMMON

LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Clarksville-Trenton Road

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

St. Bethlehem

X VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Sixth

STATE

Tennessee

CODE

47

COUNTY

Montgomery

CODE

125

CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

__DISTRICT

__PUBLIC

__OCCUPIED

__AGRICULTURE

__MUSEUM

X BUILDING(S)

X PRIVATE

__UNOCCUPIED

__COMMERCIAL

__PARK

__STRUCTURE

__BOTH

X WORK IN PROGRESS

__EDUCATIONAL

__PRIVATE RESIDENCE

__SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

__ENTERTAINMENT

__RELIGIOUS

__OBJECT

__IN PROCESS

__YES: RESTRICTED

__GOVERNMENT

__SCIENTIFIC

__BEING CONSIDERED

X YES: UNRESTRICTED

__INDUSTRIAL

__TRANSPORTATION

__NO

__MILITARY

X OTHER: vacant

OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Mr. and Mrs. Gary R. Ausenbaugh

STREET & NUMBER

P.O. Box 69

CITY, TOWN

Trenton

VICINITY OF

STATE

Kentucky

LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Montgomery County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

129 North Second

CITY, TOWN

Clarksville

STATE

Tennessee

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Historical and Architectural Survey

DATE

June 1978

__FEDERAL X STATE __COUNTY __LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Tennessee Historical Commission

CITY, TOWN

Nashville

STATE

Tennessee

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT

GOOD

FAIR

DETERIORATED

RUINS

UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED

ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE

MOVED

DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Cloverlands is located in northern Montgomery County, approximately 1,000 feet south of the Tennessee-Kentucky state line. The house stands on a 10-acre tract, which, until recently, was part of a 232-acre farm.

This vernacular plantation house was built ca. 1820 by John Walton Barker. The original part consisted of a story-and-a-half, brick house, built on a brick foundation and covered with wooden shingles. The gable roof is pierced by five dormers, three on the south elevation and two on the north. Two interior brick chimneys bisect the ridge, one at each gable. Approximately twenty years later the house was enlarged by the addition of one-story, brick wings to the gable ends and porches with four square wooden pillars which connected the wings; the additions contain four brick chimneys, one for each of the principal rooms. These additions transformed the house from a story-and-a-half vernacular form, commonly found in eastern Virginia (the first owner's birthplace), to a form more generally found in the Deep South. Still another small addition was attached to the northwest corner in the nineteenth century.

The early part of the house, when built, had a three-bay, symmetrical facade. In this century, additional windows have been opened in this (south) elevation so that it now has seven bays. The present facade, including additions, has eleven bays. The rear or north elevation has been treated similarly except that the recessed porch has been enclosed. The facade and early part of the north elevation were laid in Flemish bond and the remaining elevations in American common bond.

In plan the house consists of two rooms separated by a center passage with a staircase. The ca. 1840 additions transform this simple plan into an H-shaped arrangement and the porches cause the overall plan to appear rectangular.

The principal rooms in the early section contain their original Federal mantels and some of the painted and grained baseboards and chair rails. Portions of the original herringbone brick cellar floor remain. The two upstairs rooms are lighted by large round head windows.

A nineteenth-century log smokehouse stands approximately sixty feet northeast of the house. It is presently cased with weatherboard and vertical board siding and covered with a metal roof.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES ca. 1820

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Cloverlands was built for John Walton Barker (born ca. 1793-?) who emigrated to Montgomery County, Tennessee, from Halifax County, Virginia, in 1809. Barker's family was one of the early families in this area, and his descendants are still found in north central Tennessee and south central Kentucky.

Architecturally, the original portion of the building is a rare Tennessee example of the style of vernacular house commonly constructed in eastern Virginia throughout the eighteenth century. The popularity of this style on the east coast of the Middle Atlantic region had diminished by 1800 which probably accounts for its rarity in states largely settled after the beginning of the nineteenth century. Although the original house is a stylistic transplant from Virginia, the ca. 1840 additions are more reflective of houses found in the lower South.

This house, nearly 160 years old, is one of the oldest in Montgomery County, and it is the only known example of this style of architecture in north central Tennessee. Structurally the house is in remarkably good condition. The present owners have undertaken a careful, long-range restoration program and intend to occupy the house soon.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Information provided by Mrs. Henry T. Meriwether, Sr. and J. C. Askew, Jr., both of Montgomery County, Tennessee.
 Meriwether, Nelson Heath. The Meriwethers and Their Connections. Columbia, Mo.: Art-croft Press, 1964.
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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1

QUADRANGLE NAME Trenton, KY-TENN

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCES

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION The property nominated is a 1-acre, square lot, each side of which measures approximately 208.7 feet. The southern boundary of the lot parallels the east-west axis of the house, and the house is located in the center of the lot.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Evelyn Glenn Hunter

ORGANIZATION

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

107 Madison Terrace

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CITY OR TOWN

Clarksville

STATE

Tennessee

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER SIGNATURE

Herbert L. Hayden

TITLE

Executive Director, Tennessee Historical Commission

DATE

11/9/78

FOR NPS USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

1-8-79

KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

ATTEST:

John H. Williams

DATE

1/8/78

~~CHIEF OF REGISTRATION~~