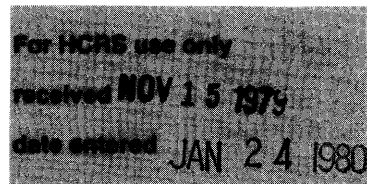


**United States Department of the Interior  
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

**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 Hexagon Barn ✓

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number Spring and Railroad Streets \_\_\_\_\_ not for publication

city, town Newport \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ congressional district 2nd

state Maine code 23 county Penobscot code 019

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property

name Glenwood McKenney

street & number Spring and Railroad Streets

city, town Newport \_\_\_\_\_ vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ state Maine

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Penobscot County Registry of Deeds

street & number

city, town Bangor \_\_\_\_\_ state Maine

## 6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title \_\_\_\_\_ has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date \_\_\_\_\_ federal  state  county  local

depository for survey records

city, town \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_

## 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**

The Hexagon Barn of Newport, Maine, is unique in the Pine Tree State, there being no other such type of building in Maine.

The two-story barn is of frame construction with hipped roof, hexagonal louvred ventilator on the roof peak, clapboard siding, and field-stone foundation. Each of the sides is of equal length. The following apertures are present, with the facing direction of the side in parenthesis: second-story 6/6 window (SW), two doors, one atop the other (E), first-story 6/6 window (NE), second-story loft door and first-story overhead door (N). This last has replaced the original hinged barn doors.

Attached to the northwest side of the barn is a one-story frame ell with clapboard siding. This leads to the house which is a frame Cape Cod type dwelling in the Greek Revival style. Stylistically the house appears to date from c.1800.

# 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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
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<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    c.1850

Builder/Architect

**Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)**

The Hexagon Barn in Newport is architecturally unique in Maine as far as can be determined. There are, in fact, no polygonal agricultural structures of any kind known to exist in the state although there are some twenty octagon houses which have been identified. What impulse led to the construction of this particular building has not been determined nor has extensive research revealed its builder. It is presumed that the barn is contemporaneous with the Greek Revival Cape to which it is attached and which can reasonably be dated as c.1850. Aside from the door change brought about by its use as a garage, the barn appears to have undergone no major alterations.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

Anonymous, A Brief History of Newport, Maine. Newport, 1914.

# 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 1/4

Quadrangle name Pittsfield

Quadrangle scale 1:62500

### UMT References

A 

1	9	4	7	8	1	2	5	4	9	6	4	4	2	0
Zone			Easting				Northing							

B 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

C 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

D 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

E 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

F 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

G 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

H 

Zone			Easting				Northing							

### Verbal boundary description and justification

Assessor's Map 15, Lot 137

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state code county code

state code county code

# 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Frank A. Beard, Historian, Robert L. Bradley, Architectural Historian

organization Maine Historic Preservation Commission date October, 1979

street & number 242 State Street telephone 289-2133

city or town Augusta state Maine

# 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature E. S. [Signature]

title S.H.P.O. date 11/9/79

For HCRS use only

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

W. Ray [Signature] date 1/24/80

Keeper of the National Register

Attest: [Signature] date 1/24/80

Chief of Registration