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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name The Corner Packing Shed

other names/site number

2. Location

street & number U.S. Hwy. 21, W of its junction with Land's End Rd. not for publication

city, town St. Helena Island vicinity

state South Carolina code 045 county Beaufort code 013 zip code 29920

3. Classification

Ownership of Property

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
1	buildings
	sites
	structures
	objects
1	0
Total	

Name of related multiple property listing:
Historic Resources of St. Helena Island, c1740-c1935

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Mary W. Edmonds 8/11/88
Signature of certifying official Date

George L. Vogt, State Historic Preservation Officer, SC Dept. of Archives & History
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register. See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register. See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register.

Melrose Jones 10/6/88

- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain:)

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Agriculture/Subsistence; Processing

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Agriculture/Subsistence; Processing

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Other

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brickwalls Woodroof Metal

other _____

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

This building conforms to the general description under "Commercial Buildings" and property subtype "Packing Shed." The long, open, frame building has a metal gable roof. The roof shelters an enclosed attic storage area. Loading docks, sheltered by shed roofs, extend along each long side of the rectangular building. An enclosed office area is at one end of the building.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Commerce

Period of Significance

c. 1930-c.1935

Significant Dates

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

This building is significant both for its association with truck farming and as an intact and unusual example of early twentieth century vernacular architecture. It is a vegetable packing shed built c. 1930 for use by truck farmers. Truck farming became the dominant form of agriculture on the island after the boll weevil doomed sea island cotton as a viable crop. It was greatly aided by the increased accessibility of St. Helena after the opening of the bridge from Beaufort to Ladies Island in 1927. This packing shed is located near the Corner, which was (and is) the social and commercial center of the island. It is the only known extant property associated with the early days of truck farming on St. Helena.(1)

NOTES

(1) Meeting with St. Helena Island residents, Penn Center, St. Helena Island, S.C., 20 August 1987; Edith M. Dabbs, Sea Island Diary: A History of St. Helena Island (Spartanburg: The Reprint Company, Publishers, 1983), pp. 234-35, 241-43.

See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

See continuation sheet

Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository:

SC Dept of Archives & History,
Columbia, SC

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property Less than 1 acre

UTM References

A 17 539860 3584380
Zone Easting Northing

C

B
Zone Easting Northing

D

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary of the nomination is shown as the black line on the accompanying Beaufort County Tax Map, St. Helena Sheet # 16, Parcel 130, drawn at a scale of 1" = 400'.

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Boundary Justification

The nominated property includes the packing shed and its immediate setting.

See continuation sheet

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National Register of Historic Places Continuation Sheet

PHOTOGRAPHS

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The following information is the same for each of the photographs:

Name of property: Corner Packing Shed (Historic Resources of St.
Helena Island, c. 1740-c. 1935 multiple
property listing)

Location of property: Beaufort County, South Carolina

Photographer: South Carolina Department of Archives and History
Staff

Location of negative: South Carolina Department of Archives and
History

Additional information for each photograph follows:

1. Corner Packing Shed
April 1987
Oblique, view looking northwest