TENNESSEE MULTIPLE PROPERTY FORM

Title: Historic Resources of Williamson County

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<u>Historic Name:</u> Herbert, John, House (W M-152)

Common Name: Breezeway

NATIONAL REGISTER

Classification: Building

Owner: Walter Morgan, Trustee, 210 Evely Ave., Nashville, TN 37205

Location: On Clovercroft Road, three-fourths of a mile east of Wilson Pike.

Contributing:		Non-Contributing:	
Buildings	3	Buildings	0
Structures	0	Structures	0
Sites	0	Sites	0
Total:	3	Total:	0

Description:

The John Herbert House is a one and a half story ca. 1830 log dogtrot plan residence. On the main (south) facade is a one-story porch with Doric concrete columns added in 1910. The main entrance is at the location of the breezeway which was enclosed ca.1910. The doors are vertical board frame and windows are ca.1910 six-over-six sash. The house has an enclosed stair in the dogtrot. The house rests on a cut stone foundation and has exterior end limestone chimneys. The exterior of the house was covered with weatherboard in the mid-19th century.

At the northeast corner is a one-story ca.1910 frame addition with four-over-four sash windows. At the rear facade is a one-story shed roof ca. 1910 addition. At the northwest facade is a one and a half story gable roof addition added ca.1910 with six-over-six sash windows and a gable dormer on the main (south) facade. This section has a tile shingle exterior. In the upper story of the log section are four-light casement windows. The interior was inaccessible.

To the west of the house are two contributing outbuildings: these include a ca. 1900 frame smokehouse with weatherboard siding and a gable roof; and a ca. 1900 board and batten wash house with a gable roof and stone chimney. These outbuildings are good examples of their type and are contributing to the house's setting. The house sits on a farm off Clovercroft Road and its site and setting have not been altered.

Period of Significance: ca. 1830; ca. 1910

Area of Significance: Architecture

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Architect/Builder: Unknown

Statement of Significance:

The John Herbert House is a notable example of a double pen dogtrot log residence from the early 19th century. The construction of this type of log cabin was common the early 19th century but few intact examples survive in the county. The Herbert House illustrates the typical evolution of double pen log residences. The house was originally built in a double pen design with an open dogtrot or breezeway. By 1880, the house had been covered with weatherboard siding which was attached to the exterior log surface and this siding enclosed the open breezeway. In the early 1900s, a new porch was added on the main facade and frame additions added at the rear. Since ca. 1910, few changes have occurred to the residence.

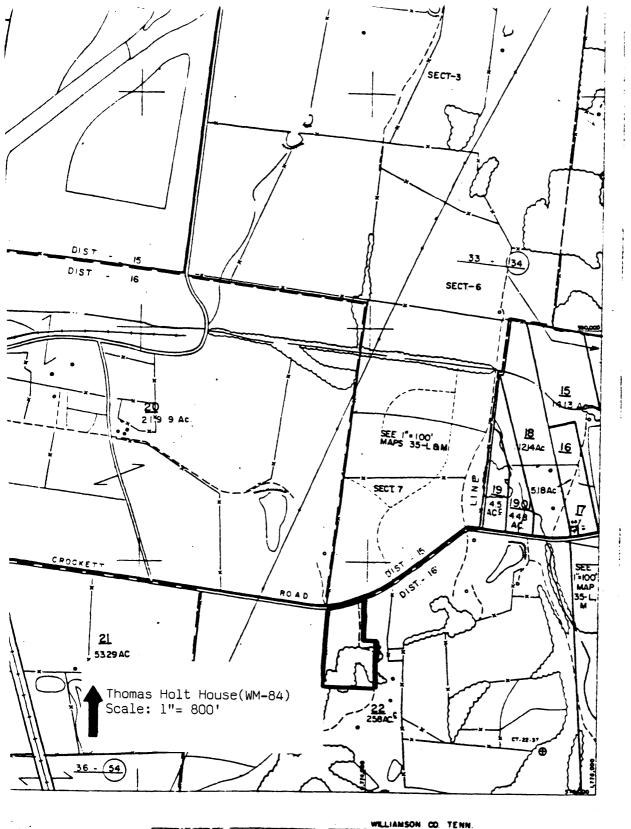
The house was supposedly built ca. 1830 by the Holland family but it was purchased soon after by John Herbert. Herbert was born in 1809 and purchased this property around 1830. Herbert married Temperence Hunt in 1832 and they had five children. Herbert died in 1848, and his widow resided at the house until her death along with her son John G. Herbert. In 1878, John G. Herbert is listed as occupying the house and owning 223 acres. In 1910, Herbert added the porch to the south side of the house which had concrete columns and foundation. Following his death in 1934 the house was purchased by Dr. Walter Morgan and the house has since had several owners. The John Herbert House is a well preserved log residence and along with the Beasely-Parham House (WM-433) is one of the best examples of double pen dogtrot construction in the county.

Acreage: 5.5 acres

UTM References: Franklin Quad/16/522020/3976100

Verbal Boundary and Justification: The boundary of the Herbert House is illustrated on accompanying Williamson County tax map # 61, lot 21. The boundary is drawn to include the house, approaches to the house and adjacent outbuildings. The boundary is defined on the north, east and west by fence lines and on the south by Clovercroft Road. The boundary includes sufficient property to protect the historical setting of the site.

Supplemental Bibliographical References: Historic Williamson County, Bowman.



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