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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

NATIONAL REGISTER

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 Clover Hill Mill
other names/site number Clover Hill Mill (BL-392)

2. Location

street & number At the junction of Mill Road and Clover Hill Road
city, town Maryville
state Tennessee code TN county Blount code 009 zip code 37801

3. Classification

Table with 3 columns: Ownership of Property, Category of Property, and Number of Resources within Property. Includes checkboxes for private/public ownership and building/site/structure/object categories.

Name of related multiple property listing: Hist. & Arch. Resources of Blount Co.

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. Signature of certifying official: Deputy SHPO, Tennessee Historical Commission. Date: 6/18/89.

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet. Signature of commenting or other official. Date.

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is: entered in the National Register. determined eligible for the National Register. determined not eligible for the National Register. removed from the National Register. other, (explain:)

Signature of the Keeper: Nelson Byrum. Date of Action: 7/25/89.

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

INDUSTRY/Manufacturing Facility

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

INDUSTRY/Manufacturing Facility

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

OTHER/20th Century Industrial Vernacular

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Concrete Blockwalls Weatherboard

roof Metalother Wood

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Clover Hill Mill is a two-and-one-half-story rectangular plan, industrial building constructed in 1921. The building has a poured concrete block foundation, weatherboard siding, gable roof of metal standing seam and two-over-two sash windows. On the main (N) facade is a one-story porch with square columns, exposed eave rafters and a metal standing seam roof. The upper story of the main facade has ca. 1970 metal siding. On the east and west facades are one and two story original wings which house an office and storage area. Both have shed roofs and weatherboard and metal siding. Doors are original four panel frame and sliding track doors. At the rear (S) facade are the concrete foundations of the overshot wheel which no longer exists. An electric generator presently provides power for the mill machinery. The interior has post and lintel construction and retains original mill machinery. This machinery includes belts, pulleys, chutes, mixers, and crushers used in the milling process. At the southwest corner is a staircase with no decorative detailing.

Adjacent to the mill are several structures including: 1. A one-story frame, ca. 1960 vertical board shed (NC); 2-5. Four metal grain bins added at the west and northwest corner of the building between 1969 and 1975 (NC) (NC) (NC) (NC). The Clover Hill Mill is sited along Baker Creek at the small community of Clover Hill. It occupies a large lot at the junction of the main roads in the community.

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 N/A

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Industry

Period of Significance

1921 - ca. 1939

Significant Dates

1921

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.

The Clover Hill Mill is significant under criterion A for its association with the milling industry of the county. The mill was constructed in 1921 on the site of an earlier mill and it has provided area farmers and residents with milling services since its construction. The community of Clover Hill evolved around the mill in the 19th century and the milling operations have continued to be the focal point of this small settlement. The mill is the only early 20th century grist mill remaining in operation in the county. It retains its original mill machinery and also represents a change in technology from water power to electricity.

The earliest mill at this location on Baker Creek was erected in 1849 by David McKamey. McKamey also operated a distillery nearby but no remains of this building exist. A small crossroads community grew around the mill and the mill and adjacent area became known as Clover Hill. The mill was sold to various other owners in the late 19th century and it was one of the county's best known grist mills and was powered by an overshot wheel. The original mill burned in 1921 and the present building was erected on its site.

This new mill building was constructed by Gilbert Blankenship who operated the mill for a number of years. This new mill was built with electric power and the overshot wheel and mill race were abandoned. Later owners included the Russell brothers, and Roy Perkins. The present owner purchased the mill in 1958 and continue to operated the mill which produces various brands of flour and corn meal. The mill is the only full service operating mill remaining in the county.

See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

Blount County Deed Records. 1800 - 1989. Blount County Courthouse, Maryville, Tennessee.

Burns, Inez E. History of Blount County, Tennessee: From War Trail to Landing Strip. Tennessee Historical Commission, Mary Blount Chapter DAR, 1957.

Morgan, John. Blount County Cultural Resource Survey. Tennessee Historical Commission, Nashville, Tennessee.

Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A

- 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: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property 1.5 acres.

UTM References

A 16 766880 3954960
 Zone Easting Northing

C _____

B _____
 Zone Easting Northing

D _____

Binfield Quad

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary for the Clover Hill Mill is illustrated on accompanying Blount County tax map 78, lot 148, which is drawn at a scale of 1" = 400'.

See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

The boundary for the Clover Hill Mill includes all existing buildings and adjacent lot which are currently associated with the property and are encompassed by parcel number 148 in Clover Hill.

See continuation sheet

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**National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet**

Photographs
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Clover Hill Mill
Clover Hill Rd., Maryville vic., Blount County, TN
Photographs By: Thomason and Assoc.
Date: Fall, 1988
Location of Neg: THC

View: Southwest facade.
Photo # 1

View: Northwest facade.
Photo # 2

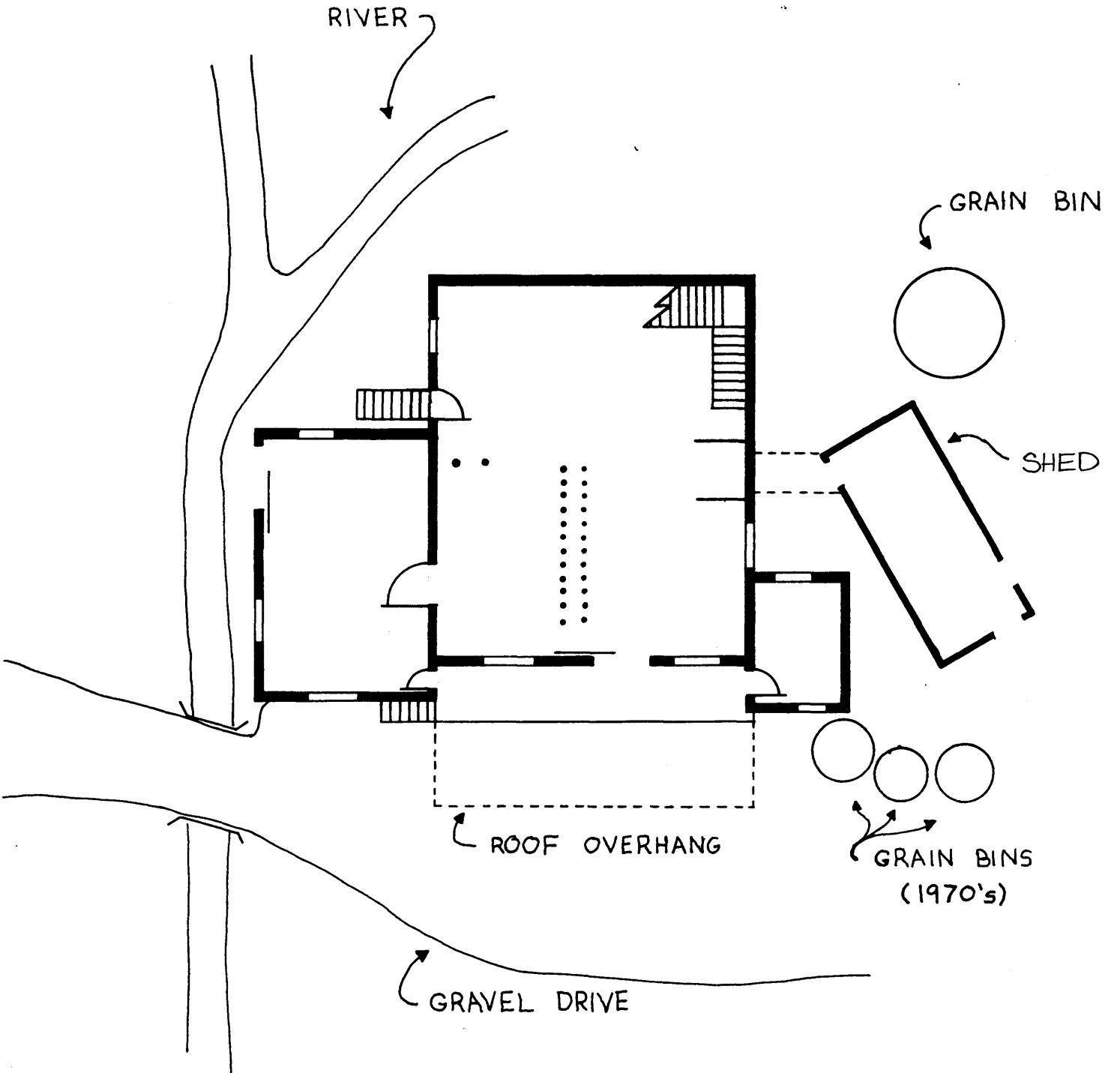
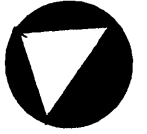
View: Northwest facade.
Photo # 3

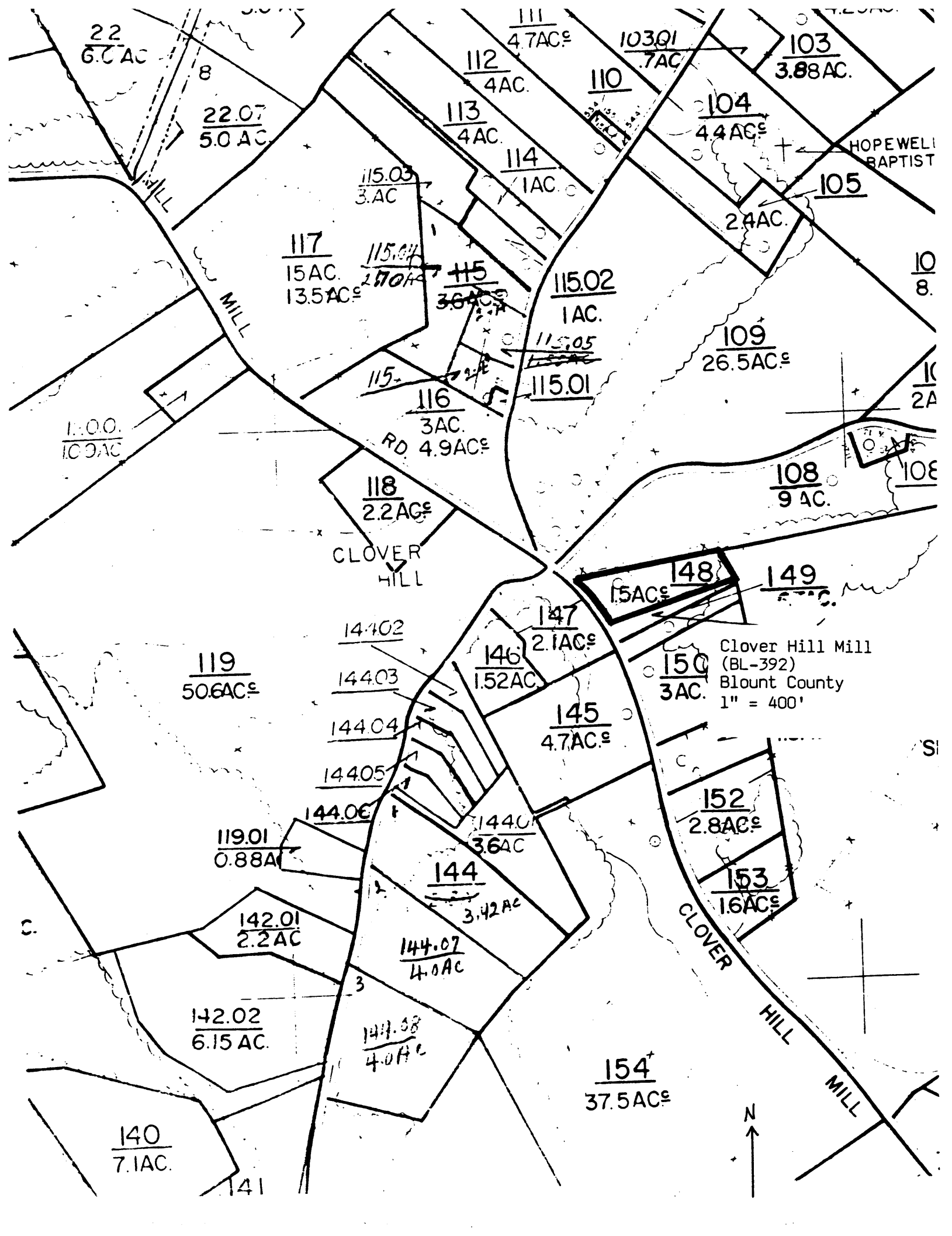
View: Northeast facade.
Photo # 4

View: Interior machinery.
Photo # 5

View: Attached building on southeast facade.
Photo # 6

#392 — CLOVER HILL MILL





22
6.7 AC

22.07
5.0 AC

111
4.7 AC

10301
.7 AC

103
3.88 AC

112
4 AC

110

104
4.4 AC

HOPEWELL
BAPTIST

113
4 AC

114
1 AC

2.4 AC

105

117
15 AC
13.5 AC

115.03
3 AC

115
3.6 AC

115.02
1 AC

10
8

109
26.5 AC

1.00
10.9 AC

115
3 AC
RD 4.9 AC

115.05
115.01

10
2A

118
2.2 AC

108
9 AC

108

CLOVER
HILL

148
1.5 AC

149
2.1 AC

Clover Hill Mill
(BL-392)
Blount County
1" = 400'

119
50.6 AC

14402

147
2.1 AC

14403

146
1.52 AC

150
3 AC

14404

145
4.7 AC

14405

14406

1440
3.6 AC

152
2.8 AC

119.01
0.88 AC

142.01
2.2 AC

144
3.42 AC

153
1.6 AC

CLOVER
HILL
MILL

142.02
6.15 AC

144.07
4.0 AC

154
37.5 AC

140
7.1 AC

141

