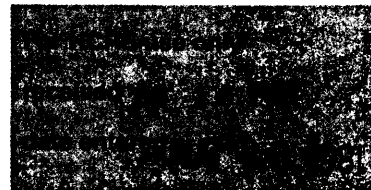


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EASLEY COVERED BRIDGE

1 mile west of U. S. 231 on county road 46
Oneonta Vicinity

spans Dub Branch

Blount County Commission
Blount County Courthouse
P. O. Box 549
1st Avenue East
Oneonta, Alabama

16/544500/3758840

Legal Description/acreage: Starting at the NE corner of the SE 1/4 of SE 1/4 section 22, Township 12 South, Range 1 east, thence S 57° 30 W for 730 Ft.; thence N 62° 00 W for 117 Ft. to the point of beginning being 50 feet SE of bridge; thence N 28° 00 E for 50 Ft; thence N 62° 00 W for 197 ft.; thence S 28°00 W for 100 ft.; thence S 62° 00 E for 197 ft.; thence N 28° 00 E for 50 ft. to the point of beginning.

0.45 acres more or less

Built c. 1927

Builder/Architect Forrest Tidwell, bridge foreman

DESCRIPTION

Condition: good
Original Site

This is a one span Town truss of pine & oak timbers resting on two rubble masonry abutments with timber caps. The single span is 83 feet. It stands 18 feet above the bed of the Dub Branch and is 13 feet wide. The roof and sides are covered with corrugated metal siding which recently replaced the original metal siding.

HISTORY/ADDITIONAL DATA

This is the oldest of the four bridges and was built under the supervision of Forrest Tidwell. Zelma Tidwell, his nephew and successor as foreman of the county bridge construction crew, assisted him in this project. County records do not indicate a date of construction; however, in 1929, the county minutes reflect that material was ordered to repair the bridge. The c. 1927 date has long been associated with the structure, but is not based on documentation.