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HISTORIC RESOURCES OF STONE COUNTY
STONE COUNTY, ARKANSAS

ARKANSAS HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Survey Number ST-188Owner Mr. Shelby PenningtonProperty Name Orvall Gammill BarnAddress Box 736Location Big SpringsOnia, AR 72663Significant Date/s c.1922*NW of Big Springs*

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION

The c. 1922 Orval Gammill Barn is located in the northwest part of Stone County along an improved road which runs between the communities of Onia and Big Springs. The barn reflects a transverse crib plan with a side shed addition on the north elevation. Placed on stone piers, the two story log and frame structure is covered with a gable roof. The hewn log portion of the barn, locked with "V" notching, distinguishes the crib area, while the loft is identified by the vertical boards in the gable ends.

The principal facade, facing west onto the road, is marked by the gable end of the barn. It contains the entrance to the log crib area and the open end of the side shed. The log cribs, which flank the driveway, are partitioned on the north into three smaller cribs, while the south side is dominated by a large crib space, with a small area partitioned at the west end. The second story contains an uncovered segmental-shaped opening to the loft area. The otherwise-solid vertical board mass has three diamond shaped cut-outs that are symmetrically arranged along the slope of the roof. Simple knee braces support the overhang of the roof.

The rear (east) elevation is identical to the front in structure, wall materials and decoration, except for the door openings in the crib and loft areas. A bat-ten double door closes the driveway. The squared opening in the loft's wall is also closed by a door. The shed is closed on the east with a single batton door providing entry into the space.

A solid mass made of the log cribs and the loft's narrow horizontal boards mark the south elevation. The side shed addition, built of vertical boards, identifies the barn's north elevation.

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Orval Gammill Barn best illustrates the usage of log and lumber in executing the transverse crib plan. Built in 1922, the builder used log for the crib section and vertical plank to contrast the loft area. The transverse crib barn in Stone County is generally associated with frame construction. However the use of log, the traditional building material, and lumber became popular around the turn of the century.

Verbal Boundary Description: The nominated property, located within the SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of S29, R12W, T15N, is bounded on the south by a dirt driveway and on

the north, east and west by lines running parallel to and 50' from the three major facades of the barn.

Acreage: less than 1
Quadrangle Name: Onia

Quadrangle Scale: 1:24000

UTM Reference:
Zone: 15

Easting: 565550

Northing: 3974000

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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Continuation sheet

Item number

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Thematic GroupName Stone County MRA
State ARKANSAS

Nomination/Type of Review

Date/Signature

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| 21. Brewer, John F., House | Entered in the National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 8/25/85</u> |
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| 22. Brewer's Mill | Entered in the National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 9/17/85</u> |
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| 28. Hess, Binks, House and Barn | Entered in the National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 9/17/85</u> |
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| 29. Gammill, Orvall, Barn | Entered in the National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 9/17/85</u> |
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| 30. Farmers and Merchants Bank | Entered in the National Register | for Keeper | <u>Delores Byers 9/17/85</u> |
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
EVALUATION/RETURN SHEET

REF#
85002229

Gammill, Orvall, Barn (Stone County MRA)
Stone County
ARKANSAS

Working No. AUG 14 1985
Fed. Reg. Date: 5-4-86
Date Due: 9/12/85 9/28/85
Action: ACCEPT 9-17-85
RETURN
REJECT
Federal Agency: _____

Entered in the
National Register

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments:

Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
_____ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: _____ technical corrections cited below
_____ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

| Category | Ownership | Status | Present Use |
|----------|--------------------|------------|-------------|
| | Public Acquisition | Accessible | |

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no

7. Description

Condition

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated |
| <input type="checkbox"/> good | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair | <input type="checkbox"/> unexposed |

Check one

- ☐ unaltered
☐ altered

Check one

- ☐ original site
☐ moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. Significance

Period Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (*in one paragraph*)

- ☐ summary paragraph
- ☐ completeness
- ☐ clarity
- ☐ applicable criteria
- ☐ justification of areas checked
- ☐ relating significance to the resource
- ☐ context
- ☐ relationship of integrity to significance
- ☐ justification of exception
- ☐ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UTM References _____

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title

date

13. Other

- ☐ Maps
- ☐ Photographs
- ☐ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: _____



RESOURCE PHOTOGRAPH SHEET

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Orvall Gammill Barn, ST-188

Big Springs vicinity

Don Brown, photographer

1983

Negative on file at the AHPP

Viewed from the west



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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000031