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USGS Stewart Quadrangle, Universal
Transverse Mercator Coordinates:
17.419967.4348490

Last Use: Storage

Present Owner: James Brent Hayes
Guysville, OH

Last Occupant: Becky and Ted Gibson
Guysville, Ohio

Last Use: Equipment storage

Significance: The Joseph H. Marshall Farmstead is a rare surviving example of Allegheny plateau agricultural practices, land uses and farm architecture. The tractor shed was constructed for storage of farm vehicles. Construction detailing of the building suggests that it could have been constructed at the same time as the residence, storage building and privy. However, vehicle storage buildings often were not constructed until the farmer owned a tractor or truck, a purchase often not made until the 1920s or even 1940s. The equipment storage building at the Harlow Calvert Farmstead and the vehicle storage building at the Jeremiah Bean Farmstead are the two other surviving vehicle storage buildings located on the farmsteads along the Green Branch Creek in Rome and Carthage Townships in Athens County, Ohio.

PART I. HISTORICAL INFORMATION

A. Physical History:

1. Date of erection: ca. 1920
2. Architect: None.
3. Original owner: Joseph H. Marshall
4. Builder: Unknown.
5. Original Plans: None.
6. Alterations and additions: None.

B. Historical Context: The tractor shed sheltered farm equipment. Usually the equipment was motorize, either a tractor or a farm truck, purchased in the 1920-40 period.

PART II. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement

1. Architectural character: The tractor shed is one of a complex of farmstead outbuildings constructed in a simple, gable-roofed style. This building likely was a later addition to the complex although it employs both commercially available pine and locally produced oak framing lumber. Other buildings on this farmstead also use a combination of local materials cut at nearby sawmills and commercially available lumber and hardware.
2. Condition of fabric: Structurally sound and used for storage.

B. Description of the Exterior:

1. Overall dimensions: A one-story rectangular plan, this building is 10'-3" x 16'-3". The building is one structural bay wide and one structural bay deep. The building has no attic. The building height is 8'-2" foundation to roof at the corner; 11'-2" foundation to peak at the gable.
2. Foundation: The poured concrete foundation is 7" above grade, 6" wide.
3. Walls: Vertical, butted, 7" pine boards on pine nailers at 2'-10", 5'-5", 8'-0" above the top of the

foundation. The siding boards are used in 8'-0" lengths, or shorter. The gable has vertical pine boards. Building is stained red.

4. Structural system: Framing is pine and oak. Wall sill is 2" x 4". Wall corner posts are 2" x 4" studs. Walls only have 2" x 4" studs at corners, windows and door openings. The wall plate is 2" x 4" with 2" x 4" rafters at 36". The rafters are cut to 2" x 2" to extend for the roof side overhang. The building has four 2" x 4" rafter ties. The roof sheathing is 1"x 3" pine boards. Framing is toe-nailed with wire nails.
5. Openings
 - a. Doorways and doors: The east double doorway has a 14'-1" x 8'-2" opening. The doorway has no exterior jamb or head. The doors are missing and have no indication of hinges or other door closure.
 - b. Windows and shutters: The windows are 3'-10" x 1'-8". The south and north sides each have one window. Another window is above the door, set horizontally, with a 2'-0" x 1'-6" opening. All windows have 3-1/2" jambs and head with a drip cap and 2" x 4" sill. None of the windows has sash or glazing.
6. Roof: The gable roof has asphalt shingles. The roof has open eaves with 8" front and rear overhang including a 2" rake board and 12" side overhang with no fascia.

C. Description of Interior:

1. Floor plans: The rectangular building is one bay wide, one bay long.
2. Stairways: None.
3. Flooring: The floor is dirt and concrete.
4. Wall and ceiling finish: The walls and ceiling are exposed framing, unpainted.
5. Openings: The doorway and windows have no sash and are untrimmed.
6. Decorative features and trim: None.

7. Hardware: All nailing is wire-cut nails. Windows and doorways have no hardware.
 8. Mechanical equipment: None.
 9. Original furnishings: None.
- D. Site: The building faces east, is close to the barn, but not lined up to the orientation or facade of any other building.

PART III. SOURCES OF INFORMATION

- A. Architectural drawings: None.
- B. Historic views: None.
- C. Interviews: None.
- D. Bibliography:

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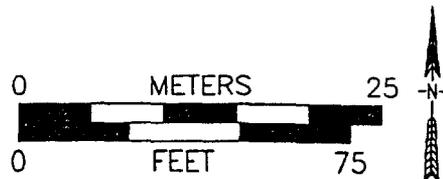
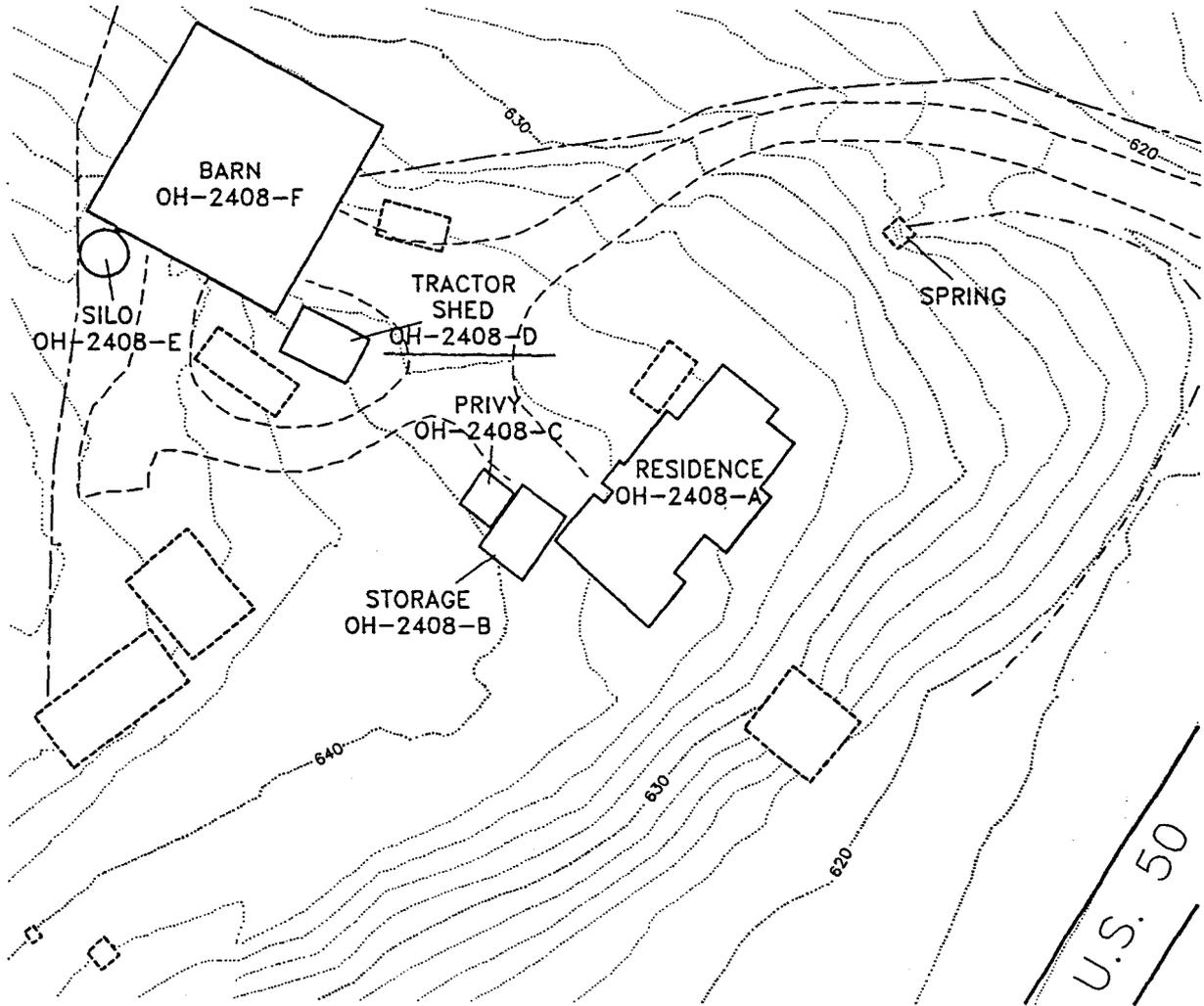
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PART IV. PROJECT INFORMATION

The architectural and historical documentation of the Joseph H. Marshall Farmstead has been undertaken to fulfill a memorandum of agreement signed by the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the Ohio SHPO and the Ohio Department of Transportation as part of requirements under regulation 36 CFR 800 of the National Historic Preservation Act. Recording has taken place prior to removal of structures in the right-of-way of U.S. Route 50.

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