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.35 mile southeast of Cessna
Cessna Vicinity
Bedford County
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USGS Bedford, Pennsylvania Quadrangle
Universal Transverse Mercator Coordinates:
17.4440400.711480

Significance: Although a 20th century addition (probably ca. 1950-60) to the Hershberger Farm, this structure contributes to the agricultural character of the complex.

Description: This double corn crib and wagon shed stands approximately 80' south and slightly upslope from the barn (HABS No. PA-5392-B), on the south side of the dirt lane that leads from Cessna to the farmstead. It is framed with sawn 2" x 4" studs and rafters, with 2" x 6" cross ties at the square. It has a standing seam metal roof, raised wooden floors in the cribs, and a dirt floor in the central shed. Exterior dimensions are 24' x 22' (see Photographs PA-5392-D-1 and PA-5392-D-2).

History: No documentary information was available regarding this structure. It probably has served its present function, to house farm equipment in the shed and corn in the crib, since its construction. A mid-20th century construction date is suspected because of the modern wire nails and other materials used, as well as the excellent condition of the wood framing and wall cladding relative to the principal structures in the farm complex. It also features a modern concrete block foundation.

Source: Ms. Dolores Cain and Ms. Jeane Kenney, interviews at the site, October 1989.

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