

Whetstone Ranch House
Panna Maria, Texas.

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WHETSTONE RANCH HOUSE
Panna Maria, Karnes County, Texas.

Owner: Henry Manka

Date of Erection: Prior to 1850

Architect: Unknown

Builder: Whetstone, first name or initials unknown

Present Condition: Poor

Number of Stories: One and cellar.

Materials of Construction: Native limestone, pine, cypress and oak.

Other Existing Records: None

Additional Data:

The name "Whetstone" is carved in the stone forming the landing of the front entrance steps. The house was built as a ranch house, and, apparently, was built by a man by the name of Whetstone. The house contains three rooms in a row, and a semi-basement. The house is flanked on either end by chimneys built flush with the exterior walls. Roof is pitched about six to twelve and was, in all probability, covered with cypress shingles; it is now covered with galvanized iron. Walls are built of native limestone of a fairly smooth texture, stuccoed on outside and plastered on inside. Floors are of random width tongue and grooved pine. Window frames, door frames, sash, panels, etc., are cypress. Windows are twelve light, double hung. A porch about twenty five feet long extends across the Southeast front.

This information was received from Mr. Henry Manka, present owner, Panna Maria, Texas.

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