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PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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Location: 130' Southwest of Roberts-Dolezal Farmstead, Main House
Garrett Vicinity, Ellis County, Texas

Present Owner: Texas National Research Laboratory Commission (TNRLC)
1801 N. Hampton Road, Suite 400
DeSoto, Texas 75115

Present Occupant: None

Present Use: Vacant

Statement of Significance: The Work Shed is a component of the Roberts-Dolezal Farmstead symbolic of the assimilation of Eastern Europeans, mainly Bohemian on this farmstead, into early twentieth century American culture in Ellis County, Texas.

PART I. HISTORICAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement:

1. **History:** This building appears to date from the second quarter of the twentieth century and was built for equipment storage.

PART II. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement:

1. **Architectural Character:** The building is a shed and is located 130.0' southwest of the main house. It is a half-story, single-bay building, with an earthen floor and gabled roof. (See photographic documentation HABS No. TX-3380-E-1 through HABS No. TX-3380-E-4 and HABS drawings, Sheet 4).
2. **Condition of Fabric:** The building is in poor condition.

B. Description of Exterior:

1. **Overall Dimensions:** The shed measures 10'-2" in width and 11'-4" in depth.

2. Foundations: None.
3. Walls: The walls are covered in corrugated metal.
4. Structural System, Framing: The shed is of pole frame construction, with 5" to 6" diameter, unmodified wood posts, and circular-sawn, nominal-sized 2"x4" top plates and rafters.
5. Openings: The shed is entered from the north gable end and has an opening located on the west side.
6. Roof: The roof is gabled with a slope of 5 in 12, and is covered in corrugated metal.