

STILES-PIGG FARMSTEAD, FEED SHED NO. 1
140 feet northeast of the Main House
Waxahachie vicinity
Ellis County
Texas

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PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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Location: 140' Northeast of the Stiles-Pigg Farmstead, Main House

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: Feed Shed No. 1 is a component of the Stiles-Pigg Farmstead dates to the late nineteenth century when Ellis County farms were among the most productive sources of cotton in the nation and played key roles in the local cotton trade.

HISTORICAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement:

1. History: This outbuilding appears to date from the second quarter of the twentieth century and was built as an impermanent shelter for feeding livestock. It was used in the fourth quarter of twentieth century to store firewood, lumber and machinery.

ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement:

1. Architectural Character: The shed is located 140.0' northeast of the main house, and is one bay in depth and eight bays in length. (See photographic documentation HABS No. TX-3382-K-1 through HABS No. TX-3382-K-4 and HABS drawings, Sheet 5).
2. Condition of Fabric: The outbuilding is in poor condition.

B. Description of Exterior:

1. Overall Dimensions: The shed measures 14'-1" in depth and 53'-9" in length.
2. Foundations: None.
3. Walls: The west end of the shed and a portion of the north wall are covered in horizontally-laid, circular-sawn 1"x12" boards, beneath random-sized sheet metal, corrugated metal and vee groove sheets. The east end wall and part of the north wall were originally fenced, but have been covered in vee groove metal. Interior partitions are constructed of wood fencing.
4. Structural System, Framing: The outbuilding is of pole frame construction and consists of 2 1/2" to 5" diameter cedar posts, supporting a shed roof.
5. Openings: The south side of the shed is open.
6. Roof: The shed roof has a slope of 4 in 12 and is covered in Vee groove metal.