

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Osage Farms Unit No. 25 Historic District
other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number Houston Road near Montgomery Road N/A not for publication
city, town Hughesville vicinity
state Missouri code MO county Pettis code 159 zip code 65334

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
		Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	_____	_____ sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	_____	_____ structures
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	_____	_____ objects
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Osage Farms Resettlement Properties in Pettis County, Missouri
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Claire F. Blackwell
Signature of certifying official Claire F. Blackwell Date 8 August 1991
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, Department of Natural Resources
State or Federal agency and bureau _____

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official Date _____
State or Federal agency and bureau _____

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.

determined eligible for the National Register. See continuation sheet.

determined not eligible for the National Register.

removed from the National Register.

other, (explain:)

Signature of the Keeper Date of Action _____

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/Single Dwelling
Agriculture/Subsistence/Animal Facility
Agriculture/Subsistence/Animal Facility
Domestic/Secondary Structure/Storage Shed

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/Single Dwelling
Agriculture/Subsistence/Storage
Vacant/Not in Use
Domestic/Secondary Structure/Storage Shed

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Concrete

walls Wood

roof Asphalt

other

Other: Resettlement Administration Architecture
Other: Central-Passage Barn
Other: Poultry House

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

Osage Farms Unit No. 25 Historic District consists of four properties which originally served as an individual government farmstead on the north side of Houston Road near Montgomery Road in northern Pettis County, Missouri. Constructed in 1937 by the Resettlement Administration/Farm Security Administration, the properties are a Type 315:12 government farmhouse, a Type 411:12 government barn, a Type 4110:14 government poultry house and a government food storage building (See "Osage Farms Resettlement Properties in Pettis County, Missouri: Government Farmhouse; Government Outbuildings").

In 1937, Osage Farms Unit No. 25 was an L-shaped farmstead of 80.493 acres in the upper center of Pettis County's resettlement community, about four miles northeast of Hughesville. It was one of a contiguous grouping of five individual farmsteads along Houston and High Point Roads. Years of neglect have taken a heavy toll but Unit No. 25 remains a relatively complete individual farmstead today, lacking only an intact government privy.

Keyed to the site map, the properties are as follows:

A. Type 4110:14 Government Poultry House. The original roof of wood shingles survives on this semi-universal type of poultry house. This variation lacks a hay door (for inserting hay for insulation on a wire mesh "ceiling"). This building is in poor condition but integrity is retained. (See Photo #1.)

B. Government Food Storage Building. Only the wooden door has deteriorated on this concrete block building. The ruggedness of these small structures helps assure their continued survival. Dirt insulation was packed around the base of most food storage buildings, but not this one. (See Photo #2.)

C. Type 315:12 Government Farmhouse. Like most other extant examples, this Type 315:12 government farmhouse has entrances in two adjacent facades. Because of a ca. 1960s shed-roof addition in the rear, viewing is most satisfying from the county road on which it fronts. Integrity is retained, however, because the original design with its angularity and distinctive fenestration is easily recognized even from the rear; this is obviously a government farmhouse. In the only other exterior alteration, the gable-facade entrance has been converted into a window but the rooflet remains. Interior modifications include removal of a partition to enlarge the kitchen and construction of a partial basement. (See Photos #3 and 4.)

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Social History
Agriculture
Architecture

Period of Significance

1937-43

Significant Dates

1937

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Resettlement Administration; Farm Security Administration

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

SUMMARY

Osage Farms Unit No. 25 Historic District, Houston Road near Montgomery Road, is significant under Criteria A and C in the areas of Social History, Agriculture and Architecture. The complex contains four properties constructed in 1937 under a New Deal program to relocate and rehabilitate needy Missourians, most of whom were farmers (see "Osage Farms Resettlement Properties in Pettis County, Missouri"). Within the Osage Farms resettlement community, the farmstead was one of 37 individual units where tenants tilled the land and raised animals for subsistence and to earn a modest living, under strict government supervision. Constructed by the Resettlement Administration/Farm Security Administration, the properties exemplify government resettlement architecture during the Great Depression. Unit No. 25 is a nearly complete individual government farmstead, consisting of a Type 315:12 government farmhouse, a Type 411:12 barn, a Type 4110:14 poultry house and a government food storage building. The properties retain integrity and contribute to an appropriate feeling of time and place. Cohesiveness heightens the ambiance of this small complex of buildings.

ELABORATION

After Osage Farms and other resettlement projects were abolished by Congress in 1943, Broadus Wiley (who had been a tenant at Unit No. 5) purchased an enlarged Unit No. 25 from the FSA. The Wiley family came to the project after farming with little success in the Georgetown area and near the Blackwater River between Dunksburg and Sweet Springs. Broadus Wiley farmed the land until the late 1970s, altering the Type 315:12 house as described in the previous section. The property remains in the Wiley family today.¹ According to FSA maps, the FSA enlarged Unit No. 25 and another government farmstead by eliminating the farmstead which was between them.²

¹Interview, Mrs. Wilma Wiley, October 1989.

²Osage Farms Purchase Area Maps, November 1937 and July 17, 1943 update.

9. Major Bibliographical References

For complete bibliographical information, see "Osage Farms Resettlement Properties in Pettis County, Missouri."

Also:

Interview, Mrs. Wilma Wiley, October 1989.

Osage Farms Purchase Area Map, July 17, 1943 update.

See continuation sheet

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency (National Archives)
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository:

Other: Show-Me Regional Planning Commission

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property Less than one acre

UTM References

A 1,5 47,76,8,0 4,30,45,6,0
 Zone Easting Northing

C

B
 Zone Easting Northing

D

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description (References to points refer to the attached site map)

Beginning at the center of Houston Road 1,315' west of Montgomery Road, proceed north 145' to Point A. Then proceed west 225' to Point B. Then proceed north 100' to Point C. Then proceed east 179' to Point D. Then proceed north 40' to Point E. Then proceed east 46' to Point F. Then proceed south 140' to the point of origin.

See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

Boundaries encompass all extant buildings including two non-Osage Farms properties which could not readily be omitted because of the compact layout. However, the non-Osage Farms properties are not disruptive.

See continuation sheet

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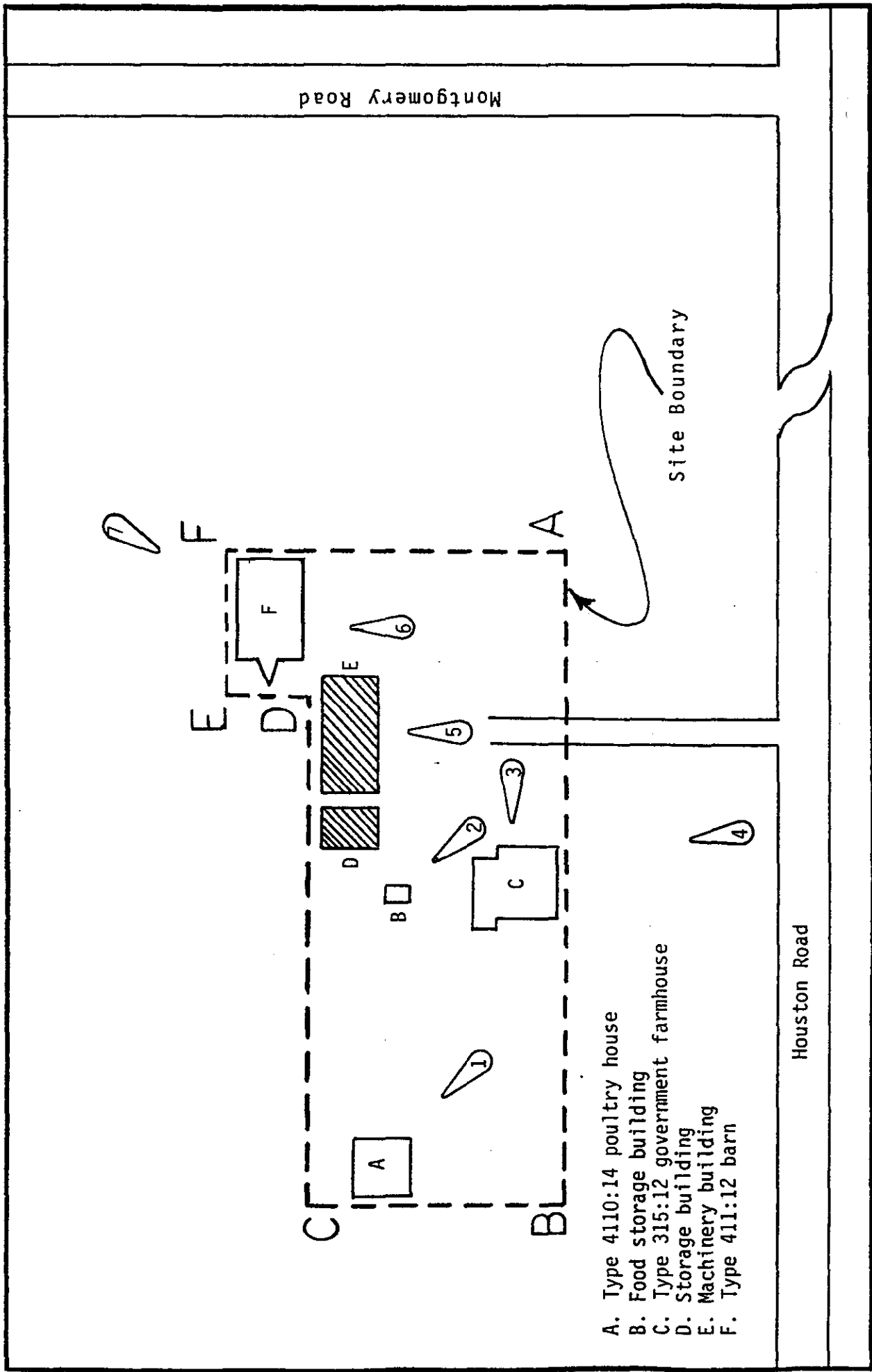
Osage Farms Unit No. 25 Historic District

D. Storage Building. Frame, non-Osage Farms. (See Photo #5.)

E. Machinery Building. Frame, non-Osage Farms. (See Photo #5.)

F. Type 411:12 Government Barn. This example lacks an entrance in the south (side) facade but is otherwise a basic Type 411:12 government barn such as was found on nearly all individual farmsteads throughout the project. Deterioration is extensive. Dutch doors have been removed from the north (side) facade and various other doors and windows are missing or covered. The interior is relatively original. (See Photos #6 and 7.)

Overall, Osage Farms Unit No. 25 Historic District is a good example of an individual farmstead, with integrity retained by all four project buildings. The buildings sit on their original foundations and have an unpainted, abandoned look which heightens their ambiance although deterioration is a problem. The Type 315:12 government farmhouse has been altered in ways that do not obscure its characteristic form. The two non-Osage Farms (apparently) buildings are as dilapidated as the historic properties and consequently are not disruptive. In general, the site remains evocative of the years when tenant farmers worked the land under strict government supervision, from 1937 through 1943.



- A. Type 4110:14 poultry house
- B. Food storage building
- C. Type 315:12 government farmhouse
- D. Storage building
- E. Machinery building
- F. Type 411:12 barn

Site Map: Osage Farms Resettlement Properties

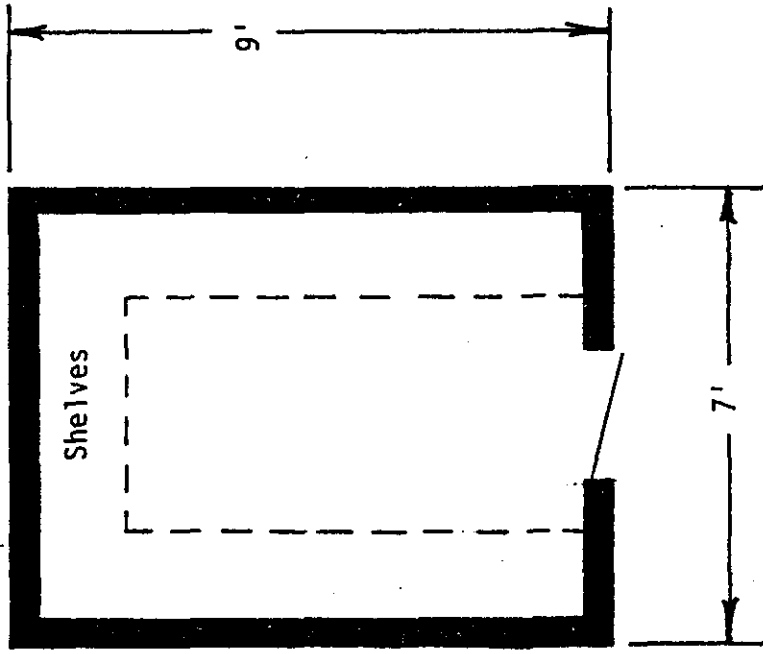


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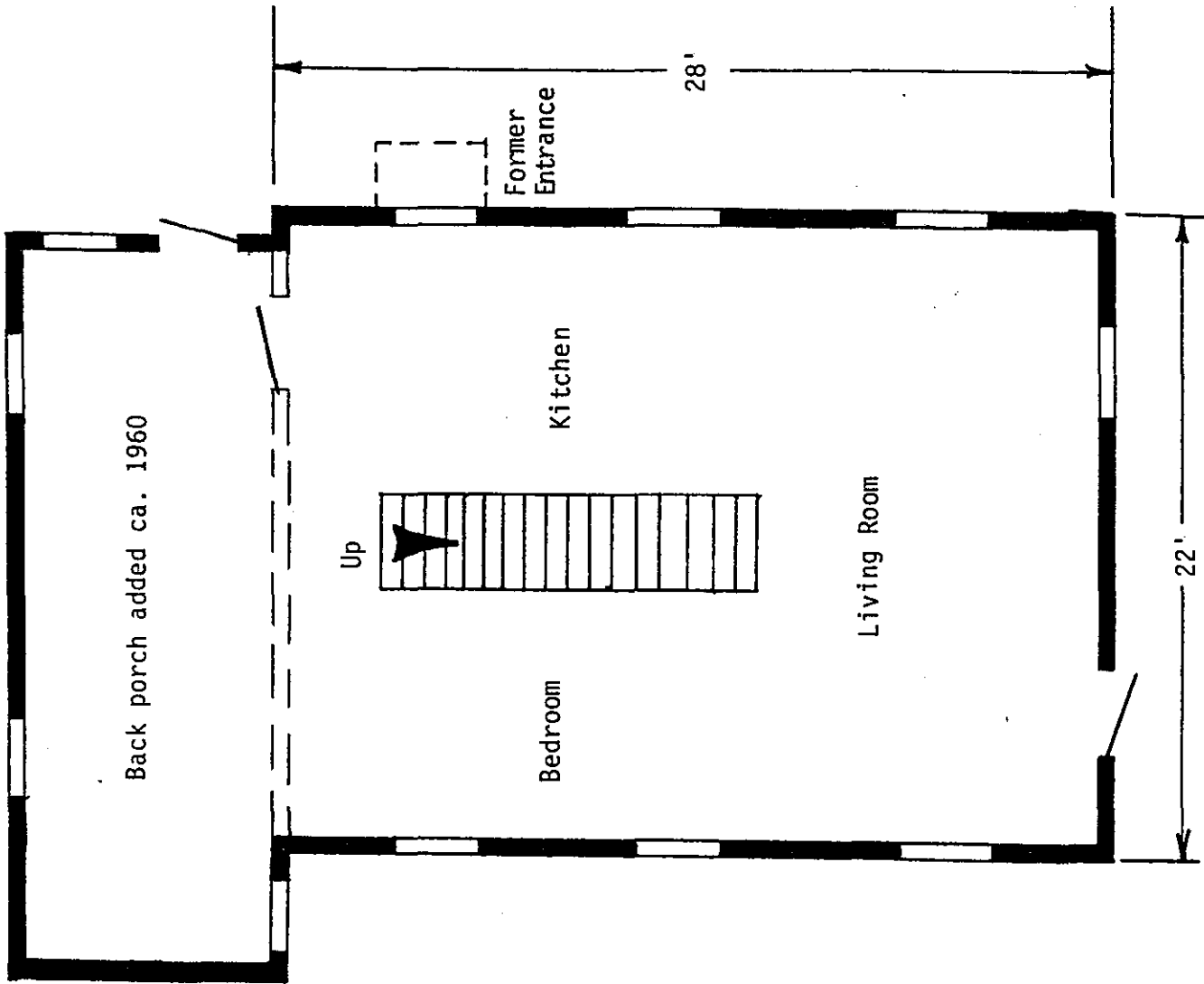
OSAGE FARMS UNIT NO. 25 HISTORIC DISTRICT
 HUGHESVILLE VICINITY, PETTIS COUNTY, MISSOURI

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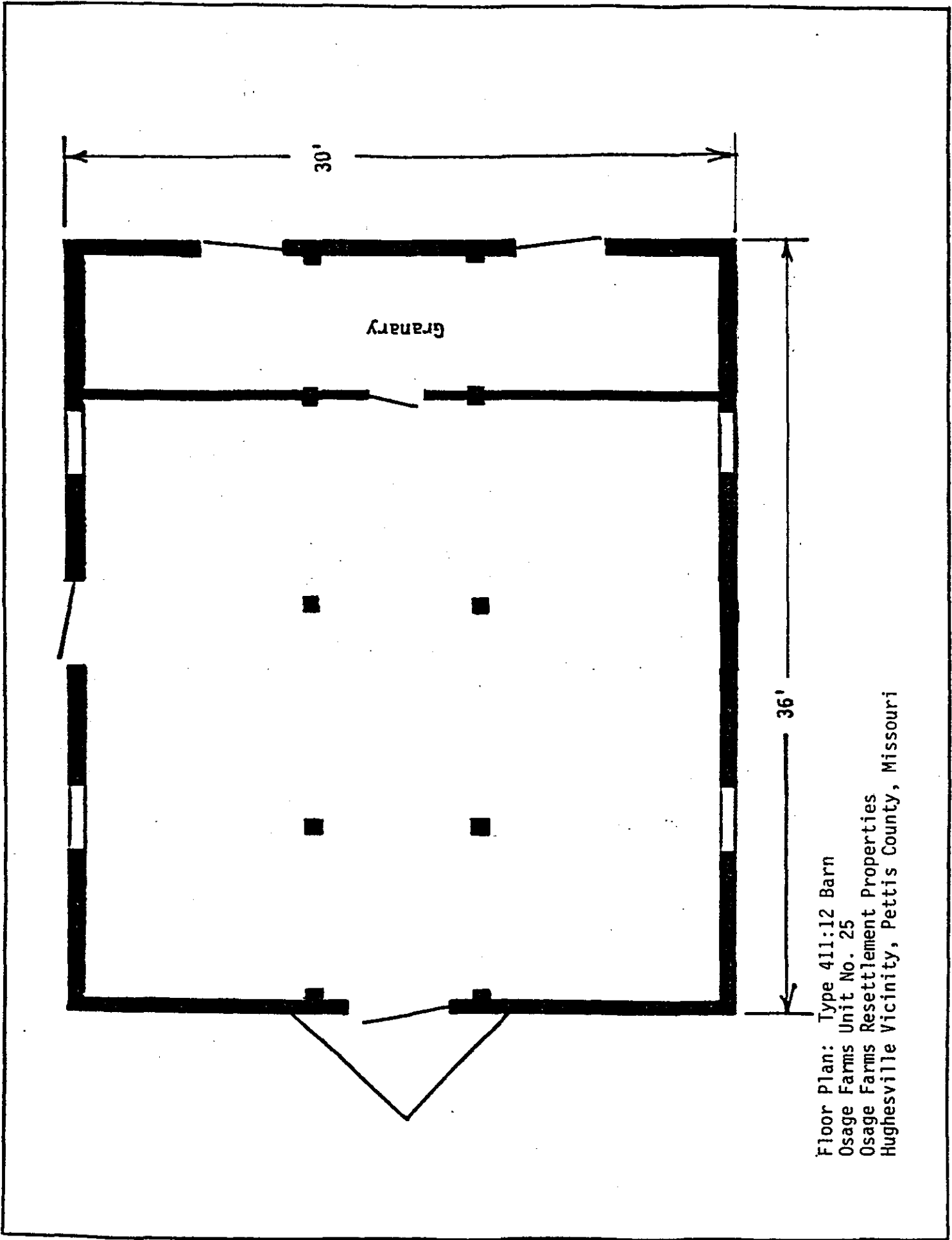


Floor Plan: Food Storage Building
Osage Farms Unit No. 25
Osage Farms Resettlement Properties
Hughesville Vicinity, Pettis County, Missouri

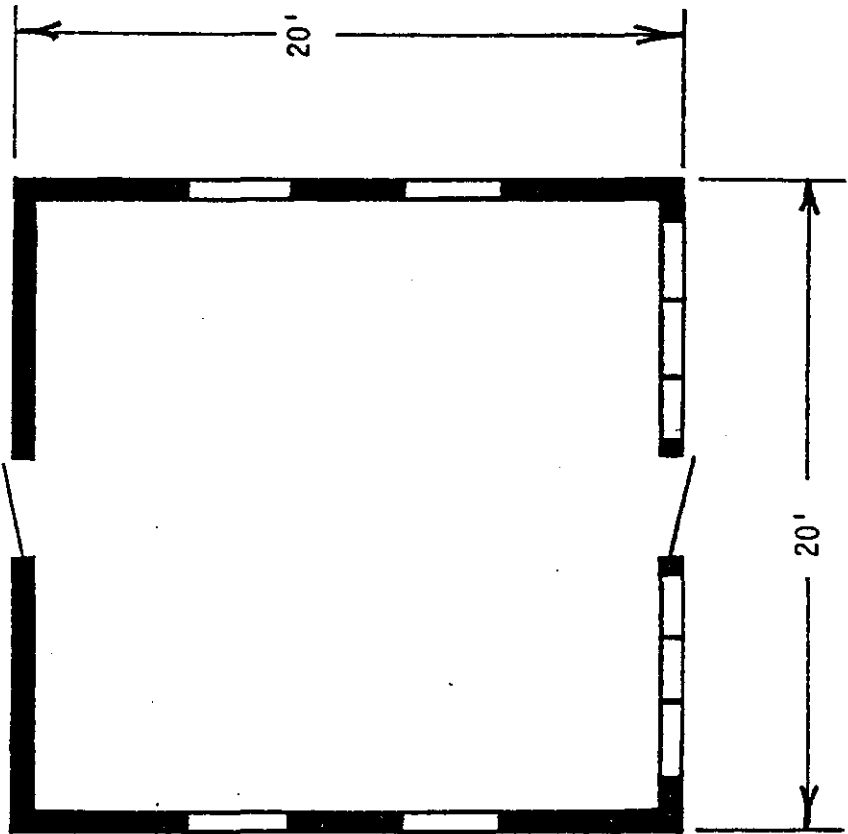


Floor Plan: Type 315:12 Government House
 Osage Farms Unit No. 25
 Osage Farms Resettlement Properties
 Hughesville Vicinity, Pettis County, Missouri

(See Multiple Property Documentation Form for floor plan of unaltered Type 315:12 House)



Floor Plan: Type 411:12 Barn
Osage Farms Unit No. 25
Osage Farms Resettlement Properties
Hughesville Vicinity, Pettis County, Missouri



Floor Plan: Type 4110:14 Poultry House
Osage Farms Unit No. 25
Osage Farms Resettlement Properties
Hughesville Vicinity, Pettis County, Missouri

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OSAGE FARMS
UNITS NO. 5 & 6
HISTORIC
DISTRICT

OSAGE FARMS
UNIT NO. 25

HUGHESVILLE



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OSAGE FARMS UNIT NO. 25
HUGHESVILLE, MO., VICINITY

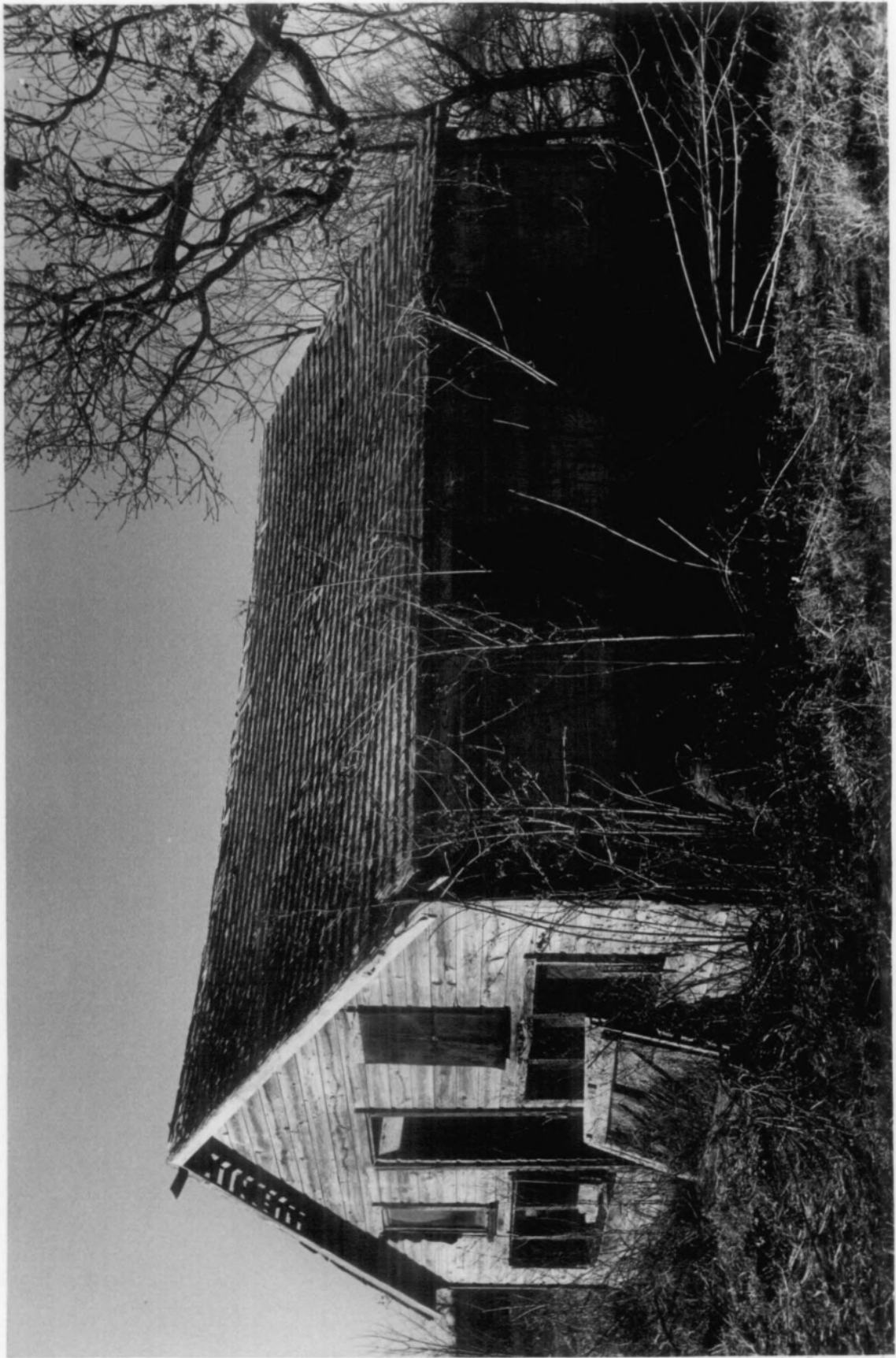
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FRONT + SIDE FACADES, TYPE 4110:14 POULTRY
HOUSE, FACING NW

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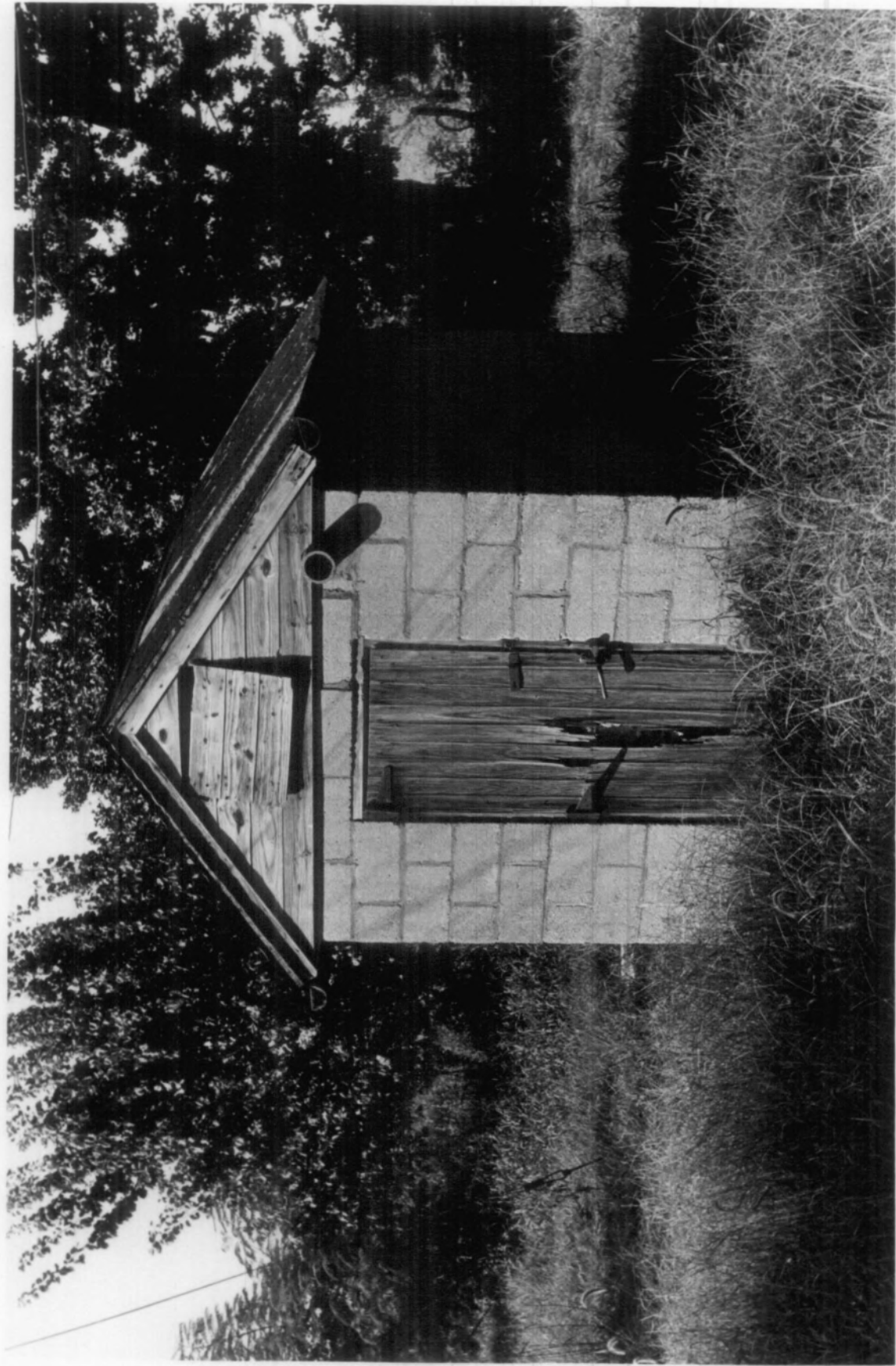
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FOOD STORAGE BUILDING, FACING NW

#2



OSAGE FARMS UNIT NO. 25

HUGHESVILLE, MO., VICINITY

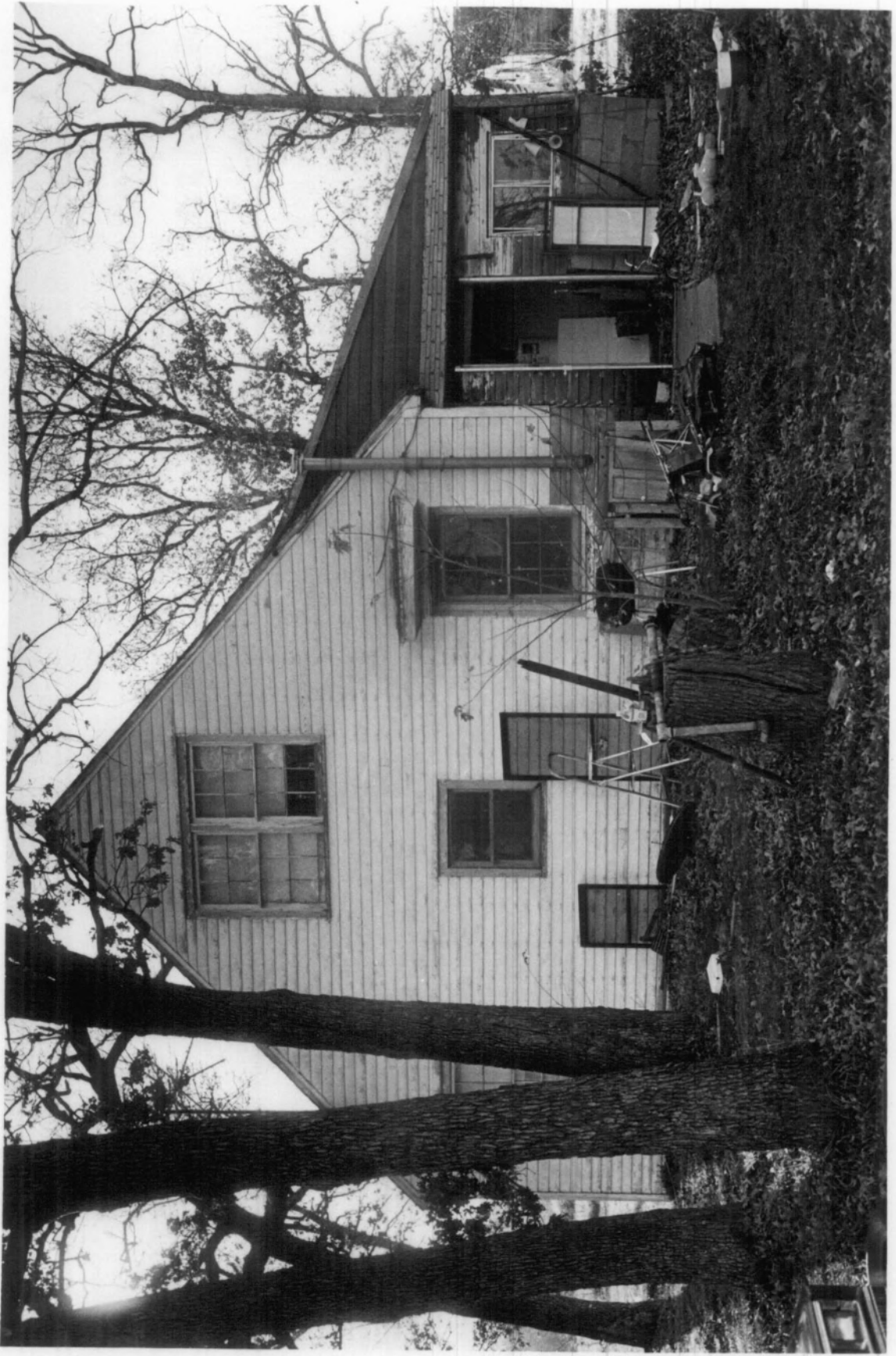
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EAST FACADE, FORMER TYPE 315:12 HOUSE

#3



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OSAGE FARMS UNIT NO. 25
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FORMER ^{AND SIDE} TENANT HOUSE, TYPE 315:12,
FRONT ¹ FACADES (FACING NW)

#4



OSAGE FARMS UNIT NO. 25
HUGHESVILLE, MO., VICINITY

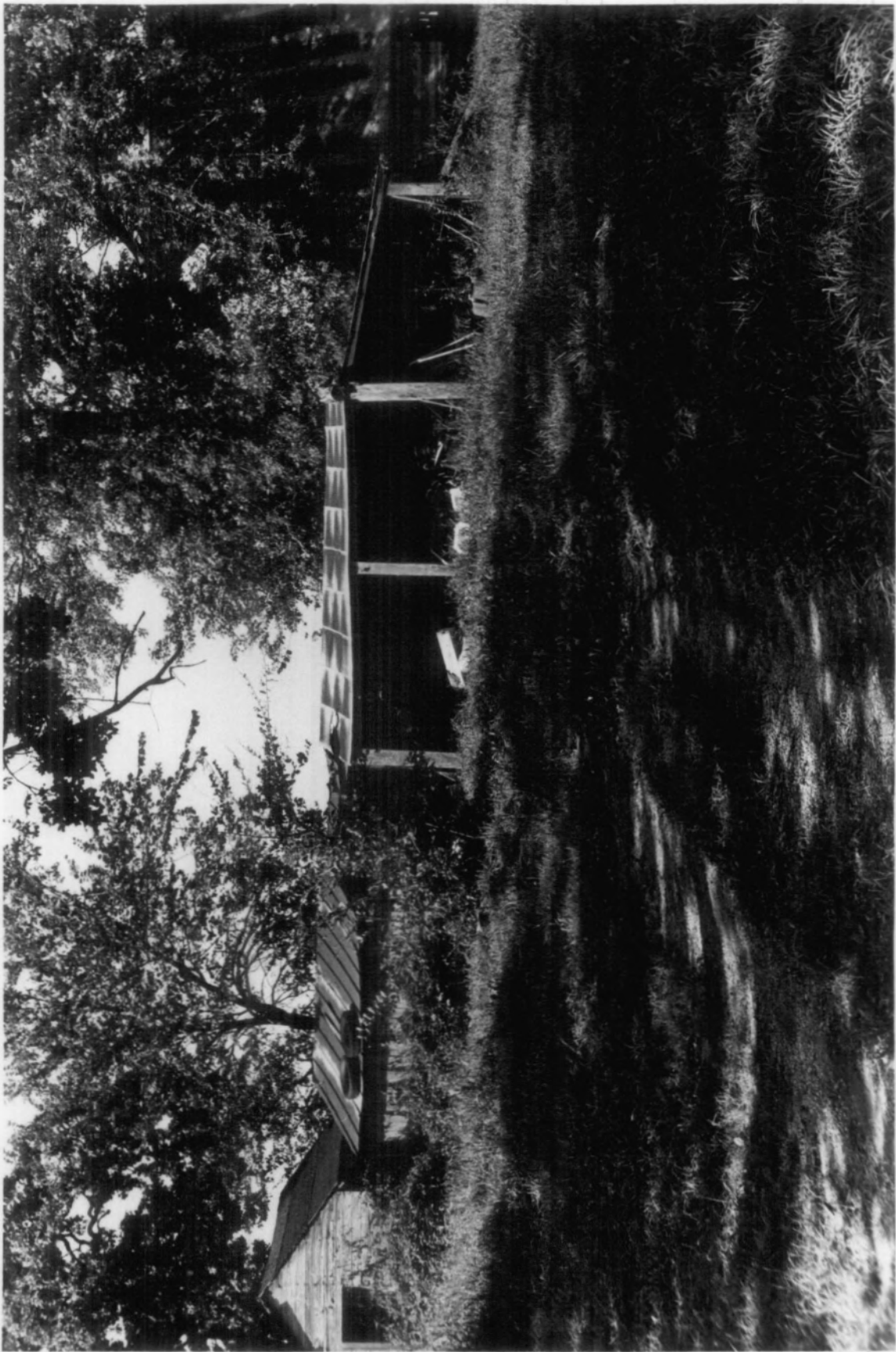
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MACHINERY BUILDING, FACING N (NON-CONTRIBUTING)
(GOVERNMENT BARN AT RIGHT)

#5



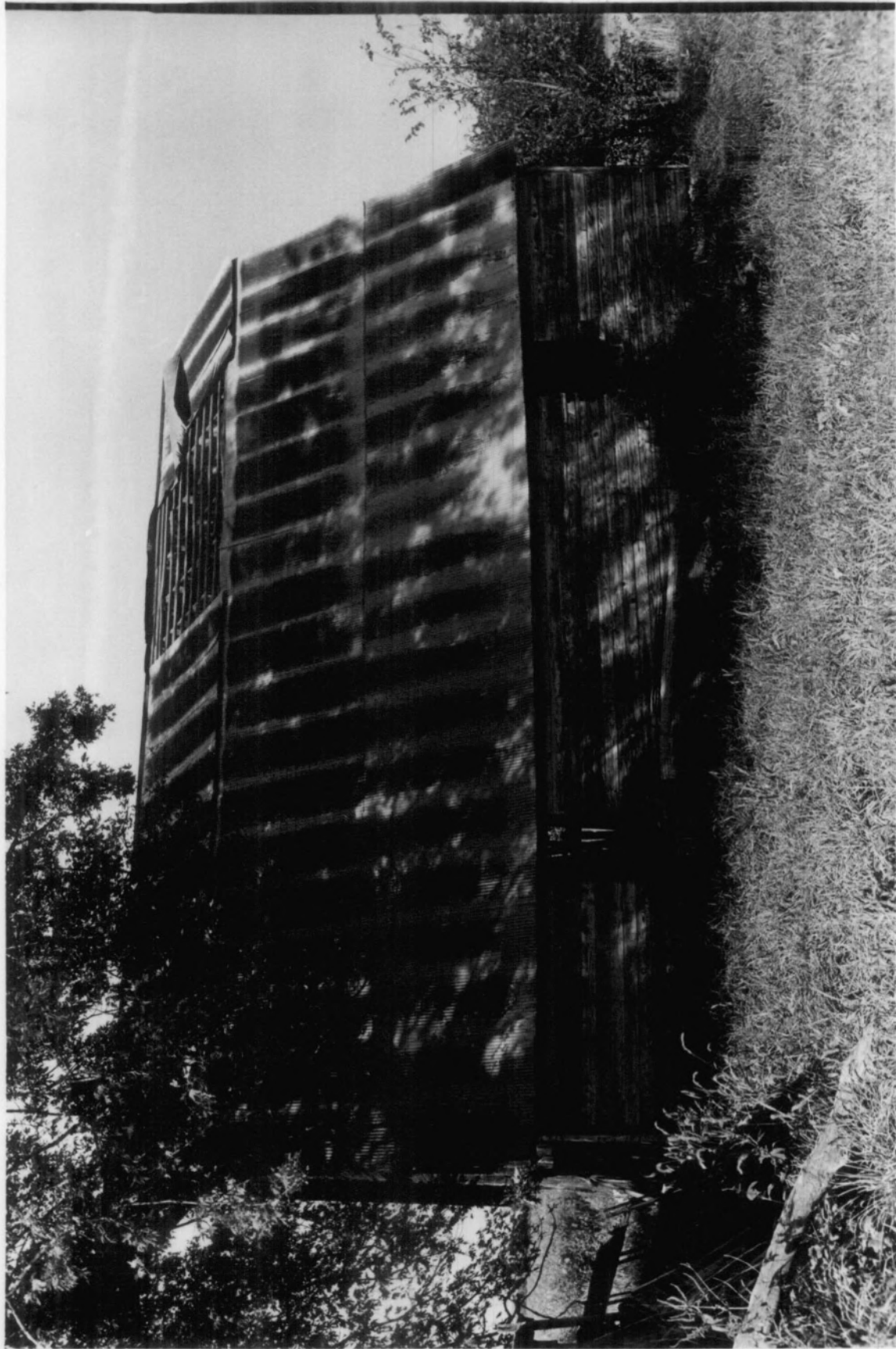
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SNOW-ME RPC

TYPE 411:12 BARN, FACING NORTH, SIDE FACADE
#6

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NR F

OSAGE FARMS UNIT NO. 25
HUGHESVILLE, MO., VICINITY
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TYPE 411:12 BARN, FACING SW

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