

## MADISON COUNTY BARN DOCUMENTATION PROJECT

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Common Identity of Barn: Metcalf-Price  
Livestock Barn  
Address of Barn: +/- 20 North Long Branch Road,  
jnctn Long Branch Rd. and North Long Branch  
Rd.  
GPS Location: N35.792 / W82.631  
Elevation: 2015'  
Township: **North Marshall**  
Vicinity: Long Branch area  
Approx date/decade built: 1915 to 1925

Current Owner: Arvil and Cristy Price/  
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Historic Owner(s): J. S. Houston, E.W. Houston  
Garrett Metcalf, Emory Metcalf. Faye Ray  
Current Use: abandoned / storage  
Historic Use: livestock with burley tobacco  
adaptation  
Permission to visit property by: owner,  
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Historic Information: Very little is known of the history at this writing. One notable detail of the property was that Emory Metcalf, an earlier owner, was involved in donating or selling a hewn log-crib livestock barn to the Roper Mt. Science Center in Greenville SC, now on display. The current owner inherited the barn from her step-grandmother, Faye Ray, and my grandfather, Emory Wallin. My step-grandfather, Troy Allen, married Faye years after Emory Wallin had died. A Mars Hill native, Elaine Ray Thomas, remembers that Garrett and Blanche Metcalf owned it when she was a girl. It has been suggested by a neighbor, that Ray Buckner and Charles Allison may know more of the history, but several attempts to contact them by phone received no response.

**Outbuildings:** none surviving

**Setting and/or Surrounding Land Use:** rolling hills southeast of the Marshall area with land subdivided numerous times leaving smaller parcels and few viable farms.

### ORIGINAL BARN characteristics

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#### Integrity

- High
- Medium
- Low

#### Condition

- Good
- Fair
- Deteriorated
- Ruin

Add. Info.:

#### Function of original barn

- general purpose
- livestock/hay
- flue-cured tobacco
- burley tobacco
- bull face tobacco
- dairy

other

Add. Info.: later adapted to burley tobacco

#### Type Construction of original barn

Post and Beam

timber frame

mortise and tenon

sawn lumber

hewn timbers

notched logs

stud frame

Add. Info.: bank barn

#### Original siding materials

milled boards

lattice

exposed logs

board and batten

metal

shingles

other

Add. Info.:

#### Orientation of siding

angled on diagonal

vertical

horizontal

Add. Info.: may be very early use of diagonal siding

#### Roof pitch or slope of original barn:

Gambrel @ 12/10 and 4.6/12

#### Roof type of original barn

gable

broken gable

gambrel

shed

monitor

cupola

other

Add. Info.: not a true gambrel- uses interior posts

#### Roofing materials of original barn

split wood shingles

3-V metal

3-U metal

- 5-V metal – assumed original
  - stamped metal shingle
  - tar paper
  - unknown
  - other
- Add. Info.:

#### Roof framing of original barn

- round pole rafters
  - milled rafters
  - gambrel shallow trusses
  - gambrel with post and beam support
  - round purlins
- Add. Info.:

#### Foundation of original barn

- Dry laid stone
  - wood sills on rock piers
  - mortared stone
  - concrete
  - concrete block
  - columns/wood piers
  - posts on concrete footings
- Add. Info.: conc. retaining wall may be later

#### Flooring of original barn

- dirt floor
  - wood flooring – loft and tack room
  - concrete slab
- Add. Info.:

#### Species of wood used in original barn

- chestnut
  - other, list known species
- Add. Info.: oak, pine hemlock poplar

#### Hinges

- leather
  - wooden
  - wrought iron
  - commercial metal
  - rubber
  - other
- Add. Info.:

#### Fasteners

- wire nails
- cut nails
- wrought spikes

- wood pegs
  - other
- Add. Info.:

Tobacco tier poles vertical spacing

- +/- 2 feet
- +/- 3 feet
- +/- 4 feet
- other, list

Add. Info.: for later burley adaptation

**Additional traditional features:** lattice work on side walls is of oak lattice instead of the typical soft-wood lattice. Retaining wall was built in sections of rock and poured concrete, the timing of which is indeterminate.

## ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS

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Has the original barn been altered or added to? Yes Description of alterations and additions: shed roof addition on north side for additional stalls, storage and burley tobacco. Loft also adapted for burley with tier poles.

Condition of alterations

- good
- fair
- poor
- ruin

Add. Info.:

Function of barn alterations and additions

- general purpose
- livestock/hay
- flue-cured tobacco
- burley tobacco
- bull face tobacco
- dairy
- other

Add. Info.:

Type Construction alterations and additions

- Post and Beam
- timber frame
- mortise and tenon
- sawn lumber
- hewn timbers
- notched logs
- stud frame

Add. Info.: crude post and beam structure

Siding materials of alterations and additions

- milled boards
- lattice
- exposed logs

- board and batten
  - metal
  - shingles
  - other
- Add. Info.:

Orientation of siding

- angled on diagonal
  - vertical
  - horizontal
- Add. Info.:

Roof pitch or slope of alterations and additions: 6/12

Roof type of barn alterations and additions

- gable
  - broken gable
  - gambrel
  - shed
  - monitor
  - cupola
  - other
- Add. Info.:

Roofing materials of alterations and additions

- split wood shingles
  - 3-V metal
  - 3-u metal
  - 5-V metal
  - stamped metal shingle
  - tar paper
  - unknown
  - other
- Add. Info.:

Roof framing of alterations and additions

- round pole rafters
  - milled rafters
  - gambrel shallow trusses
  - gambrel with post and beam support
  - round purlins
- Add. Info.:

Foundation of alterations and additions

- Dry laid stone
- wood sills on rock piers
- mortared stone
- concrete
- concrete block

columns/wood piers  
 posts on concrete footings  
Add. Info.: posts on rock piers

Flooring of alterations and additions

dirt floor  
 wood flooring  
 concrete slab  
Add. Info.:

Species of wood used in alterations and additions:

chestnut  
 other, list known species  
Add. Info.: oak, pine, poplar

Hinges/ alterations and additions

leather  
 wooden  
 wrought iron  
 commercial metal  
 rubber  
 other  
Add. Info.: NA

Fasteners/ alterations and additions

wire nails  
 cut nails  
 wrought spikes  
 wood pegs  
 other  
Add. Info.:

Tobacco tier poles vertical spacing/  
alterations and additions

+/- 2 feet  
 +/- 3 feet  
 +/- 4 feet  
 other, list  
Add. Info.:

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