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SITE NO. 18

NAME Hoff-Ulland farm

LOCATION 5 1/4 miles southwest of Clifton, Bosque County,
Texas, on S. Durnett survey

OWNER A.B. Ulland
107 N. Avenue
Clifton, Texas 76634

PRESENT USE Private residence, agriculture

CATEGORY Building

STATUS Unoccupied

QUADRANGLE NAME Hurst Springs, Texas

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCE 14/629420/3510500

ACREAGE less than 1 acre

PHOTO REFERENCE NO. 28

DESCRIPTION

Located about five miles southwest of Clifton, the Hoff-Ulland farm stands on relatively level terrain about one mile north of Neils Creek. The house is unoccupied and is in a fair state of repair. The first house was a two-story stone structure that was built in 1881. Little is known of its appearance, but the present design retains its original gabled roof and double-hung windows with six-over-six lights. In 1912 a much larger stone structure was built to the north of the first residence, and joined to the older portion by wood-frame construction. Facing north, the present front is symmetrical and features a two-tiered porch with a balcony. The second-floor porch is the smaller of the two. A single-door entry with sidelights opens onto the ground level, while French doors provide access to the second-story balcony, which lies beneath a prominent gable. Double-hung windows with one-over-one lights pierce the stuccoed walls. Exterior stone and brick chimneys on the east and west ends of the house extend above the gables and add to the overall symmetry of the facade. The ends of the front gable and of the two end gables of the main addition are covered by wooden shingles applied in a saw-toothed pattern. The entire roof is presently covered by composition shingles.

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A frame barn, with horizontal siding and stone-lined cellars, is the most significant outbuilding on the farm. Other structures included in the nomination are an above-ground cistern, a frame corn crib, and two modern storage sheds with metal siding.

SIGNIFICANCE

This house was constructed in 1881 by Mikkel and Johanna Hoff and is presently owned by their granddaughter, Lila Pauline and her husband, A. B. (Bert) Ulland. In 1912 a major addition was built onto the front of this structure, making it one of the largest houses in the settlement. The house is deemed significant, for it reveals the changes in the architectural tastes of second-generation Norwegians.

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