SITE NO. 26

NAME (Tobias and Wilhelmine Schultz farm)

LOCATION 10 miles southwest of Clifton, Bosque County, Texas, on W. Winkler survey

OWNER Fred Braun
Box 866
Southlake, Texas 76092

PRESENT USE Private residence, agriculture

CATEGORY Buildings

STATUS Unoccupied

QUADRANGLE NAME Hurst Springs, Texas

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCE 14/618880/3512930

ACREAGE about 3 acres

PHOTO REFERENCE NO. 39

DESCRIPTION

Situated atop a gently rolling hill, the Tobias and Wilhelmine Schultz farm is in good condition and includes a complex of structures retaining much of their historic integrity. A one-and-a-half-story, wood-frame structure with a T-shaped plan, the house serves as a residence today. With its symmetrical composition and central gable, the front (south) facade strongly resembles that of the Bekken (no. 27) and Dahl houses (no. 25). A one-story porch with balcony extends over the single-door front entrance and is decorated with a broad bank of diamond-shaped shingles across the top. The porch is supported by turned posts. The jig-cut wooden balusters of this balcony are in poor condition. Double-hung windows have two-over-two lights with vertical muntins. A one-
story addition extends across the rear of the house and is the only significant exterior alteration. Wooden shingles in poor condition cover the intersecting gables, and interior brick chimneys rise out of the west and north gable ends. A number of outbuildings stand behind the house and include a stuccoed stone smokehouse, frame barn, and several small sheds. All these structures contribute to the historic character of the farm.

SIGNIFICANCE

This house is believed to have been built for Tobias and Wilhelmine Schultz. According to tax records, they owned this land by 1893. The date of the frame house is not known, but judging from similarly styled houses whose completion dates are well documented, it was probably built about 1895. Since that time it has remained virtually unaltered and, along with its associated outbuildings, provides one of the best and most intact examples of a late 19th-century farm in the area.
AREA TO BE NOMINATED