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SITE NO. 24

NAME

John Pederson farm

LOCATION

FM 219, 9 miles southwest of Clifton, Bosque
County, Texas, on J. Houston survey

OWNER

Tilden Pederson
Route 2
Clifton, Texas 76634

PRESENT USE

Private residence, agriculture

CATEGORY

Buildings

STATUS

Occupied

QUADRANGLE NAME

Hurst Springs, Texas

QUADRANGLE SCALE

1:24000

UTM REFERENCE

14/615780/3522520

ACREAGE

about 3 acres

PHOTO REFERENCE NO.

36, 37

DESCRIPTION

The John Pederson farm is located on the gently rolling land of the Neils Creek valley, about nine miles west of Clifton. It is in good condition, and retains much of its historic integrity. The original plan of the house was T-shaped but, with the addition in 1913 of a one-and-a-half-story wing onto the east side of the house, the plan was changed to its present cross-shaped configuration. Originally, it was very similar in plan and appearance to the Colwick (no. 22) and Rogstad (no. 23) houses. The front, which faces south toward FM 219, features a one-story porch with Doric columns linked at the top by a frieze of turned spindles. Two front entrances flank each side of the projecting central section. The windows are double hung with two-

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over-two lights. The gabled roof, covered by composition shingles, shows three prominent gables on the front elevation, and is pierced by two chimneys of corbeled brick. Lightning rods occur on the ridges. Several small additions have been built on the rear, or west, side of the house. The complex includes several outbuildings, but the most significant is a frame barn which stands northwest of the house. This structure is of board-and-batten construction, and has an arcade of round-arch openings on the east end of the south elevation. The other outbuildings also contribute to the historic character of the farm.

SIGNIFICANCE

Tilden Pederson, who is the present owner of this farm, states that the house was erected in 1891 and 1892 for his father, John Pederson. It was constructed by Johan Nordahl, who built several other frame houses in the area. The Pederson house is noteworthy for its dormer-like gables, whose ends are flush with the underlying walls, and for its one-story porch and simple plan.

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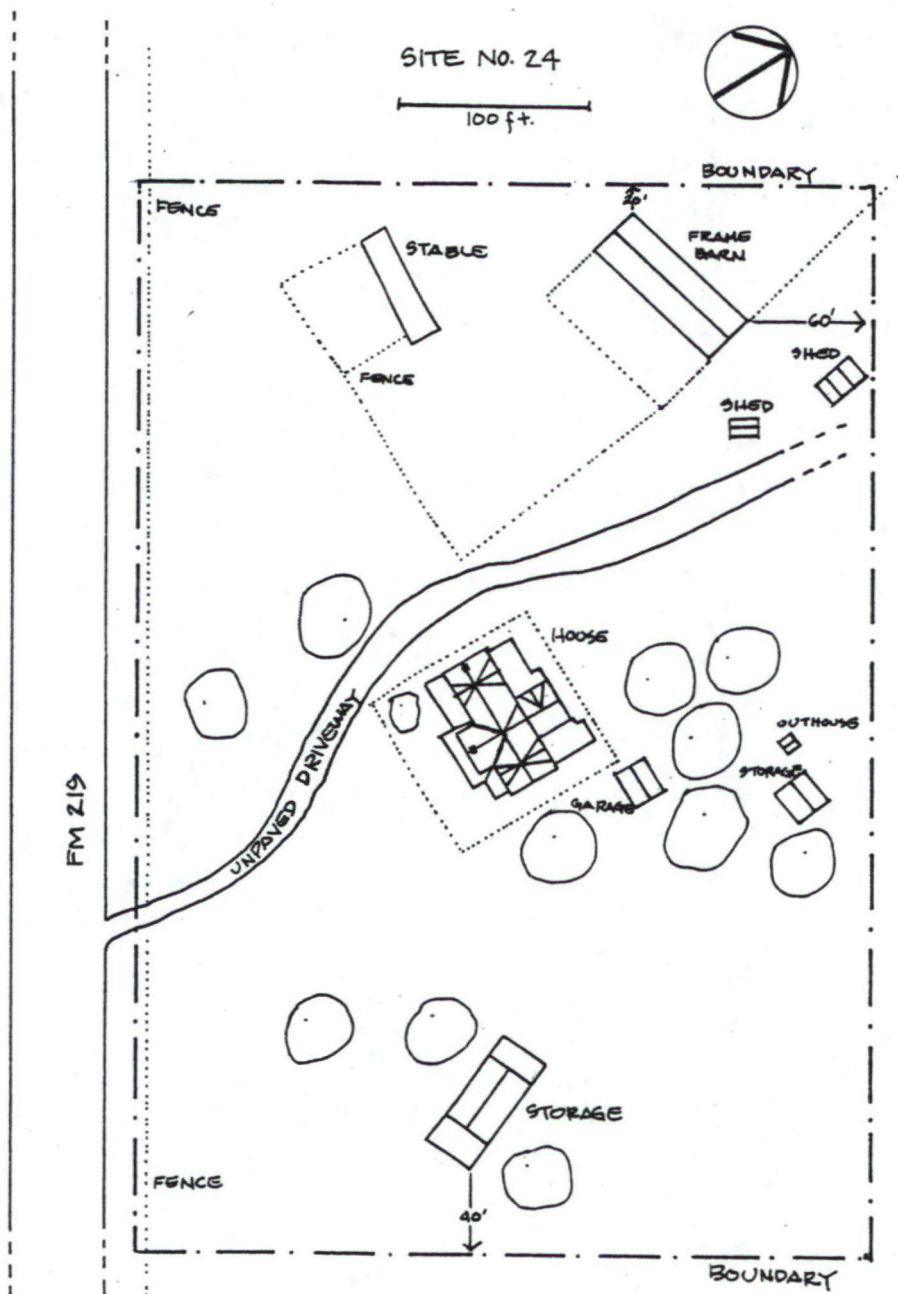
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Multiple Resource Area
Thematic Group

Name Norwegian Settlement of Bosque County Thematic Resources

State Texas

Nomination/Type of Review

Entered in the
National Register

Date/Signature

21. Norway Mill

Keeper

7/22/83 Delores Byers

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National Register

Attest

22. Olson-Hanson Farm

Keeper

7/22/83 Delores Byers

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23. Olson, Joseph and Anna, Farm

Keeper

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24. Olson-Nelson Farm

Keeper

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25. Our Savior's Lutheran Church

Substantive Review

Keeper

Return S

Attest

26. Pederson, John, Farm

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27. Pierson, Ole and Ann, Farm

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28. Questad, Carl and Sedsel,
Farm

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29. Reeder-Omenson Farm

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30. Reiersen, Hans and Berthe,
House

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EVALUATION / RETURN SHE

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServicePederson, John, Farm (Norwegian Settlement of
Bosque County TR)
Bosque County
TEXASWorking No. JUN 9 1983Fed. Reg. Date: 2.7.83Date Due: 7/7/83 - 7/24/83Action: ☒ ACCEPT 7/22/83Entered in the ☐ RETURNNational Register ☐ REJECT

Federal Agency: _____

- ☐ resubmission
☐ nomination by person or local government
☐ owner objection
☐ appeal

Substantive Review: ☐ sample ☐ request ☐ appeal ☐ NR decision

Reviewer's comments: _____

Recom./Criteria _____

Reviewer _____

Discipline _____

Date _____

☐ see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: ☐ technical corrections cited below
☐ substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name2. Location3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
	Public Acquisition	Accessible	

4. Owner of Property5. Location of Legal Description6. Representation in Existing SurveysHas this property been determined eligible? ☐ yes ☐ no7. Description

Condition	Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed	

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- ☐ summary paragraph
☐ completeness
☐ clarity
☐ alterations/integrity
☐ dates
☐ boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- _____ summary paragraph
- _____ completeness
- _____ clarity
- _____ applicable criteria
- _____ justification of areas checked
- _____ relating significance to the resource
- _____ context
- _____ relationship of integrity to significance
- _____ justification of exception
- _____ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UNIT References

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- _____ Maps
- _____ Photographs
- _____ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



The Norwegian Settlement of Bosque County

Site No. 24, John Pederson Farm, FM 219, 9 miles
southwest of Clifton, Bosque County, Texas

Photograph: March 1979, by Daniel Hardy

On file, Texas Historical Commission

View of front facade, looking north

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The Norwegian Settlement of Bosque County

Site No. 24, John Pederson Farm, FM 219,
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Texas

Photograph: March 1979, by Daniel Hardy

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View of barn, looking north

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Please refer to the map in the
Multiple Property Cover Sheet
for this property

Multiple Property Cover Sheet Reference Number: 64000849