

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

1. Name of Property

historic name Eneberg, John F., House

other names/site number Walton, Thomas, House

2. Location

street & number 157 North 10th Street [n/a] not for publication

city or town Lexington [n/a] vicinity

state Missouri code MO county Lafayette code 107 zip code 64067

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this [X] 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 [X] meets [] does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant [] nationally [] statewide [X] locally.
(See continuation sheet for additional comments [].)

Signature of certifying official/Title *Claire F. Blackwell* 17 May 1993
Claire F. Blackwell/Deputy SHPO

Missouri 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 for additional comments [].)

Signature of certifying official/Title

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the 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
See continuation sheet [].

Signature of the Keeper

Date

_____	_____
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_____	_____

5 Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property		
		Contributing	Noncontributing	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	1	0	buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	0	0	sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	0	0	structures
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	0	0	objects
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	1	0	Total

Name of related multiple property listing.

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register.

Historic Resources of Lexington
Lafayette County, MO, MRA

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6 Function or Use

Historic Function

DOMESTIC/single dwelling

Current Functions

VACANT/NOT IN USE

7 Description

Architectural Classification

Greek Revival

Materials

foundation brick

walls weatherboard

roof asphalt

other wood

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8 Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history

B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.

D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

Property is:

A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.

B removed from its original location.

C a birthplace or grave.

D a cemetery.

E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.

F a commemorative property.

G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9 Major Bibliographic References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

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

Areas of Significance
Architecture

Periods of Significance
circa 1868

Significant Dates
n/a

Significant Person(s)
n/a

Cultural Affiliation
n/a

Architect/Builder
unknown

Primary location of additional data:

State Historic Preservation Office

Other State Agency

Federal Agency

Local Government

University

Other:

Name of repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property less than one acre

UTM References

A. Zone Easting Northing B. Zone Easting Northing
15 423745 4337740

C. Zone Easting Northing D. Zone Easting Northing

[] See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Roger Maserang/Historic Preservation Coordinator
organization Show-Me Regional Planning Commission date April 22, 1992
street & number 122 Hout Street, P.O. Box 348 telephone 816/747-2294
city or town Warrensburg state Missouri zip code 64093

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative **black and white photographs** of the property.

Additional Items

(Check with the SHPO or FOP for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FOP.)

name _____
street & number _____ telephone _____
city or town _____ state _____ zip code _____

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Eneberg, John F., House
Lafayette County, Missouri

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SUMMARY: The John F. Eneberg House, 157 N. 10th St., Lexington, is a 1 1/2-story massed-plan (central passage double-pile) house with modest Greek Revival styling. Although made of frame and vacant for several years, the house retains original workmanship and many original materials. While the design is modest, a meander molding across the primary elevation stands out dramatically. This device has a frieze-like effect while columns are faintly suggested by the narrow spacing between bays. Although minimal, gable returns are meant to suggest a pediment. Overall, the John F. Eneberg House is a fine, essentially intact and reasonably well-preserved example of Greek Revival styling applied to a cottage.

NARRATIVE: The John F. Eneberg House sits on a brick foundation on a corner lot one block south of Main Street, the primary business avenue in downtown Lexington. Dimensions are approximately 38' (primary elevation) by 30'. The symmetrical five-bay main facade is relatively intact with plywood covering the window openings. (The windows are in place.) Walls are sided with lengths of clapboard attached with square nails. It has a full or nearly full basement with an earthen floor.

Referencing McAlester and McAlester, this massed-plan house is an early example of the side-gabled folk house type which ultimately replaced hall-and-parlor and I-House forms.¹ In this case, Greek Revival elements were used to make the house stylistically fashionable as well. The front tier of rooms is similar to that of a central passage I-House, with more or less equal sized rooms flanking a hallway as twin parlors or as parlor and living room. A boxed stairway leading to two upper bedrooms is in the central hallway. The hallway does not continue to the rear, although a doorway behind the staircase leads into a middle back room. The three back rooms are of unequal sizes. The current floor plan (which see) is probably the building's original layout except that a bath has been added in the northeast corner.

The entry is transomed (four lights) with rectangular (three) sidelights. Fenestration is original except for changes in the rear (east) elevation, where a former doorway has been converted into a window and another doorway created. The predominant 6/6 window pattern in Greek Revival houses is seen in the upstairs sash. First floor windows are old-looking 2/2s and 1/1s, all double-hung.

The meander molding in the primary elevation is over the central entrance and two flanking windows on each side. Sections of molding are simply nailed in place. The peg-assembled front door and rectangular panels below the sidelights were given an Italianate spin by a similar use of standard molding. The factory-made material was cut into various lengths with mitered joints. The front porch or portico is gone. Shutters have been removed. Only a small part of the chimney for the south parlor remains.

¹McAlester, Virginia and Lee, A Field Guide to American Houses, New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1985), p. 98.

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Inside, the south parlor remains the most elaborate room. It contains a fine Greek Revival mantel (much like those pictured in a Benjamin or Lafever carpenter's book, attributed to the Morrison Foundry in Lexington²) with paneled pilasters, a frieze with three octagonal bullseye designs fashioned from triangular cuts of multi-tiered molding, and a pediment above the shelf. Doorway and window enframements have multi-tiered surrounds. The north parlor is of virtually the same size as the south but lacks a mantel. Unlike the south parlor, the north parlor communicates with the back rooms. The back rooms have plain woodwork. Interior doors consist of four panels.

For several feet around the house on all four sides, the yard is paved with bricks. According to a subsequent owner who purchased the house in 1942, the entire lot, as well as two adjacent lots, were underlaid with brick to prevent erosion of the property, which sloped north toward the river. There are no outbuildings. Photographs from circa 1945 show a shed-roofed porch with shaped frieze, pierced columns, and balustrade which shelters the central three bays of the facade. Similar in detailing to a number of other porches on Lexington houses constructed in the 1870s and 1880s, it was probably not original to the house.

In its essential details, the John F. Eneberg House remains substantially unchanged from the time of its construction a few years after the Civil War. It is an architecturally significant example of a double-pile Greek Revival cottage with an uncommon meander molding across the primary elevation. Alterations have not been excessive, consisting of fenestration changes in the rear, replacement of wood shingles with asphalt, installation of a bathroom (circa 1942), and, probably, construction or expansion of the basement. Considering all of the above, the building's historic character remains intact.

The John F. Eneberg House is property #595 in the Lexington MRA.

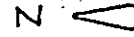
²Mrs. Ernestine Ernst Seiter to B.H. Rucker, Assistant Director, Division of Parks and Historic Preservation, July 20, 1980, John F. Eneberg House Correspondence File, Missouri Cultural Resource Inventory, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Jefferson City, MO.

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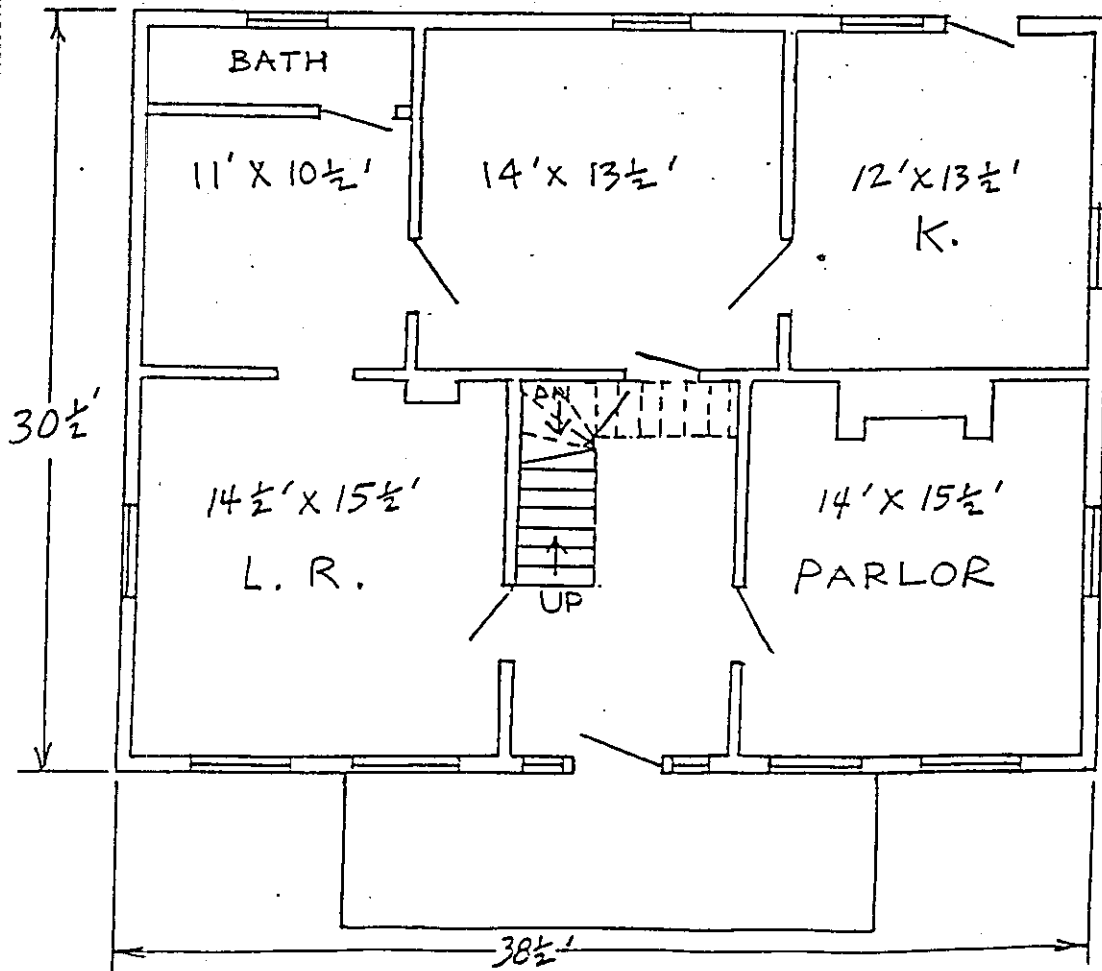
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First Floor Plan



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SUMMARY: The John F. Eneberg House, 157 N. 10th St., Lexington, Lafayette County, is significant under Criterion C in the area of ARCHITECTURE. Constructed circa 1862, the John F. Eneberg House exemplifies the Greek Revival Buildings property type (see "Historic Resources of Lexington, Associated Property Types: Greek Revival"). In this case, the application of Greek Revival detailing and other stylistic elements to the cottage form is well illustrated. Of special interest is a meander molding (unique in Lexington, rare in Missouri) which accents all five units of the primary elevation. The John F. Eneberg House is intact with few alterations on its original site on what had been the main thoroughfare between Lexington's commercial center and its once-busy riverfront (see "Historic Resources of Lexington: Western Outfitting in Lexington, 1820s-1860s").

NARRATIVE: On October 25, 1859, John F. Eneberg purchased Lot 12, Block C, Anderson Addition to Lexington from Oliver Anderson, who had platted the addition only in September of that year. In 1862, Eneberg constructed the present house. According to the 1877 Lafayette County atlas, Eneberg came to Lafayette County in 1853. A native of Sweden, census records indicated that Eneberg, the apparent first owner, was a brewer on the eve of the Civil War.¹ By the 1870s, Eneberg was a Lexington merchant dealing in lumber, glassware and groceries. Later (after 1878), he apparently moved to Bates City and established that town's first store.² Subsequent owners of the Eneberg House include Thomas Walton, from 1887-1919. Walton, who served as mayor of Lexington from 1908-12, was a president of the old Missouri Bituminous Coal Co.³ Vacant for several years, the John F. Eneberg House remains in the form of a single-family dwelling.

Tenth Street, on which the house is situated, was called Pine Street during the decades when Lexington flourished. Pine Street, along with Commerce Street, was one of the main access routes to the Missouri River in Lexington. A hotel operated by Casper Gruber rested at the foot of Pine Street on the

¹According to the 1860 census, Eneberg, then 35 years old was a brewer and the head of a household consisting of: Imogene Eneberg, 24, born in Illinois; Sally Pyatt, 10, born in Missouri; and William Grapmuck, 27, born in Germany and a foreman in a brewery.

²History of Lafayette County, Mo., (St. Louis: National Historical Company, 1881), p. 404.

³"Thomas Walton House," Missouri Historic Inventory Survey Form No. 595, Historic Lexington Survey, August 1981. Copy in the Missouri Cultural Resource Inventory, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Jefferson City, Missouri.

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river front, and the Long Hotel was located across the street from the Eneberg House.⁴

⁴Mrs. Ernestine Ernst Seiter to B.H. Rucker, Assistant Director, Division of Parks and Historic Preservation, July 20, 1980, John F. Eneberg House Correspondence File, Missouri Cultural Resource Inventory, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Jefferson City, MO.

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Missouri Historic Inventory Survey Form No. 595, "Thomas Walton House." Historic Lexington Survey, August 1981. Copy in the Missouri Cultural Resources Inventory, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Jefferson City, MO.

1860 Census (enumeration).

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[For additional bibliographic information, see "Historic Resources of Lexington, Missouri" (amended) cover document.]

10. Geographical Data

Verbal Boundary Description: Lot 12, Block C, Anderson's Addition to the City of Lexington, Lafayette County, MO.

Boundary Justification: The boundary encompasses all the city lot which has historically been associated with the property.

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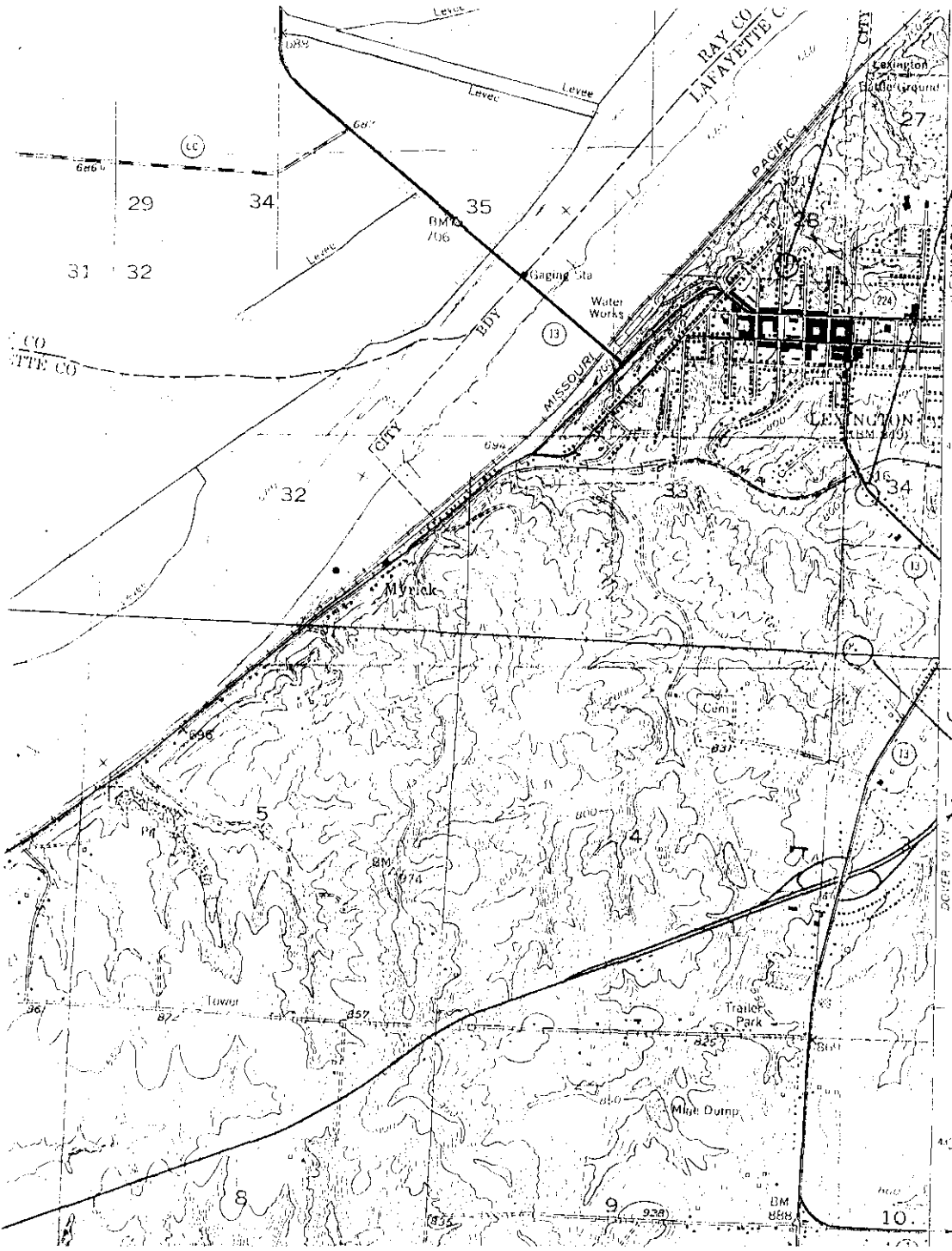
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Missouri Department of Natural Resources
Historic Preservation Program
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Jefferson City, MO 65102

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- #3: View from northwest
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- #4: Entrance detail, view from west
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- #5: Meander molding detail, view from west
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- #7: View of hallway from stair, facing west
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- #8: Mantel in south parlor, facing east
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- #9: Kitchen, facing west
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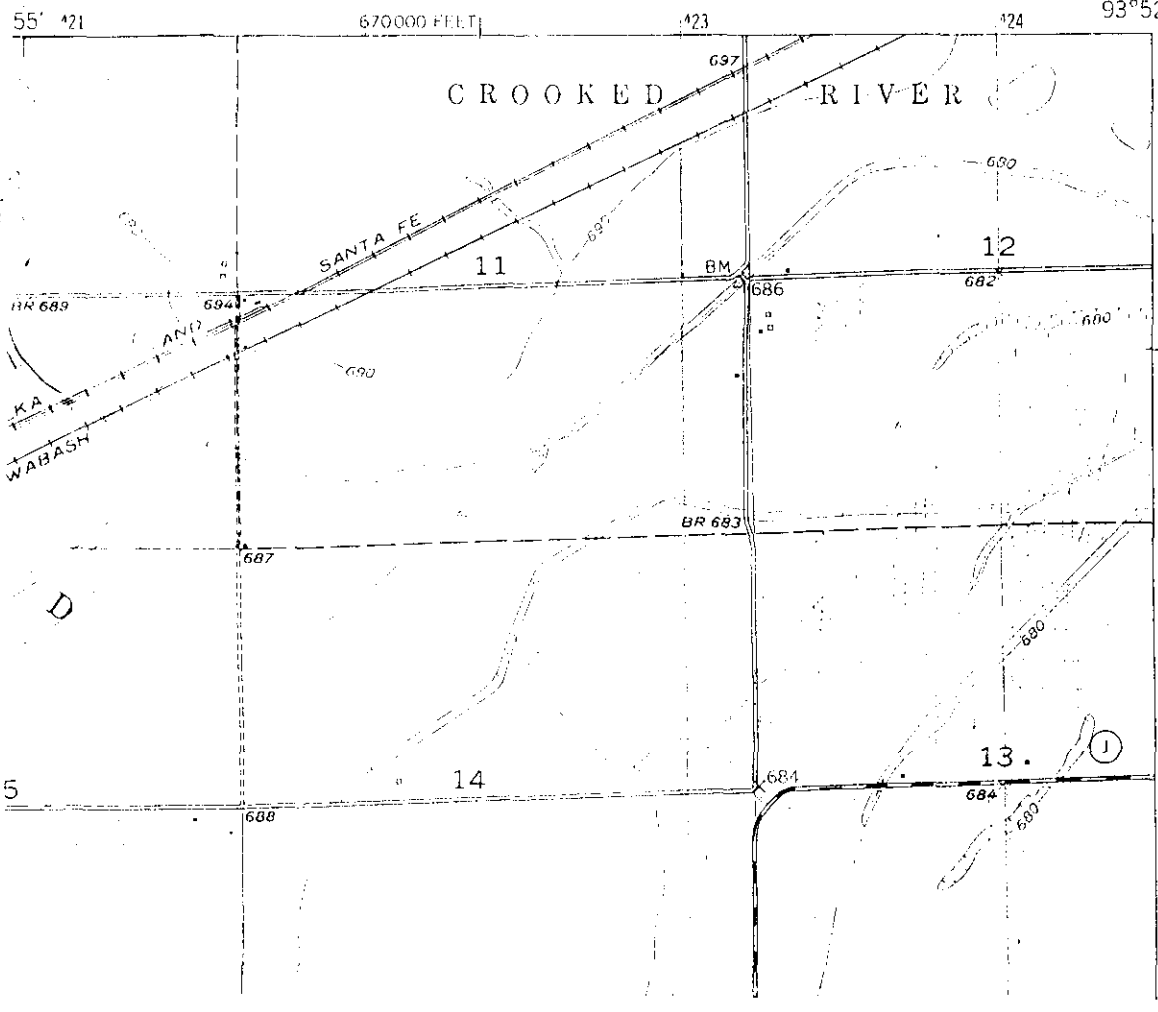


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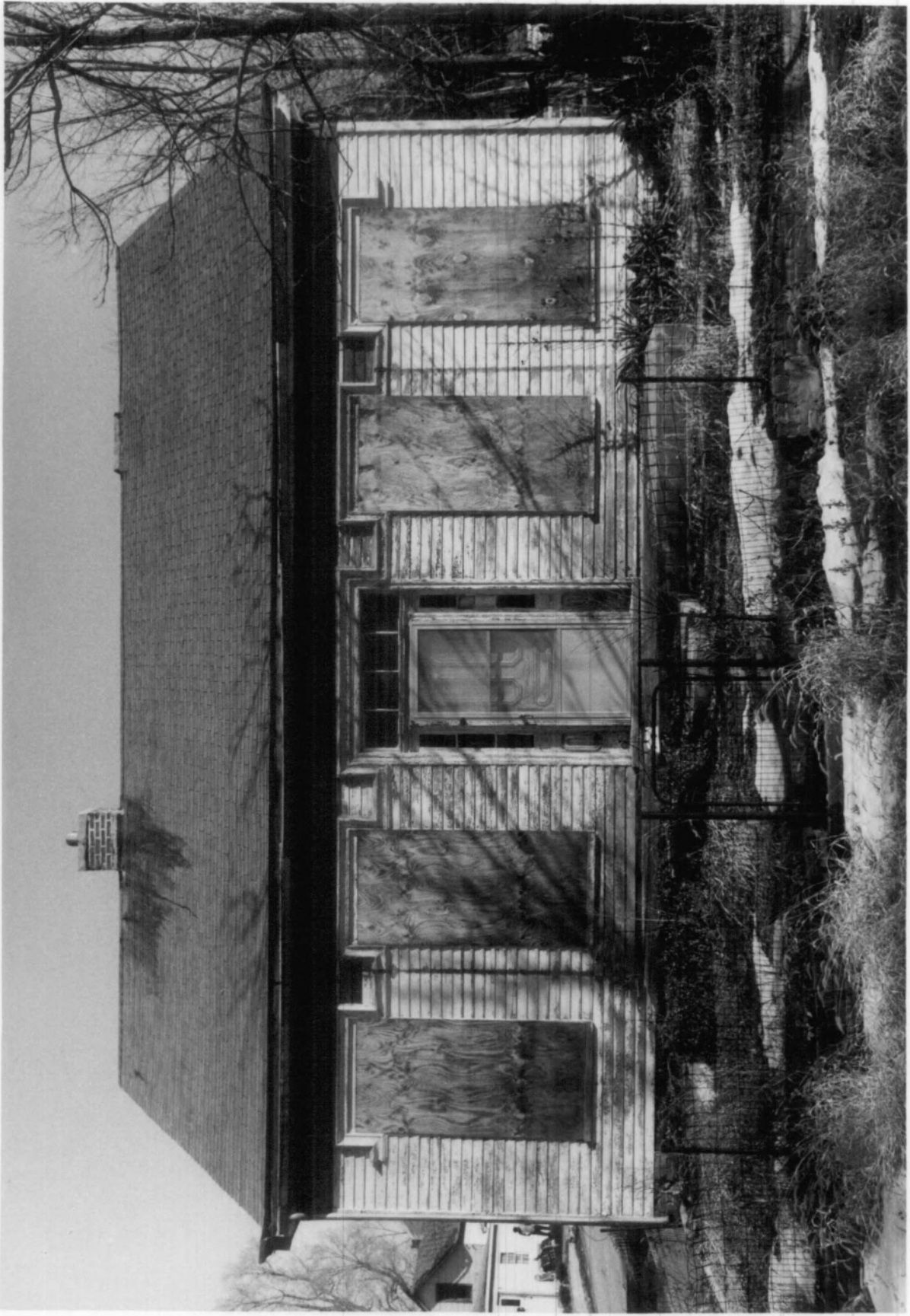
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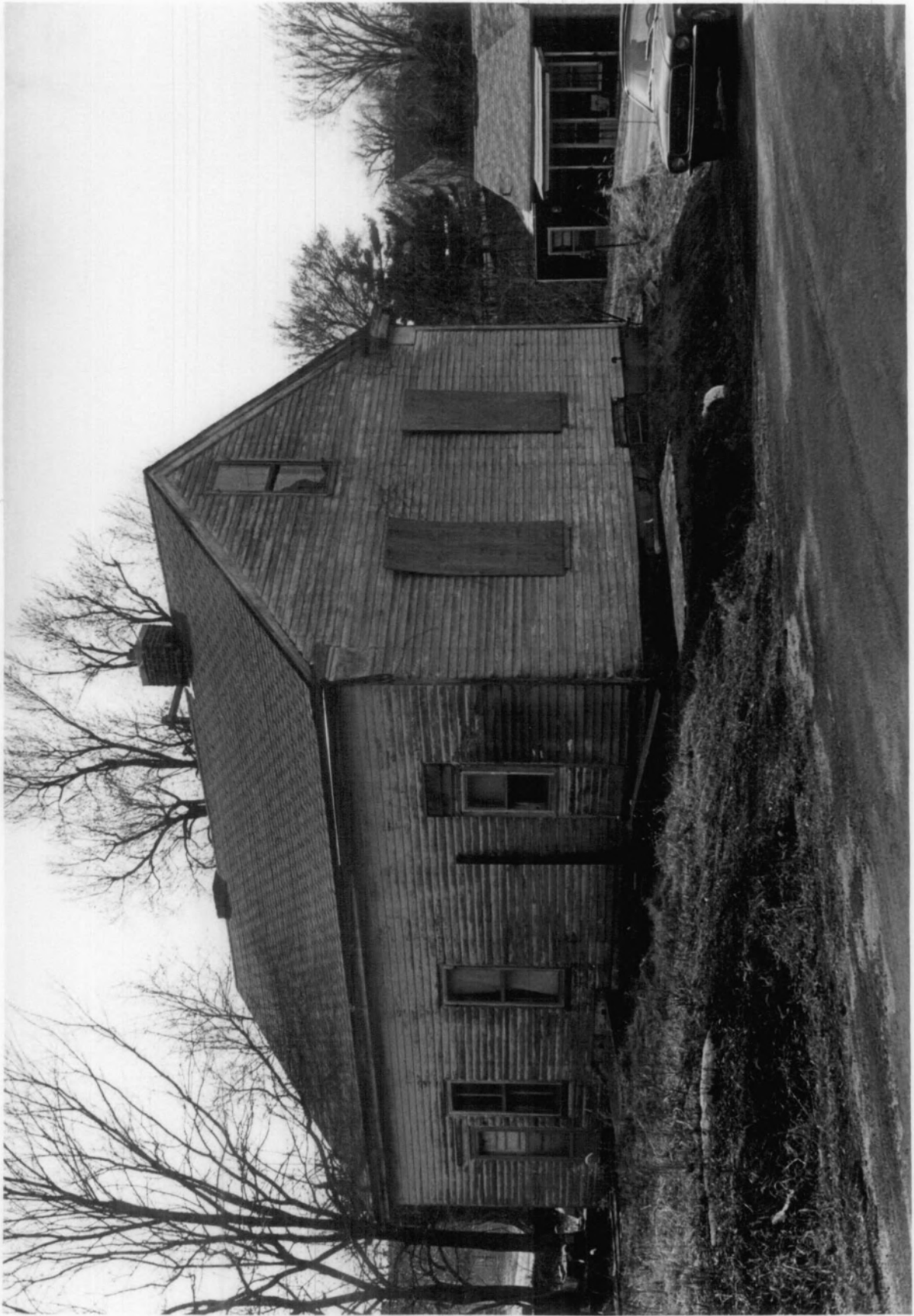
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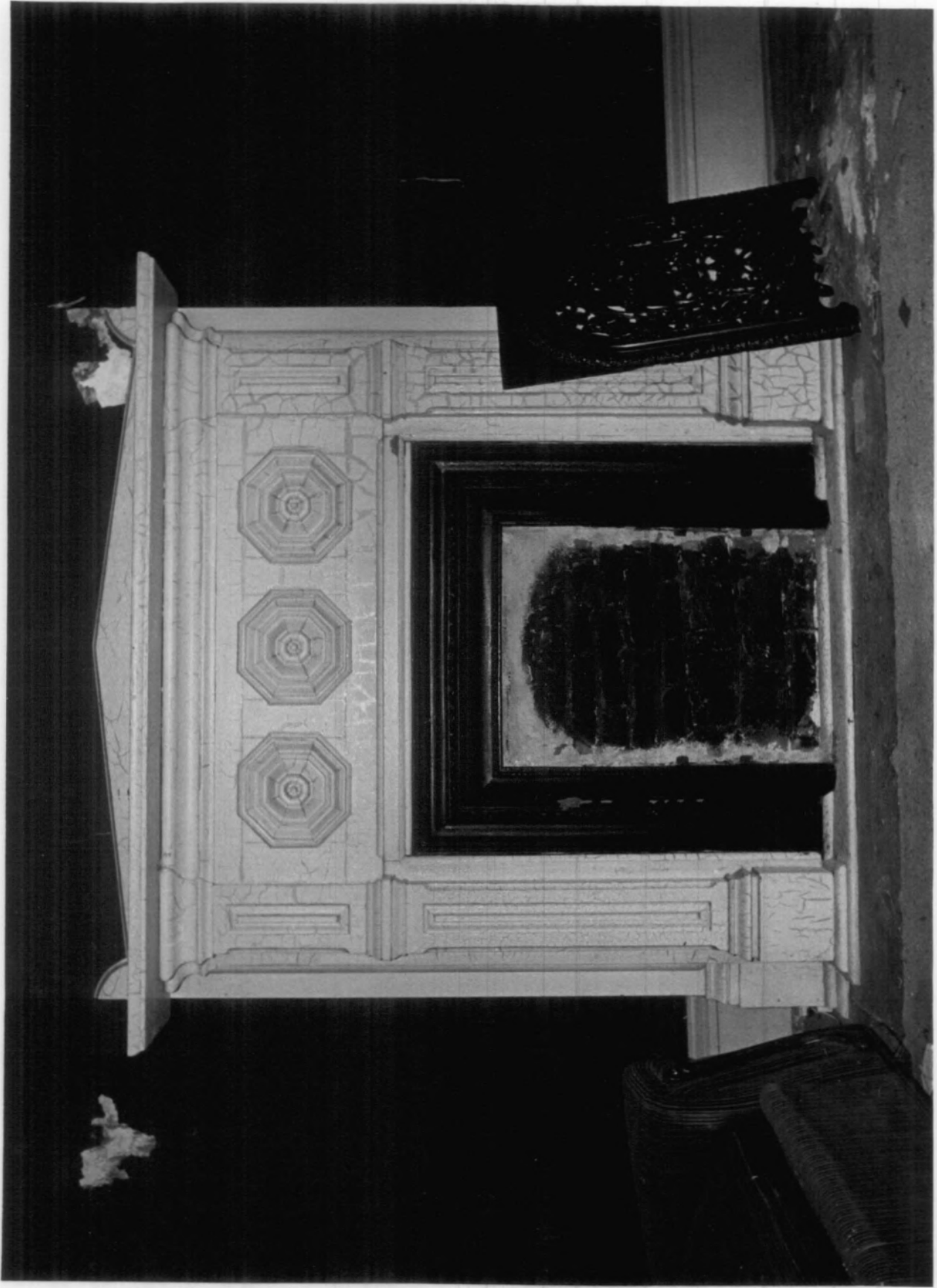




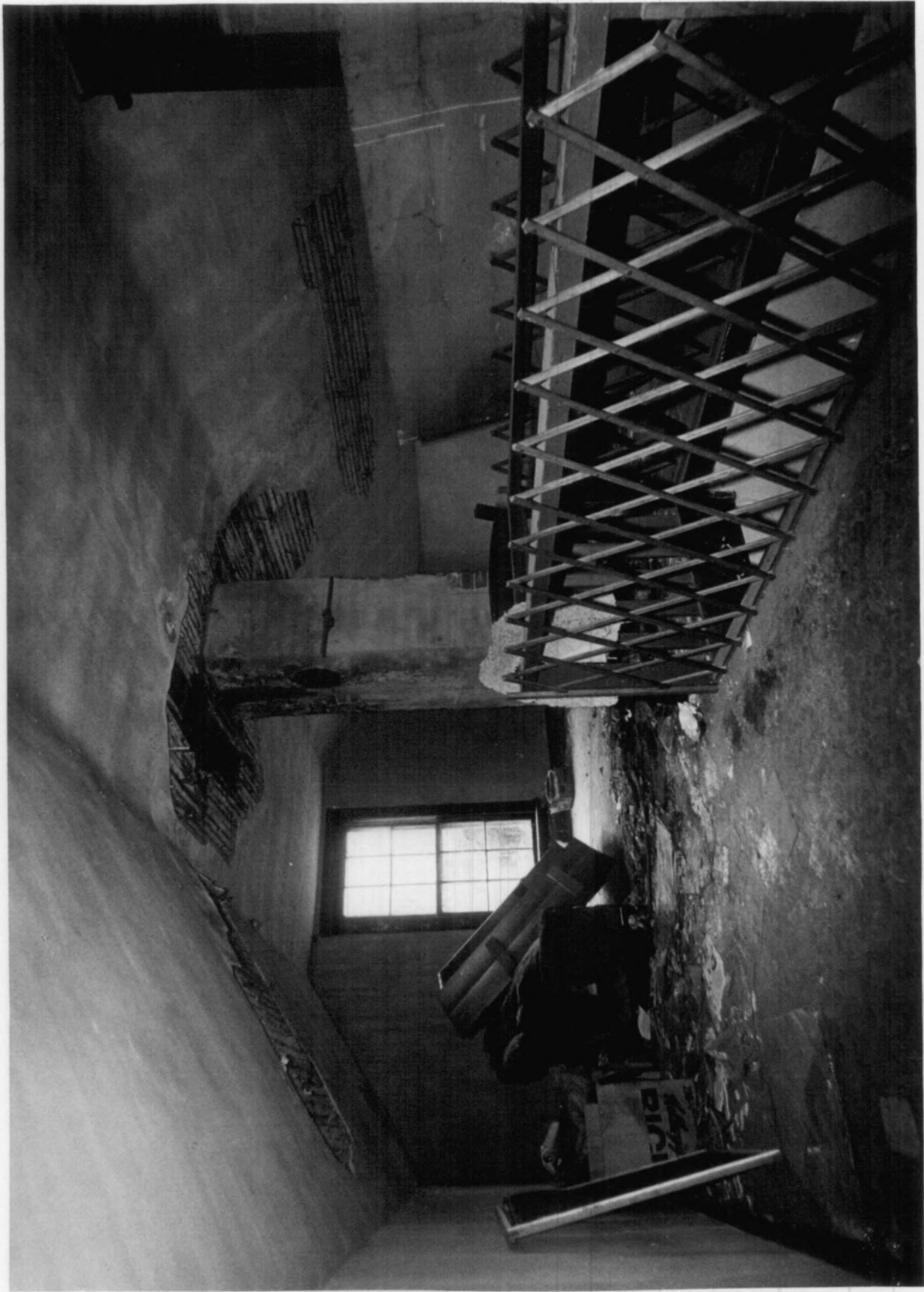












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