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# National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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and/or common	Black Hotel/Pulask	i House	•				
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city, town	Waynesville	vicinity of	congressional district	#8 - Hon. Richard Ichor			
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Category  district X building(s) structure site object	Ownership public X private both Public Acquisition in process being considered	Status occupied work in progress Accessible X yes: restricted yes: unrestricted no	Present Useagriculturecommercialeducationalentertainmentgovernmentindustrialmilitary	museum park private residence religious scientific transportation X other: (Storage)			
4. Own	er of Proper	ty					
name	Mary U. Crane						
street & number	P.O. Box 465						
city, town	Waynesville	vicinity of	state	Missouri 65583			
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city, town	Columbia		state	Missouri 65201			

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#### Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

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Sitting on Courthouse Square in Waynesville, the Black Hotel faces the Pulaski County Courthouse directly, across the street to the west. It is a two-story rectangular frame structure with the original hewn framing members now covered with weatherboarding. Hewn oak joists, sills and studdings still remain a part of the original building.

The front or western facade is spanned by a two-story porch that encloses an outside stairwell. The original Stagecoach Stop apparently featured a similar two-story porch on both the front and the back of the building. The back porch was probably removed about 1894 when Lewis Black did extensive remodeling. Although the front porch was again remodeled in the 1920's or 1930's no major structural changes have been made since the 1890's.

Two large fireplace chimneys (now adapted as stove flues) stand at both ends of the building and are believed to be original. They are constructed of coursed stone on the first floor with the top or chimney portions made of brick. A third brick chimney or flue was later added (again probably in the 1890's) and centrally located to serve the upstairs.

The building sits on a combination coursed rubble and brick foundation with a partial basement below the northwest corner. The porch now rests on a concrete floor apparently added when the portico was last remodeled in the 20's or 30's. At that time the present rounded columns and turned posts of the stairwell and upstairs railing were also added.

The saltbox or catslide roof is covered with shingles in the front and in the rear, where two gabled dormers were added, it is tin covered. All windows are double hung and both the windows and the doors display plain molding throughout. Decorative elements are minimal and the building has the basic simplicity of vernacular architecture.

Inside, plaster over the original boards is covered with at least 3 layers of wallpaper above hardwood floors. All rooms are now vacant with the exception of some old furniture stored in the back rooms of the first floor and 3 fuel oil stoves where fireplaces once were. The building was wired for electricity in the 1940's.

#### SITE

The Old Stagecoach Stop occupies the southwestern corner of lot #4 in block #6 of the original town of Waynesville. Two other buildings, excluded from the nomination, also sit on lot #4, a small frame shoe repair building just north of the site and a small brick residence just northeast of the site.

#### PRESENT STATUS

Vandalism and lack of general maintenance have hurt the condition of the building in recent years. However, with the exception of the porch, it remains basically sound for a building its age. In general, it is in need of restoration before reuse could be considered.

### 8. Significance

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Specific dates	1853	Builder/Architect		

#### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Old Stagecoach Stop or Black Hotel is significant as one of the oldest buildings in the South Central Missouri town of Waynesville and for its association with the colorful Civil War History of Pulaski County. According to elderly citizens of Pulaski County and the Missouri Historical Sites Catalogue the building was used as a hospital and occupied by Union troops during the Civil War.

Believed to have been built about 1853 as a stagecoach stop, the original building was of logs with a fireplace in either end and outside steps going to the sleeping rooms upstairs.<sup>2</sup>

Perhaps the only thing that saved the building from destruction during the Civil War was its occupation by Union troops who had built a fort just up the hill in Waynesville. There were several skirmishes fought in the area and both the soldiers and the "bushwackers" they were fighting destroyed much of what had been built in the county to that point. So much looting and burning went on in fact that just after the war it was reported that there were few buildings left outside of Waynesville. 4

Following the Civil War the building was used again as a stop for travelers and known as the Pulaski House under the management of Mrs. M.L. Davis during the 1870's. Lewis Black bought, remodeled and added two rooms on the rear in 1884 and the Old Stagecoach Stop became known as the Black Hotel.

The building was used as a boarding house during World War II when nearby Fort Leonard Wood could not accomodate the thousands of troops being processed there and sleeping space was at a premium in the Waynesville/St. Roberts area. It has been vacant since the late 1950's.

According to notes taken for the <u>Missouri Historical Sites Catalogue</u>, the Old Stagecoach Stop can be seen in a pen sketch of Waynesville made during the Civil War and in a picture that is part of the Missouri Historical Society collection in St. Louis.

#### **FOOTNOTES**

- 1. Dorothy J. Caldwell, ed., <u>Missouri Historic Sites Catalogue</u> (Columbia: State Historical Society of Missouri, 1963), p. 136.
- 2. Mable M. Mottaz, <u>Lest We Forget</u>, A History of Pulaski County, Mo. and Fort Leonard <u>Wood</u>. (Springfield, Mo; Cain Printing Co. 1960), p. 3.
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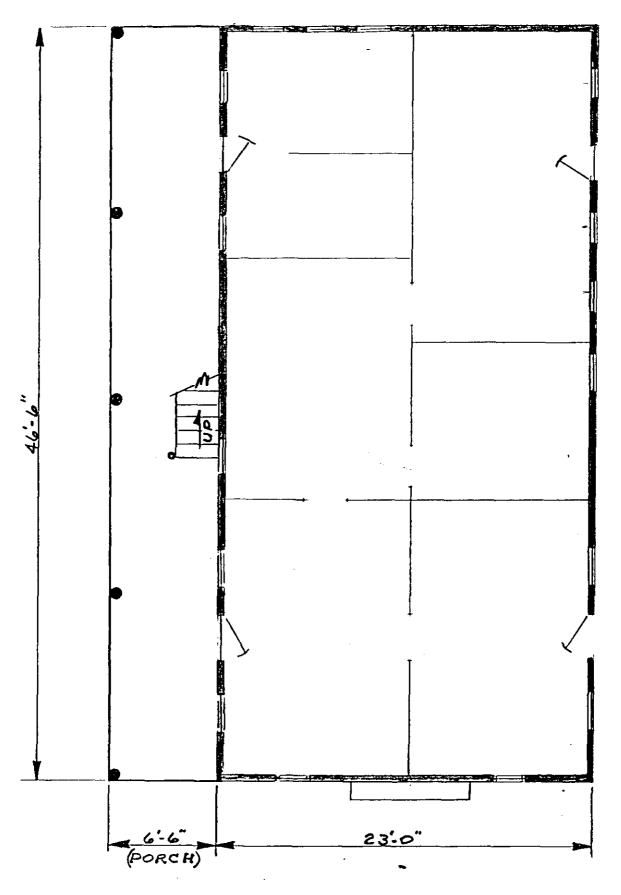
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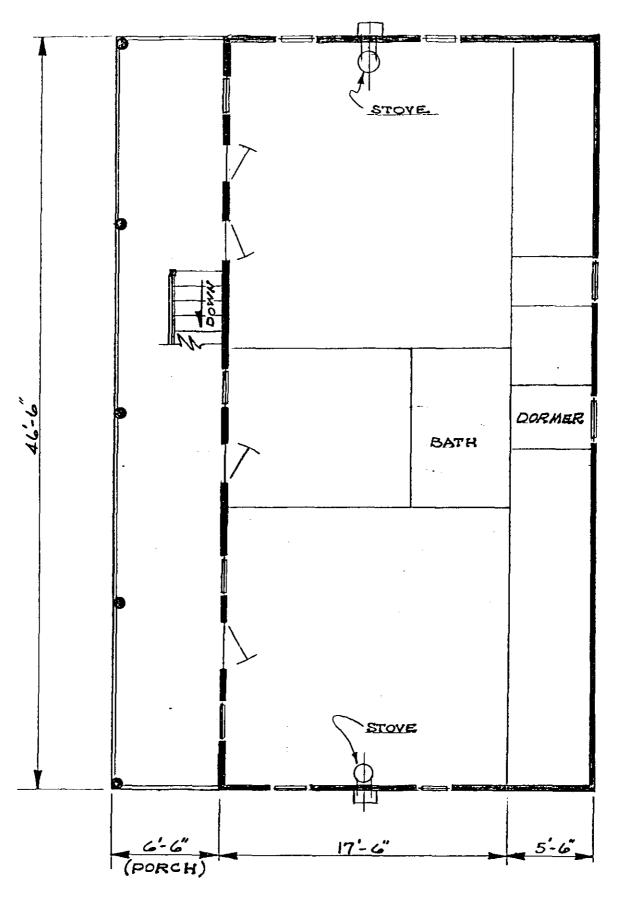
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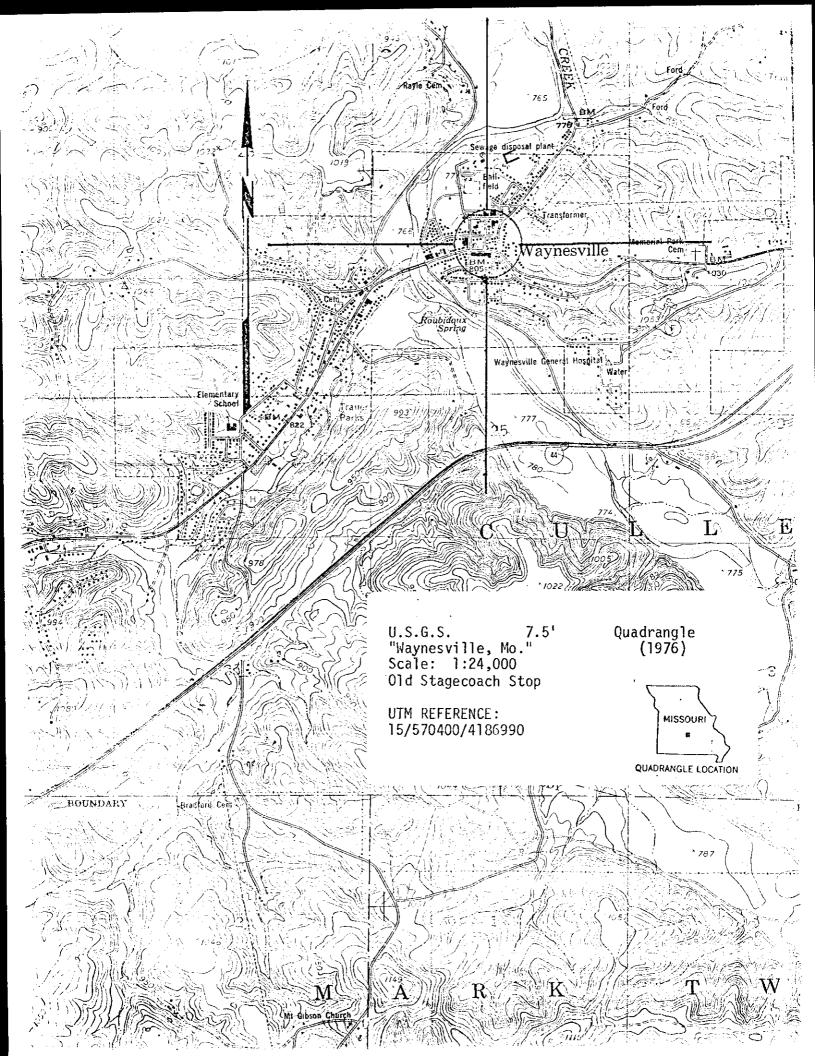


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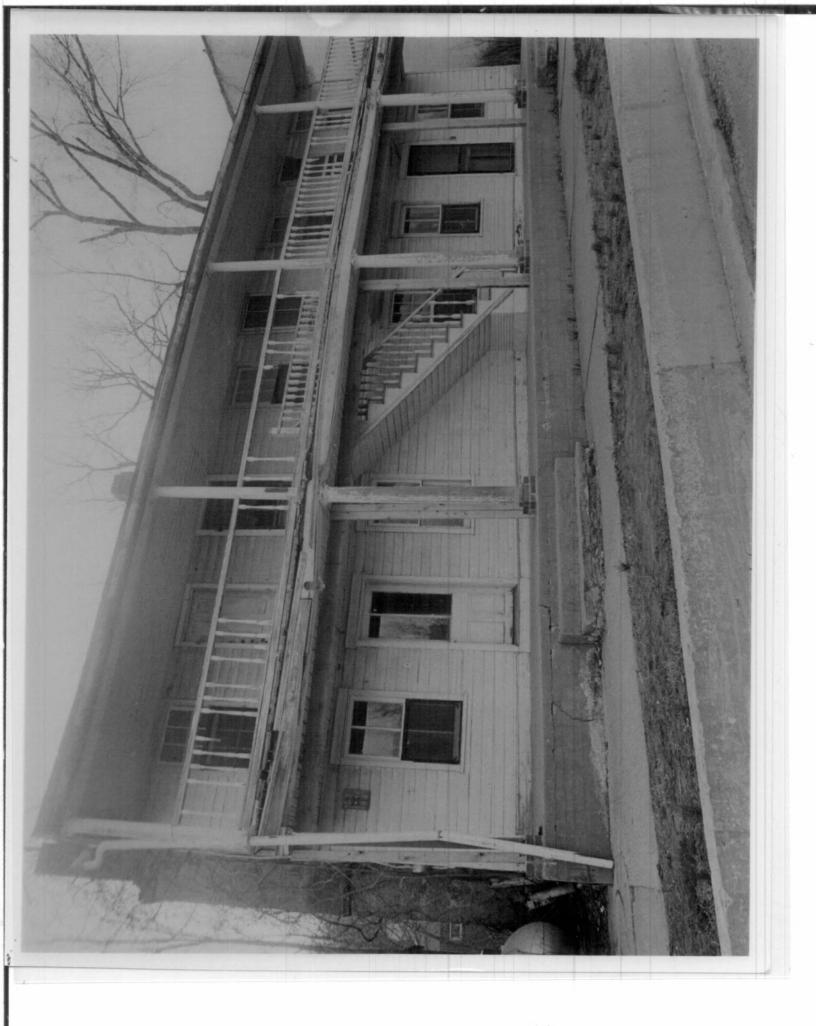
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Old Stagecoach Stop #1 of 8
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Exterior, front or western facade.



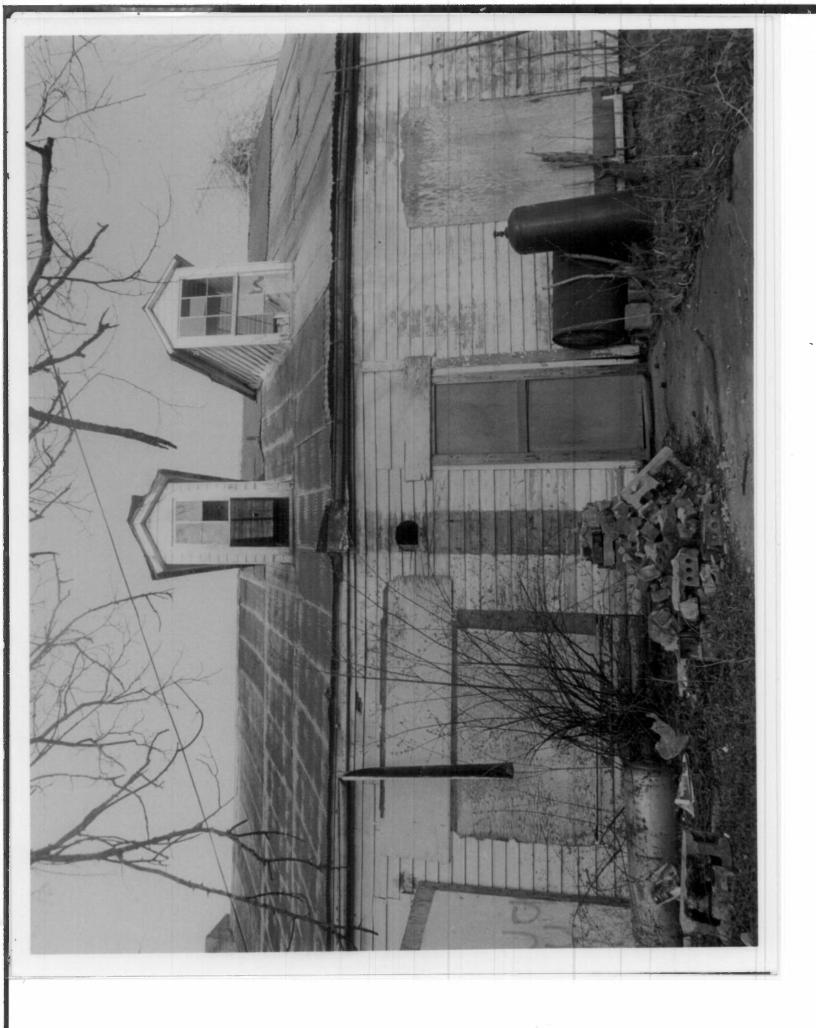
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Old Stagecoach Stop #3 of 8
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Exterior, south wall and stone/brick chimney
flue.



Old Stagecoach Stop #4 of 8
Waynesville Missouri
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Exterior, eastern or rear facade and
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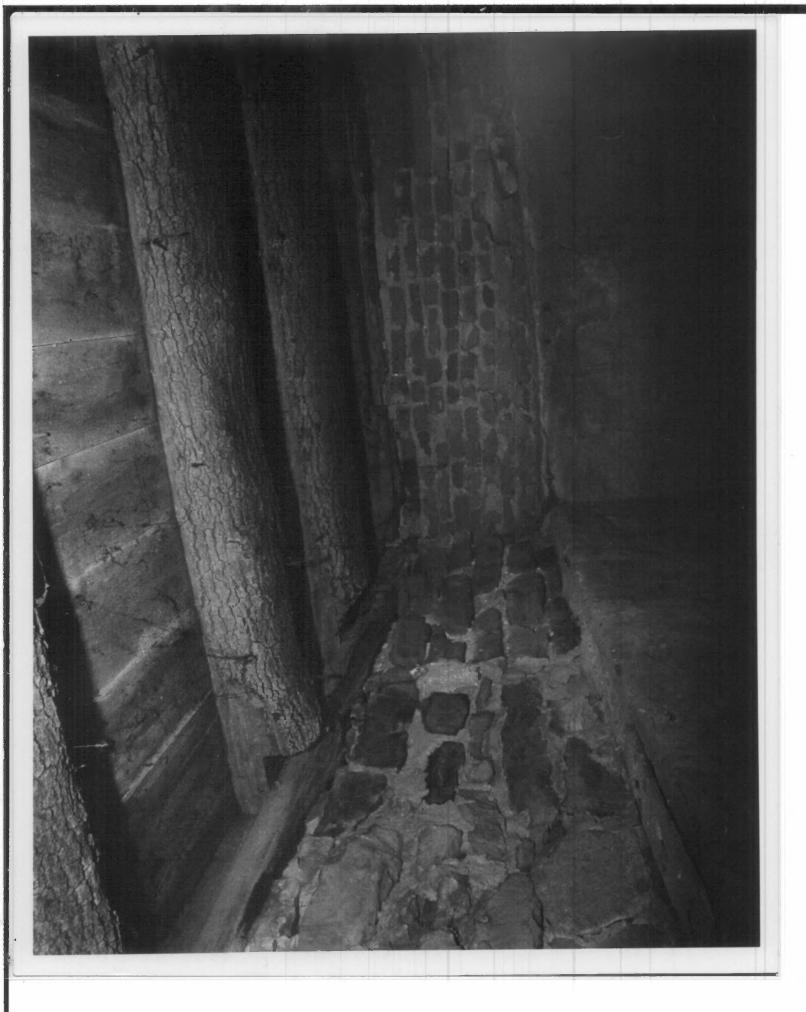
Old Stagecoach stop #5 of 8
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Interior, first floor, southwest corner



Old Stagecoach Stop #6 of 8
Waynesville, Missouri
Photographer: Roger Dillon, April, 1980
Lake of the Ozarks Council of Governments
Box 736, Camdenton, Mo 65020
Interior, first floor, southwest corner
rooms showing original boards



Old Stagecoach Stop # 7 of 3
Waynesville, Missouri
Photographer: Roger Dillon,April 1980
Lake of the Ozarks Council of Local Governments
Box 786, Camdenton, Missouri 65020
Interior, partial basement, foundation and
original log joist.



Old Stagecoach Stop #8 of 8 Waynesville, Missouri Photographer: unknown Neg. Loc.: Lake of the Ozarks Council of Governments, Camdenton, Mo. 65020 #8 of 8

View of Old Stagecoach Stop, taken ca. 1900.



# EXTRA PHOTOS





