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National Register of Historic Places  
Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*  
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Aambler

and/or common Ploger-Moneymaker Place

2. Location

street & number 291 Harwood Avenue not for publication

city, town Lebanon vicinity of #7 Hon. Gene Taylor

state Missouri code 29 county Laclede code 105

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Jacquelyn M. and Paul J. Dillard

street & number P.O. Box 173

city, town Lebanon vicinity of state Missouri 65536

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Recorder of Deeds

street & number Laclede County Courthouse

city, town Lebanon state Missouri 65536

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title 1. The Lake of the Ozarks Preliminary Historical Survey has this property been determined eligible?  yes  no

date 1978 federal state  county local

depository for survey records Lake of the Ozarks Council of Governments

city, town Camdenton state Missouri 65020

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2. Missouri State Historical Survey  
1979 state  
Department of Natural Resources  
Historic Preservation Program  
P.O. Box 176  
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

## 7. Description

Condition  
 excellent  
 good  
 fair

deteriorated  
 ruins  
 unexposed

Check one  
 unaltered  
 altered

Check one  
 original site  
 moved date \_\_\_\_\_

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

The Ploger-Moneymaker Place in Lebanon is a well-preserved example of a Nineteenth century high style two-story frame residence. The original wrap-around front porch, with round columns topped with volutes, covers both the formal entrance and kitchen entrance.

The front of this basically T-shaped house also features a two-story bay with decorative moulding below the first-story windows and around the cornice. A hip roof above the bay is covered with asphalt shingles as is the high-gable roof above the main structure. The porch gives the illusion of symmetry and the bay windows provide light for the parlor and master bedroom.

The house sits on a foundation of granite blocks and is covered with lap-siding painted white. Most of the windows are the original double hung (2/2 lights) with the exception of a large (30 pane) window on the east side and smaller continuous sill windows in the upstairs sunroom or spare bedroom. Various sizes indicate the windows were individually handmade and framed.

In back the externally engaged chimney, of random ashlar construction, serves both the first floor fireplace and the furnace, located in the partial basement. The fireplace is a 1936 addition, as is the rear wing garage, the only structural addition to the house.<sup>1</sup>

The formal entrance is located on the east side of the porch and opens to a hallway leading directly through an archway to the living room. Just inside the door to the right are original french doors opening into the parlor. A hallway to the kitchen and the main stairwell (with original handrail) also connect with the reception hall.

While the interior was remodeled in the late 1920's no structural changes were made and the original high ceilings and woodwork remain throughout the house. Almost no changes have been made since.<sup>2</sup> Through the years the house has retained its historical character and the Dillards have maintained it in excellent shape. Mrs. Dillard, the granddaughter of Professor Ploger, has also kept much of the original period furniture in the house.

The 1928 remodeling included new wallpaper over the plaster walls, the addition of furnace ducts, electrical wiring and 3 converted electric chandeliers which still hang in the living room, reception hall and parlor. In addition, the old kitchen/pantry was converted to garage and utility room space and modern kitchen facilities were built into the old informal dining room.<sup>3</sup>

Outside about 30 trees (originally 36 different types were planted by the builder, a Mr. Walters), shrubbery and a hedge row enhance the well-manicured lawn.<sup>4</sup> The site includes the 160 foot by 300 foot yard.

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<sup>1</sup>A personal interview with Jacquelyn and Paul Dillard, by Roger Dillon,  
December, 1980.

<sup>2</sup>Ibid.

<sup>3</sup>Ibid.

<sup>4</sup>Ibid.

# 8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

**Specific dates** 1870 **Builder/Architect** Mr. Walters

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

The Ploger-Moneymaker Place is significant as one of the oldest residences in the south central Missouri town of Lebanon, and for its association with Professor F. W. Ploger, an early mayor of the town (ca. 1908)<sup>1</sup> and Laclede County's first official superintendent of schools.<sup>2</sup> It is also one of a dwindling number of residences exemplifying nineteenth century high-style vernacular architecture in Lebanon.

The house was originally built for Milan W. Serl by a contractor named Walters in 1870.<sup>3</sup> Walters reportedly named the house "Aambler."<sup>4</sup> The Plogers moved in about 1903, renting the house until they could purchase it in 1910.<sup>5</sup> Ploger's daughter Minnie (Moneymaker) lived in the house until her death in 1975. Today her daughter Jacquelyn (Moneymaker) Dillard and her husband, Paul, own and maintain the home.

Professor Ploger was noted for "inspirational" talks and "efficient" management of schools.<sup>6</sup> He reportedly walked to all of the schools that existed in Laclede County in the early 20th century and became a beloved figure to the students.<sup>7</sup> He is remembered as a pioneer educator and a kind and generous, but hardworking mayor.<sup>8</sup>

While the Dillards do not live in the house today they maintain it as if it were lived in and open it frequently to be shown. Much of the original furniture and some of the family heirlooms are still kept inside, heating and plumbing are kept in working order and a groundskeeper cares for the yard.

Like Professor Ploger, other prominent citizens of Lebanon have lived on Harwood Avenue through the years,<sup>9</sup> and a few other stylish older homes remain in close proximity. However, future expansion by the hospital, to the immediate north of the Ploger-Moneymaker house, or the high-rise apartments to the immediate south could endanger these historic homes.

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- <sup>1</sup>Lebanon City Clerk's Record, City Hall, Lebanon, Missouri.
- <sup>2</sup>Laclede County Court Record, U.S. Works Project Historical Records Survey, Western Manuscripts Collection (microfilm), Ellis Library, University of Missouri, Columbia, Volume N, page 306.
- <sup>3</sup>Original abstract owned by Mr. and Mrs. Dillard, Lebanon, Missouri.
- <sup>4</sup>A personal interview with Jacquelyn and Paul Dillard, by Roger Dillon, December, 1980.
- <sup>5</sup>Ibid. and the original abstract.
- <sup>6</sup>Francis Ethel Gleason, The First Hundred Years (Lebanon, Missouri: Lebanon Publishing Company, 1949), pp. 93-96.
- <sup>7</sup>Lois Roper Beard, "W. F. Ploger, a Great Pioneer in Education," Lebanon Daily Record, 28 April 1964.
- <sup>8</sup>Ibid.
- <sup>9</sup>"Harwood Avenue is Rich in Historical Significance," Lebanon Daily Record, (date unknown).

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Dillard, Jacquelyn and Paul. Interview by Roger Dillon, December 1980.

Gleason, Francis Ethel. The First Hundred Years. Lebanon, Missouri:  
Lebanon Publishing Company, 1949.

"Harwood Avenue is Rich in Historical Significance." Lebanon Daily Record  
(date unknown).

Laclede County Court Record. U.S. Works Project Historical Records Survey.  
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Missouri, Columbia.

Lebanon City Clerks' Record. City Hall, Lebanon, Missouri.

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2. James M. Denny, Section Chief, Nominations-Survey  
and State Contact Person June 1982  
Department of Natural Resources  
Historic Preservation Program 314-751-4096  
P.O. Box 176  
Jefferson City Missouri 65102

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Beard, Lois Roper, "W.F. Ploger, a Great Pioneer in Education."  
Lebanon Daily Record, 28 April 1964.

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property Approximately 1 and 1/8 acres  
Quadrangle name LEBANON, MO.

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References

A	<u>1</u> <u>5</u>	<u>6</u> <u>2</u> <u>9</u> <u>7</u> <u>9</u> <u>0</u>	<u>4</u> <u>1</u> <u>7</u> <u>1</u> <u>0</u> <u>7</u> <u>7</u> <u>0</u>	B			
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
C				D			
E				F			
G				H			

Verbal boundary description and justification

The Ploger-Moneymaker house is situated on lots 1 and 2, Block 2 of Matthews First Addition, a subdivision of the City of Lebanon, Laclede County, Missouri.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
state	code	county	code

## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title	Roger Dillon, Historical Preservation Officer		
organization	Lake of the Ozarks Council of Local Governments	date	January, 1981
street & number	P.O. Box 786	telephone	314-346-5616
city or town	Camdenton,	state	Missouri 65020

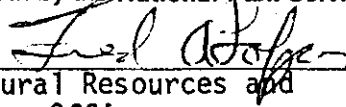
## 12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national  state  local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature



Director, Department of Natural Resources and  
State Historic Preservation Officer

date

8/17/82

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

date

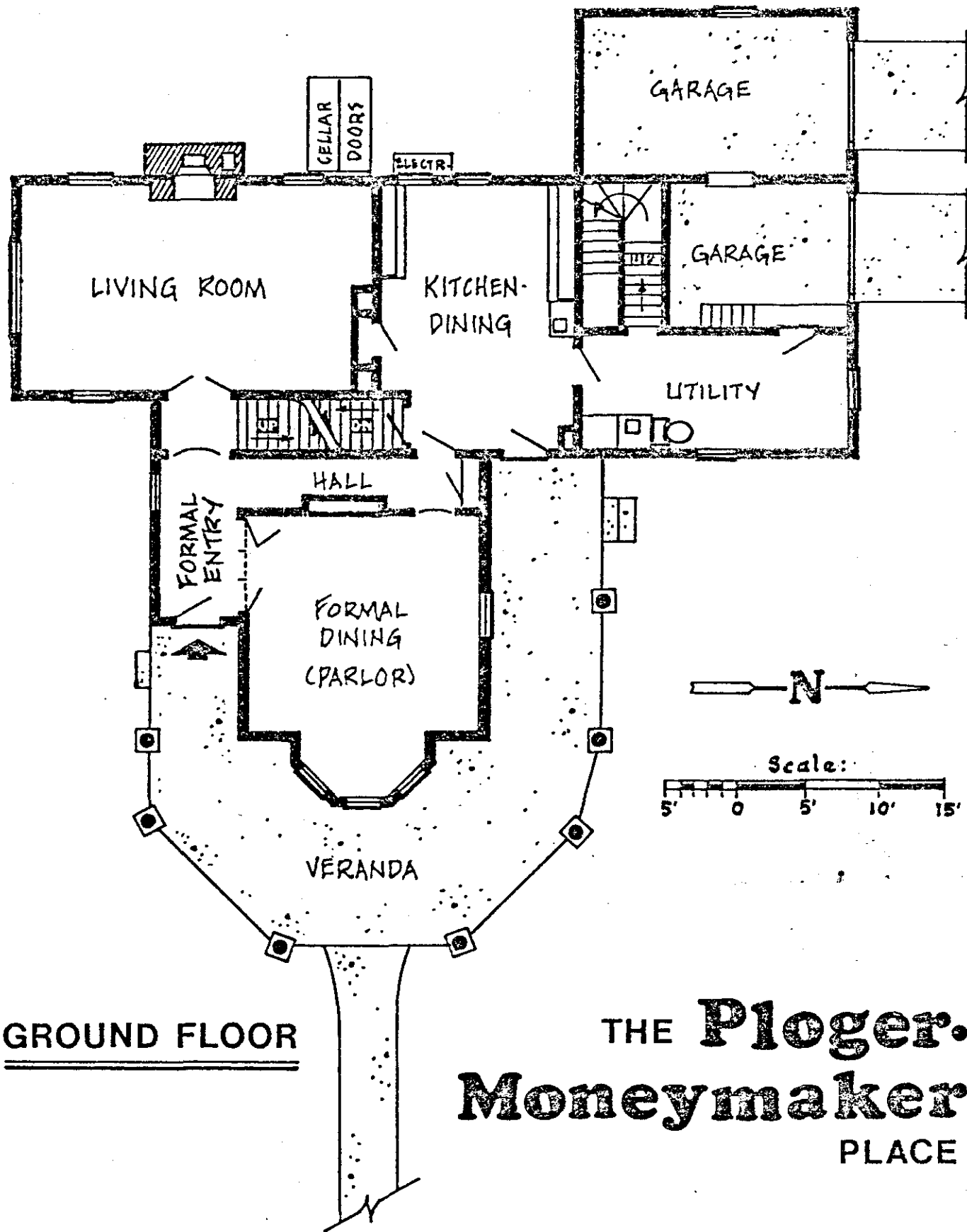
Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

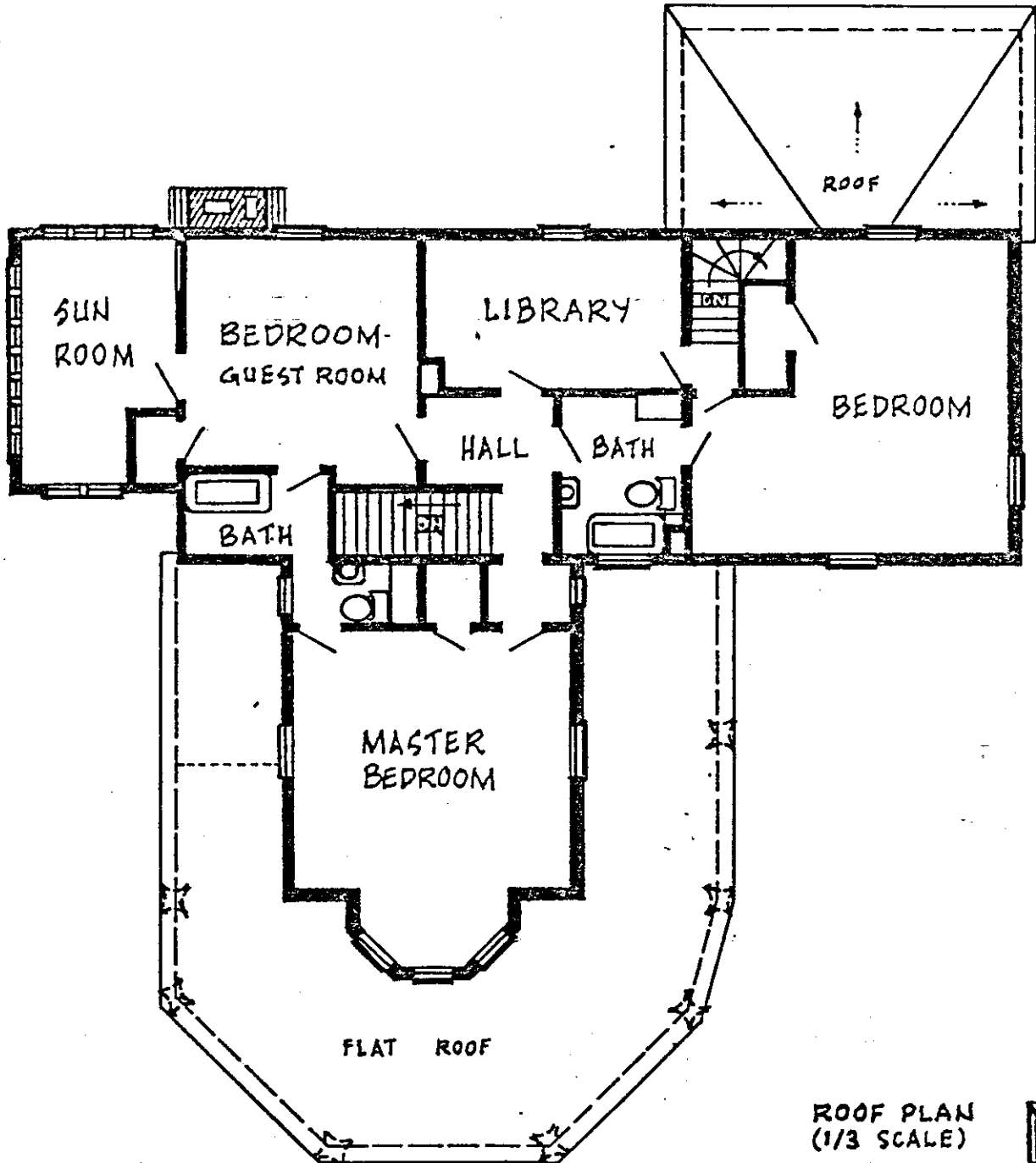
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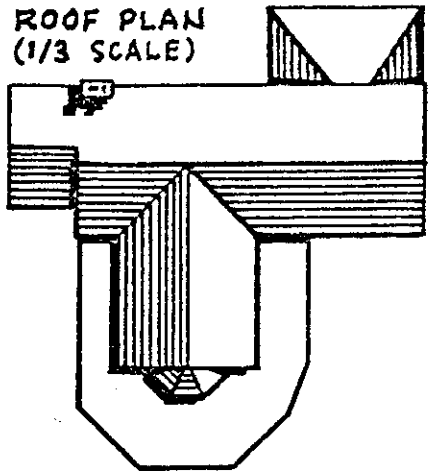
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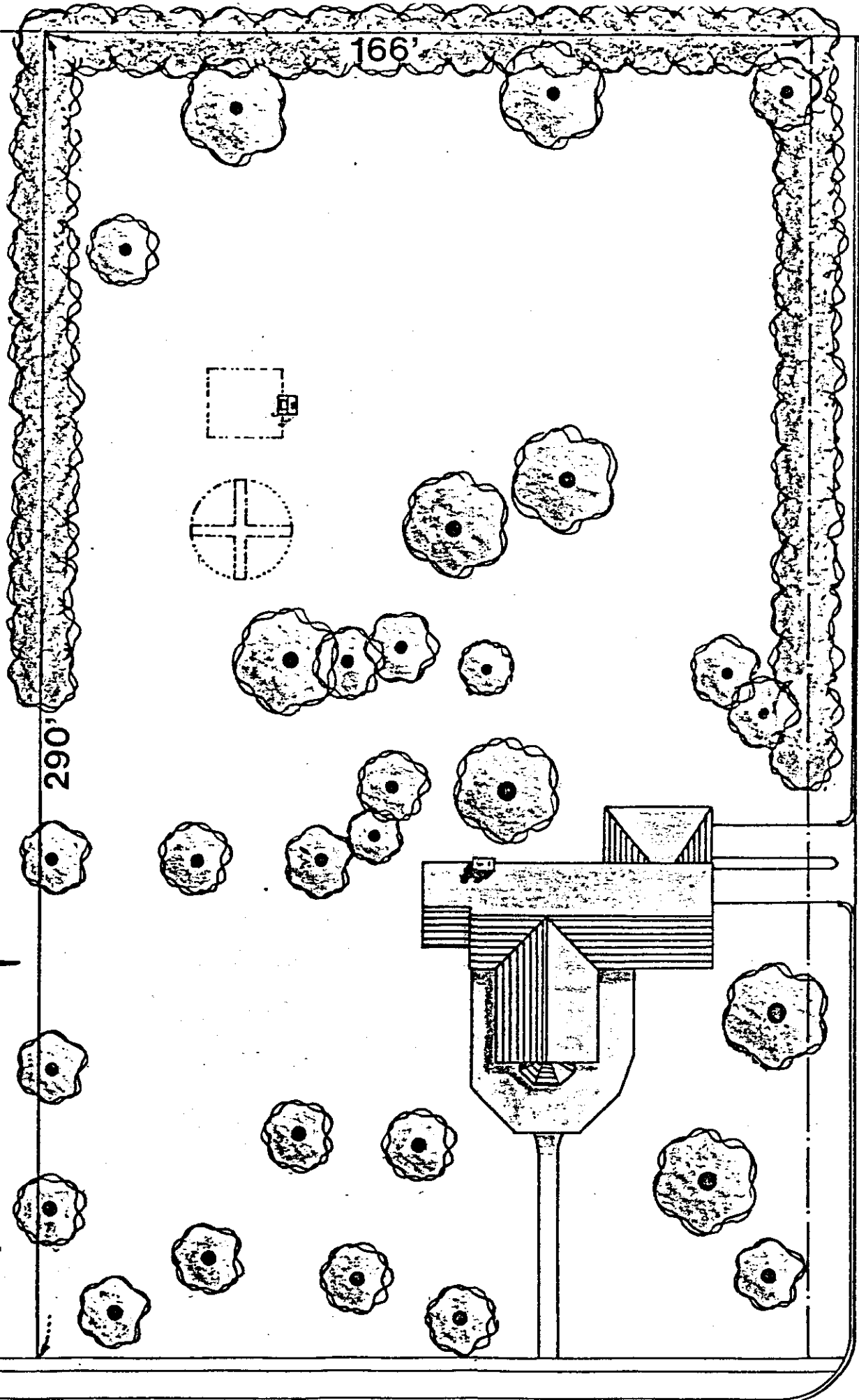
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**Moneymaker**  
 PLACE



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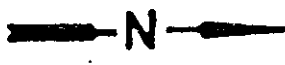


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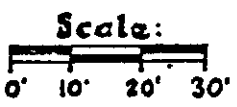
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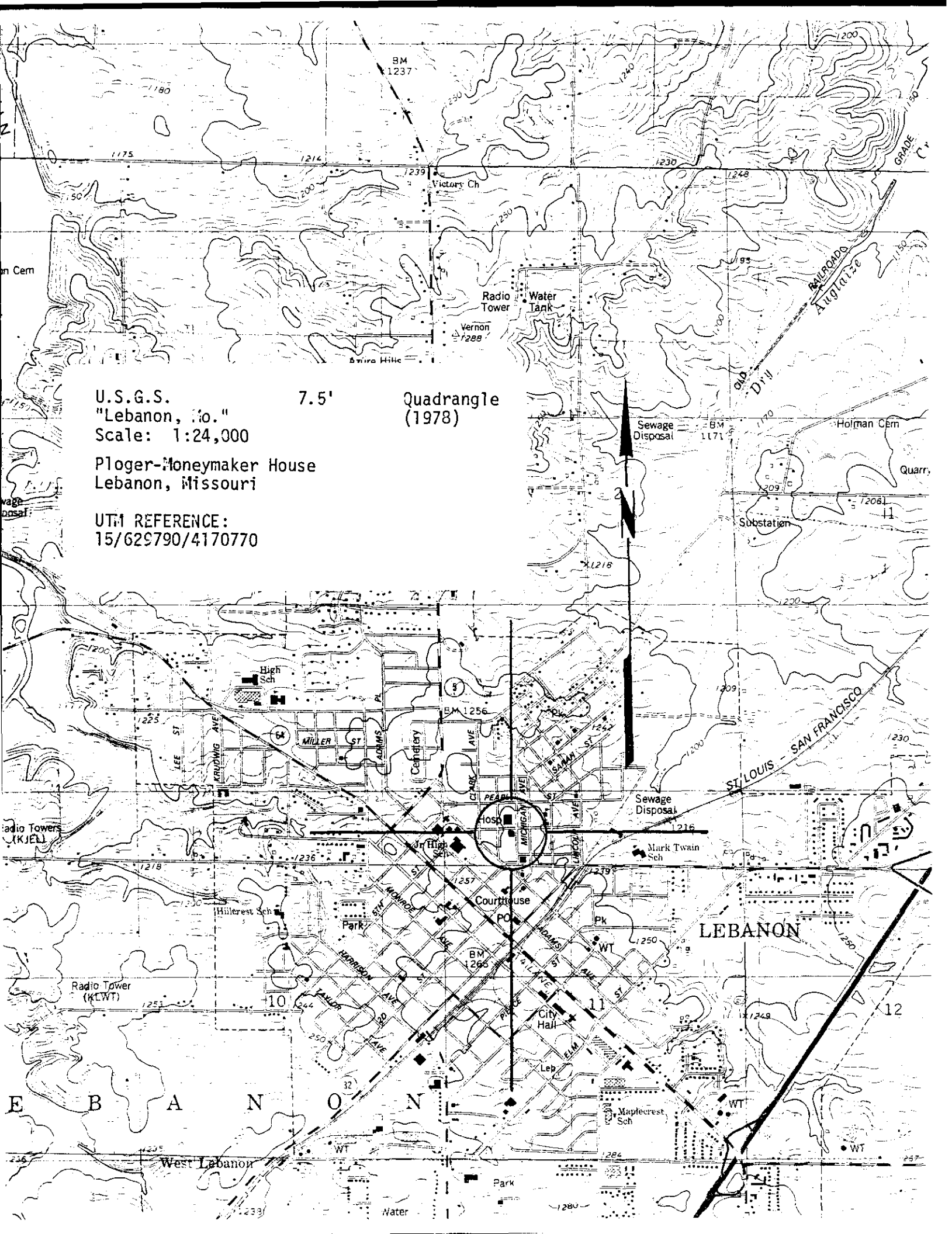
Chestnut St.

Harwood Ave.



**SITE PLAN**





U.S.G.S. 7.5' Quadrangle (1978)

Scale: 1:24,000

Ploger-Moneymaker House  
Lebanon, Missouri

UTM REFERENCE:  
15/629790/4170770

E B A N N O N  
West Lebanon

LEBANON  
10 11 12

Radio Towers (KJEL)  
Radio Tower (KLWT)

Radio Tower  
Water Tank  
Vernon 1288

High Sch  
City Hall  
Court House  
PO

Sewage Disposal  
Substation

Mark Twain Sch  
Maplecrest Sch

HOLOWAY AVENUE  
Sawyer Hill  
Hollman Cem  
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Victory Ch  
Sawyer Hill

ST LOUIS - SAN FRANCISCO

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Radio Towers

LEBANON

West Lebanon

Water

BM 1237

1239

Victory Ch

Radio Tower

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Sawyer Hill

Sewage Disposal

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LEBANON

West Lebanon

Water

PLOGER-MONEYMAKER PLACE

#558

COUNTY:

Laclede

LOCATION:

Lebanon

OWNER:

Jacquelyn M. & Paul J. Dillard  
P.O. Box 173, Lebanon, MO 65536

ADDRESS:

DATE APPROVED BY A.C.:

June 25-26, 1982

DATE SENT TO D.C.:

August 20, 1982

DATE OF REC. IN D.C.:

August 24, 1982

DATE PLACED ON NATIONAL REGISTER:

September 23, 1982

DATE CERTIFICATE AWARDED  
(AND PRESENTOR):

December 20, 1982  
Mailed by B. H. Rucker

DATE FILE REVIEWED:

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Lebanon, Missouri  
Photographer: R. Dillon  
Date : December, 1980  
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Exterior, front, eastern facade





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Exterior, eastern and southern facades



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Exterior, rear (western) and southern  
facade



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Interior, reception hall just inside  
formal entrance



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Interior, parlor or front room





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Interior, ~~parlor or~~ front room or  
master bedroom



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Interior, parlor chandelier, converted  
electric ca. 1928



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