

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

1. Name of Property

historic name Tevis, D.W.B. and Julia Waddell, House

other names/site number n/a

2. Location

street & number 505 South 13th Street [n/a] not for publication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 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 meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally.
(See continuation sheet for additional comments)

Signature of certifying official/Title Claire F. Blackwell/Deputy SRPO

Claire F. Blackwell 17 May 1993

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)	2	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	2	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

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Function

DOMESTIC/single dwelling
DOMESTIC/secondary structure

Current Functions

DOMESTIC/single dwelling
VACANT/NOT IN USE

7. Description

Architectural Classification

Italianate

Materials

foundation brick
walls brick
weatherboard
roof metal
other metal
sandstone

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

Acreeage of Property less than one acre

UTM References

A. Zone	Easting	Northing	B. Zone	Easting	Northing
15	424100	4336750			
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 March 30, 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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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
CONTINUATION SHEET

Section 7 Page 1

Tevis, D. W. B. and Julia Waddell, House
Lafayette County, Missouri

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SUMMARY: The D. W. B. and Julia Waddell Tevis House, 505 S. 13th St., Lexington, Lafayette County, Missouri, is a two-story brick example of Italianate Buildings property type (see "Historic Resources of Lexington, Missouri (Partial Inventory: Historic and Architectural Properties): Associated Property Types: Italianate Buildings"). Constructed circa 1868, the Tevis House is essentially a transitional example of the centered gable subtype defined by McAlester and McAlester.¹ Its form is cruciform (Latin cross), with an emphasized central wing reminiscent of Greek Revival portico; gable returns suggest pediments. The entire primary elevation is impressive, appearing today much as it did at the time of its construction. Features include distinctive brick archivolts, a roofline embellished with hefty modillions (or mini-brackets), twin Queen Anne porches and symmetry. Nearby is an outbuilding, constructed at roughly the same time as the house and counted as contributing, with vergeboards and a finial. The Tevis House and its small, frame outbuilding occupy a parklike setting just inside the western edge of Lexington.

NARRATIVE: The Tevis House is constructed of relatively soft brick laid in a stretcher bond and painted white. The building faces northeast. Dimensions are approximately 51 feet across the primary elevation and 56 feet from front to rear (including a nonhistoric nine-foot extension of the kitchen). The roof, cross-gabled over intersecting wings, is metal-covered. The shortest wing projects from the front and contains a circular window in its semipedimented gable. The longest wing is, in effect, an ell. Chimneys are massed in the central roof area. The foundation is brick and there is a partial basement. Exterior walls are approximately 13 inches thick.

Matching, circa 1890s Queen Anne-style front porches flank the projecting central wing. The delicate porch woodwork--consisting of turned columns, spindlework frieze, fanlike brackets and other trim--is intact and well-preserved. Upper porch decks have lacy metal cresting with finial-like corner pieces. Porch floors are large sandstone slabs on foundations of brick. An engraving of the Tevis House in a Lafayette County atlas from 1877 depicts an Italianate-style entry porch on the northeast and no porch on the opposite side of the front wing. The transomed front doors are ornate, single-leaf units with glass windows and panels. Intricate designs are found in some door hardware.

Tall, paired windows with decorative brick archivolts are centered in the front gable. Single windows are in the side gable ends. At the first floor level, the archivolts (with feet) trace and enhance windows with round arches. Upstairs, the archivolts are above segmental window arches and, consequently, are somewhat smaller. The double upstairs window in the front-facing gable features an insert with a scrollwork, floral pattern beneath the archivolt. Windows in the main block and projecting wing are 2/2s and 1/1s. Some window openings retain original or very old wood shutters.

¹McAlester, Virginia and Lee, A Field Guide to American Houses (New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 1985), p. 211.

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Behind the main block, the house has been significantly altered with frame additions. The two-story brick rear wing has been expanded in three directions. The rear brick wall has been removed at the first floor level and a one-story extension for a dining area attached. On the southeast, a gallery porch has been replaced and the building extended at ground level. Appendages on the southwest contain bath and utility areas. A continuous, overhanging porch roof has been added to several of the rear facades. Despite these relatively recent alterations, this part of the house is not ordinarily in public view and sufficient integrity of design, materials and workmanship is present to evoke a valid impression of the building as it appeared during its early decades.

The interior of the front portion is largely intact with fine, paneled woodwork finished in contrasting browns and tans, with intricate handgraining. Much original brass hardware, etched glass and other early Italianate artifacts are intact.

The front three rooms are similar-sized (16 feet by 15 feet) and each has a cast iron mantel with the most appearance of veined black marble or slate. The middle parlor has the largest and most elaborate mantel. The staircase, a Victorian type with a tapering octagonal newel post, is in a hallway at the northeast end of the rear wing. Beyond and adjacent to the hall, the first floor area consists of a large, contemporary kitchen and other family and utility rooms. Three of the four upstairs bedrooms have mantels. Although ceilings in several rooms have been lowered and "shaped" by the owner, much remains that is original and a generally fine Italianate interior may be experienced.

The Tevis House is enhanced by its setting which includes a pine-studded front yard with a sandstone walk. Two cast iron planters, possibly products of a local foundry, are in the front yard. The back yard is equally parklike, with a thickly wooded area at the rear of the property.

South of the house is a frame, 12 feet by 16 feet outbuilding with vergeboards and a finial. This 19th century building has board-and-batten walls and a metal roof. Its original use is unknown but it appears to have been converted into a garage, perhaps in the early years of motoring. The outline of an old vehicle entrance is visible in the front. This is a contributing building.

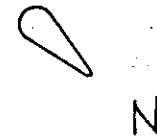
The Tevis House and its outbuilding are on the west side of South 13th Street (State Highway 13), south of the overpass across the Missouri Pacific Railroad (Bridge A2654) and just inside the western edge of the Lexington city limits. The Tevis House is #596 in the Lexington MRA.

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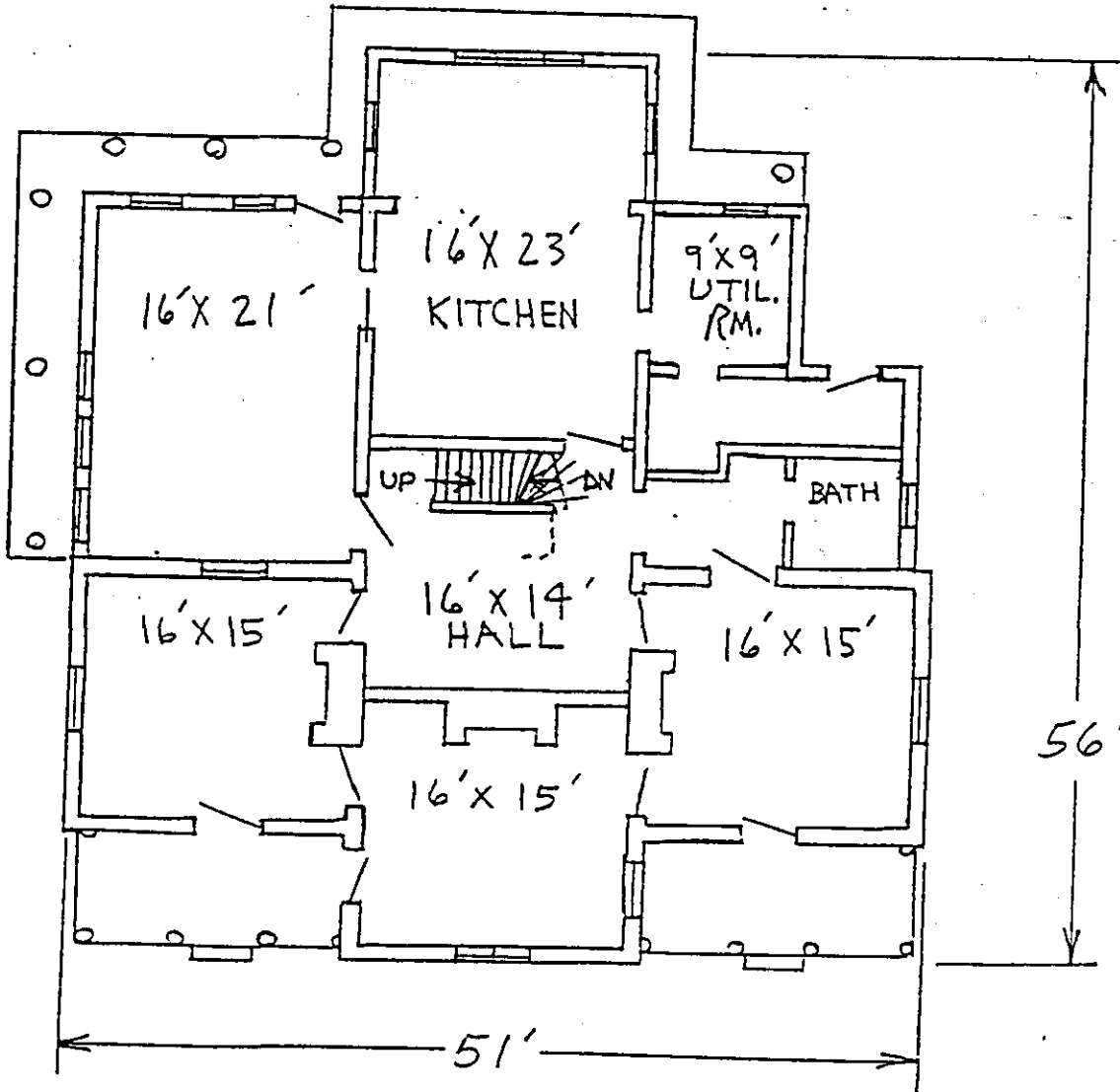
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1st Floor Plan



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Tevis, D. W. B. and Julia Waddell, House
Lafayette County, Missouri

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SUMMARY: The D. W. B. and Julia Waddell Tevis House, 505 S. 13th St., Lexington, Lafayette County, Missouri, is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion C in the area of ARCHITECTURE. Italianate styling was gaining popularity in Lexington when this two-story brick house was built circa 1868, and the Tevis House is an excellent local example of the Italianate Buildings property type (see "Historic Resources of Lexington, Missouri (Partial Inventory: Historic and Architectural Properties): Associated Property Types: Italianate Buildings"). Brick archivolts over paired and individual tall windows of the Tevis House are a distinctive type within the Lexington vocabulary. Too, returns within the gable ends produce a pediment effect which attests to the lingering influence of Greek Revival styling when the Tevis House erected (see "Historic Resources of Lexington, Missouri: Associated Property Types: Greek Revival Buildings"). The house's cruciform plan, circular window in the front gable and extensive use of round arches are additional elements of Italianate architecture as expressed in Lexington. An outbuilding with vergeboards and a finial is an intact, contributing resource near the house.

NARRATIVE: William B. Waddell of the Russell, Majors and Waddell frontier trading firm had this house built for his daughter, Julia, as a wedding gift following her marriage (in 1863) to D. W. B. Tevis, a druggist. Since the marriage apparently surprised the Waddells, construction of the house did not begin until three or four years later.¹ Tevis, a native of Boonville, came to Lexington in 1859. In the first year of his marriage, he bought out the drugstore of Chapman & Horne, where he had worked as a clerk; he continued the business for many years.² Although the architect for the Tevis House is as yet undetermined, the design has been conditionally attributed to local architect and builder John E. Cheatham because of distinctive brick archivolts similar to those on his own residence.

¹Mr. and Mrs. Tevis were married without the knowledge of the bride's parents, the Lexington Weekly Union reported on November 28, 1863. Before they could embark on a honeymoon, the Waddells learned of the marriage and the service was performed again in the family home. Since the Tevis's were apparently living on South Street as late as October 1866, according to an attempted burglary report in the Lexington Caucasian on October 31, 1866, it is assumed that the Tevis-Waddell House was still in the planning or construction stage.

²History of Lafayette County, Mo., (St. Louis: National Historical Company, 1881), p. 652.

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9. Major Bibliographic References

Atlas Map of Lafayette County, Missouri. St. Louis: Missouri Publishing Company, 1877.

History of Lafayette County, Missouri. St. Louis: National Historical Company, 1881.

Missouri Historic Inventory Survey Form No. 596, "Tevis House." Historic Lexington Survey, August 1981. Copy in Missouri Cultural Resources Inventory, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Jefferson City Missouri.

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

10. Geographical Data

Verbal Boundary Description: The east 254 feet of lot 3, Village of Green Acres Subdivision, City of Lexington, Lafayette County, MO.

Boundary Justification: The boundary of the nominated property includes that portion of the original property, replatted as the above city lot, which retains integrity. The remainder of the original property has been divided into residential and commercial lots and is traversed by MO Hwy. 13.

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#1: Tevis, D.W.B. and Julia Waddell, House
505 South 13th Street, Lexington, Lafayette County, MO
Photographer: Roger Maserang
March 1991
Negative location: Missouri Cultural Resource Inventory
Missouri Department of Natural Resources
Historic Preservation Program
P.O. Box 176
Jefferson City, MO 65102

View from northeast
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#2: Tevis, D.W.B. and Julia Waddell, House
505 South 13th Street, Lexington, Lafayette County, MO
Photographer: Unknown
circa 1906
Negative location: Missouri Cultural Resource Inventory
Missouri Department of Natural Resources
Historic Preservation Program
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Jefferson City, MO 65102

View from northeast
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The following information is the same for photographs 3 through 12:

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#3: View from northwest
March 1991
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#4: View from south (southeast and southwest elevations)
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#5: View from southwest (building in foreground demolished after
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#6: View from northeast
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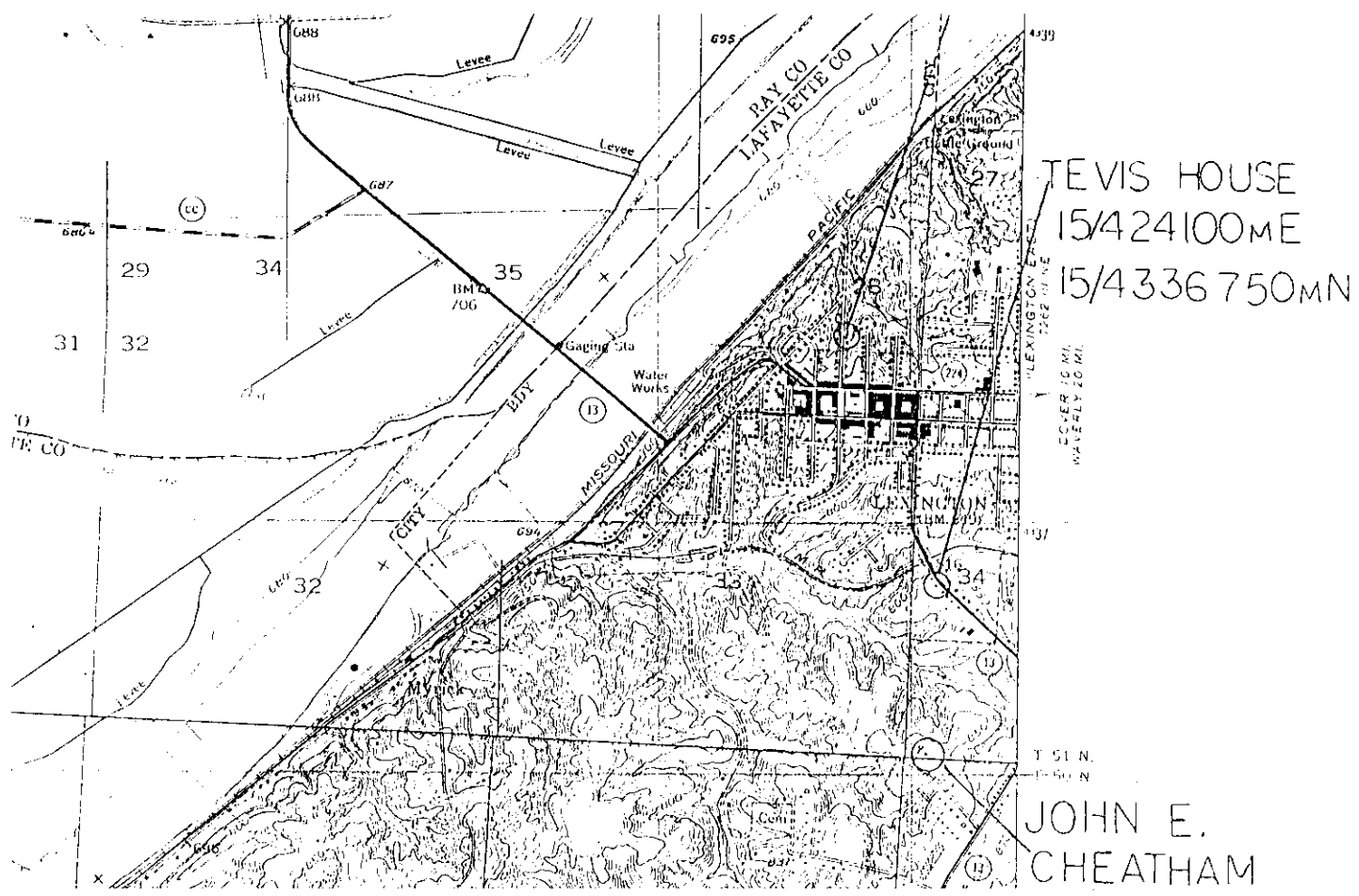
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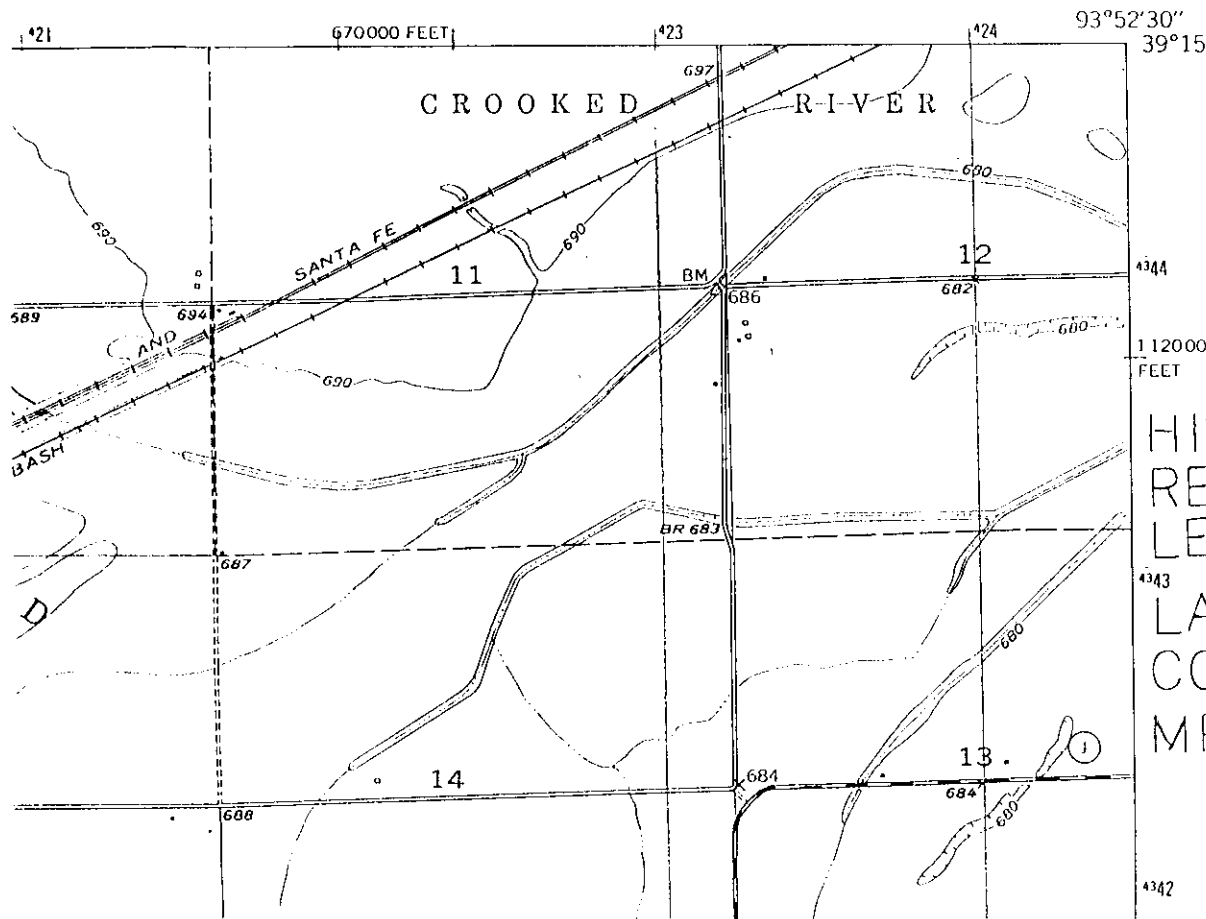
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- #7: Detail of front entrance, view from northeast
June 1991
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- #8: Porch detail, view from northeast
June 1991
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- #9: East parlor, facing northwest
June 1991
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- #10: Metal mantel in middle parlor, facing southwest
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- #11: Upstairs middle bedroom, facing southwest
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- #12: Outbuilding, view from west
March 1991
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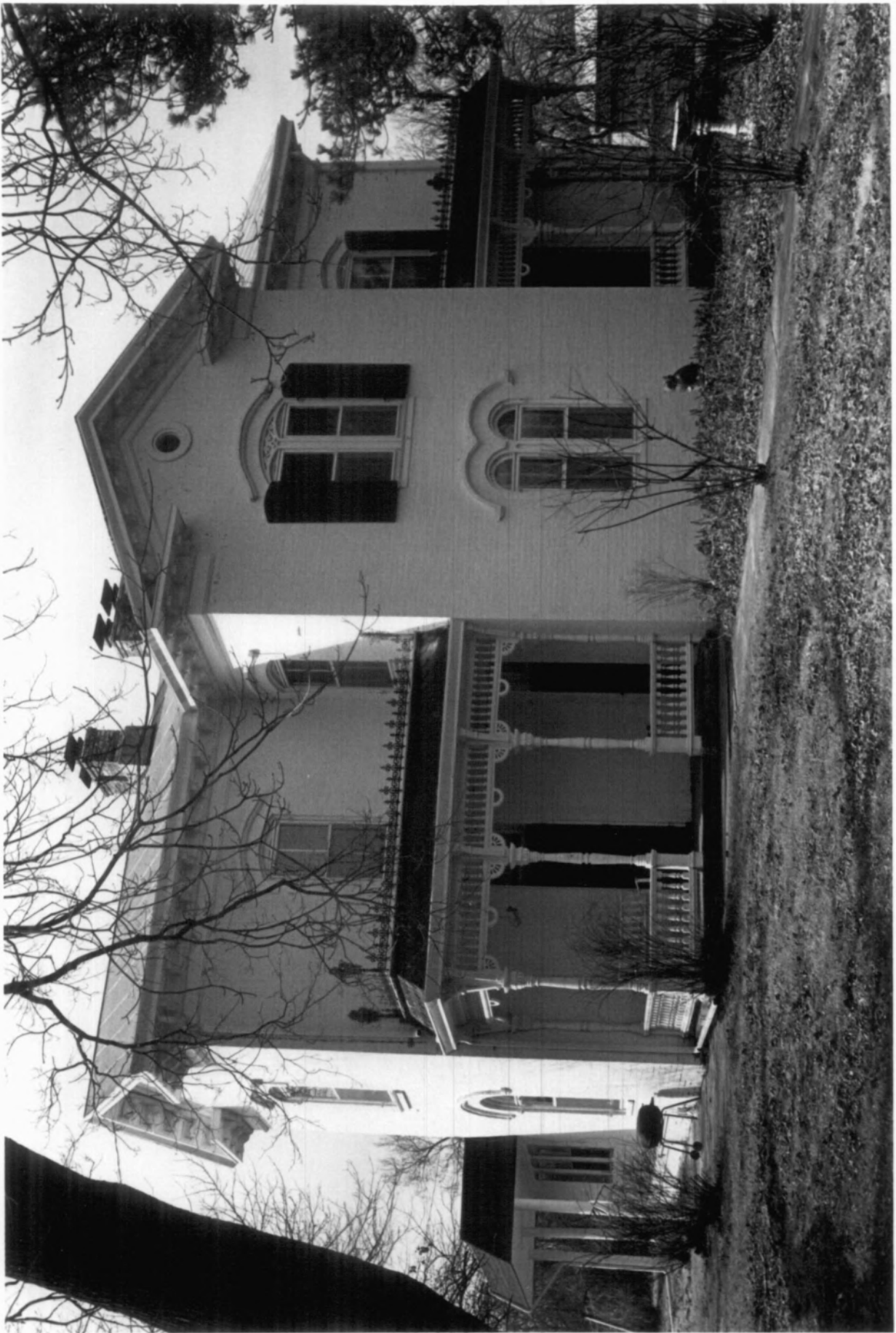


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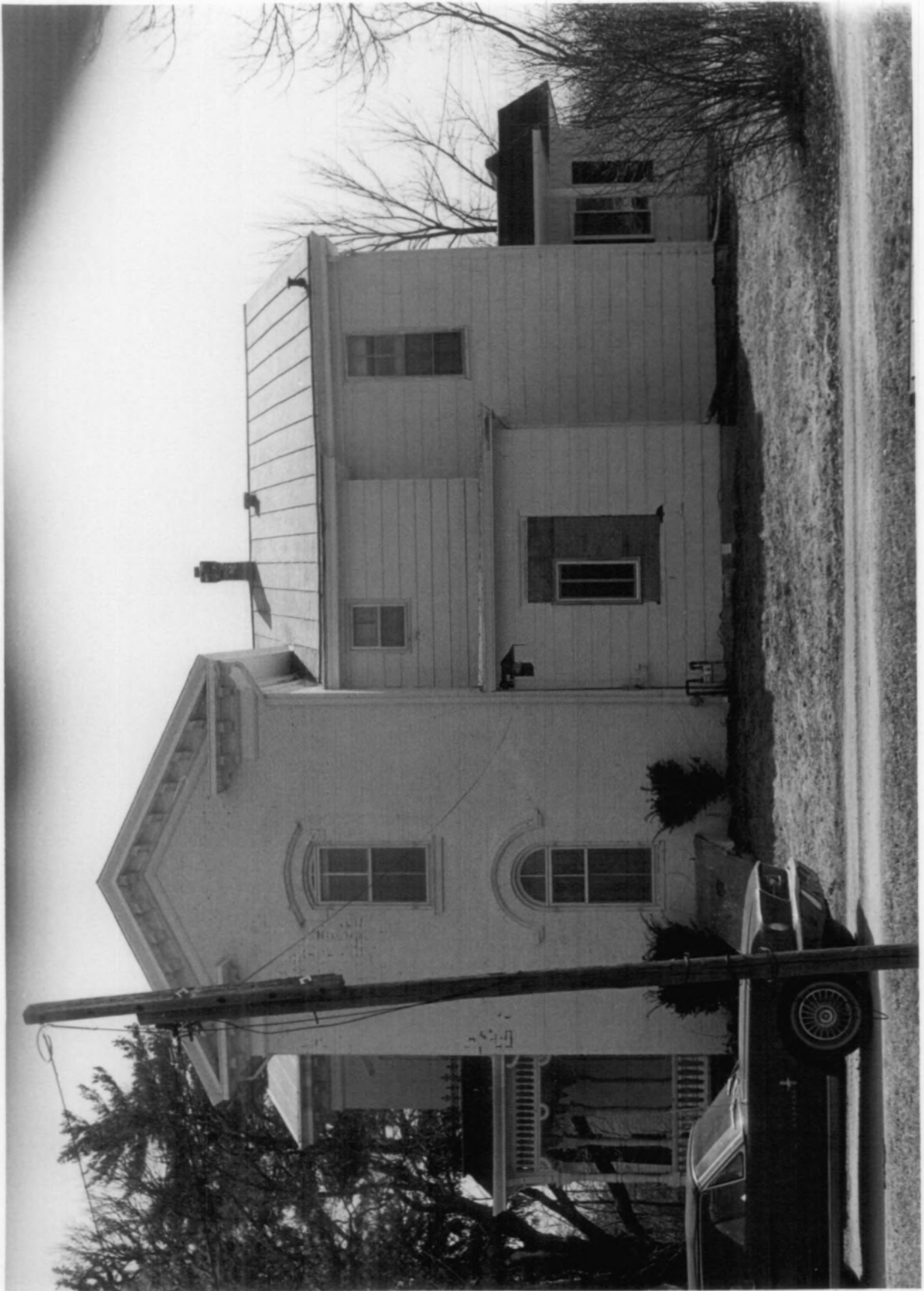
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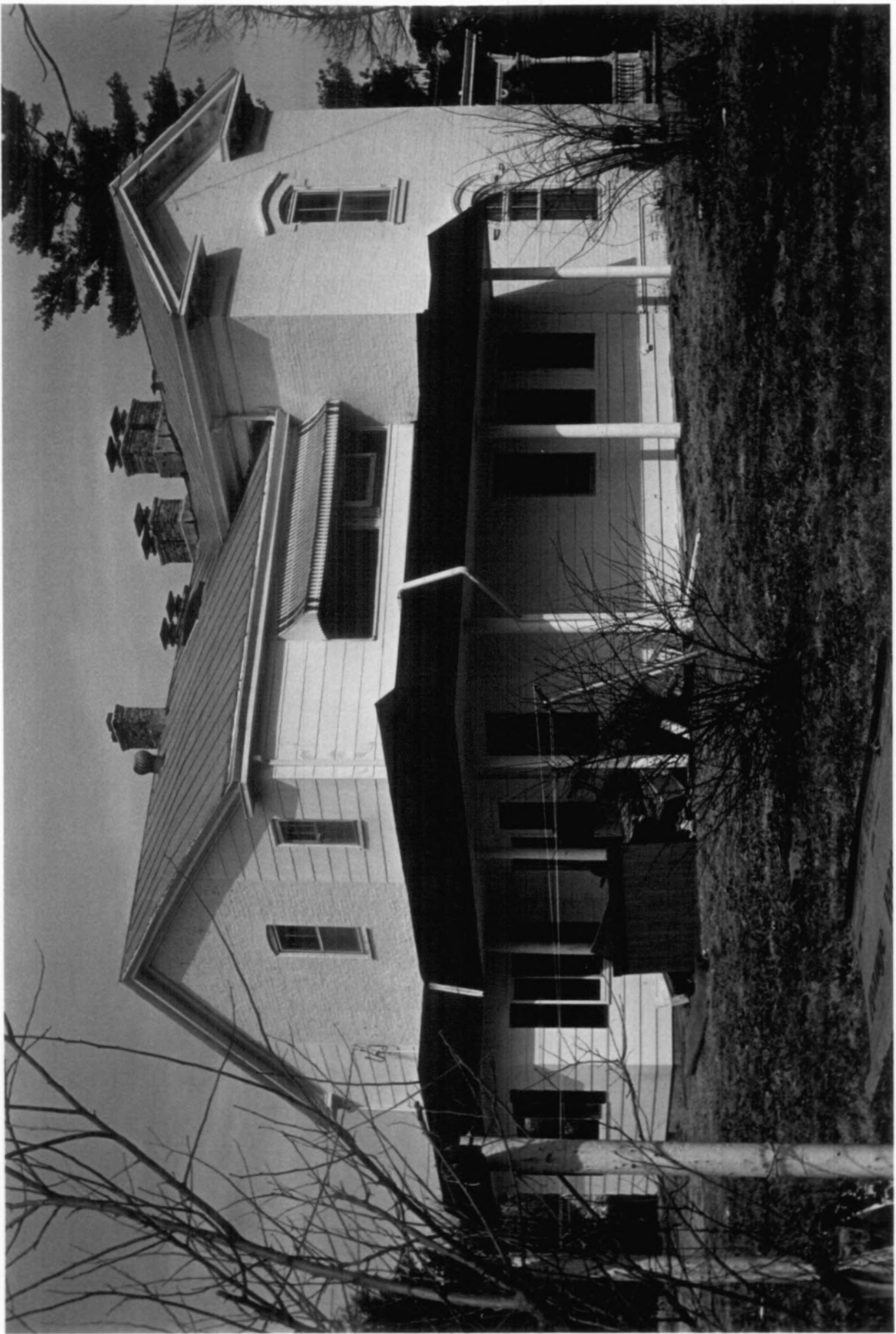


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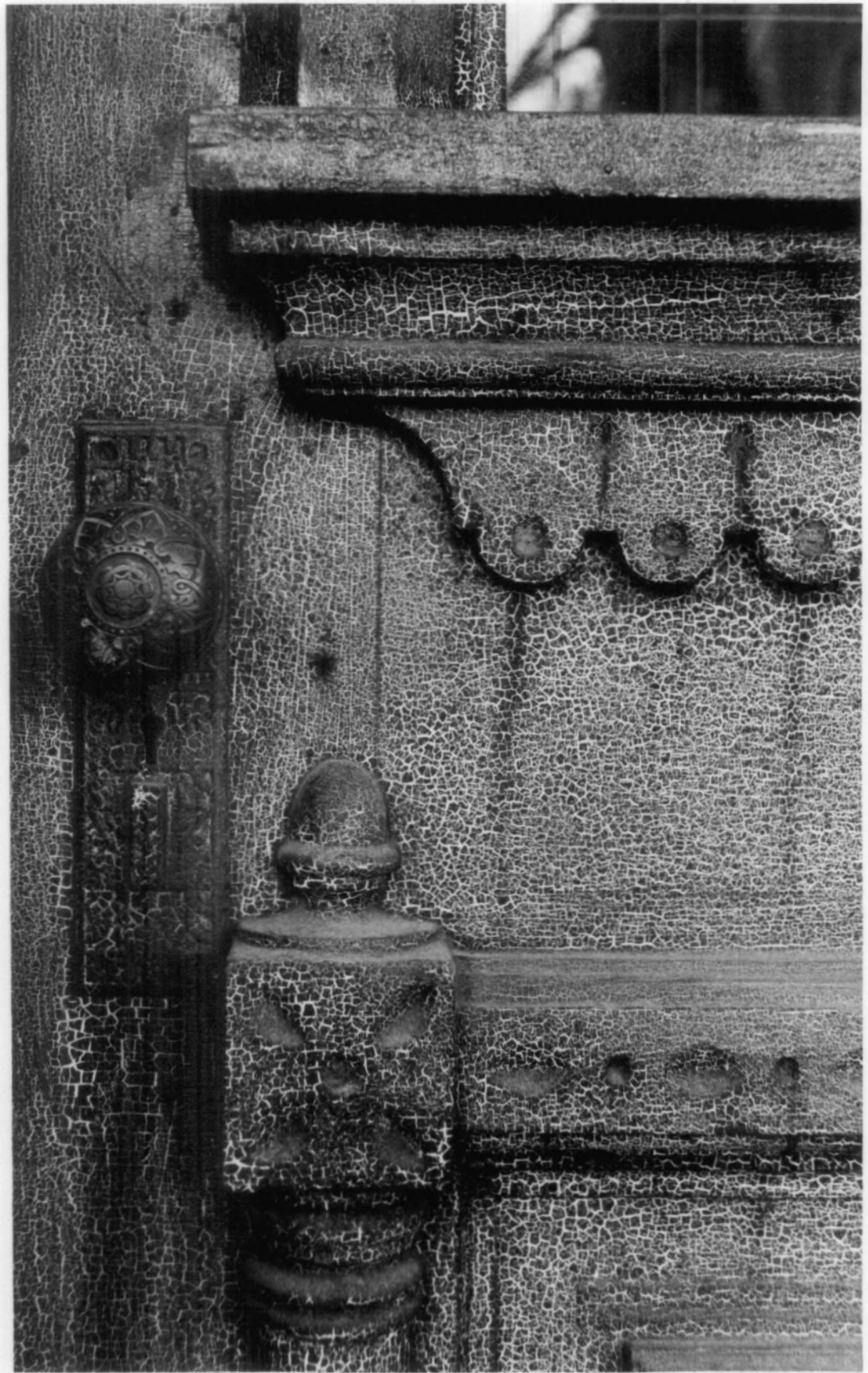


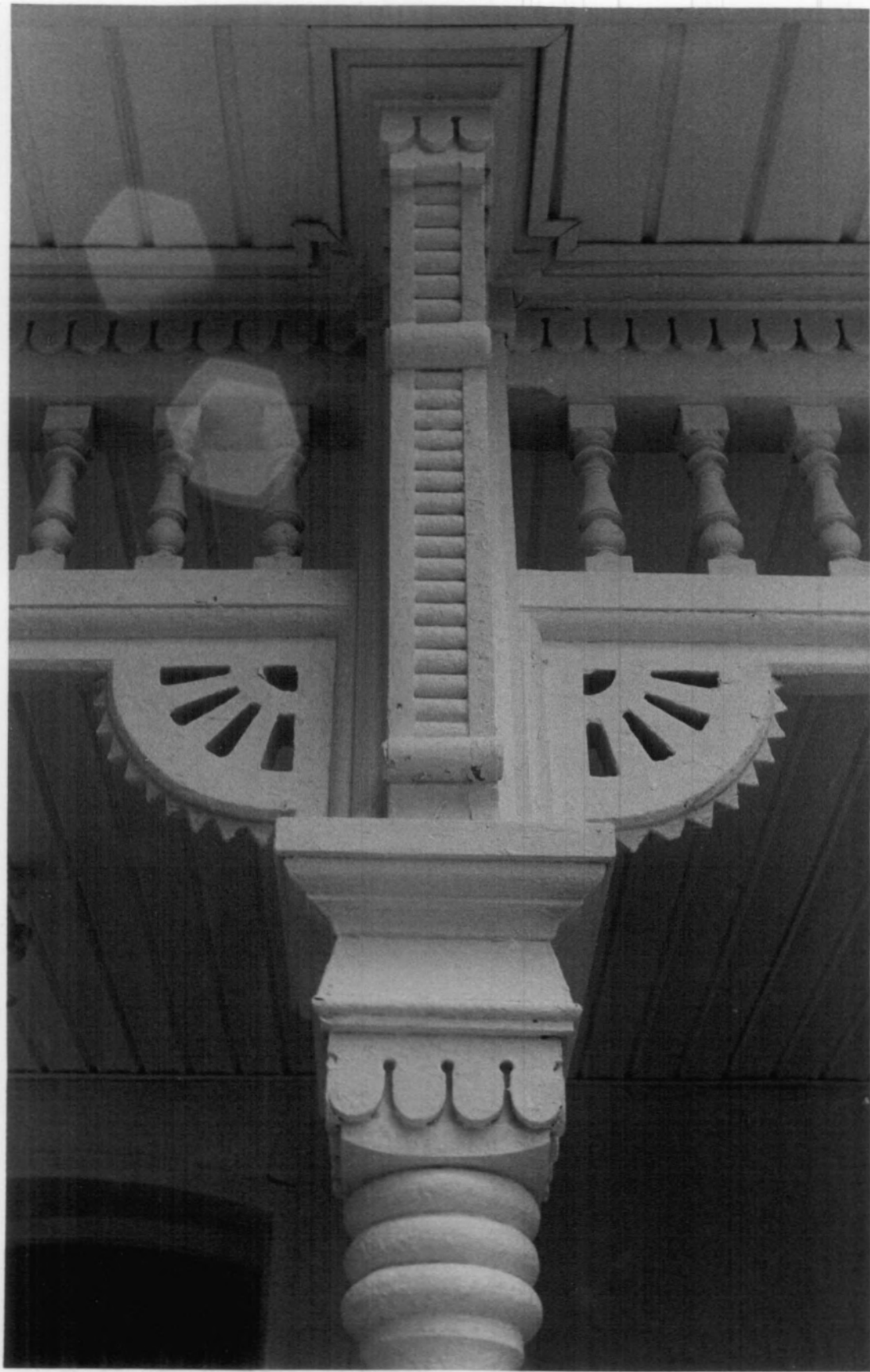




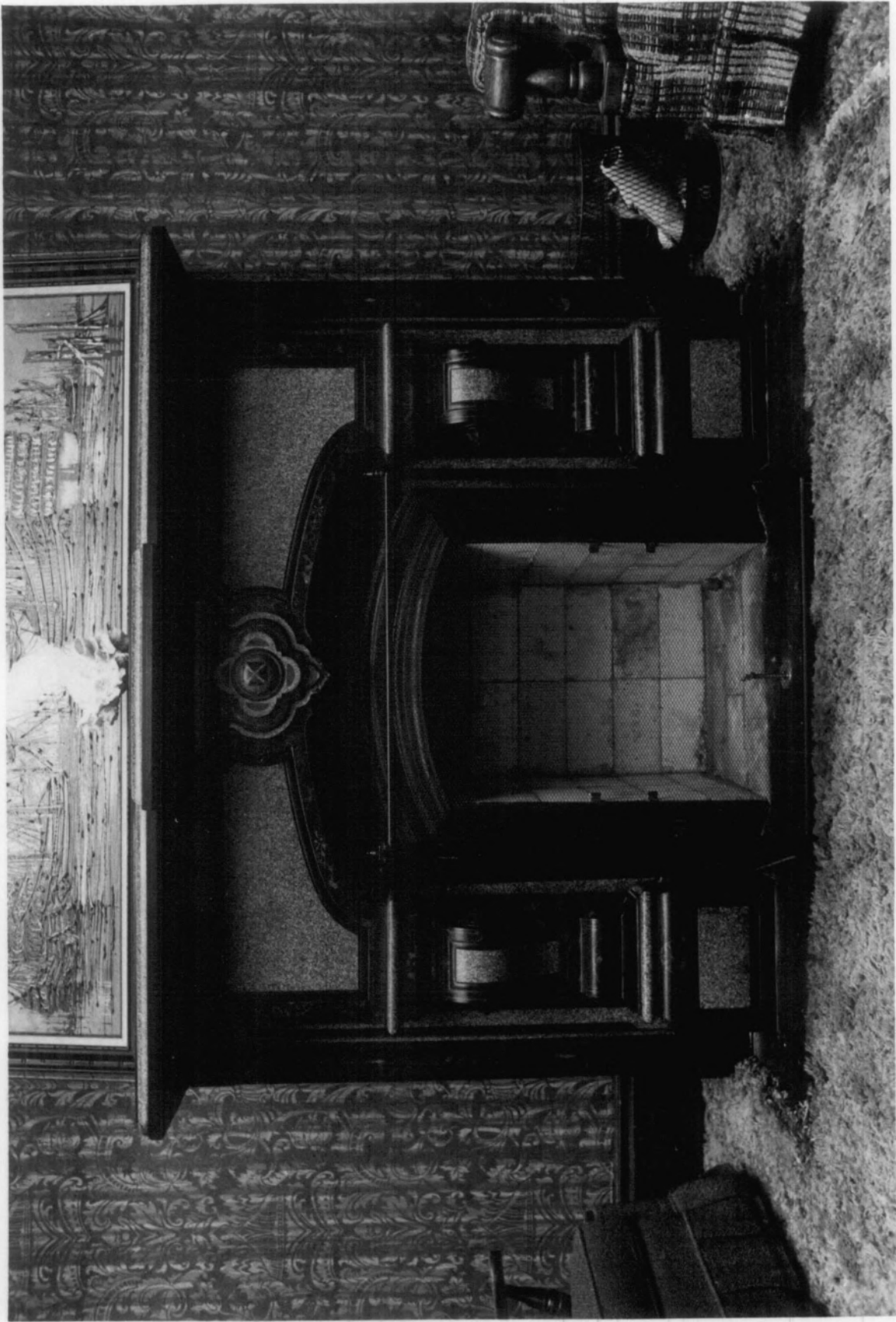




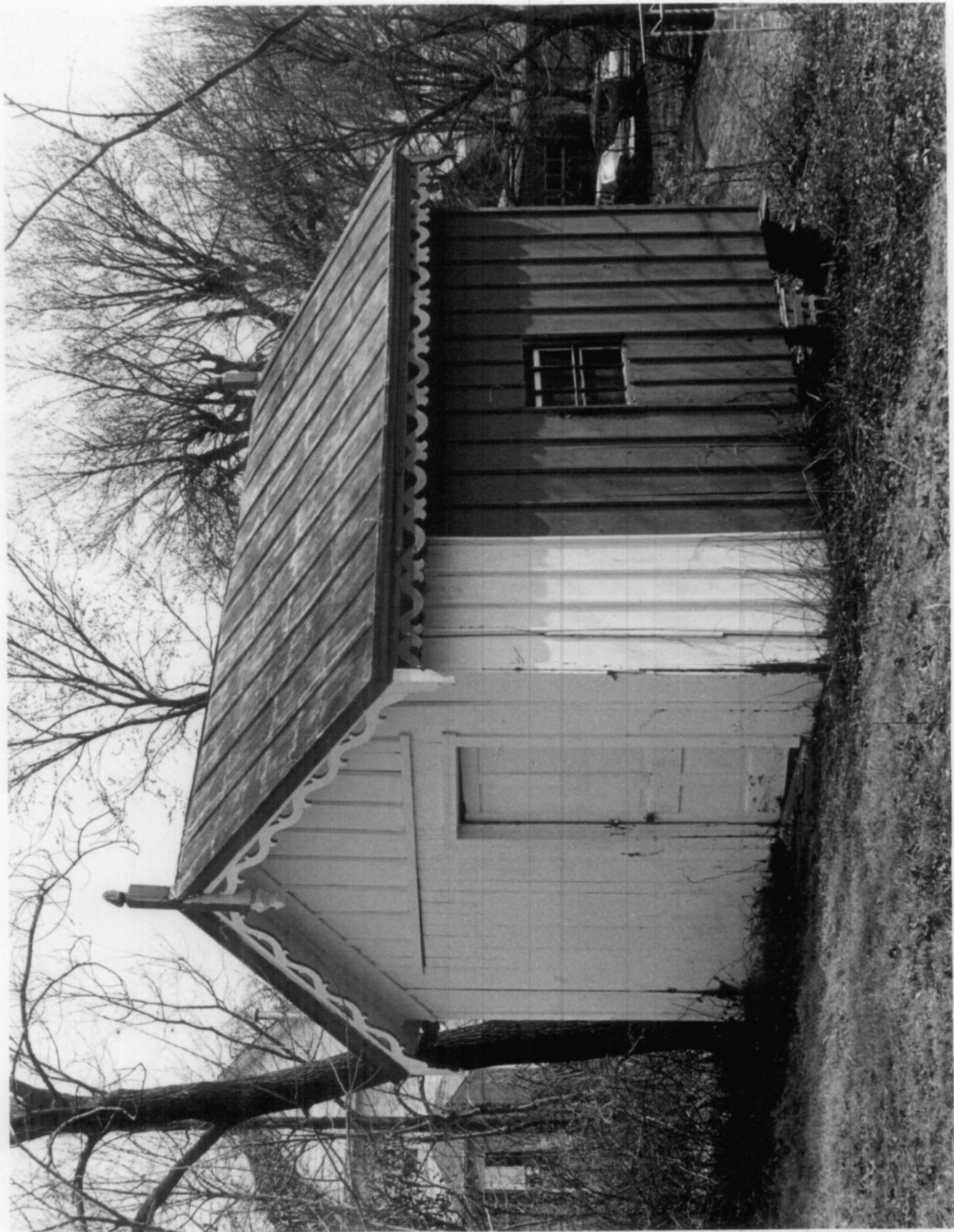












EXTRA
PHOTOS

#596 Tev is house

Drawing from 1870 Lafayette County
Atlas



#596 Tevis House

Front facade facing south;
note cast iron planter and pines.

