

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Florida
COUNTY: Gadsden
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ENTRY DATE

APR 4 1975

1. NAME

COMMON:
E. B. Shelfer House

AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
205 North Madison Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Quincy

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:
Second

STATE:
Florida

CODE:
012

COUNTY:
Gadsden

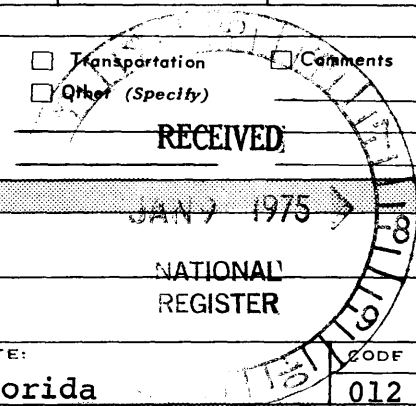
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3. CLASSIFICATION

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PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		



4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
E. B. Shelfer

STREET AND NUMBER:
205 North Madison Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Quincy

STATE:
Florida

CODE:
012

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Gadsden County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
Quincy

STATE:
Florida

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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
N/A

DATE OF SURVEY:
 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The E. B. Shelfer House is a transitional building that retains Victorian articulation in combination with simplified wall surfaces and Neo-Classical decoration. It is of wood frame construction, weatherboarded, and set up upon brick piers. A vertical emphasis is carried throughout the 2½ story height and amplified by a high hipped roof. The plan of the house is a large rectangle punctuated by several projecting bays and a large kitchen ell at the rear. The entrance facade is arranged as a three bay composition with the entrance recessed between two projecting pavilions. A pent-roofed veranda extends the length of the entrance facade (west) and continues down the south facade where it keys into a projecting bay. The entrance has double doors with glazed panels, transom and sidelights. The pavilion to the north of the entrance carries two small double-hung sash windows topped by a transom of bevelled glass; the pavilion to the south is fronted by a semi-hexagonal bay which protrudes into the porch area. Slender columns of classical feeling, but nonclassical detail, support the porch roof and are connected by a low balustrade with turned spindles; a low pediment projects from the veranda roof to one side of the entrance bay. This pediment and several others carry bold relief decoration, painted a contrasting green and of the scroll and urn variety.

The two pavilions on the entrance facade carry up through the second floor and terminate in pedimented cross gables. Each of the two pavilions is fronted by twin sash windows reinforcing the illusion of symmetry; but closer inspection reveals that the pavilion to the north is narrower than the one on the south, and only a minute attention to scale has kept the difference from being obvious. Most of the windows are plate glass, double-hung sash. The two on the north pavilion are framed together with a panelled inset between, and the two on the south are framed separately. The crowning pediments over each pavilion are handled in a similar manner; they key into the broadly overhanging cornice of the main roof, and the cornice of each pediment is shielded by a pent within the area of the tympanum. The tympanum is sheathed in fishscale shingles and pierced by a window: a glazed lunette on the north and a flat-topped Palladian-like window on the south. The central, recessed bay of the second story entrance facade carries two small sash windows framed with, and topped by a glazed lunette; directly above, the main roof is pierced by a small, pedimented dormer with a bevelled glass light.

A slightly raised pavilion occurs at the southeast corner of the south facade. Its first floor is extended by a semi-hexagonal bay with a balustraded, decorative balcony above. A pavilion of similar proportions projects somewhat farther on the north facade; it is covered by the north slope of the main
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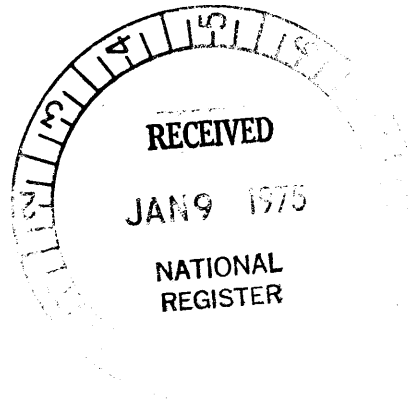
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(Number all entries) 7. Description

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hipped roof and crowned by a small gablet. A small corner addition has been extruded from the ell on the north facade: this addition dates from the 1920's and its materials and details match those of the rest of the building. The one-story kitchen wing at the rear is covered by a high hipped roof and carries large plate glass lights above its sash windows. Exterior sheathing is narrow weatherboard with slender pilasters at each corner. The building is painted white with dark green trim. Two tall, interior chimneys with corbelled caps protrude above the main roof, one at the peak, the other midway in the north slope.

A cursory examination of this house leaves an impression of simplicity and symmetry. However, a close look reveals that while proportions are similar, no two spaces have exactly the same dimensions or treatment (i.e., each of the nine pediments on the building are different sizes). Both interior and exterior are in excellent condition, and only minimally altered from the original.



6. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1903**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

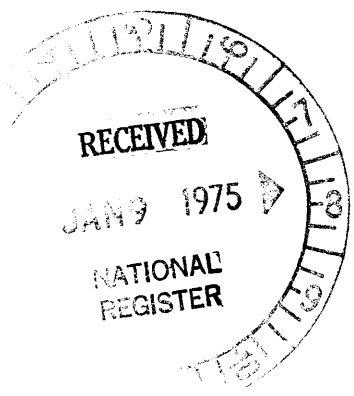
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The E. B. Shelfer House dates from the economic boom that occurred in Gadsden County at the turn of the century. The renewed prosperity was partly attributable to the coming of several new railroad lines, but the introduction of artificially shade-grown tobacco in the late '90's was the major factor. E. B. Shelfer, Sr. (1867-1943) had begun growing shade tobacco in 1898 and was a large producer for many years. He was also a large dealer in fertilizers and shade materials at Quincy and Havana (E. B. Shelfer Company). Mr. Shelfer was chairman of the county board of public instruction for 15 years and was a director in both the Quincy State Bank and the Havana State Bank.

The Shelfer House, built in 1903, is typical of one variety from its period. After 1900, wealthy families who did not choose to build or alter in the "moonlight and magnolias" Classic Revival, generally built in modernized Victorian modes. This house with its simplified surfaces combined with Victorian articulation is typical of the latter.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Gadsden County Courthouse, Quincy, Florida. Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court. Gadsden County Records. (Subgroup: deeds).

Sanborn Map and Publishing Company. Quincy, Florida, 1907. New York: Sanborn Map and Publishing Company, 1907.

Shelfer, Mrs. E. B., Jr. Personal interview (by J. Rodney Little), November 8, 1973. Quincy, Florida.

Stanley, J. Randall. History of Gadsden County. Quincy: Gadsden County Historical Commission, 1948, p. 163.

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

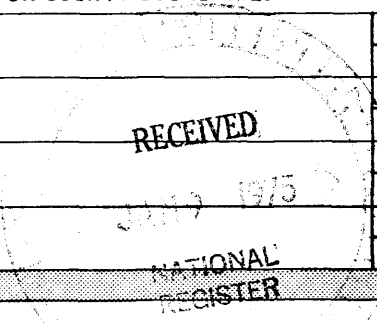
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **less than one acre**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: **J. Rodney Little, Historic Preservationist**

ORGANIZATION: **Div. of Archives, History & Records Management** DATE: **10-10-74**

STREET AND NUMBER: **Department of State, The Capitol**

CITY OR TOWN: **Tallahassee** STATE: **Florida** CODE: **012**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name: Robert Williams
 Title: State Historic Preservation Officer
 Date: December 16, 1974

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

AP Mortensen
 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: 4/4/75

ATTEST:
W. Hunter
 Keeper of The National Register
 Date: APR 3 1975

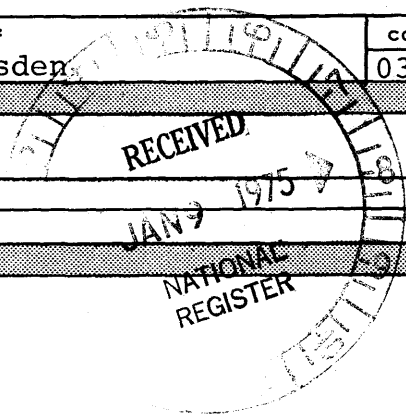
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PROPERTY MAP FORM

(Type all entries - attach to or enclose with map)

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2. LOCATION			
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CITY OR TOWN: Quincy			
STATE: Florida	CODE 012	COUNTY: Gadsden	CODE 039
3. MAP REFERENCE			
SOURCE: Sanborn Map Company			
SCALE: 50' = 1"			
DATE: 1907			
4. REQUIREMENTS			
TO BE INCLUDED ON ALL MAPS			
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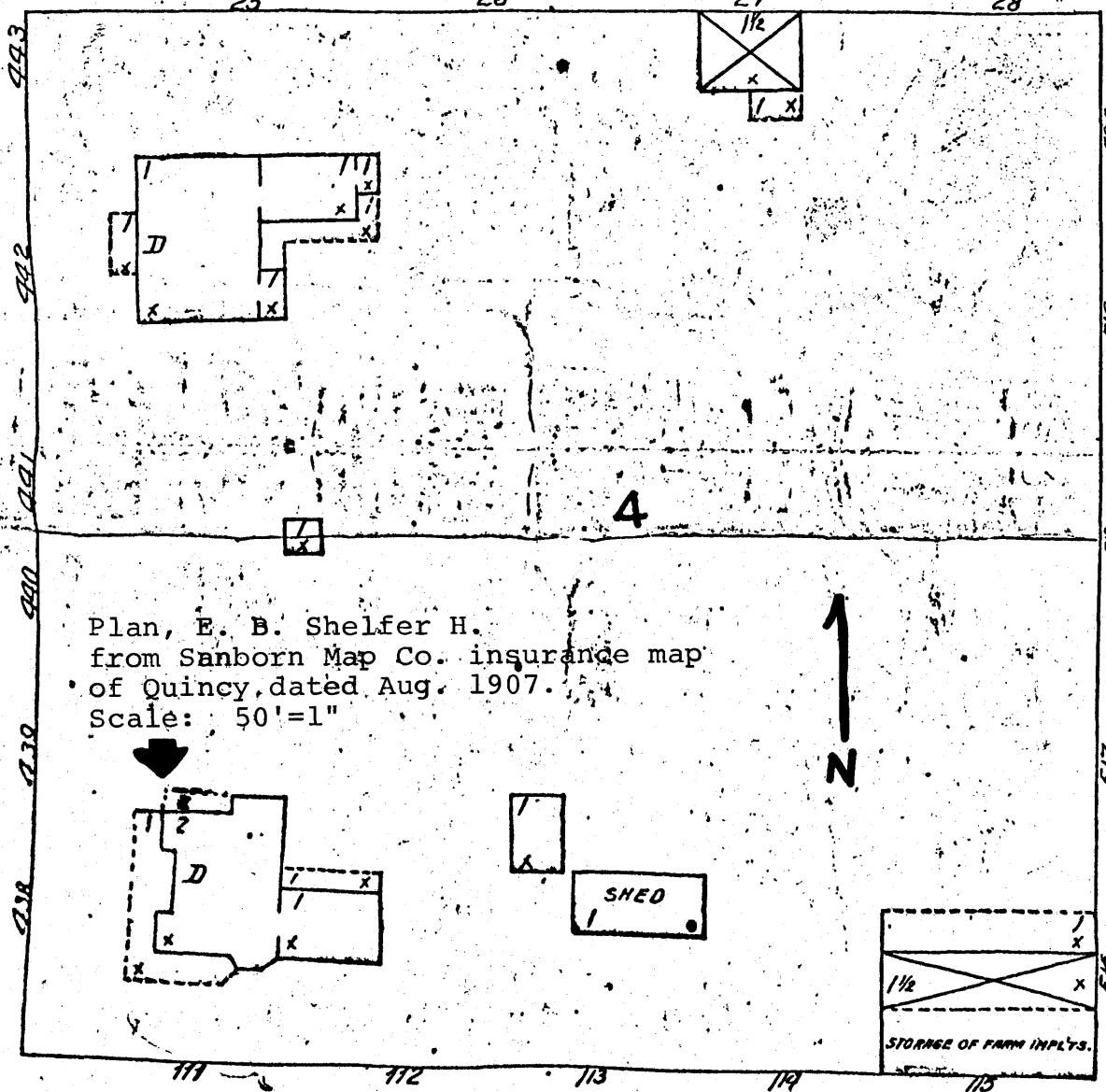
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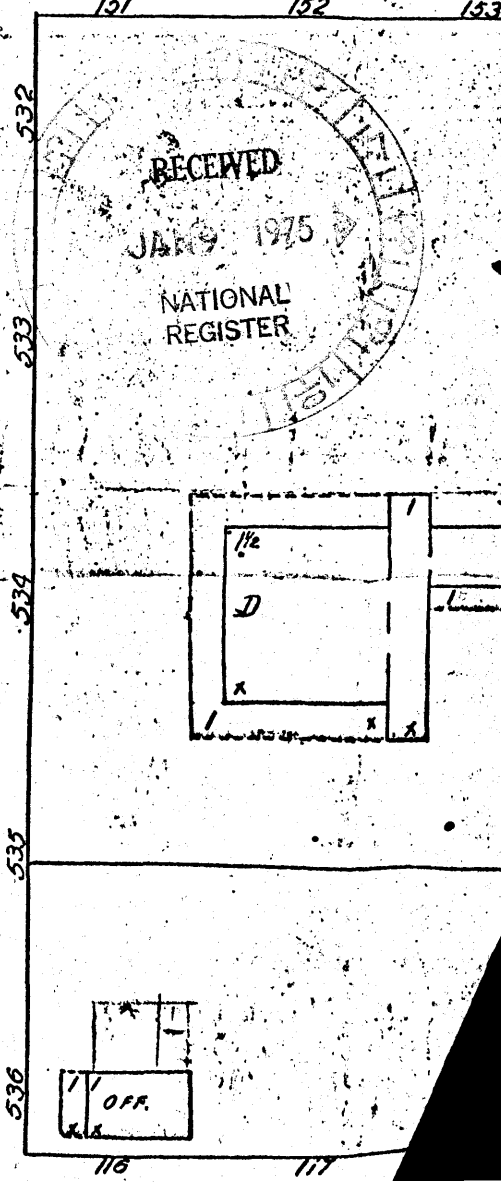
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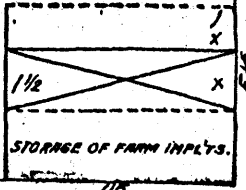
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