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The attached property, Day, C.C., House, reference number 88000123 was listed in the National Register of Historic Places by the Keeper of the National Register on 02/22/1988, as evidenced by the FEDERAL REGISTER/WEEKLY LIST notice of 03/04/1988. The attached nomination form is a copy of the original documentation provided to the Keeper at the time of listing.

Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places

<u>9/2/2005</u> Date

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National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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

1. Name

historic C. C. Day House

and or common Myrle C. Walters House

2. Location

street & number 517 S. Meridian Street

N/A not for publication

code

095

state Mississippi

code

28 county

Monroe.

3. Classification

Category district building(s)	Ownership public X private	Status _X occupied	Present Use agriculture commercial	museum
structure site	both Public Acquisition	<pre> unoccupied work in progress Accessible</pre>	educational entertainment	park _X private residence religious
object	- <u>N/A</u> in process being considered	yes: restricted	government industrial military	scientific transportation other:

4. Owner of Property

name Myrle	C. and Vera T. Walt	ers				
street & number	517 S. Meridian Stre	et				
city, town Abe	rdeen	<u>N/A</u> vicinity of	state	MS	39730	
5. Locat	ion of Legal	Description				
courthouse, registry	of deeds, etc. Char	ncery Clerk Building				
20 street & number	1 W. Commerce St.					
Abe city, town	rdeen		state	MS	39730	
6. Repre	sentation in	Existing Surveys	.			
itle N/A		has this property been deter	mined ell	gible?	yes	. <u></u>
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city, town			state			

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7. Description

Condition __X excellent ____ good ____ fair Check one _____ deteriorated _____ unaltered ____ ruins ____X_ altered _____ unexposed Check one __X_ original site ____ moved date _

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The C. C. Day House is an imposing Tudor Revival mansion nestled into a four-level terrace which slopes from south to north. The asymmetry of the two-and-one-half story, six-by-two bay, brick house is expressed through pavilions on wings jutting out from the main rectangular block at various locations. The testudinate main roof features clipped side gables. The majority of the windows are four-over-four, double hung sash and occur singly, paired, tripartite and in banks of four. The lugsills are of cast stone and the lintels are brick soldier courses.

A two-and-one-half story, gabled pavilion divides the front (east) facade near its center. The front elevation of the pavilion is marked by a tripartite, leaded casement window with diamond-shaped lights on each of its stories. The windows have panelling between them and are embraced by a Gibbs surround with a label molding. The steep gable peak of the pavilion is accented by coping and a narrow, rectangular attic window with a surround treatment similar to that of the other windows.

To the south of this pavilion, the front facade is rather plain but terminates at a decorative wing wall. The upper edge of the wall, which is accentuated by coping, curves downward from the house and meets a brick pillar capped by a massive cast stone finial.

In exuberant contrast to this portion of the front facade, the northern section is a collage of Tudor Revival design elements. Situated between the pavilion and a massive, shouldered, exterior brick chimney with square chimney pots and a huge ventilator, is a one-story entry porch. Concrete steps lead up to the porch's Tudor-arched opening which is flanked by quoins and topped by a label molding. A buttress-like extension on the northeast corner of the porch shields a simple arched opening on the north side of the entry porch from the street. The parapet of the porch is marked by coping. The second story of the northern portion of the front elevation and of the side (north) facade exhibits half-timbering with stucco infill. A small gable with similar treatment rises from the main roof above a front, second story paired window.

The north (side) facade is dominated by a one-story pavilion with a steeply-pitched gable roof. Beneath the gable, which is outlined by coping, is an entrance onto a terrace that wraps around the west (rear) facade and terminates at a two-story wing. The terrace parapet also displays coping.

The large wing that extends from the southern half of the rear (west) elevation features a clipped gable roof. On the ell's west facade, a concrete stoop on piers has a small gable peak above it displaying half-timbering and stucco. Stucco and half-timbering are also used on the north side of the ell and on a rear oriel and its gable.

The south (side) elevation also features stucco and

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half-timbering on the second story of its rear portion. It is the simplest in design of all four elevations.

There is no formal landscaping on the grounds. The large lot is shaded by mature indigenous trees, particularly on its northernmost edge. A row of crepe myrtles screens the house from the busy thoroughfare of S. Meridian Street. Low, clipped shrubbery surrounds the front (east) and south elevations. There are no outbuildings.

Nominated Properties

Contributing Elements

1 individual property

1 building

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According to an article in the December 4, 1925 issue of <u>The</u> <u>Aberdeen Examiner</u> the construction of this house was to have **b**egun in early 1926. The house remained within the Day family until 1959 when it was sold to its present owners, Myrle C. and Vera T. Walters.

8. Significance

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Specific dates	ca. 1926	Builder/Architect	Unknown	

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The C. C. Day House is one of the most academically correct expressions of the Tudor Revival style in Mississippi. It is clearly eligible for the National Register under Criterion C. Tudor Revival was a fashionable style for suburban residences in the early twentieth century, reaching the apex of its popularity in the 1920's and early Modest examples of the style are scattered throughout the 1930's. state; however, the C. C. Day House is one of only eight high style Tudor Revival houses identified so far in our statewide survey. Two other high-style Tudor Revival residences, which are comparable to the C. C. Day House, are the Scott-Ricks-Hester-Bowman House (1928) and The other five houses are Castle Crest (1930), both in Jackson. already listed in or have been nominated to the National Register, either individually or in a district. They are the Craig-Flowers House (1904) and the Harding-Johnston House (1904), both in Vicksburg, the houses at 1703 23rd Avenue (c. 1925) and 2405 Poplar Springs Road (c. 1903) in Meridian, and the one at 1102 Grand Boulevard (c. 1920, damaged and rebuilt c. 1935) in Greenwood.

All eight houses are two or two and one-half stories and are picturesquely massed. All feature half-timbering and stucco on their upper stories, except for Castle Crest which is stone throughout. The half-timbering on the C. C. Day House and that on the house at 2405 Poplar Springs Road display the most complex patterns. The entry porch of the C. C. Day House with its Tudor arch is a much "purer" Tudor Revival form than the entrances of at least half of the other houses. For example, both the Harding-Johnston House and 1703 23rd Avenue have columns, a classical design element, incorporated into their porches. The Craig-Flowers House features a one story, wraparound gallery which is not strictly a Tudor Revival element. The house at 1102 Grand Boulevard has a gabled entry porch with delicate ironwork, again a divergence from typical Tudor Revival design.

Overall, the C. C. Day House is one of the best articulated expressions of Tudor Revival residential architecture in the state.

C. C. Day was a lumberman and a philanthropist in Aberdeen during the first half of this century. He had amassed his fortune before the Depression and managed to retain it during those troubled economic times. In 1932, Day began a new sawmill in East Aberdeen and operated it on a half-time schedule. It and other sawmills kept at least part of Aberdeen's labor force working throughout the 1930s. C. C. Day is credited with the idea to create a swimming pool and park on N. Meridian Street during the 1930s. The plan was carried out by Judge James Milton Acker, City Engineer Ed Stinson and local contractor Addison Brannin. Today the area is know as Acker Park. Day also

9. Major Bibliographical References

Crawford, Sam. <u>Something Good About The Thirties</u>. Aberdeen: Allmond Printing Co., 1983.

Turner, Paul. "He's Called Wealthy, a Philanthropist, & an Art Lover. He's Clarence Day." <u>The Commercial Appeal</u> [Memphis, Tenn.], April 26, 1984.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of	nomina	ated property	1.2 acres
Quadrangle	e name	Aberdeen,	MS

UTM References

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Quadrangle scale <u>1:24000</u>

Verbal boundary description and justification

Parcel Number 108-J-34-026-009-00 as recorded in the Numerical Index located in the Chancery Clerk's Office.

List all states	and counties for prop	erties ove	rlapping state	or county t	ooundaries
state _{N/A}	L	code	county		code
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11. Fo	rm Prepare	d By			
name/title Sus	an M. Enzweiler -	Architect	tural Histor:	ian	
organization ^M	iss. Dept. of Arch	ives and	History	date	September 1987
street & number	P. O. Box 571			telephon	e (601) 354-7326
city or town	Jackson		•	state	MS 39205
12. Sta	ate Historic	Pres	ervatio	n Offi	cer Certification
The evaluated si	gnificance of this proper		e state is: _X_ local		
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