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6. Function or Use						
Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions) DOMESTIC: single dwelling	Current Functions (enter categories from instructions) DOMESTIC: single dwelling					
OOMESTIC: Secondary structure	DOMESTIC:					
7. Description						
Architectural Classification (enter categories from instructions)	Materials (enter	categories from instructions)				
	foundation	limestone				
Italianate	walls	BRICK				
	roof	Stee1				
	other	WOOD				

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Hugh M. McAdoo House, constructed ca. 1878, is an Italianate style residence with a one-and-one-half-story, L-shaped plan with full basement and a multi-gabled, high-pitched roof. The foundation on elevation is of eighteen-inch thick dressed limestone, and of quarried, rough limestone on the other three elevations, all topped by an eighteeninch thick brick wall to the first floor level. Twelve-inch thick brick walls rise above the basement level to the Tuscan cornice fashioned from painted yellow poplar, and the whole is topped by the original standingseam, terne-coated steel roof and three brick chimneys with decorative metal caps. All exterior brick walls are seven course American bond. entry tower, flanked by a large three-window bay and open porch with balusters, decorative brackets, and eleven-foot walkout windows, dominant features of the house. No less noticeable is the three-story north elevation with small twin gables and buggy trot (a covered entry beneath the front porch). Fronting west on Church Street, just one block from the courthouse square, the McAdoo house was built on a portion of lot 11 of the original town plat, expertly adapted to the sloping site, and affording picturesque views with its multi-level facade.

The west elevation, or main facade, is approached by the patterned brick walk and eight quarried stone steps leading up through an arched entry to a covered portico. The entry door of thick, beveled glass is topped by an arched transom and flanked by two porch lights added at an undetermined date. To the left of the entry tower through a matching arch is an Italianate-style porch with a chamfered wooden floor, supported by Wooden porch posts connect a decorative square brick and stone columns. rail of turned balusters and exhibit an unusual rectangular interruption in the arches between the impost blocks. The whole is topped by a cornice and brackets under a slightly pitched roof. To the right of the entry is a deep polygonal bay with three one-over-one windows on the main floor and shorter windows with the same segmental arch treatment below in the open Aluminum framed storm windows were added to most exterior basement area. the 1980's, maintaining the integrity of the in The bay is topped by a bracketed, wooden cornice, and polygonal structure. pitched roof. The entry tower exhibits a front-facing gable with returns, and contains a brick-framed decorative wooden air vent. The roof peak on

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the left of the central bay and the matching chimney are set back several feet, giving the facade an asymmetrical massing with a congenial, picturesque whole.

The north elevation, with three two-over-two windows, seven four-over-four windows, and two doors, is the only three-story elevation. The closed-in sleeping porch above the porte cochere-style side porch has ten four-overfour windows, aluminum siding and metal roof, but originally had a baluster rail matching the front porch with access through two doors, one from the dining-room and one from the front room. Both doors and frames are in A 1902 photograph shows the original porch, and it was closed in sometime prior to 1930. It is not known if the wooden baluster rail still exists in the wall of the enclosure. Aluminum screen doors were added to the two basement doors at some point during the 1980's, as well as new downspouts and a plumbing vent of plastic material. All shutters are original, as well as brick flooring on the side porch, gutter runoffs, and brick flooring in the buggy trot entry under the main porch. wall which runs perpendicular to the wall can also be seen in the 1902 photograph.

The east, rear, elevation is comprised of three general bays. First, from left to right, is the north gable end. This bay is two-story brick containing a four-over-four window. Next, the center bay is a hipped, latticed porch with a shed porch addition to the south, extending into the southern gable end. The southern gable end is the third bay of the east elevation. This bay contains a centrally-located, four-over-four window. The shed porch attached to the hipped latticed porch terminates at this window. The northern and southern bays are similar in that they both are gable ends topped by a molded, box cornice with returns, and the southern bay contains a circular attic vent.

The south elevation has not been altered. The eastern bay of this elevation is the gable end with molded box cornice with returns. Centered in the gable end is a circular attic vent above a four-over-four segmented arch window. An outside stone staircase runs to what was originally an office for the owner's law practice. The western bay is the ell and contains one four-over-four segmented arch window.

The interior of the house exhibits four main rooms accessed from a wide central hall, all with 13 foot 6 inch-lath and plaster ceilings, plaster walls, 12 inch-wood baseboards, and transomed doorways with glass-paneled doors. Asymmetrical woodwork is used throughout the interior on door and window frames. Floors are quarter-sawn oak in all but the master bedroom,

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kitchen, and bath, which are yellow poplar. There are two elaborate mantlepieces, that of the parlor in solid cherry with classical decorative motifs, mirrors, and ceramic tile, and dates to ca. 1896. mantle is of oak with a carved mask and leaves, spindles, mirrors, a chinoiserie rail, and pictures of two children in the tile surround. decorative, diamond-shaped, plaster medallion graces the ceiling of the parlor, as well as does the circa 1915 chandelier. A Tiffany-style artglass fixture can be seen in the library, and decorative wooden shutters have been used in all windows of both the library and parlor. fixtures are original to the installation of electricity in the early part of the century. The chair rail from the hall, as well as the picture rail from all four main rooms and hall, have been removed for repair and Access to the kitchen and bathroom are from the dining room restoration. on the inside, but each also has a door to the latticed porch. bathroom was originally a butler's pantry, and two doors, one from the dining room and one from the kitchen, were eliminated to install the bathroom in this space. The date for this change has not been determined.

Basement and second floor rooms are accessed from the first floor via staircases on the latticed porch. Underneath the floor of the shed porch, attached to the latticed porch, are two cisterns for water collection and a well. The well, still in use, is accessed through a trapdoor on the porch.

The three basement rooms with outside entries originally had wood floors and were changed to concrete ca. 1974. Walls and ceilings in these three rooms are plastered. The balance of the basement rooms have earthen floors with the exception of the hall, which retains its brick floor. The small bathroom was added sometime after 1973.

The second floor rooms were originally utilized as servant's quarters. Walls are of plaster, with the exception of a wood-paneled partition which separates the two rooms, and the ceilings are painted wood paneling. The attic may be accessed from these rooms.

The three contributing outbuildings, a tenant house, a carriage and horse barn, and a five-hole outhouse, date from the same period. They sit on stone pier foundations and are of wood frame construction with standing seam metal roofs. All three structures are in poor condition.

The tenant house has board and batten siding, matching gables on the north and south, with four, four-over-four windows, two on the west, and one each on the east and south. The entry door is centered on the north elevation

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and a kitchen door faces east on the alley. The interior has a large room with cast iron stove, and the south gable end has been partitioned off into a small kitchen and bathroom.

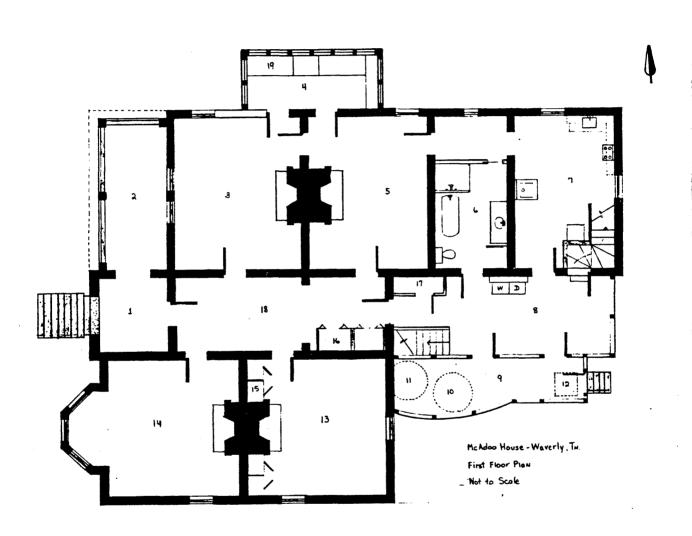
The horse and carriage barn, with board and batten siding, has matching gable ends on the east and west, a shed extension on the north for a carriage space, and a shed addition on the back, which is partitioned into an outhouse for servants and a chicken coop. A second shed addition was added to the north shed ca. 1984.

The outhouse has weatherboard siding, and the north and south elevations have matching gables and four-paned windows. The east elevation has a pull-out box for cleaning at ground level. The paneled interior has three adult-size and two smaller openings at a lower level for children along the east wall. The ceiling is painted blue.

Original brick paths, rock walls, and trees complete this historic property. A decorative fence, parts of which are extant, will be restored and replaced.

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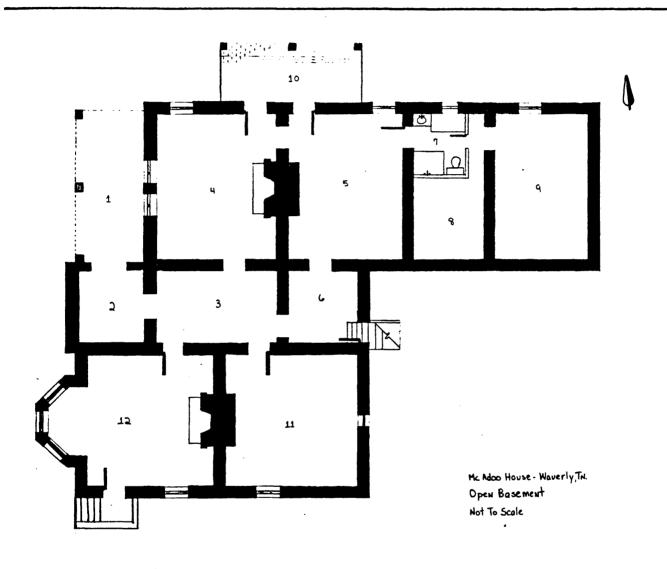


- 1. Covered Portico
- 2. Porch
- 3. Library
- 4. Closed Porch-Prior to 1930
- 5. Dining Room
- 6. Bathroom-Prior to 1930
- 7. Kitchen-Prior to 1930
- 8. Latticed Porch
- 9. Screened Porch-Prior to 1930 19.
- 10. Cistern-Under Porch

- 11. Cistern-Under Porch
- 12. Well-Under Porch
- 13. Master Bedroom
- 14. Parlor
- 15. Framed Closets-After 1980
- 16. Framed Closets-After 1973
- 17. Framed Closet-Date Uncertain
- 18. Hall
- 19. Built-in Beds and Dresser-After 1973.

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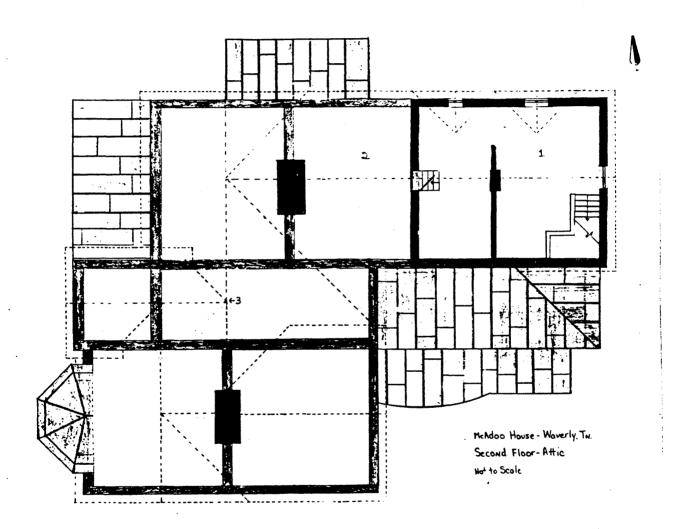
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1.	Buggy Trot	8	Earthen-Floored Cellar
2.	Covered Portico		Plumbing Runs
3.	Brick Floored Hall		Earthen-Floored Cellar-
4.	Office/Workroom-concrete floor(c.1974)		Electrical Service
	Historically-Dining Room	10.	Porte-Cochere
		11.	Earthen Cellar-Storage
5.	Office/Workroom-concrete floor(c.1974)		Historically-Coal Room
	Historically-Kitchen	12.	Guest Room
	w/wood floor.		Historically-Office
6.	Brick Floored Hall		w/wood floor.
7.	Framed Bathroom-After 1973		·

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1. Guest Room

To 1920's-Servants Quarters

- Unfinished Attic-Exposed ceiling joists(some covered with particle board) Ridge Board-rough-sawn rafters.
- 3. Roof Plan

8. Statement of Significance			
Certifying official has considered the significance of the nationally		-	
Applicable National Register Criteria	XC D		
Criteria Considerations (Exceptions)	cp	□E □F □G N/A	
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		Cultural Affiliation N/A	
Significant Person N/A		Architect/Builder unknown	

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The Hugh M. McAdoo House, constructed ca. 1878, is an example of Late Victorian Italianate, and achieves local significance under criterion C in Waverly, Humphreys County, Tennessee. It is built of quality materials, exhibits superior craftsmanship and design, and is the only extant example of its style and accommodations in Humphreys County and in Waverly, Tennessee. The historic fabric of the house, grounds, and outbuildings are virtually intact, having had minimal intervention, making the house one of the finest extant examples of its era, as well.

Built for Hugh M. McAdoo some seven years after the James N. Nolan House was started, (NR 3/13/86) it shares identical features, such as baseboards, quarter-sawn oak flooring and several fireplace mantles. The bay window detail inside, and balusters on the porch rail are of the same design, but on a smaller scale at the Nolan House. McAdoo House exhibits a more sophisticated design and plan, however, as it was built at one time, rather than in phases. It uses more expensive materials and later period design features, such as the elaborate chimney pieces of the library and parlor. It also exhibits far less deterioration of the historic fabric, some original finishes (library woodwork and servants' quarters, second floor), and original outbuildings.

The Parks-Finch House on West Main Street exhibited many identical features, such as the covered portico entry, bay window, and Italianate porch, but, again, it did not approach the scale of the McAdoo House and is no longer extant. Another home, with similar features, is very small and has been altered considerably, leaving McAdoo House as the only intact example of its style and materials. There are several later Queen Annestyle homes with corner turret towers and patterned metal roofs, but all are of wood frame construction.

Waverly, Tennessee, was established in 1836 when Gowan Childers and Christopher Wagoner donated forty acres, which were divided into lots and sold to the highest bidder. Many of these original lots were then subdivided and resold. To obtain the land on which the house now stands,

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Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A	
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designated a National Historic Landmark	Local government
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10. Geographical Data	
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City of Waverly, Tennessee, on the east side of,	and adjoining Church Street, running
some 137.57 feet north to Wyly Street, then 212.3	36 feet east to an alley, thence 137.57
feet south, thence 212.36 feet west to Church Str	reet.
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Boundary Justification	
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associated with the property.	•
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11. Form Prepared By name/title Patricia C. Sherwood, property owner	
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city or townWaverly	state <u>Tennessee</u> zip code <u>37185</u>
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9. Major Bibliographical References

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H. M. McAdoo purchased three parcels of the original lot 11 between 1874 and 1877. Located next door to the Masonic Hall and Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and just one block from the courthouse, it provided an ideal location for McAdoo's law office and residence.

Hugh Montgomery McAdoo was born in nearby Dickson, joined Frank Maney's Battalion from Humphreys County in September, 1861, was captured twice by Union soldiers, and ended the war as a Captain. He was the nephew of John M. McAdoo, a Captain in the Revolutionary War. After the Civil War, he attended Cumberland University at Lebanon, and read law with Morris and McNeilly, then began to practice law at Waverly in 1867. In 1873 he was elected to the 38th General Assembly as a member of the Tennessee House of Representatives. He married in June of 1876, then was elected to the state Senate in 1877, chosen by his colleagues as President of the Senate for the 40th General Assembly (1877-78).

McAdoo, in addition to his law practice, was involved in real estate, farming, and owned the Waverly <u>Journal</u> in 1879-80. The 1880 census includes McAdoo; his wife, Ellen; two children; two boarders; and two black servants.

In 1883, McAdoo and his wife moved to nearby McEwen and sold the house to Peter P. Pickard and his wife, Julia, another locally-prominent family. Pickard, in that same year, was elected State Comptroller, a position he held until 1889. The Pickard family lived there until April, 1899, when they sold it to Dr. Claude C. Sullivan. Dr. Sullivan and his wife lived in the house only three years, selling it to W. B. Ridings in 1902.

W. B. Ridings, and his wife, Hattie Jones Ridings, lived in the house for more than 40 years, and it is to her credit that the house retained its historical integrity. She was responsible for the installation of electricity and having the kitchen moved upstairs during the early part of the century. W. B. Ridings was a prominent businessman in Waverly, on the School Board in 1906, and listed as President of the Citizen's Bank in He served as Postmaster of Waverly from 21 July 1936 until 16 Ridings suffered a severe financial reversal in the early September 1939. 1940's, after which he sold insurance from the same office where Hugh M. McAdoo had practiced law some 60 years before that time. he also sold off several parcels of the original McAdoo holdings to the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and the City. He died in 1945, and Hattie died in March of 1949, leaving the house and remaining property to her son, W. C. Ridings. It was sold out of the family to R. E. Vorhees and his wife Elsie in 1963.

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Ten years later, in 1973, Dana and Melva King purchased the property. The King's maintained the property over the next 17 years, having underground electrical service installed, replaced three wood floors in the basement with poured concrete, installed a second bathroom, and added the second lean-to on the horse and carriage barn. They operated King's Garden Court, a nursery and landscaping service, from the basement of the house until April of 1990 when Mr. King died. Mr. King was known as Santa Claus to most Middle Tennessee children, and he was the subject of a local television documentary in 1989. The property was sold to John and Pat Sherwood in July, 1990.

McAdoo House is a quality example of Late Victorian Italiante residential construction. Its floor plan and decorative features are typical of its 1878 date, combining features available in contemporary pattern books, as well as indigenous characteristics of Tennessee architecture of the period, such as stone foundations, brick walls, and wood trim. While the massing is somewhat reminiscent of the earlier Gothic Revival, the Tuscan cornice large dentils, brackets, bay, and archetypical Italianate porch detailing define its category unequivocally. Interior details include the high ceilings, massive ornate chimneypieces with ceramic tile, picture rail, chair rail, and window shutters. Elaborate wall paper, added ca. 1891, can be seen in a 1951 photograph of the parlor, along with Victorian art-glass on the mantle, and a wrought-iron coal grate. The decorative plaster medallion on the parlor ceiling, and the electric light fixtures on the main floor, although somewhat later, add to this Victorian eclectic The decorative screen over the parlor bay, seen in another 1951 photo, was sold circa 1973 and has since burned. A second, more elaborate screen, originally in the central hall, was also sold, but has been located, and is in the process of being restored to the home. wallpaper for all four main rooms and hall was removed circa 1977, but samples were retained, making it possible for future recreation of the original patterns. The current owners presently are making necessary repairs to the historic fabric with as little intervention as possible, and they are in the process of developing full-scale restoration plans for the property.

McAdoo House sits today within a diverse composite of business, residential, church, and government buildings, part of a continuum of structures built over the last 130 years. It stands as a beacon to the prosperity of Waverly and Humphreys County, Tennessee during the late nineteenth century, and is especially important as the only extant example of its quality, accommodations, and Late Victorian Italianate style in the area.

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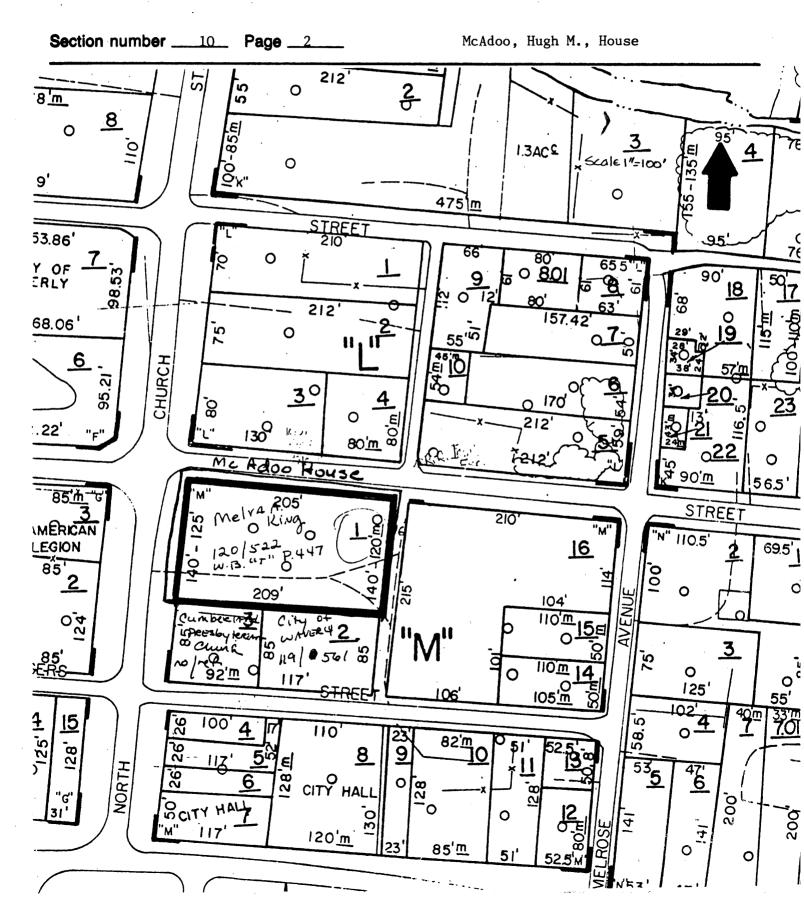
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Waverly, Humphreys County, Tennessee

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Negatives: Tennessee Historical Commission

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View of the facade (western elevation) facing east

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View of the front porch facing east

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View of the north gable cornice facing south

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View of the north elevation facing south

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View of the south and east elevations facing northwest

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View of the parlor mantel facing east

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Detail of parlor chandelier

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Detail of the library mantel

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Detail of the library/hall door facing south

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View of tenant house facing northeast

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View of smokehouse and out house facing east

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View of facade and south elevation facing northeast

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