

IDENTIFICATION	Historic name: <u>N/A</u>	STATUS	Open to public: Yes ___ No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted ___
	Common name: <u>Buchanan House</u>		Visible from road: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No ___
	Address: <u>Vernon Street</u> <u>Decatur, Tennessee</u>		Occupied: Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No ___
	Owner's name: <u>Mrs. C. E. Buchanan</u>		Present use: <u>Private residence</u>
	Owner's address: <u>P.O. Box 281</u> <u>Decatur, Tennessee 37322</u>		Current condition: <u>Good</u>
	Classification: <u>Building-private</u>		Alterations: <u>Enclosed rear porch.</u>
	Tax map reference: <u>Dist. 3, Map 42-K, Parcel 8</u>		Site features: <u>N/A</u>
	Acreage: <u>.15</u>		
UTM reference: <u>Zone 16 N 3932040</u> <u>E 700300</u>			
HISTORY	Date of construction: <u>ca. 1880</u>	SOURCES	Bibliographical data: <u>Interview with Mrs. C. E. Buchanan,</u> <u>Decatur, TN., May 3, 1979.</u>
	Architect/builder: <u>Unknown</u>		
	Original or previous owners: <u>unknown</u>		
	Original use: <u>Private residence</u>		Form prepared by: <u>Stephen T. Rogers</u>
	Theme/s: Primary <u>Architecture</u> Secondary <u>N/A</u> Other <u>N/A</u>		Title: <u>Cultural Resource Surveyor</u> Organization: <u>Tennessee Historical Commission</u> Date: <u>11/21/80</u>
DESCRIPTION	<p>The Buchanan House is a one and half story T-shaped frame house that exhibits the influence of the Gothic Revival style. Resting on a stone foundation the house is covered by weatherboards, has a steep pitched, asphalt shingle gable roof, with two gable end brick chimneys, trimmed with bargeboard and eave trim with a dart-like motif. The three bay (north elevation) has a central entrance with rectangular transom and side lights between two 6 over 6 light double hung sash windows. The one story front porch has a hip roof and a central gable projection and is supported by six chamfered wood posts with sawn brackets. The gable projection has shingles in an imbricated fishscale pattern. A single light window with triangular shaped transom is located above the porch gable.</p>		
SIGNIFICANCE	<p>The Buchanan House, built around 1880, is the best example in Meigs County of the Gothic Revival influence to the traditional I-house form. The trefoil motif on the bargeboard and eaves trim is similar to the Robert Smith Law Office (#24) and there is a possibility that Smith had this house built. The decorative detailing, relatively unaltered condition of the house, and scarcity of Gothic Revival influence in Meigs County marks the Buchanan House as an important resource within the county.</p>		

PHOTOGRAPHIC DATA

Photographer: Stephen T. Rogers

Date: 5/3/79

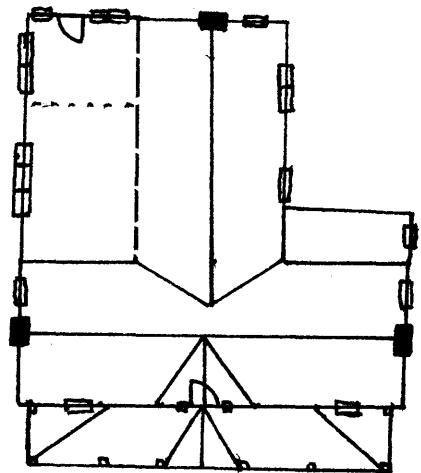
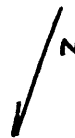
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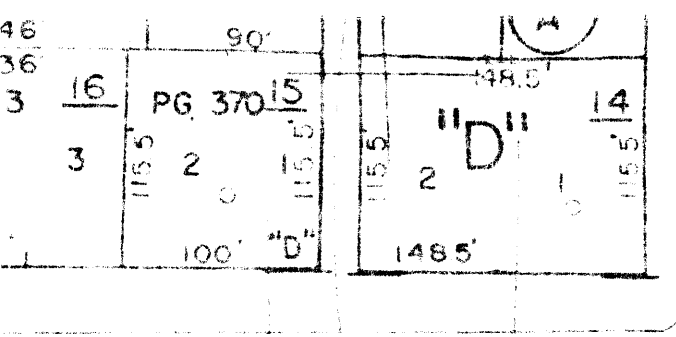
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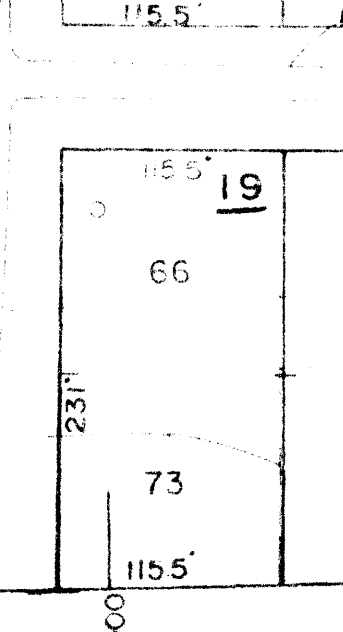
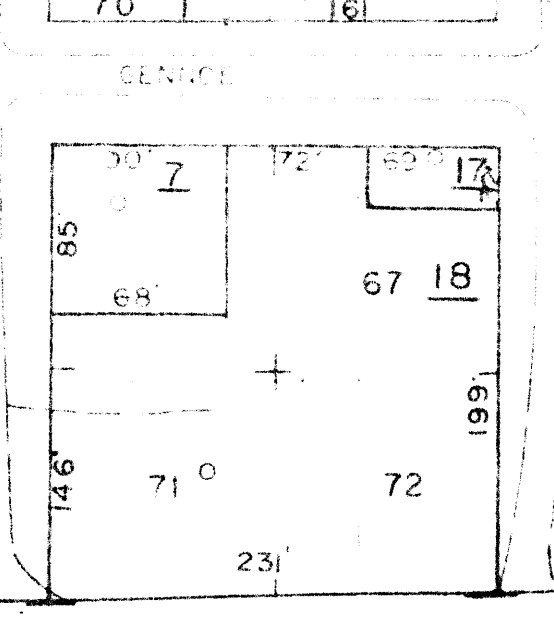
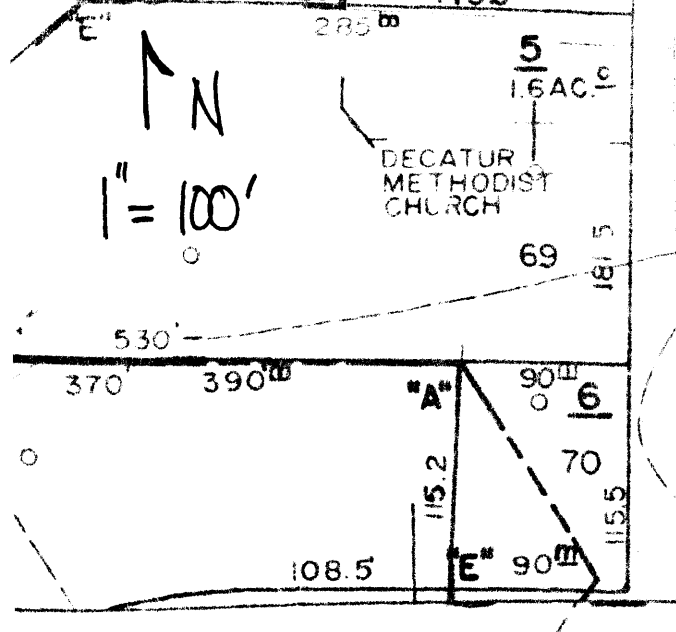
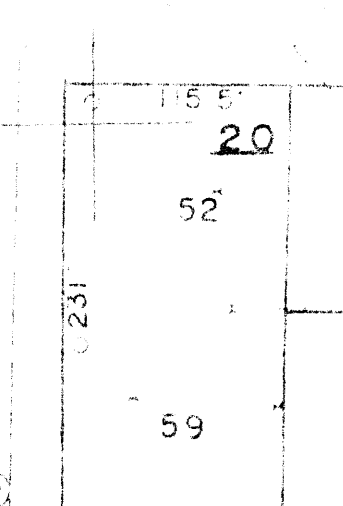
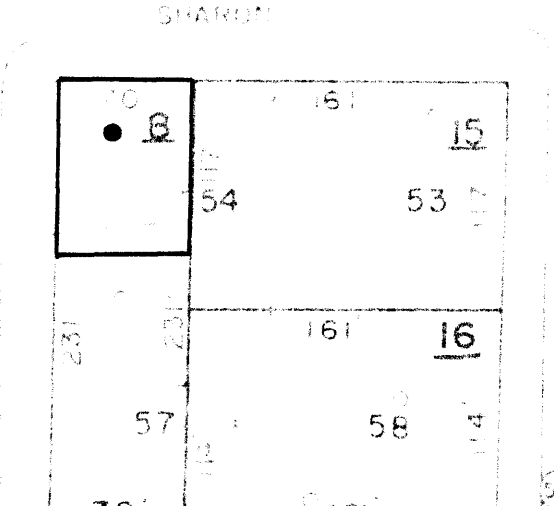
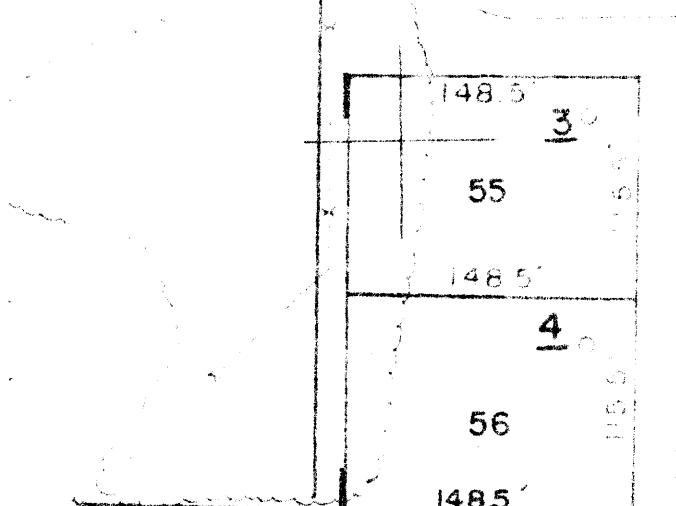
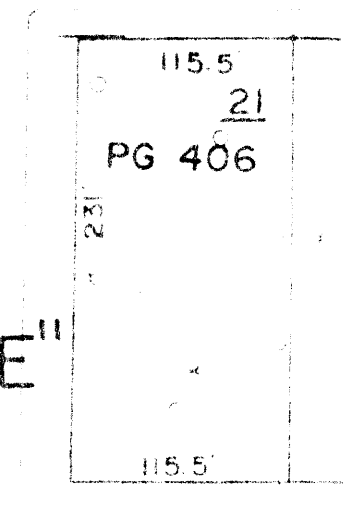
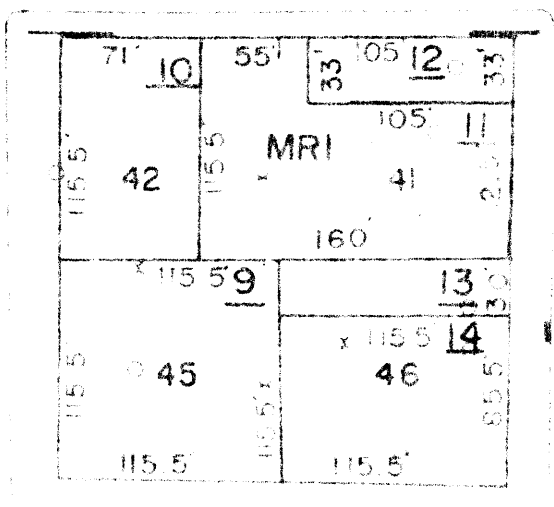
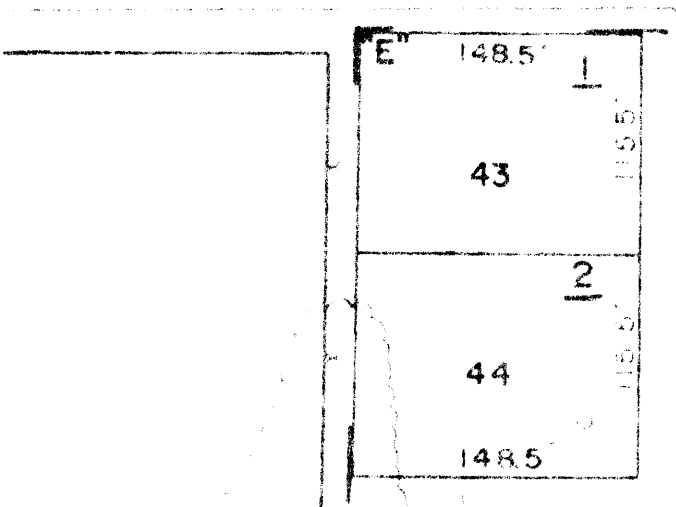
SITE PLAN - Include North Arrow





Historic Resources of Meigs County,
 Tennessee
 (Partial Inventory: Historic and
 Architectural Resources)

BUCHANAN HOUSE (#27)



DECATUR
 METHODIST
 CHURCH

1" = 100'

VERNON

GENTLE

3,000

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Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service**

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MEIGS COUNTY MULTIPLE RESOURCE NOMINATION - Buchanan House (#27)

Verbal Boundary Description and Justification:

27. The boundaries begin at a point on the southeast corner of the intersection of Sharon St. and Vernon St., thence east along Sharon St. 70 feet to the property's northeast corner, thence south along the property line 90 feet, thence west 70 feet to the west property line, thence north along the property line 90 feet to the beginning. The boundaries include the house and approximately .15 acres.