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REGISTRATION FORM

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1. Name of Property

historic name: Walsh, William Kirby, House

other name/site number: W. K. Walsh House; Sullivan House

2. Location

street & number: 204 East Deaderick Street

not for publication: N/A

city/town: Jackson

vicinity: N/A

state: TN county: Madison code: 113 zip code: 38301

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, 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).

Herb L. Hays
Signature of certifying official
Deputy SHPO, Tennessee Historical Commission

10/25/93
Date

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 commenting or other official

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

~~Entered in the~~
National Register

- 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): _____

Greg M. Lapsley

12/10/93

for Signature of Keeper

Date
of Action

5. Classification

Ownership of Property: Private

Category of Property: Building

Number of Resources within Property:

| Contributing | Noncontributing | |
|--------------|-----------------|------------|
| 1 | -0- | buildings |
| -0- | -0- | sites |
| -0- | -0- | structures |
| -0- | -0- | objects |
| 1 | -0- | Total |

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A

Name of related multiple property listing: N/A

Walsh, William Kirby, House

Madison County, Tennessee

6. Function or Use

Historic: DOMESTIC

Sub: Single Dwelling

Current : COMMERCE/TRADE

Sub: Professional

7. Description

Architectural Classification:

Italianate

Other Description: N/A

Materials: foundation BRICK
walls BRICK

roof METAL
other WOOD/brackets

See Continuation Sheet

8. Statement of Significance

APPLICABLE NATIONAL REGISTER CRITERIA

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE

A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.

COMMERCE
ARCHITECTURE

X B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.

X 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.

PERIOD OF SIGNIFICANCE

Ca. 1873-75 to ca. 1880

D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

CRITERIA CONSIDERATIONS

SIGNIFICANT DATES

Ca. 1873-75

Property is: N/A

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.

SIGNIFICANT PERSON

Walsh, William Kirby (1813-1880)

CULTURAL AFFILIATION

N/A

ARCHITECT/BUILDER

Unknown

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

X See continuation sheet.

PREVIOUS DOCUMENTATION ON FILE (NPS):

X 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 #

PRIMARY LOCATION OF ADDITIONAL DATA:

- x State historic preservation office Local government
Other state agency University
Federal agency Other

x Specify Repository: Tennessee Historical Commission

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: Less than One Acre

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing
#438, Jackson Southeast
A 16 335600 3943080 B
C D

N/A See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description: See continuation sheet.

Boundary Justification: See continuation sheet.

11. Form Prepared By

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State: TN

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A three-bay long, one-room deep rear ell was added in ca. 1875-80. The ell was added to the south of the original block at its western corner on Cumberland, running to the south. Its construction continued the design traits of the original structure, save that portions of the entablature on the south and east have pairs of thin, scroll-sawn brackets, as opposed to the thicker, single built-up brackets of the original block. A side door, two-bay, shed-roofed porch was featured on the (west) Cumberland Street side of the ell, supported like the front porch by chamfered posts with semi-circular arched ribs. This porch was altered in the 1960s. It, too, has been restored by the existing property owners, based upon physical evidence and historic photographs.

The two-story rear porch was built with the ell on its east side, removed from street views. The southern half of the porch is filled with a brick partition wall, which is an extension of the west (front) facade of the "detached" kitchen wing; the wall extends above the kitchen to support a portion of the porch roof. The remainder of the porch was apparently covered with lattice and contained a back stair, according to physical evidence. The rear porch of the property was enclosed in ca. 1935-40 for bathrooms, closet and bedroom areas. Additions were also made at this time to create a connecting bath between the kitchen wing and the original block, filling the opening in the U-shaped plan with a one-story, one-bay, load-bearing brick wall with a flat roof. A one-bay frame addition was built in ca. 1950 above this addition for bath purposes.

A restoration program was carried out by the current property owners to reverse the deterioration of the house and to remove many of the later additions. Much of this work was precipitated by a ca. 1987 fire in the area of the rear porch. Restoration of the structure was based upon physical evidence present in the structure, historic photographs, and by notations contained in the 1907 Sanborn-Ferris fire insurance maps of Jackson. The ca. 1930-50 enclosures of the rear porch area were removed from the structure to restore the open U-shape of the early plan. The rear porch area was rebuilt as a two-level latticed porch; the porch area contains a bathroom and a stair core to provide entrance to an apartment developed on the second floor of the side ell.

The rear "detached" kitchen wing is a two-room, load-bearing brick masonry, gable-roofed structure with one endwall chimney and one center gable chimney. The kitchen wing runs to the east from the rear porch. Its roof features deep, plain projecting eaves with curved bead board soffits. The windows of the kitchen originally contained long, four-over-four double-hung sashes; some were altered in height in the ca. 1930s with shorter, replacement one-over-one double-hung sashes. A doubled, one-over-one double-hung sash was also installed on the north facade at this time, as was the lowering in height of the rear (eastern) door of the kitchen. These window alterations have not been changed, largely due to the lack of adequate evidence as to the location and number of original window openings.

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vicinity of Walsh's home; some appear developed, others not. Anderson's or Harris' names are associated with Walsh's on six other lots on the map. Of all property owners noted on the Beer's Map, one A. C. Caldwell was the only other single owner noted as prominently as Walsh. Some of the Walsh properties are located in close proximity to the major railroad frontages of this time, specifically on Royal Street and Cumberland Street on the Chicago, St. Louis and New Orleans Railroad, and on Jefferson Street at the Mobile and Ohio Railroad.

The initial enthusiasm over the growth of the Jackson economy was stalled by a number of unfortunate events, principally by the outbreak of Yellow Fever in 1878 and 1879. Another decade would pass before the local business community could rebound from the setbacks. In the meantime, the community would lose a number of its most influential residents who had brought about earlier prosperity, J. W. Anderson, R. B. Harris and W. K. Walsh among them.

Following Walsh's death, the estate was probated in 1882. Settlement of the estate divided the Walsh's property between his three daughters-- Mrs. Dinetia Hamilton, Annette (later, Mrs. Annette Walsh McClaren), and Jennie Walsh, then just twelve years old. Walsh's forty-eight real estate holdings at this time were estimated in value at \$35,700, including developed and undeveloped town lots in Jackson as well as larger agricultural tracts in Madison County (Madison County Chancery Court Record 11, pgs. 519-539). The real estate described in the inventory of the estate represented only a portion of the entire holdings previously owned by the partnership of Walsh and Harris. Numerous citations in the property descriptions refer to deeds of partition between the former partners in 1878 and 1879; it is suggested that the original partnership holdings may have been twice that inventoried in 1882.

The court awarded the new Walsh Home to the youngest daughter, Jennie. Later in life, Jennie Walsh married Belton O. Sullivan, who ran a major retail clothing business in Jackson under the name of Sullivan, McCall & Co. The Sullivan's made the house their home for the remainder of their lives. In ca. 1935, the house was sold by the estate of Jennie Sullivan. It was at this time that the house was broken up into four apartments. Most of the various alterations to the property were made at this time, including porch enclosures, bathroom additions and the construction of closets within rooms. Most of these improvements made no lasting impact on the architectural qualities of the house, save for the removal of the original porch. The existing design and configuration of the porch was restored by the current property owners following extensive research and photographic documentation.

In sum, the William Kirby Walsh House remains today as an important landmark of the immediate post-bellum boom period in Jackson. It stands as a significant local example of the Italianate influence. The house was built to reflect the confidence and enthusiasm of the business climate in Jackson immediately following the Civil War, which were dampened by the effects business failures and of Yellow Fever epidemics in 1878-79. The construction

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Verbal Boundary Description:

The property in nomination is a suburban lot located at 204 East Deaderick Street at its intersection with Cumberland Street in Jackson, Madison County, Tennessee, measuring 139 feet of frontage along East Deaderick Street and 86 feet of frontage along Cumberland Street; it is the same property identified as Parcel 1 of Block G as delineated by the heavy black line on the enclosed portion Jackson/Madison County property tax map 78-I-G.

Boundary Justification

The property in nomination is composed of all lands associated with the William Kirby Walsh House since the dimensions of the lot were legally established by the Madison County Probate Court in 1882.

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Photograph List

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204 East Deaderick Street
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Photographer: John L. Hopkins
Date: January 19, 1993
Negatives: Tennessee Historical Commission
Nashville, Tennessee

Photo 1 of 17

View of the front (north) facade, facing due south across East Deaderick Street.

Photo 2 of 17

View of the front (north) and side (west) facades, facing southeast across the intersection of East Deaderick and Cumberland Streets.

Photo 3 of 17

View of the rear (southern) facade of the rear ell at left, with the rear kitchen wing in the middle foreground, facing generally northwest.

Photo 4 of 17

View of the side (Eastern) facades of the main house block and rear kitchen, facing generally west.

Photo 5 of 17

View of the side (eastern) and front (northern) facades of the main house, facing generally southwest, with the kitchen wing at left.

Photo 6 of 17

View of the front stair hall from the front doorway. Note the split door visible on the upper landing, which opens to the rear porch. The doorway apparently was altered from a window opening at some time following the construction of the rear ell in ca. 1875-80. The door beneath the stair also leads to the rear porch.

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View from the parlor, which lies to the east of the front stair hall, looking back to the front door.

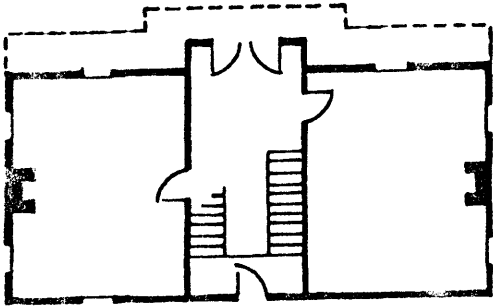
W. K. WALSH HOUSE
204 EAST DEADERICK ST.
JACKSON, MADISON CO. TN

CONSTRUCTION/ALTERATION PHASES
CA. 1873-75 TO PRESENT

1.

EAST DEADERICK ST.

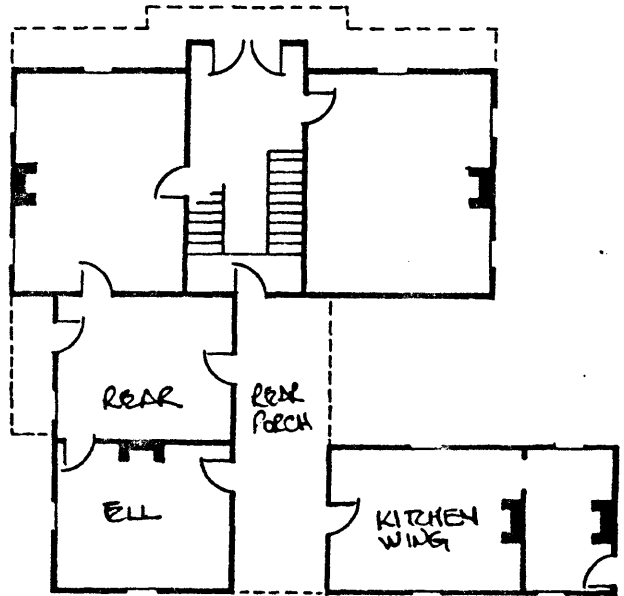
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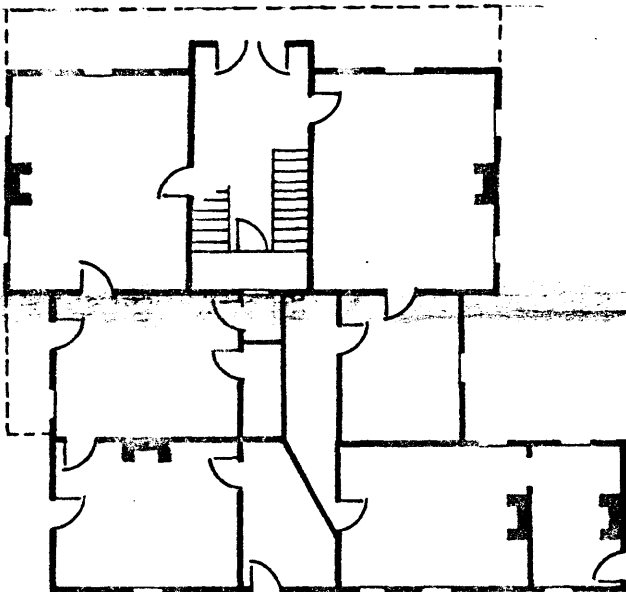


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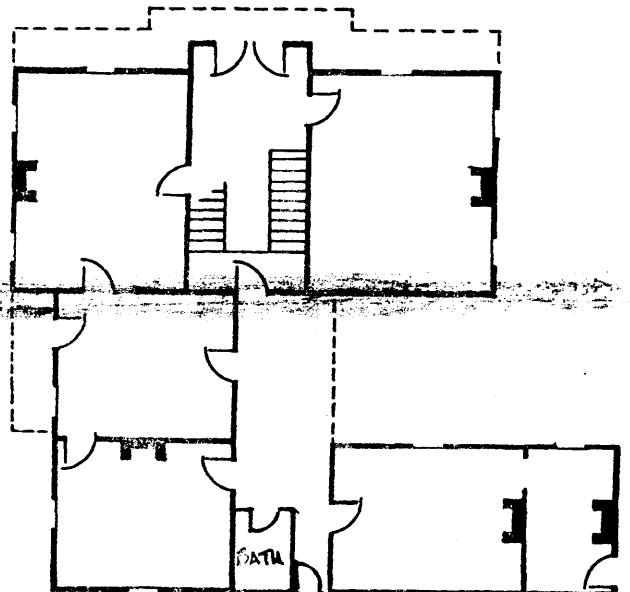
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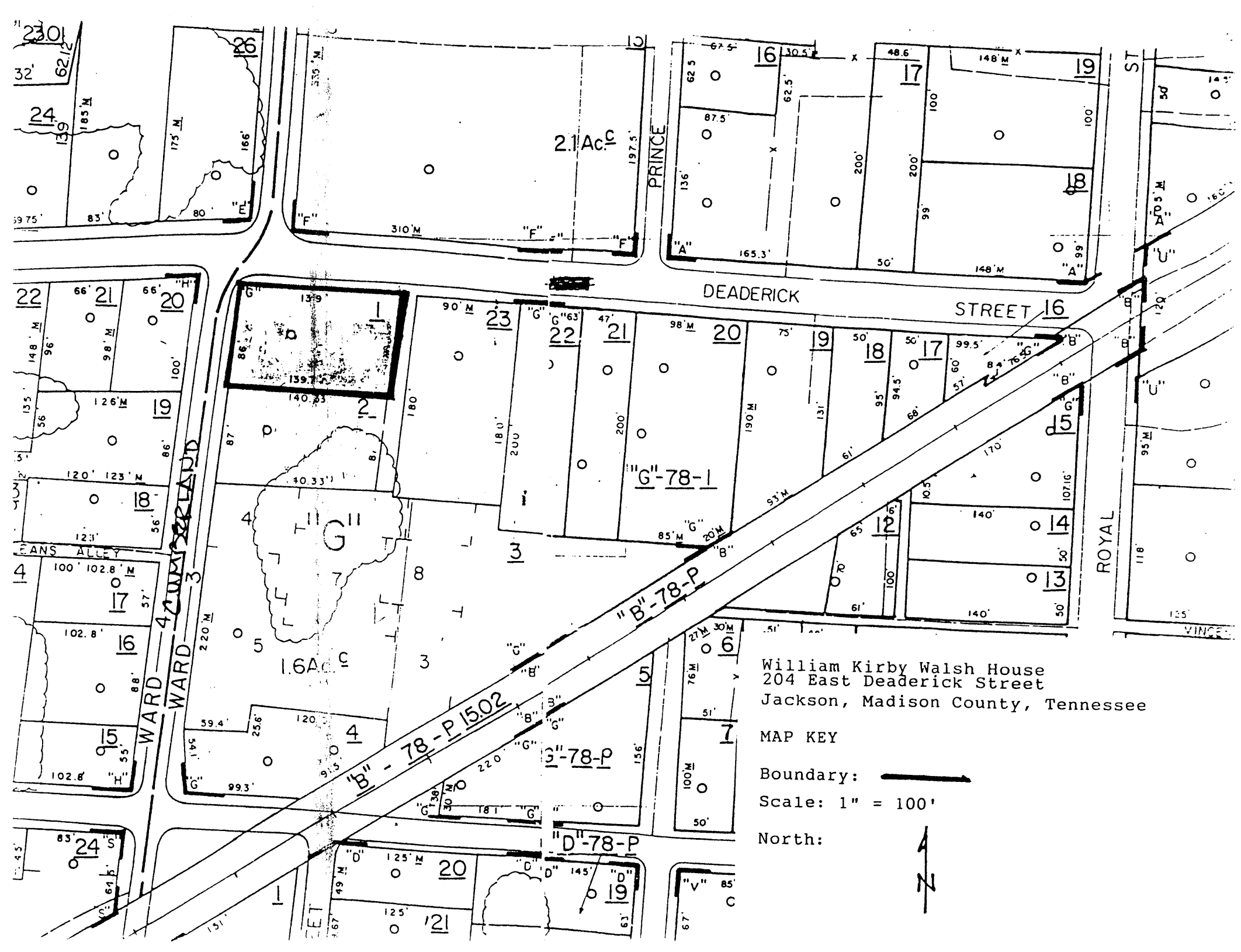


ALTERATIONS C. 1935-1987

4.




AFTER RESTORATION, 1992



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MAP KEY

Boundary: 

Scale: 1" = 100'

North: 