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National Register of Historic Places
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historic name Worthington, Charles T., House

other names/site number BO-304

2. Location

street & number .3 mi. W of Bluegrass Rd., .6 mi. N. Gentry Ln for publication

city or town Danville vicinity

state Kentucky code KY county Boyle code 021 zip code 40422

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Charles T. Worthington House (BO-304)

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Historic and Architectural Resources of Boyle County, KY 0

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Significant Dates

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Historic and Architectural Resources of Boyle County, KY

Multiple Property Listing

Charles T. Worthington House (BO-304)

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1.) Construction on the **main residence** (contributing building) began c. 1855. The two-story double pile, center-hall dwelling with standing seam metal clad hipped roof, a continuous mortared stone water table and two-story ell to the west was added to in 1967 with a one-story wing to the west. Constructed by local laborers, the original block allegedly took six or seven years to complete, an understandable amount of time when viewing the vast amounts of architectural details in the Italianate dwelling. Facing north to the Bluegrass Road, the residence displays a symmetrical appearance across the three-bay front (north) facade; heavily adorned with Italianate features, including single and paired brackets along the cornice, dentils and tall narrow windows. The beaded wood central entry is flanked by sidelights and headed by a transom, surrounded by an architectural treatment with Corinthian columns flanked by Doric pilasters supporting an enriched entablature. The entry is fronted by a central, early twentieth century, one-story Classical Revival porch in the Corinthian order, with Corinthian columns, brick corner piers and a modillion cornice surmounted by a turned balustrade. Original 9/9 sash windows are separated on the front facade by double strip pilasters, each having a single inset groove and being capped by rounded stone caps which curve in below each bracket above. The water table supports the pilaster by curving out below each one. Side elevations have four regularly spaced 9/6 sash windows on each floor, separated by single pilasters similar to those on the front. The two-story, rear ell, although lower, is treated with similar decorative features with two blind windows found on each floor between the pilasters of the south end wall. Along the east wall of the ell, a two-story porch, enclosed in the late-nineteenth century, is supported on square brick piers. The entire building is surrounded by a stone water table and bracketed cornice. The roof is pierced by four chimneys, two flanking the passage on either side, heating the four main rooms on each floor.

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The interior plan features a center hall on each floor, flanked by four rooms. A corner open stringer stair in the central hall is highly carved with beadwork, having a marble newel post. A nineteenth century wallpaper mural surrounds the first and second story hallways. Small arched marble mantels are found in the front parlors of the first story with elaborate walnut door and window surrounds, plastered molding and a Corinthian column screen with pocket doors. Many doors and windows have eared trim with dentil cornices. Along the rear ell is the original stone-lined fireplace, constructed as part of the main residence in the early 1850s with brick walls. A second enclosed staircase between the kitchen and a parlor leads to the second story servants' quarters in the second story ell. The second story of the main block was altered with the addition of modern bathrooms in the mid-twentieth century, however, retains all original woodwork and functions.

2.) Approximately twenty feet southwest of the main residence is an unusual earthen-clad **icehouse** (contributing building) with a stone-lined vaulted pit to the east, a small brick-vaulted cellar to the west, and a central stone chimney. Constructed at the same time as the main residence, the building is entered on either side with the deep stone-vaulted pit (facing the main residence) entered via a door along the step-gabled parapet wall of rock-faced ashlar. The shape of the structure is oval, measuring approximately 20 feet on either side. The function of the building is perhaps best described in an oral history given by Theresa Worthington McMakin who grew up on the property:

"We had an old-fashioned ice house in the yard, not far from the house, where we gathered ice in the winter and stored it under straw to use in the summer. The dairy was behind the ice and as it melted it trickled down to cool the dairy (Doyle, 1988)."

3.) The front of the nominated property, along the Bluegrass Lane is lined with a late-nineteenth century **crenelated rock wall** (contributing structure) with a pair of mortared rock gateposts along the entry drive.

4.) Surrounding the domestic yard area is a three **plank fence** (contributing structure) with ovalisk concrete gateposts and a vertical plank swinging gate, dating to the late-nineteenth or turn of the twentieth century. A circular driveway fronting the main residence is entered through the gateposts.

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5.) Along the eastern boundary of the domestic yard is a late-twentieth century, in-ground **swimming pool** (non-contributing structure), sitting in close proximity to the enclosed east elevation two-story porch of the main residence.

6.) The acreage fronting the domestic complex is covered with a natural **woodland savannah** (contributing site), described by Worsham as "...one of the county's largest wooded areas (Worsham, 1994)." Native trees include, but are not limited to, maples, oaks and sycamores.

7.) Along the driveway leading through the savannah to the main residence is an circular indentation, reputedly the **brick kiln site** (contributing site) during construction of the main residence. The area measures approximately twenty (20) feet in diameter. Theresa Worthington McMakin (granddaughter of Charles T. Worthington) states "(t)he bricks were burned on the place and they were burned three times in order to please my grandfather...(they) were supposedly burned at the place in the Avenue where there is a depression (Doyle, 1988: 1)."

8.) Beside the swimming pool is a mid to late-twentieth century **formal garden** (non-contributing site) in a U-shape. The garden is not known to have followed an early garden pattern.

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Historic and Architectural Resources of Boyle County, KY
Multiple Property Listing
Charles T. Worthington House (BO-304)

8. Statement of Significance:

The Charles T. Worthington Farm (BO-304) is located on the southwest side of Gentry Lane (State Route 1915) near the Boyle/Mercer County line in north-central Boyle County. The main residence, constructed c. 1855, is architecturally significant on a local level under Criterion C as a fine example of Italianate period domestic architecture. Especially noteworthy is the ensemble of woodwork throughout the dwelling as well as the Italianate features (brackets, pilasters, dentils, narrow windows, etc.) that remain very similar to the facade of the Danville Asylum for the Deaf. The period of significance for the property is c. 1855, the beginning date of construction of the center-hall dwelling, with a significant date being c. 1967, the estimated date of the one-story west wall wing.

Nominated as part of a Multiple Property Listing entitled "Historic and Architectural Resources in Boyle County, Kentucky" the property is significant within the context "Domestic Architecture in Boyle County, 1780-1945". The initial 360 acres of the property were purchased by 31 year old Charles T. Worthington in 1850, valued between \$10,800 and \$12,750.00 (the former figure was given in the 1850 Agricultural Census of Boyle County while the latter appears in the 1850 Boyle County Census). Also in 1850, three Irish stonemasons were listed as residents on the property. A decade later, in 1860, three different Irish stonemasons were listed on the property, no doubt involved in the construction of the main residence and icehouse (1850 and 1860 Censuses of Boyle County).

By the time construction began on the main residence in 1855, the Italianate style was a new phenomena in Boyle County, due in large part to the initialization of the Danville Asylum for the Deaf. As is documented in the associated context within this MPF, it is interesting to note the similarities in style, ornamentation and plan between the Worthington House and the school. Charles Worthington's influence as a prestigious farmer and state representative afforded he and his family the need for such an affluent home and surrounding acreage.

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Historic and Architectural Resources of Boyle County, KY

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Boundary Justification:

The nominated property is historically associated with an agricultural landscape comprised of over 500 acres. The agricultural acreage is not included in this nomination, however, due to changes in patterns, usage and associated buildings. The nominated boundary begins at the rock fence line along Gentry Lane and extends south to the rear of the main residence, bounded by natural tree lines to the east and west and a plank board fence to the south, including approximately 20 acres. Included in the nomination are two buildings, four structures, two sites and one site, historically associated with the Worthington property.

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PHOTOGRAPHS

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Front (northeast) facade of main residence, facing southwest
1 of 8

Northwest elevation of main residence, facing east
2 of 8

Southeast elevation of main residence, facing north
3 of 8

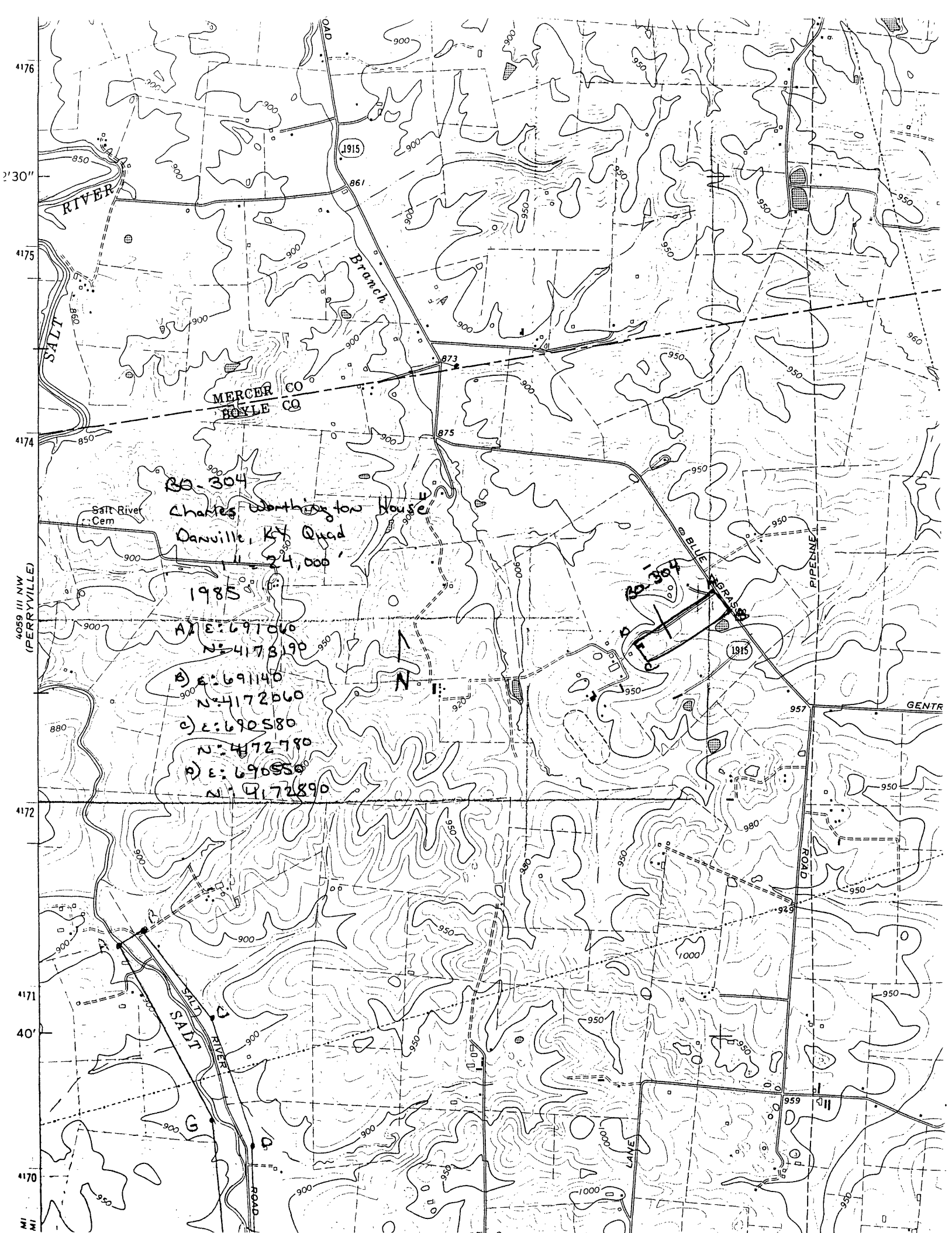
Central passage of main residence
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Parlors in main residence
5 of 8

Icehouse, facing west
6 of 8

Icehouse, facing east
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Overview of domestic yard, facing southwest
8 of 8



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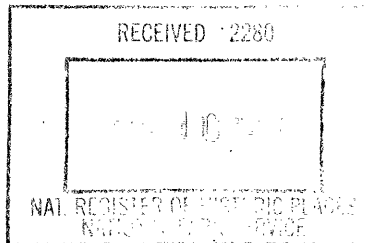
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7. Description:

The Charles T. Worthington House (BO-304) is located on the south side of the Bluegrass Road (S.R. 1915) in north-central Boyle County. Associated with a large (over 800 acres) agricultural farm, the Worthington House sits approximately three-tenths of a mile from the main road, fronted by an open yard with a scattered savannah. The nominated portion of the property begins along the Bluegrass Road at a rock fence and extends south to the back boundary of the domestic complex, defined by a plank fence. East and west boundaries include natural tree lines and plank fencing. Approximately twenty (20) acres are included in the nomination. Following, two contributing buildings, two contributing structures, one non-contributing structure, two contributing sites and one non-contributing site are described for inclusion in the nomination.

1.) Construction on the **main residence** (contributing building) began c. 1855. The two-story double pile, center-hall dwelling with standing seam metal clad hipped roof, a continuous mortared stone water table and two-story ell to the west was added to in 1967 with a one-story wing to the west. Constructed by local laborers, the original block allegedly took six or seven years to complete, an understandable amount of time when viewing the vast amounts of architectural details in the Italianate dwelling. Facing north to the Bluegrass Road, the residence displays a symmetrical appearance across the three-bay front (north) facade; heavily adorned with Italianate features, including single and paired brackets along the cornice, dentils and tall narrow windows. The beaded wood central entry is flanked by sidelights and headed by a transom, surrounded by an architectural treatment with Corinthian columns flanked by Doric pilasters supporting an enriched entablature. The entry is fronted by a central, early twentieth century, one-story Classical Revival porch in the Corinthian order, with Corinthian columns, brick corner piers and a modillion cornice surmounted by a turned balustrade. Original 9/9 sash windows are separated on the front facade by double strip pilasters, each having a single inset groove and being capped by rounded stone caps which curve in below each bracket above. The water table supports the pilaster by curving out below each one. Side elevations have four regularly spaced 9/6 sash windows on each floor, separated by single pilasters similar to those on the front. The two-story, rear ell, although lower, is treated with similar decorative features with two blind windows found on each floor between the pilasters of the south end wall. Along the east wall of the ell, a two-story porch, enclosed in the late-nineteenth century, is supported on square brick piers. The entire building is surrounded by a stone water table and bracketed cornice. The roof is pierced by four chimneys, two flanking the passage on either side, heating the four main rooms on each floor.

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The interior plan features a center hall on each floor, flanked by four rooms. A corner open stringer stair in the central hall is highly carved with beadwork, having a marble newel post. A nineteenth century wallpaper mural surrounds the first and second story hallways. Small arched marble mantels are found in the front parlors of the first story with elaborate walnut door and window surrounds, plastered molding and a Corinthian column screen with pocket doors. Many doors and windows have eared trim with dentil cornices. Along the rear ell is the original stone-lined fireplace, constructed as part of the main residence in the early 1850s with brick walls. A second enclosed staircase between the kitchen and a parlor leads to the second story servants' quarters in the second story ell. The second story of the main block was altered with the addition of modern bathrooms in the mid-twentieth century, however, retains all original woodwork and functions.

2.) Approximately twenty feet southwest of the main residence is an unusual earthen-clad **icehouse** (contributing building) with a stone-lined vaulted pit to the east, a small brick-vaulted cellar to the west, and a central stone chimney. Constructed at the same time as the main residence, the building is entered on either side with the deep stone-vaulted pit (facing the main residence) entered via a door along the step-gabled parapet wall of rock-faced ashlar. The shape of the structure is oval, measuring approximately 20 feet on either side. The function of the building is perhaps best described in an oral history given by Theresa Worthington McMakin who grew up on the property:

"We had an old-fashioned ice house in the yard, not far from the house, where we gathered ice in the winter and stored it under straw to use in the summer. The dairy was behind the ice and as it melted it trickled down to cool the dairy (Doyle, 1988)."

3.) The front of the nominated property, along the Bluegrass Lane is lined with a late-nineteenth century **crenelated rock wall** (contributing structure) with a pair of mortared rock gateposts along the entry drive.

4.) Surrounding the domestic yard area is a three **plank fence** (contributing structure) with ovalisk concrete gateposts and a vertical plank swinging gate, dating to the late-nineteenth or turn of the twentieth century. A circular driveway fronting the main residence is entered through the gateposts.

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5.) Along the eastern boundary of the domestic yard is a late-twentieth century, in-ground **swimming pool** (non-contributing structure), sitting in close proximity to the enclosed east elevation two-story porch of the main residence.

6.) The acreage fronting the domestic complex is covered with a natural **woodland savannah** (contributing site), described by Worsham as "...one of the county's largest wooded areas (Worsham, 1994)." Native trees include, but are not limited to, maples, oaks and sycamores.

7.) Along the driveway leading through the savannah to the main residence is an circular indentation, reputedly the **brick kiln site** (contributing site) during construction of the main residence. The area measures approximately twenty (20) feet in diameter. Theresa Worthington McMakin (granddaughter of Charles T. Worthington) states "(t)he bricks were burned on the place and they were burned three times in order to please my grandfather...(they) were supposedly burned at the place in the Avenue where there is a depression (Doyle, 1988: 1)."

8.) Beside the swimming pool is a mid to late-twentieth century **formal garden** (non-contributing site) in a U-shape. The garden is not known to have followed an early garden pattern.

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8. Statement of Significance:

The Charles T. Worthington Farm (BO-304) is located on the southwest side of Gentry Lane (State Route 1915) near the Boyle/Mercer County line in north-central Boyle County. The main residence, constructed c. 1855, is architecturally significant on a local level under Criterion C as a fine example of Italianate period domestic architecture. Especially noteworthy is the ensemble of woodwork throughout the dwelling as well as the Italianate features (brackets, pilasters, dentils, narrow windows, etc.) that remain very similar to the facade of the Danville Asylum for the Deaf. The period of significance for the property is c. 1855, the beginning date of construction of the center-hall dwelling, with a significant date being c. 1967, the estimated date of the one-story west wall wing.

Nominated as part of a Multiple Property Listing entitled "Historic and Architectural Resources in Boyle County, Kentucky" the property is significant within the context "Domestic Architecture in Boyle County, 1780-1945". The initial 360 acres of the property were purchased by 31 year old Charles T. Worthington in 1850, valued between \$10,800 and \$12,750.00 (the former figure was given in the 1850 Agricultural Census of Boyle County while the latter appears in the 1850 Boyle County Census). Also in 1850, three Irish stonemasons were listed as residents on the property. A decade later, in 1860, three different Irish stonemasons were listed on the property, no doubt involved in the construction of the main residence and icehouse (1850 and 1860 Censuses of Boyle County).

By the time construction began on the main residence in 1855, the Italianate style was a new phenomena in Boyle County, due in large part to the initialization of the Danville Asylum for the Deaf. As is documented in the associated context within this MPF, it is interesting to note the similarities in style, ornamentation and plan between the Worthington House and the school. Charles Worthington's influence as a prestigious farmer and state representative afforded he and his family the need for such an affluent home and surrounding acreage.

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10. Geographical Data:

Verbal Boundary Description:

The Charles T. Worthington Farm is located on the southwest corner of Gentry Land (State Route 1915), in close proximity to the Boyle/Mercer County line in north-central Boyle County. The nominated property includes all buildings, structures and sites historically associated with the construction of the main residence in the 1850s. The property is identified by the dotted area within Parcel 8 on the accompanying Boyle County Property Identification Map 27, located in the Boyle County Property Valuation Administration Office. The map has a scale of 1" = 600'.

Boundary Justification:

The nominated property is historically associated with an agricultural landscape comprised of over 500 acres. The agricultural acreage is not included in this nomination, however, due to changes in patterns, usage and associated buildings. The nominated boundary begins at the rock fence line along Gentry Lane and extends south to the rear of the main residence, bounded by natural tree lines to the east and west and a plank board fence to the south, including approximately 20 acres. Included in the nomination are two buildings, four structures, two sites and one site, historically associated with the Worthington property.

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Front (northeast) facade of main residence, facing southwest
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Northwest elevation of main residence, facing east
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Southeast elevation of main residence, facing north
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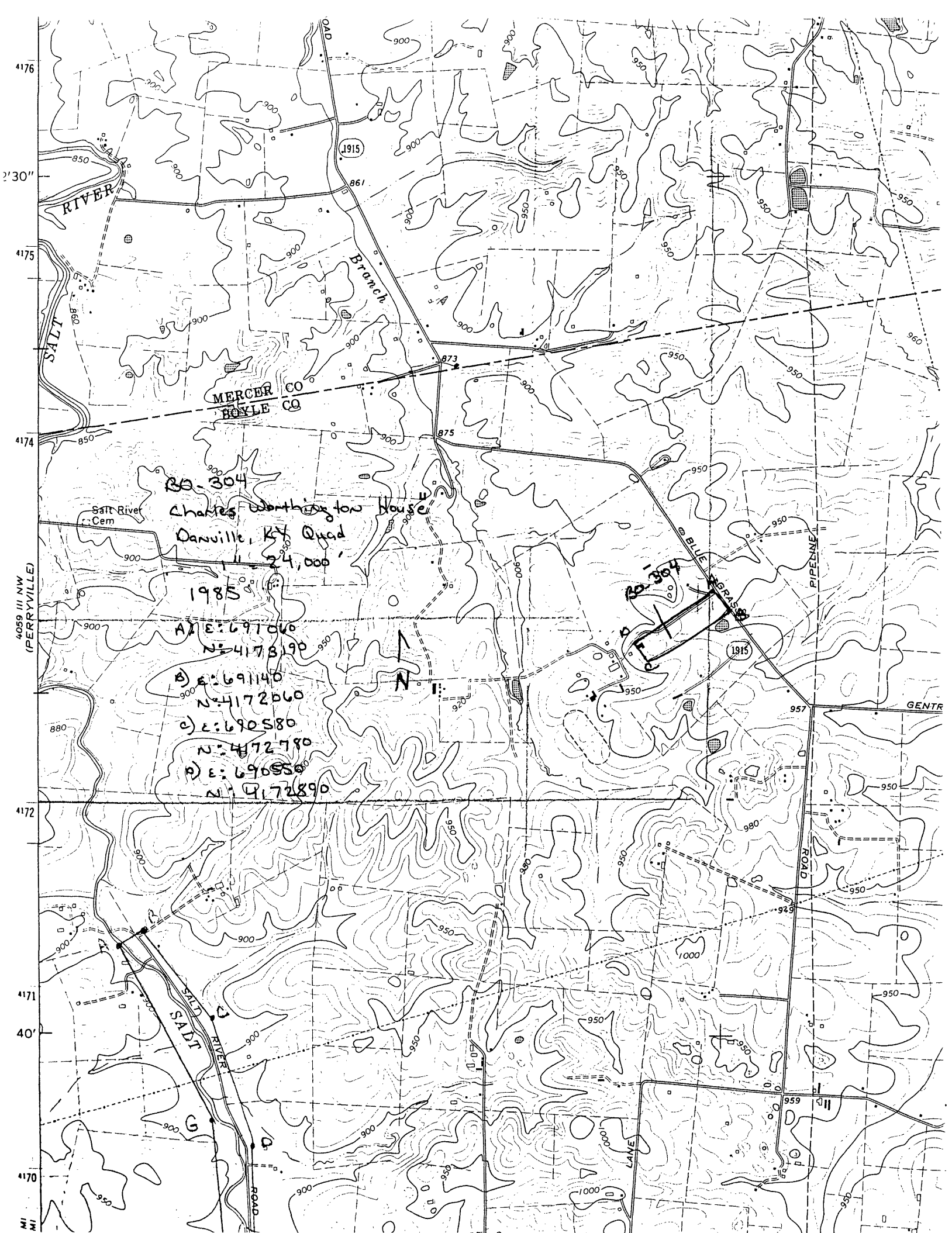
Central passage of main residence
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Parlors in main residence
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Icehouse, facing west
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Icehouse, facing east
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Overview of domestic yard, facing southwest
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Charles Washington House
Danville, KY Quad

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