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National Register of Historic Places
 Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Hawthorne
 other names/site number Browder Place; Davis, Ernestine, House

2. Location

street & number North of old Highway 80 N/A not for publication
 city or town Gallion vicinity
 state Alabama code AL county Hale code 065 zip code 36742

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, 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.)
[Signature] June 1, 1994
 Signature of certifying official/Title Date
Alabama Historical Commission (State Historic Preservation Office)
 State of 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 certifying official/Title Date
 State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:
 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.

[Signature] Signature of the Keeper
Edson H. Beall Entered in the National Register Date of Action
7-7-94

Hawthorne

Hale County, Alabama

Name of Property

County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
4	1	buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
4	1	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)
Plantation Houses of the Alabama Canebroke and
their associated outbuildings (1818-1942)

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

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/single dwelling

Domestic/secondary structure

Health Care/medical business/office

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/single dwelling

Domestic/secondary structure

Other/storage

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

Italian villa

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Brick

walls Wood

roof Metal

other _____

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria
(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
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.
D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations
(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- 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.

Areas of Significance
(Enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

ca. 1835 - ca. 1865

Significant Dates

ca. 1835

ca. 1865

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

J. W. Tayloe (architect)

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A

- 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

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
Other State agency
Federal agency
Local government
University
Other

Name of repository:

Hwathorne

Name of Property

Hale County, Alabama

County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property 80 acres

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

1	16	433980	3597760
Zone	Easting	Northing	
2	16	434460	3597760

3	16	434460	3597040
Zone	Easting	Northing	
4	16	434170	3597040

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Jeff Mansell

organization Cahaba Trace Commission date June 22, 1993

street & number Route 1, Box 147 telephone (205) 665-7982

city or town Brierfield state Alabama zip code 35035

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name Mrs. Joe Davis

street & number P. O. Box 128 telephone

city or town Gallion state Alabama zip code 36742

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement: This information is being collected for applications to the National Register of Historic Places to nominate properties for listing or determine eligibility for listing, to list properties, and to amend existing listings. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit under the National Historic Preservation Act, including 16 U.S.C. 470 et seq.

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Hawthorne
Gallion vicinity
Hale County, Alabama

Hawthorne is located on the old Greensboro Road, lying approximately a quarter of a mile north of old U. S. Highway 80 (State Route 8) and the community of Prairieville. The property is approximately 6 miles east of Demopolis and 12 miles west of Uniontown. The plantation house faces the remnants of the old Greensboro Road which was abandoned after the construction of State Highway 69 approximately a half mile due east. The approach to the dwelling is from the south, following the former road bed which is now a long entrance drive. The main house at Hawthorne plantation is the last remaining example of the Italian villa style in Hale County and one of the few structures reflecting an Italianate influence in the Canebrake region of Alabama.

A house was constructed on the Hawthorne plantation by the J. R. Manning family in the 1830s. Circa 1865, Dr. James Browder purchased the property from the Manning family and had a local planter, artist, and architect, J. W. Tayloe, remodel the structure into an Italian villa. Tayloe obviously selected the plan and elevation of Samuel Sloan's design for "A Southern House" which appeared in the widely distributed pattern book, The Model Architect. As with the Sloan design, the main house at Hawthorne features an asymmetrical facade, consisting of a two story block with a flanking (to the north) one story ell. The two story block is three bays wide while the ell is also three bays wide. A tall tower capped by a pyramidal roof and a wooden spire is located at the juncture of the gable roofed two story block and the side ell. The main block contains a side hall plan, with a stair hall with double rooms sharing a central chimney lying to the south. This plan is repeated upstairs. The side ell contains a large dining room and a bedroom. Reputedly, this ell is part of the original Manning home. Entrance to the main house is through an arched opening at the base of the tower. The doorway immediately to the left opens into the stairhall while the door lying directly behind the arch, opens into the dining room. A one story porch supported by chamfered posts wraps around the two story block while a one story shed roof porch fronts the dining ell. Access to the one story porch is through the arched opening at the base of the tower. The windows on the first floor of the two story block are actually a series of French doors which open onto the wraparound porch. Italianate detailing is evident in the brackets along the eaves of the porch and the main roofline of the two story wing. The French doors also feature Italianate styled door surrounds. Devoid of detailing is the one story ell which further suggests that the wing predates the rest of the house. Detailing throughout the interior of the house is simple, reeded or plain moldings with plain or bullseye cornerblocks found on most doorways. The original mantles are also simple in design.

A single leaf entrance with full transom and sidelights originally opened onto a rear porch. Today, a bathroom and kitchen addition has been added to the rear of the structure, lying south of the original porch. Bathrooms have been added adjacent to the bedroom contained in the ell and at the rear of the upstairs hall. Portions of the house have been covered with aluminum siding including the centrally placed tower. The tower originally contained stained glass windows which were removed as was the small stairway which allowed access to the tower observatory.

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Located on the Hawthorne property are three contributing outbuildings, two storage sheds of simple design and a building used by Dr. James Browder as his medical office. It is believed that all three outbuildings date from 1863. The office has a side gable roof and a two bay facade. The exterior wall material is weatherboard and the windows are 6/6 double hung sash. The structure is now used for storage. Also located on the grounds is a deteriorated modern shed.

The main house at Hawthorne retains much of its original design, materials, craftsmanship, workmanship and feeling and a high degree of its original components and stylistic detailing. While the structure has undergone some changes it still retains a high degree of architectural and historical significance as the last remaining example of the Italian villa style. The Hawthorne nomination includes one non-contributing and four contributing resources.

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Criterion C: Architecture

The Hawthorne plantation house is a significant example of a Canebrake plantation house in the Italian villa style, the last remaining example of that style in Hale County and one of the few structures featuring Italianate detailing in the Canebrake. The plantation house yields information regarding the styles, forms, construction methods, techniques and craftsmanship utilized by the residents of the Canebrake from 1830-1942. Too, the plantation house reflects the use and adaptation of pattern books by residents of the area in the construction of residences and structures. The main house at Hawthorne retains a high degree of integrity in regard to design, materials, workmanship, feeling and setting.

Historical Summary:

In 1834, Dr. James Manning purchased 2,500 acres in the former lands of the Vine and Olive colony, including the tract of land which became Hawthorne plantation located in Township 18 Range 4 East of present day Hale County. Manning, a native of New Jersey, continued to live in Madison County, Alabama sending his son, James, Jr., to the lands near the settlement of Prairieville. James Manning, Jr. began construction of his plantation dwelling in 1835. The Mannings were a prominent Canebrake family; by 1860, all of the plantation lands belonging to the estate of Dr. James Manning were worth \$170,000 and the estate contained 154 slaves. The Hawthorne plantation remained in the Manning family until 1864 when James Manning, Jr. sold the plantation to Dr. James Browder, a native of Dinwiddie County, Virginia. According to family sources, Dr. Browder engaged local planter, artist and architect, J. W. Tayloe to remodel the structure. Browder and Tayloe selected the Italian villa style for the renovation and probably utilized the plan for "A Southern House" included in The Model Architect, a pattern book which included the works of Samuel Sloan. Interestingly, Sloan's partner, Stewart, was working in Alabama prior to 1860 and Hawthorne bears a marked resemblance to the Battle-De Graffenreid house (demolished) in Tuscaloosa which has been attributed to Stewart. James Browder was a popular local doctor and his medical office is located on the property at the rear of the dwelling. The house remained in the Browder family until it was purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Joe Davis in the 1960s. Mrs. Davis is the owner of the property at the present. ¹

Archaeological Potential

Although no formal archaeological survey has been made at the Hawthorne plantation, the potential for subsurface remains may be high. Properties of this type were sited with a constellation of dependencies such as kitchens and other outbuildings. Buried portions may contain significant information that may be useful in interpreting the entire property.

¹James and Emogene Armistead, "Pioneers of Marengo County." Series appearing in the Demopolis Times. November 27 & 29, 1973; Deed Books C, page 178 and T, page 378, Marengo County Probate Office.

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Bibliography

Armistead, James and Emogene. "Pioneers of Marengo County." Series appearing in the Demopolis Times, November 27 & 29, 1973.

Office of Probate, Marengo County. Deed Books C and T, Marengo County Courthouse, Linden, Alabama.

Verbal Boundary Description

That tract of land, comprising 80 acres, lying in the southeast quarter of Section Twenty, Township 18, Range 4 east, being the same property conveyed from James Manning, Jr. to James Browder on January 24, 1864 and being the same tract of land now owned by Mrs. Joe Davis. This information is located in the tax assessor's office in the Hale County Courthouse, Greensboro, Alabama. For exact boundaries, please refer to tax map.

Boundary Justification

The boundaries were drawn to include the tract of land which comprised the original plantation and which contains the historic resources associated with the Hawthorne plantation.

UTM Reference #5 16 433980 3597200

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The information in items #1-5 is the same for all photographs. There has been no change to the property since a site visit in June of 1993.

1. Hawthorne
 2. Prairieville vicinity, Hale County, Alabama
 3. Jeff Mansell, photographer
 4. June, 1993
 5. Negatives on file at the Alabama Historical Commission
- Photograph #1, front facade, showing gable wing and central tower, camera facing west

Photograph #2, front facade, camera facing west

Photograph #3, tower detail, camera facing west

Photograph #4, tower detail, camera facing west

Photograph #5, dining and bedroom ell, camera facing west

Photograph #6, detail of ell porch, camera facing north

Photograph #7, detail of gable wing wraparound porch, camera facing north

Photograph #8, detail of window surround, camera facing north

Photograph #9, front and side (south) elevation, camera facing northwest

Photograph #10, rear elevation from northwest corner, camera facing southeast

Photograph #11, rear elevation, camera facing east

Photograph #12, interior, stairhall, camera facing west

Photograph #13, interior, camera stairhall, camera facing west

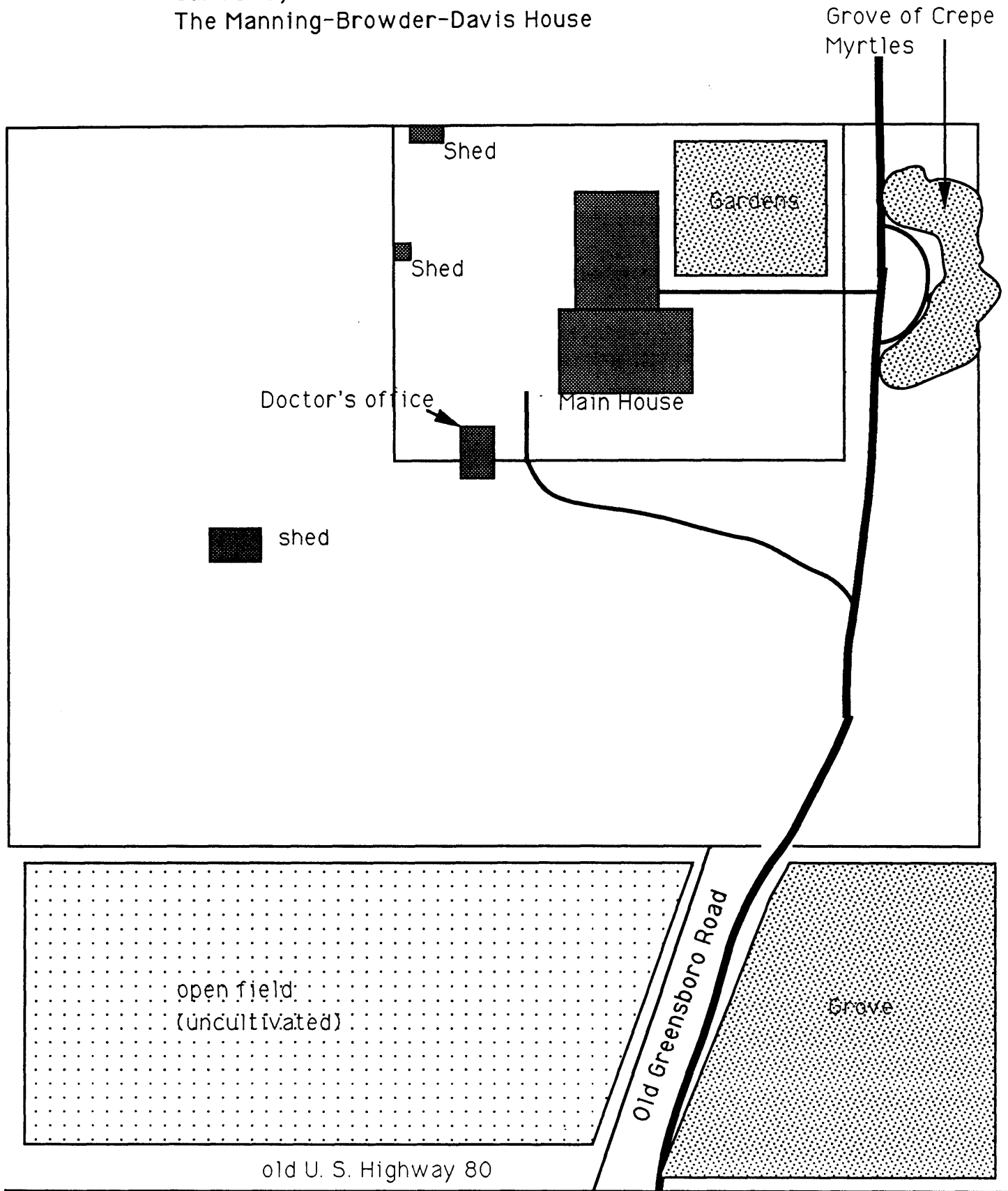
Photograph #14, interior, detail of front parlor room, camera facing southeast

Photograph #15, detail of shed, camera facing west

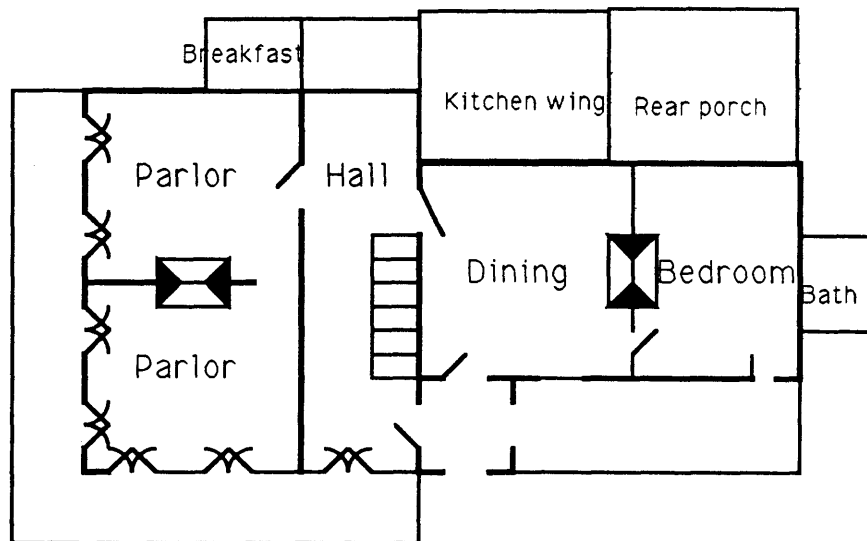
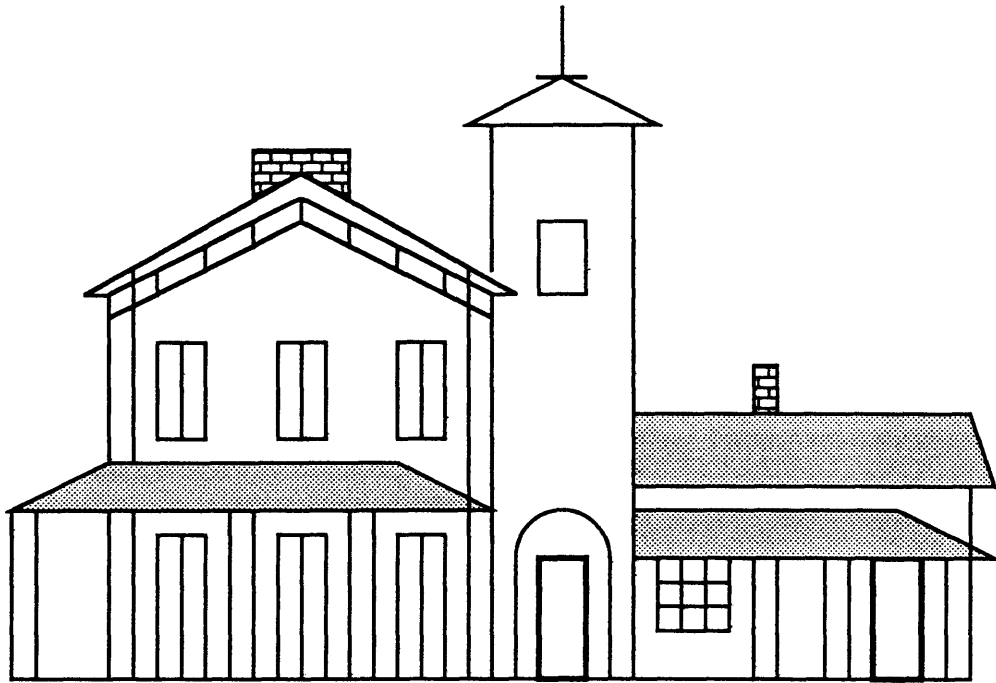
Photograph #16, detail of shed, camera facing northeast

Photograph #17, detail of Dr. Browder's medical office, camera facing southwest

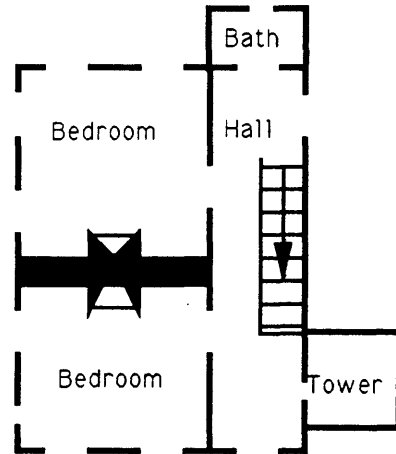
Site plan of
Hawthorne, Gallion vicinity, Hale County, Alabama
ca. 1835, remodelled 1865
The Manning-Browder-Davis House

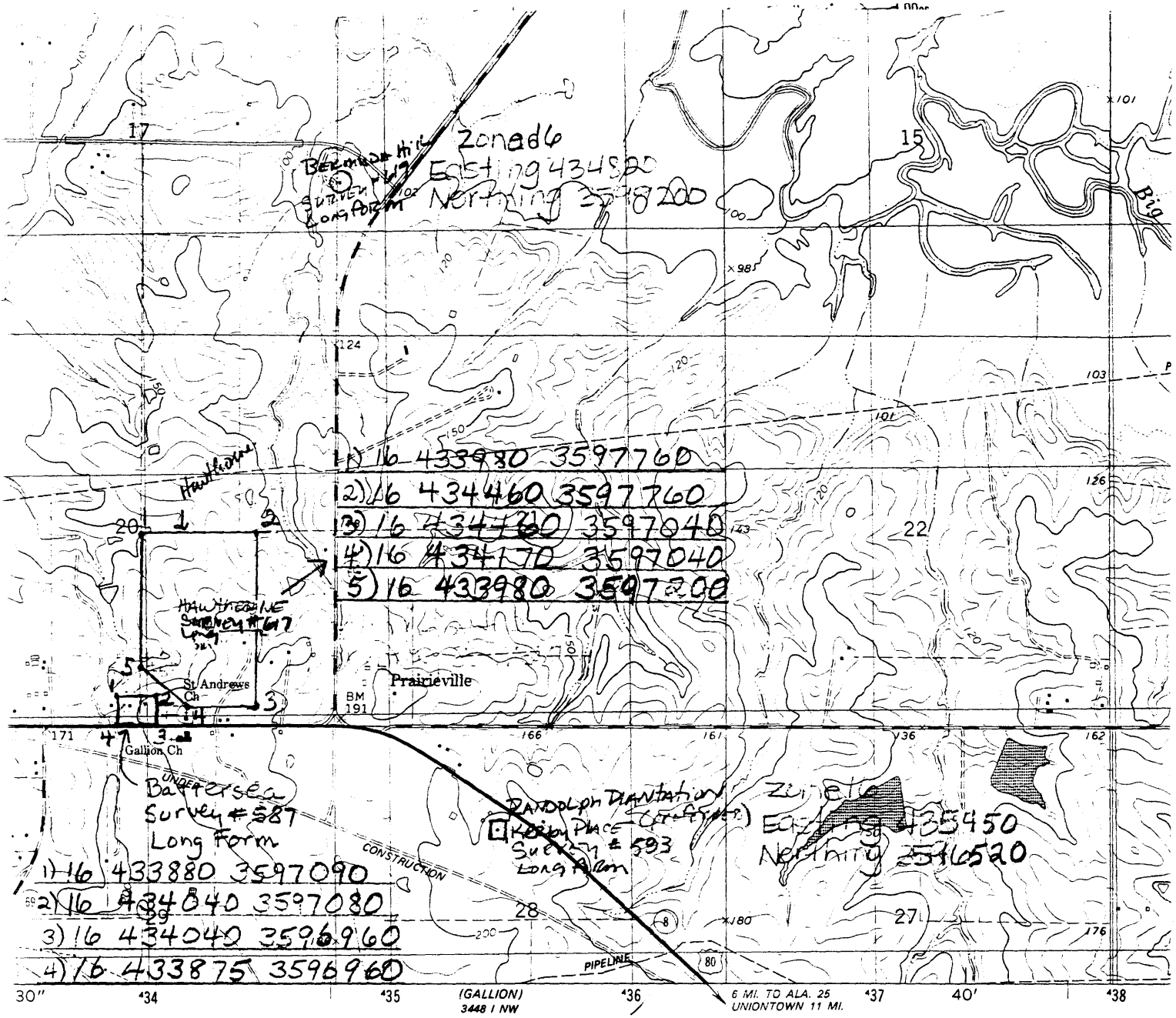


First Floor Plan and Elevation of
Hawthorne, Gallion vicinity, Hale County, Alabama
ca. 1835, remodelled 1865
The Manning-Browder-Davis house



Second floor plan of
Hawthorne
ca. 1835, remodelled 1865
The Manning-Browder-Davis house
Gallion vicinity, Hale County,
Alabama





Awthorne
Gallion Vcn.
Hale Co., AL

Dandolph Plantation/Kerby House
Prairieville Vcn.
Hale Co., AL

Battersea
Gallion Vcn.
Hale Co., AL

Bermuda Hill
Prairieville Vcn.
Hale Co., AL

CONTOUR INTERVAL 10 FEET
DOTTED LINES REPRESENT 5-FOOT CONTOURS
NATIONAL GEODETIC VERTICAL DATUM OF 1929

THIS MAP COMPLIES WITH NATIONAL MAP ACCURACY STANDARDS
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A FOLDER DESCRIBING TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS AND SYMBOLS IS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST

Revisions shown in purple and wood
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and other sources. This informati
Map edited 1986

See property "Battersea" for original map.