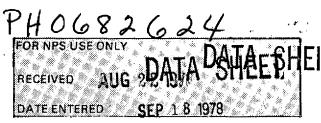
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7 DESCRIPTION

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Bradley House was erected in Smith County ca. 1805 for James Bradley. It is located on Lovers Lane approximately one mile southeast of Dixon Springs. Originally the main house on a 367-acre plantation, it stands today on a .36 acre lot.

The house is a two-story brick dwelling with a cut limestone cellar. Originally a hall-parlor house in plan, it was enlarged in the nineteenth century by the addition of a story-and-a-half, one-room wing to the rear (northeast) elevation. Built in the Federal style as interpreted in Middle Tennessee, the house has a gable roof and two chimneys which project slightly from the gable ends of the building and bisect the ridge.

The three-bay symmetrical facade (southwest elevation) was laid in Flemish bond. Brick jack arches surmount the doors and windows all of which retain their original shape and period architraves, Ghosts on the facade indicate the house formerly had a onestory pedimented entrance portico supported by columns. The southeast elevation contains an exterior door and a pedimented cellar entrance. The addition is attached to the northeast elevation which also contains another exterior door. The northwest elevation is broken only by two tiny attic windows,

The house retains its original, hall-parlor plan. Entrance is into the hall from which a semi-enclosed stairway provides access to an upper chamber. The rail, newel post, and spindels of this staircase are cherry. An enclosed stairway rises from the parlor to the other second floor chamber. No communicating door links the two chambers. All four of the rooms of the original part of the house have fireplaces which still have their original mantels with simple moldings and shelves. The room in the addition also contains a fireplace, but here the mantel is missing. Original chair and picture rails have also survived in the main section of the house.

A frame smokehouse stands east of the ell and a frame chicken house is located southeast of the house. Both were built early in this century.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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SPECIFIC DATES ca. 1805

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

James Bradley was born in Caswell County, North Carolina, on March 19, 1763. He served in the Revolutionary War, participated in the seige of Charleston, and advanced from the rank of private to Captain. Bradley moved to the Cumberland country in the 1780s or '90s and purchased a 367-acre plantation from William Sanders. He continued to acquire land in Smith County until, when he died on February 14, 1830, he owned more than 2,000 acres. -Moreover Bradley owned fifty or more slaves.-

His dwelling house reflects his rising prosperity. Although lacking a center passage and containing only four rooms, it is representative of the type of house constructed by prosperous plantation owners during the early settlement period in Middle Tennessee.

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Several similar plantation houses were erected in that area, but the Bradley House is one of the few which stands today in nearly original form. It provides, therefore, an extremely rare example of early nineteenth century Federal architecture in Middle Tennessee and illustrates not just the exterior form of such dwellings but also their plans and interior finish work.

The survival of this early nineteenth-century house is in part attributable to its having been owned by persons of limited means who were financially unable to substantially alter the building. For example, it has never had central heating or indoor plumbing installed. The present owner plans to sympathetically and carefully restore the house.

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