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**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic James Berrien Upshaw House

and/or common n/a

2. Location

street & number U.S. 78/GA 11 n/a not for publication

city, town Between n/a vicinity of

state Georgia code 013 county Walton code 297

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Donald E. and Marcia P. Vansant

street & number RT 3, Box 317

city, town Monroe n/a vicinity of state GA 30655

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Superior Court

street & number Walton County Courthouse

city, town Monroe state GA

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title See continuation sheet has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

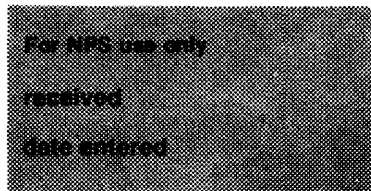
original site
 moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The James Berrien Upshaw House is a two-story, frame, late Victorian house with a one story ell off the rear containing the kitchen. It has a one-story front porch with fan brackets and turned posts, a hewn stone foundation, three interior chimneys with brick chimney caps and a gable roof. On the interior, two rooms open off each side of a central hall on each floor. Original pine flooring and fireplaces in each room exist although several of the latter have been closed. Other details include wainscoting in the downstairs hall and one downstairs room, large, simple baseboards, and a ball-and-dowel screen at the top of the hall. The front door has stained glass panes. The house sits on a rise in the midst of the small, rural community in which it is located. The front yard is landscaped with oaks and boxwood, and graveled walks edged with granite blocks. The only historic outbuilding is a clapboard barn that functions as a garage and storage building; a non-historic store is adjacent to the house. The house is at an intersection that once was the small town of Between. Changes to the house include the remodeling of the kitchen, and the enclosure of a rear porch and part of the upper hallway for baths and a bedroom. There is also a modern "deck" at the rear of the house.

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Historic Structures Field Survey: Walton County, Georgia

X-State

Historic Preservation Section, Georgia Department of Natural Resources

Atlanta Georgia

This property was determined eligible on November 28, 1983 by the Department of the Interior at the request of the Federal Highway Administration under the name James Berrien Upshaw Homeplace.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/ humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates c. 1900 **Builder/Architect** Unknown

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The James Berrien Upshaw House is significant in architecture as a good rural example of a Victorian farm house built for and owned by a community's major figure. It features a simple Victorian bracketed porch, an interesting ball-and-dowell screen in the central hall, and original mantels throughout. It is the largest and most architecturally impressive house in the crossroads settlement of Between. The house is significant in agriculture and politics and government as the home of James Berrien Upshaw (1885-1919), a large landowner and farmer who grew cotton and corn. He was also a Primitive Baptist minister and was one of the first city councilmen when Between was incorporated in 1908. At his death, the house was sold to W.T. Holder (1875-1926), also a farmer. It remained in his family until his widow's death in 1972 at which time the property was reduced in size.

These areas of significance support the property's eligibility under National Register Criteria B and C.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Cole, Hal. "James Berrien Upshaw Homeplace" Request for a Determination of Eligibility, February 1, 1983. On file at the Historic Preservation Section, Department of Natural Resources, Atlanta, Georgia.

Vansant, Marcia P. Supplemental research through interviews with descendants of the Upshaw and Holder families.

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property $\frac{1}{2}$ acre

Quadrangle name Between, GA

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References

A

1	7	2	4	0	1	0	0	3	7	4	5	2	6	0
Zone			Easting					Northing						

B

Zone			Easting					Northing						

C

Zone			Easting					Northing						

D

Zone			Easting					Northing						

E

Zone			Easting					Northing						

F

Zone			Easting					Northing						

G

Zone			Easting					Northing						

H

Zone			Easting					Northing						

Verbal boundary description and justification

The nominated property includes the house, its landscaped yard, and the one historic outbuilding. This is all that remains of the historic Upshaw property. It is marked on the enclosed plat.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	n/a	code	county	code

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Kenneth H. Thomas, Jr., Historian

organization Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Historic Preservation Section

date January 2, 1986

street & number 270 Washington Street, SW

telephone (404) 656-2840

city or town Atlanta

state Georgia

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

Elizabeth A. Lyon
Elizabeth A. Lyon

title Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer

date 1/22/86

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

Entered in the
National Register

James M. McPherson
Keeper of the National Register

date 3/6/86

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

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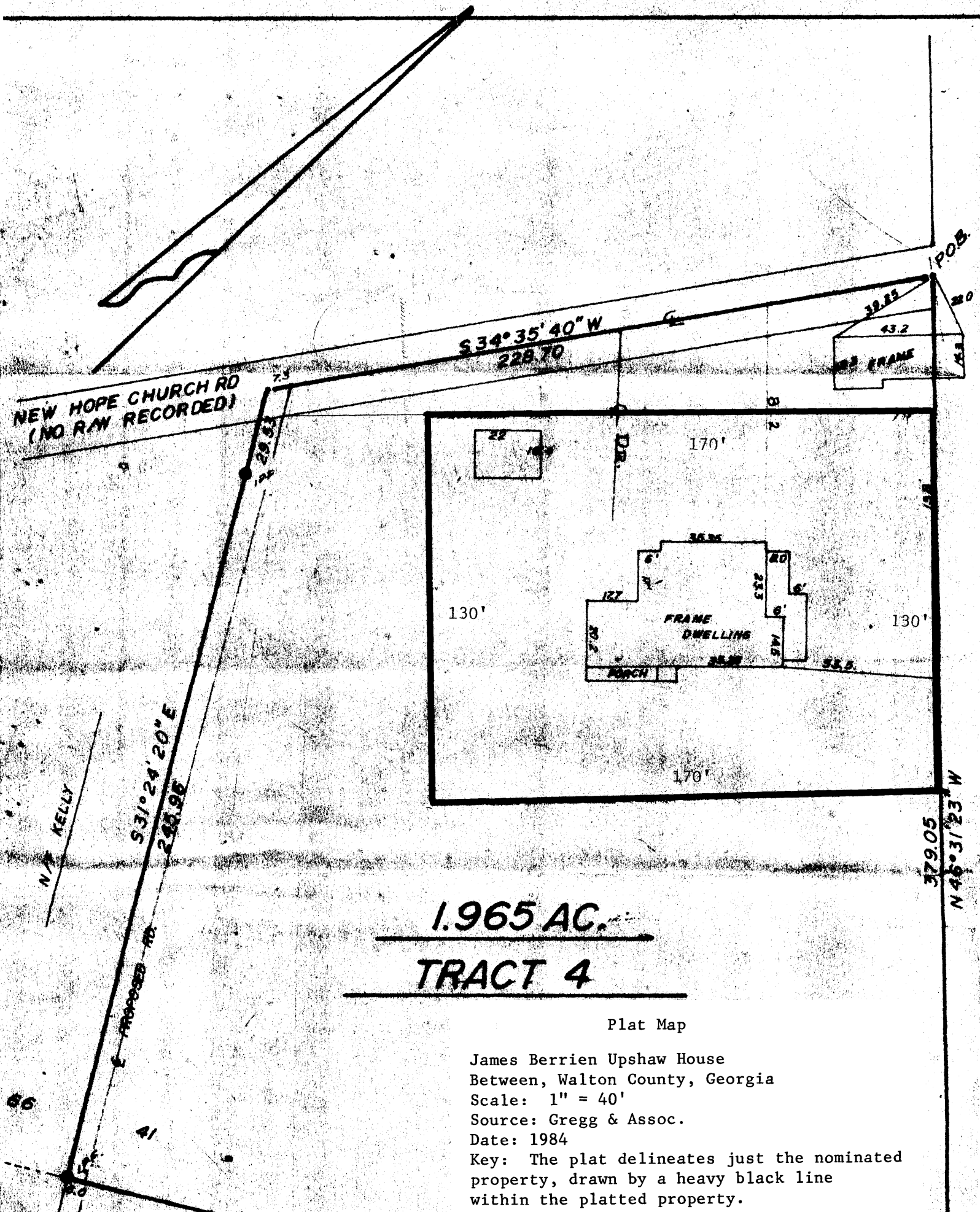
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The James Berrien Upshaw Homeplace was built in 1900 or 1901 for the man whose name it carries. He was born in the community in 1855 after his father and mother moved there in the early 1850's. He married Emma Arnold in 1876 and acquired 120 acres on which the house is built from A.J. Arnold in 1900. Upshaw owned several farms in the area totaling 1,223 acres, some of which were given to him by his father. He was apparently a "gentleman farmer" throughout his life. He was a councilman in Between, Georgia, when it was incorporated in 1908. Later in life he also began preaching at Sardis Church, a small local Primitive Baptist Church to which his parents belonged and which figured prominently in the Upshaw family history. He was a co-founder of the church and was ordained in 1911. Upshaw farmed the majority of his land. Cotton was the main crop, and there were several cotton gins in the area. Also, some corn was grown. Trees from Upshaw's land were used to build the house.

The Upshaw house was built at a time when the crossroads hamlet of Between had reached its most flourishing years. The community had been settled in the 1850's. As the years went by, local residents decided to petition for a post office. In order to do this they had to decide on a name. After lengthy discussion the name of Between was decided upon because the community was halfway between the neighboring towns of Monroe and Loganville. J.B. Upshaw is listed as one of the early residents of the community. In 1908, the community was incorporated. At that time it contained two mercantile establishments, a gin, a school and about 60 residents. The community today has approximately 95 residents. One store remains, across the highway from the Upshaw house. A non-historic structure adjacent to the Upshaw house served as a city hall and store in recent years. The school and gin have been removed. Between, Georgia, today is a small cluster of homes mainly along U.S. 78 near its intersection with New Hope Church Road. It remains a small rural community; some of its residents now commute to jobs in neighboring communities while others still farm for a living.

James B. Upshaw died on May 3, 1919. His heirs were required to sell the house and 65 acres at a public sale which took place on the 1st Tuesday in August, 1919. It was sold to W.T. Holder Sr. (1875-1926) and his wife, Lucy Mayfield Holder(1881-1972). The Holders lived there until Mrs. Holder's death in 1972. The Holders were farmers growing cotton and corn. In 1935 they built a portion of the gas station and grocery store that is adjacent to the Upshaw house. Although subsequently enlarged, it is off of the nominated property. When the Holder heirs sold the property, only 2 acres remained with the house; the rest being sold to a developer who subdivided the tract. Members of the Holder family still live on the remaining land.



1.965 AC.
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Plat Map

James Berrien Upshaw House
 Between, Walton County, Georgia
 Scale: 1" = 40'
 Source: Gregg & Assoc.
 Date: 1984

Key: The plat delineates just the nominated property, drawn by a heavy black line within the platted property.

Floor Plan

James Berrien Upshaw House

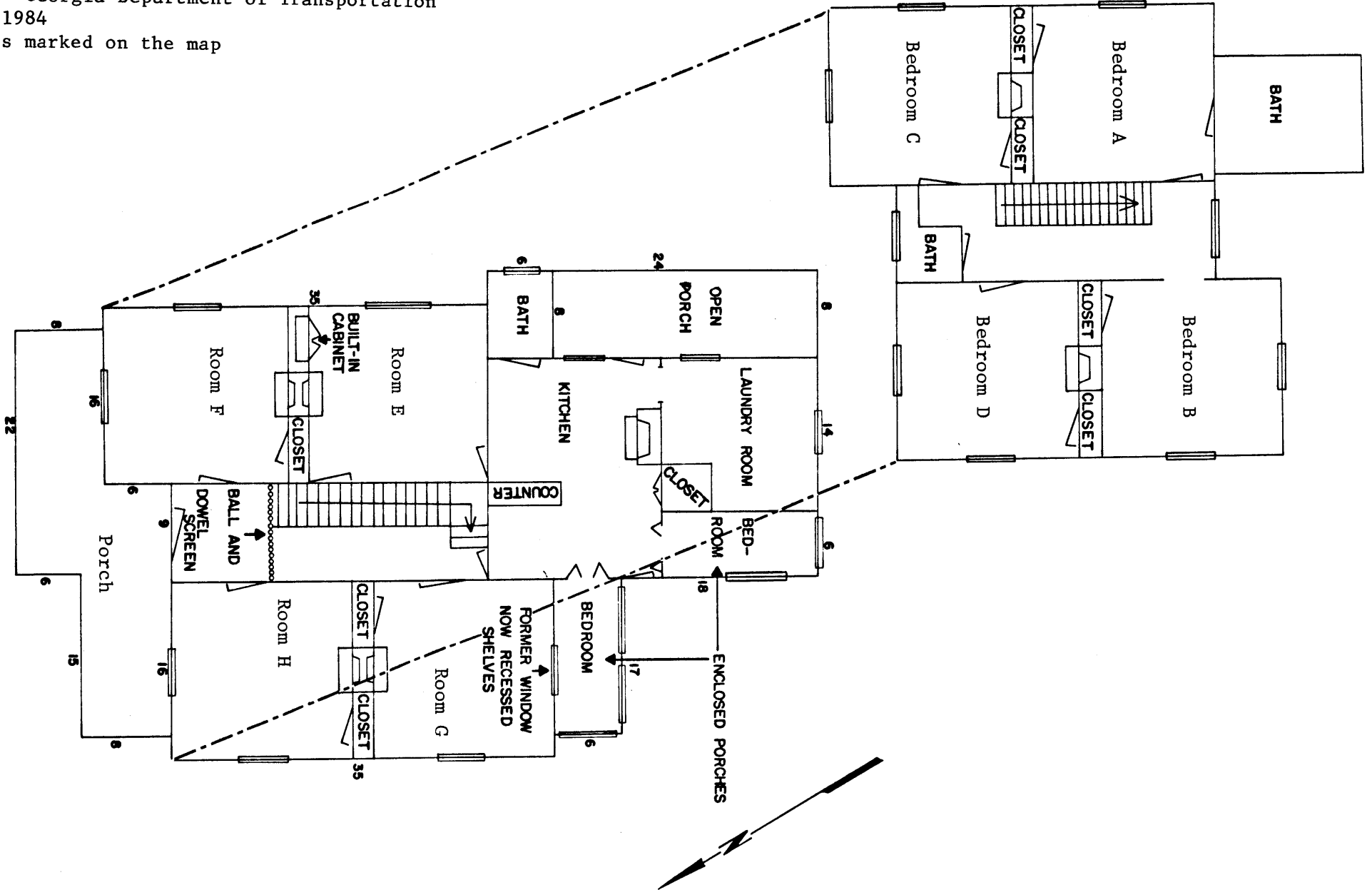
Between, Walton County, Georgia

Scale: not to scale

Source: Georgia Department of Transportation

Date: 1984

Key: as marked on the map



Interior Sketch Map