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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM**

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN *HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS*
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Carpenter-Smith House (Forest Home Farm)

AND/OR COMMON

Same

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Covered Bridge Road

NA NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Brownsboro Crestwood vic

VICINITY OF

4

STATE

CODE

COUNTY

CODE

Kentucky

021

Oldham

185

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

OWNERSHIP

STATUS

PRESENT USE

DISTRICT

PUBLIC

OCCUPIED

AGRICULTURE

MUSEUM

BUILDING(S)

PRIVATE

UNOCCUPIED

COMMERCIAL

PARK

STRUCTURE

BOTH

WORK IN PROGRESS

EDUCATIONAL

PRIVATE RESIDENCE

SITE

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

ACCESSIBLE

ENTERTAINMENT

RELIGIOUS

OBJECT

IN PROCESS

YES: RESTRICTED

GOVERNMENT

SCIENTIFIC

BEING CONSIDERED

YES: UNRESTRICTED

INDUSTRIAL

TRANSPORTATION

NO

MILITARY

OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Charles H. Buddeke, III

STREET & NUMBER

9601 Covered Bridge Road

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Prospect

NA VICINITY OF

Kentucky 40059

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Oldham County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

STATE

LaGrange

Kentucky

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Survey of Historic Sites in Kentucky

DATE

1980

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Heritage Division-Dept. of the Arts

CITY, TOWN

STATE

Frankfort

Kentucky

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE *see plan*
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Three miles west of the small farming community of Brownsboro is the Carpenter-Smith House. The house is situated $\frac{1}{4}$ mile from Highway 362 on a flat expanse in a grove of cypress trees.

Constructed circa 1839, the main block is 18' x 40' and is a five-bay, one-and-a-half story frame structure on a field stone foundation. Exterior stone chimneys with corbeled shoulders are centered in the gable ends. In the second half of the nineteenth century a two-room, one-and-a-half story ell was added off the rear.

Somewhat unique are the two front doors which open onto the main rooms, instead of a single door opening onto the central hall. Significant interior features include two mantels which represent a transition from the Federal to the Greek Revival period and the paneled doors with carpenter locks. The house is also distinguished by the brick nogging in the four walls of the east room.

The house had been vacant for a number of years and had remained unaltered. In the winter of 1980 the main block was rehabilitated for use as a residence. Most of the work consisted of repairing the existing fabric; however, one new partition was added to form a kitchen and bathroom.

No outbuildings remain standing on the site, although the foundations for the ice house and smokehouse survive. The nominated acreage encompasses the ground on which the house sits and 20' away from the foundation. (Outbuilding foundations not included.)

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
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES

c. 1839

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Not known

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Located near the agricultural community of Brownsboro in Oldham County is the Carpenter-Smith House, built c. 1839. The builder, Abel Carpenter, and the subsequent owner, Fielding Smith, were both successful farmers, respected in their community. The significance of the house, however, lies in the fact that it is one of the county's best preserved examples of early frame construction. In addition, the brick nogging employed in the construction of the house is an uncommon feature not frequently found in the state.

It is believed that the first settlement in Oldham County was in the Brownsboro vicinity around 1788, although the county was not formed until 1823. Several log, stone, and brick houses dating from the first quarter of the 19th century survive. The Carpenter-Smith House is the earliest known surviving frame house in the area. The fieldstone end chimneys with corbeled shoulders highlight the exterior architectural features, while the brick nogging in the east room highlight the interior. Simple in plan and detailing, the Carpenter-Smith House is an example of a functional and solid home of a moderately wealthy farmer in the nineteenth century.

Abel Carpenter acquired 364 acres of land on Harrods Creek on which the house now sits from Isaac Smith in 1838. The land was originally part of a preemption by David Williams. It is assumed that the frame house was constructed shortly afterwards. At the death of Carpenter in 1854, all of his property, including his farm and 18 slaves, were divided among his wife and children. His daughter Sarah and her husband Fielding Smith inherited the house and 285 acres. In the 1879 Atlas of Jefferson and Oldham Counties, Kentucky, Smith is listed as a breeder of Cotswold sheep and Berkshire hogs and grower of orchard grass. The farm remained in the Smith family up until 1979 when the last family member died.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Atlas of Jefferson and Oldham Counties, Kentucky. Philadelphia: Beers and Lanagan, 1879.

Oldham County Deed Book D, p. 280.

Oldham County Will Book 4, pp. 40, 46, 121.

(continued)

NOT VERIFIED
UTM NOT VERIFIED

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .5 acres

QUADRANGLE NAME Anchorage

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24000

UTM REFERENCES

A	1, 6	6, 2, 8, 4, 6, 0	4, 2, 4, 7, 5, 7, 0
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
C			
E			
G			

B			
	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
D			
F			
H			

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Encompassed is the land on which the house sits and an area 20' from all exterior walls.

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Mary Cronan Oppel, Grants Project Manager

ORGANIZATION

Kentucky Heritage Commission

DATE

November 1980

STREET & NUMBER

104 Bridge Street

TELEPHONE

(502) 564-4452

CITY OR TOWN

Frankfort

STATE

Kentucky

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

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

Anne Armstrong Thompson

TITLE

SHPO

DATE

1-22-82

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

William H. Braubach
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

2.25.82

ATTEST: *Paul Dubois*
CHIEF OF REGISTRATION

DATE

2/25/82

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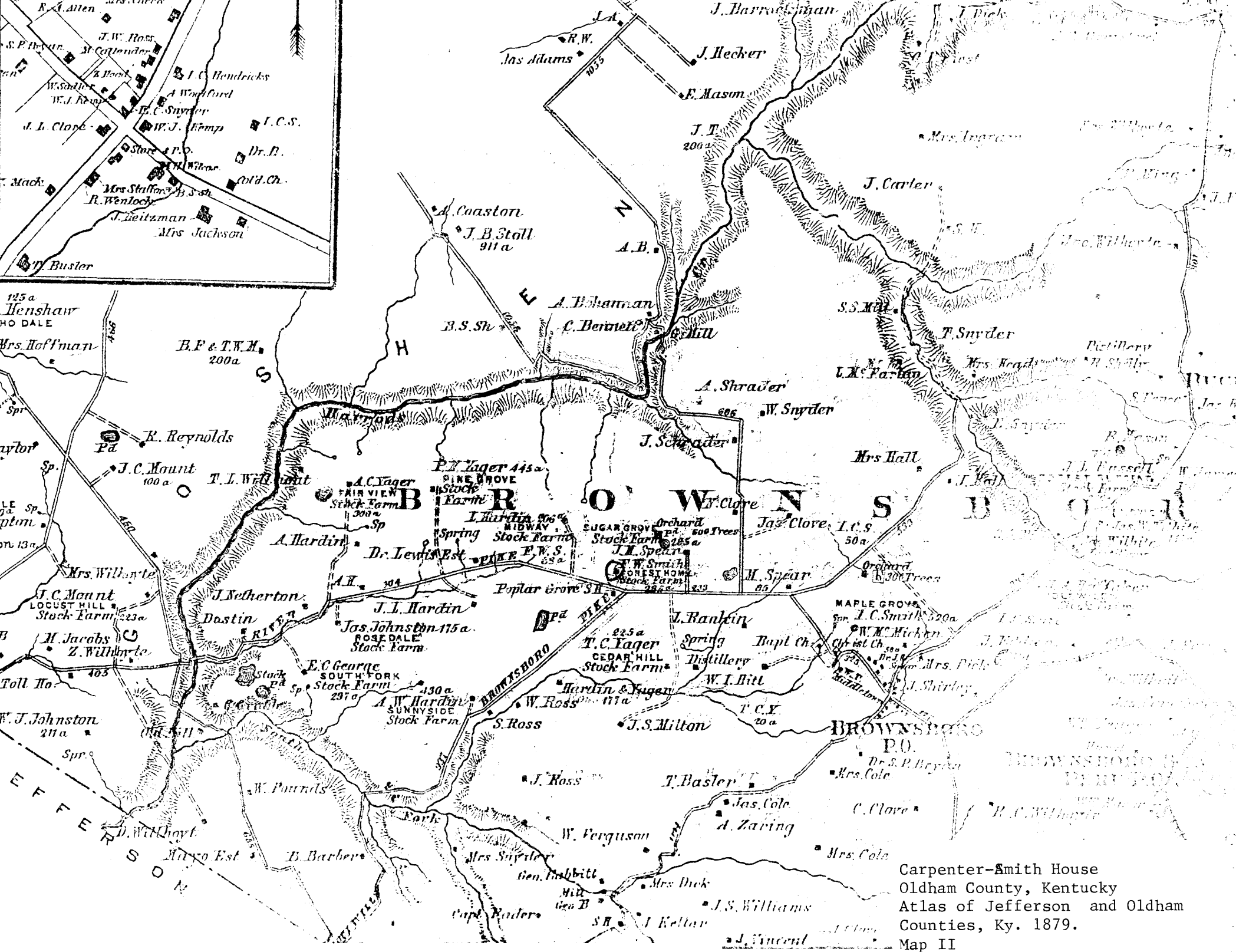
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Perrin, William Henry. Kentucky. A History of the State. Chicago, Louisville:
F. A. Battey and Co., 1887.



Carpenter-Smith House
 Oldham County, Kentucky
 Atlas of Jefferson and Oldham
 Counties, Ky. 1879.
 Map II

F. W. Smith

Farmer + Breeder of Cotswold

1879

Sheep,

Chester Hogs + Orchard Grass

