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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Tennessee	
COUNTY: Sullivan	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
APR 2 1973	

1. NAME

COMMON:
Mount Ida (Representative James H. Quillen)

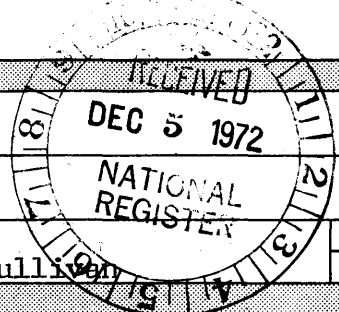
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
1010-1012 Sevier Terrace Drive

CITY OR TOWN:
Kingsport

STATE: Tennessee CODE: 47 COUNTY: Sullivan CODE: 163



3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious		
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific		

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Mrs. M. J. Morison, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Morison II

STREET AND NUMBER:
1010 & 1012 Sevier Terrace Drive

CITY OR TOWN: Kingsport STATE: Tennessee CODE: 47

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Sullivan County Register's Office

STREET AND NUMBER:
Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN: Blountville STATE: Tennessee CODE: 47

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

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7 DESCRIPTION

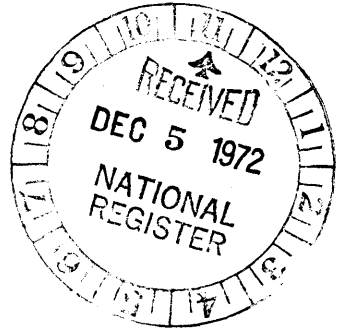
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	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

On a hill in northwest Kingsport is the Mount Ida complex which represents the history of the first century of Kingsport and its vicinity. Dominating the property is a two-story red brick house built in 1884 in a subdued Victorian style, with bracket trim on the cornice and on the one-story porch across the front. The main section of the house consists of a central hall flanked by one room on each side, the lower rooms having bay windows. To the rear is a one-story wing, surrounded by a porch, and housing the dining room and kitchen.

In 1884, the two-story log house, believed to have been built by the early 1790's, was moved slightly northwest of its original site to make way for the larger brick structure. At that time, a brick chimney replaced the stone one on the log house. Although other changes have been made to adapt the structure to year-round modern living, the family has attempted to maintain the integrity of the original log building.

Also on the property are several frame outbuildings, including a barn and well house. The grounds are simple with numerous handsome trees. The graves and tombstones of members of the Sevier family are in the yard.



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9. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

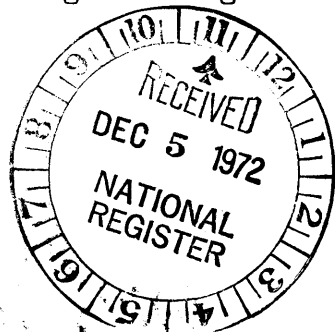
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Nearly one hundred years separate the building of the two houses on the Mount Ida complex. Together they reflect the settlement and development of the Kingsport area, not only through their architectural differences but also through their association with important families and a major industry.

The land was originally part of a 1280 acre land grant belonging to Christian Rhodes and James Menefee, who sold the property in 1790, along with other acreage, to David Ross of Carolina County, Virginia. Ross's agents immediately came to the area to establish the "Great Furnace" and forge on the North Fork of the Holston River. The land purchased by Ross became known as "the furnace tract," and by 1795, the furnace is indicated on a map of North Carolina. Ross's agents, who managed his furnace and other extensive business ventures, lived in the nearby log building at Mount Ida, named for Ross's Virginia home.

Ross's heirs owned the property until 1847, when it was sold to David Sevier. Sevier, a successful farmer, financier, and landholder, built the red brick house in 1884, at which time the log building was moved. His wife, Annis Netherland, was a member of another influential early family in the Kingsport area: the Netherland Inn, listed on the National Register, belonged to her grandfather. Mr. and Mrs. Sevier and other members of their family are buried at Mount Ida near the brick house. Sevier heirs still own the property, of which the log house is thought to be the oldest building standing in Kingsport.



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA (Johnson City: The Watauga Press, 1928)

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 9

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE
STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE



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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
Ellen Beasley

ORGANIZATION: Tennessee Historical Commission DATE: 11-15-72

STREET AND NUMBER:
403 Seventh Avenue North

CITY OR TOWN: Nashville STATE: Tennessee CODE: 47

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

<p>As the designated State Liaison 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. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:</p> <p>National <input type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> Local <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Name <u>Michael J. Smith</u> Title <u>Executive Director</u> <u>Tennessee Historical Commission</u> Date <u>11-15-72</u></p>	<p>I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.</p> <p><u>Robert M. Utley</u> Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation</p> <p>Date <u>4/2/73</u></p> <p>ATTEST: <u>Wm J. [Signature]</u> Keeper of The National Register Date <u>3-26-73</u></p>
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