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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Glencannon
other names/site number Glenfield

2. Location

street & number Providence Road at southeast corner of intersection not for publication
city, town Natchez with Gov. Fleet Rd. vicinity
state Mississippi code 28 county Adams code 1 zip code 39120

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<u> </u>	<u> </u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<u> </u>	<u> </u> structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u> </u>	<u> </u> objects
		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: n/a
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, 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. See continuation sheet.

Kenneth A. P. Paul Dec. 22, 1989
Signature of certifying official Date
Mississippi Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this 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.

other, (explain:) _____

Amy Federman 2/8/90

Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic: single dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic: single dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Gothic Revival

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation brick

walls brick

weatherboard

roof asbestos shingles

other

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

Glenfield, (historically Glencannon), is picturesquely sited on a hill at the southeast corner of the intersection of Government Fleet and Providence roads. The surrounding acreage is located partially within the city limits of Natchez and combines the beauty and seclusion of a rural retreat with the convenience of a suburban location. Glenfield is a one-story, T-shaped Gothic Revival residence that is composed of an elaborately trimmed, brick front section with a plainer frame wing extending from the rear. The house is sheltered by a cross gable roof that is pierced by three interior chimneys (one now missing) and one gable-end chimney. The two remaining interior chimneys feature a central plinth with paired stacks touching at a single corner, and the gable-end chimney with a single stack is similarly detailed. The brick front section has a molded brick water table, and the rear frame wing is supported by brick foundation walls. Evidence that the house was built in at least two distinct stages is found in the brickwork of the front wall where a vertical seam appears between the center-bay (parlor) window and western entrance doorway and on the interior where the flooring switches from cypress to pine at the junction point of the extension. All interior and exterior trim of the original portion and later extension are contemporary.

The northerly facade is a seven-bay composition with the three central bays defined by a front gable with a central pendant and decorative vergeboard with molded cornice and trefoil cusps, a treatment repeated on the gable ends of the brick section of the house. The center-bay window, which is flanked by matching entrances, is filled by paired two-over-two, double-hung sash united within a single window frame. Other windows of the facade and the windowed gable end are filled with six-over-six, double-hung sash, and all windows of the facade feature label hood molds and overlaid trefoil tracery. The windows of the facade and gable end, as well as the two matching entrance doorways, can also be closed by original shutter blinds.

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Although the three central bays are today sheltered by a twentieth-century entrance porch, a historic photograph documents the original, Gothic Revival porch, which was one of the house's most distinctive and significant architectural features. Each of the matching doorways was fronted by a single-bay, deeply projecting porch with crenelated cornice and octagonal posts linked to each other and to the front wall of the house by brackets forming Gothic arches. The two entrance porches were connected by a shallow, recessed porch, which also had a roof with crenelated cornice as well as a wooden frieze constructed of a series of X's enclosed in rectangles. Lacy cast-iron panels railed both the projecting entrance porches and the recessed connecting porch. The original octagonal wooden posts have been cut and placed on pedestals for the existing later porch, and the original cast-iron railings are stored in the barn. A pair of nicely detailed, stuccoed-brick entry steps with curving side extensions are original features and provide dual access to the existing porch.

The matching entrance doorways, which are flanked by sidelights over molded panels, are set beneath hood molds and are filled with single-leaf, six-panel doors. The door panels are adorned with decorative cusped arches, and the cusped arches of the upper two panels are glazed. The interior plan of the brick section of the house is irregular and is intersected by two halls which flank a large central parlor. The western hallway, which is deeper and is divided into front and rear sections by a transomed opening filled with a single-leaf door, separates the central parlor from two chambers to the west. An unusual window opening in the interior wall between the parlor and the western hallway provides increased light and ventilation to the large central parlor and is possibly an additional reflection of the house's enlargement, since it is located in the junction wall of the extension. The shorter eastern hallway separates the central parlor from the dining room to the east. The shorter depth of the eastern hallway and adjacent dining room is compensated by an inset rear porch beneath the gabled roof. The rear porch makes a quarter turn at the junction of the brick front section and frame rear wing and continues along the eastern elevation of the rear wing. This L-shaped rear porch is supported by original octagonal posts with brackets that join to form a

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Gothic arch and was sympathetically enclosed in the mid-twentieth century by the installation of transoms and double-leaf, glazed doors set within the original porch detailing.

The interior millwork throughout the brick front section of the house is beautifully executed and fairly uniform. Door and window surrounds have richly molded backbands and peaked caps, and the door surrounds also have plinth blocks. The windows are further elaborated with pierced wooden venetian blind or window shade cornices. Baseboards have two fascia and are molded, and doors have four molded panels. The mantel pieces of the front westernmost room and the easternmost room (dining room) are executed in white marble, but the other mantel pieces are wooden and feature shouldered architraves. The dining room windows on the northern wall are set above molded panels to echo the southern wall's floor-length windows which open onto the rear gallery. All doors retain their original oak graining, the interior trim retains its original color scheme of tan, brown, green, and red, and the walls, their original white-washed finish. The original hardware also survives. Ornamental plaster is limited to concentric circle centrepieces in the two hallways.

The rear frame wing was originally more plainly trimmed with unmolded door and window surrounds that were slightly shouldered, beaded bases, and unmolded four-panel doors. Although the front section is unaltered except for the remodeled entry porch, the rear wing has undergone substantial remodeling with additions for bathrooms and a modern kitchen.

A twentieth century barn is a feature of the property, but no nineteenth-century outbuildings have survived.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)
Architecture

Period of Significance
1851-1867

Significant Dates
n/a

Cultural Affiliation
n/a

Significant Person

n/a

Architect/Builder

unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

Glenfield, originally called Glencannon, is the most architecturally significant expression of the Gothic Revival style in the Natchez area. The significance of the house rests not only on the quality of its architecture but also on its high degree of architectural integrity, which includes the survival of its original interior decorative scheme. The walls are white, the doors are grained in imitation of oak, and the original paint colors on facings, sash, window cornices, and baseboards are tan, brown, green, and red. The original paint has been retained where possible and restored only where absolutely necessary. The only serious alteration occurred in the early twentieth century when the original Gothic Revival porch with crenelated cornice was remodeled. Fortunately, both a historic photograph and the original cast-iron railing are available to provide for its eventual restoration.

The house probably acquired its present Gothic Revival form and character after 1851, when the property was acquired by Jane Shipp Cannon, wife of William Cannon (Adams County Deed Book HH, p. 560). That the house was first called Glencannon is documented on William Cannon's tombstone in the Natchez City Cemetery as well as in courthouse records. Both the physical evidence and William Cannon's 1867 inventory indicate that the house was built in at least two stages. A vertical seam in the front brick wall, which is reflected on the interior in the shift from cypress to pine flooring, could reflect either the remodeling of an existing house on the property, when it was purchased by the Cannons in 1851, or the later enlargement of a house built by Cannon. A household inventory made in 1867 at William Cannon's death reflects the present configuration of the house but refers to one room in the rear wing as the "old dining room (Probate Box 149)." All

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9. Major Bibliographical References

Adams County, Mississippi. Chancery Clerk. Deed Books HH, WW.

Adams County, Mississippi. Chancery Clerk. Probate Box 149.

Meng, Marjorie, great granddaughter of Osborne K. Field. Interviewed by Mary W. Miller, preservation consultant with Miller Preservation Services, at Natchez, Miss., June-July 1989.

Miller, Mary W., preservation consultant with Miller Preservation Services. Inspection of Glencannon (Glenfield), June-July 1989.

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- 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 # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

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Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property 148.15 more or less

UTM References

A 1 5 | 6 5 0 | 6 5 0 | 3 4 9 0 9 3 0
 Zone Easting Northing

C 1 5 | 6 4 9 9 4 0 | 3 4 9 0 1 5 0

B 1 5 | 6 5 0 | 6 5 0 | 3 4 9 0 1 5 0
 Zone Easting Northing

D 1 5 | 6 4 9 9 4 0 | 3 4 9 0 9 3 0

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Verbal Boundary Description See attached xeroxes of Natchez City Tax Map 67, block 1, parcel 10 and Adams County Tax Map 217, block 1, parcel 14. The nominated acreage represents all the land associated with Glencannon (Glenfield) that is located east of Government Fleet Road and omits one parcel within the city limits that is located west of Government Fleet Road. 111.25 acres are outside the city limits and 36.9 acres are located with the corporate boundaries of the City of Natchez.

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Boundary Justification The nominated acreage includes all the land historically associated with Glencannon except for one eight-acre tract deeded by the Cannon family to a former slave and except for a 7.49 acre tract now physically separated from the remaining acreage by Government Fleet Road. The survival of a 148.15 acre farm, partially within the city limits, is rare and adds to the significance and integrity of the property. The inclusion of the 148.15 acres should protect the scenic vistas of the property as well as any significant archaeological resources.

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11. Form Prepared By

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existing interior trim, both in the front section and the rear wing, is consistent with a date range from 1851 to 1867.

In 1880, Cannon descendants sold the property to Osborne K. Field, a Natchez brick mason, who subsequently changed the name from Glencannon to Glenfield (Deed Book WW, p. 583). Glenfield is today the home of the granddaughter, great granddaughter, and great great granddaughter of Osborne K. Field. Guided by her respect for the integrity of Glenfield, Mrs. Lester Meng, the great granddaughter, is working toward the completion of one of Mississippi's most sensitive restorations.

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The following information is the same for all photographs:

- (1) Glencannon
- (2) Natchez, Adams County, Mississippi
- (3) Mary Warren Miller
- (4) June 1989
- (5) Historic Natchez Foundation

Photo 1--(6) Looking southwesterly, the northerly facade and the easterly gable end

Photo 2--(6) Looking northwesterly, the easterly side elevation showing the rear, or southerly, elevation of the brick front section and the easterly elevation of the rear frame wing

Photo 3--(6) Looking northerly, the entrance doorway opening into the westernmost of the two hallways, showing door to parlor to the right and door to chamber to the left

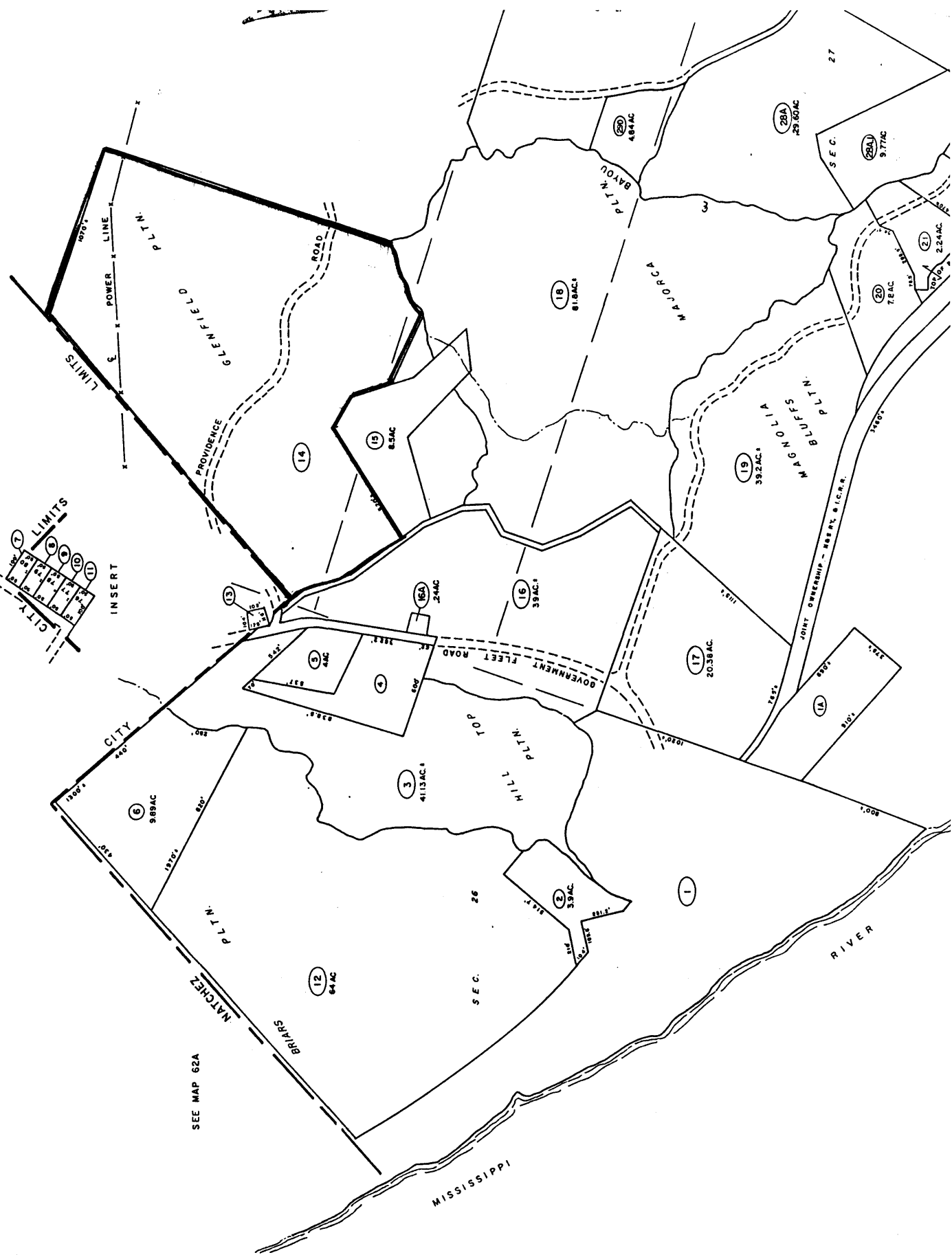
Photo 4--(6) Looking southwesterly, the large central parlor showing the interior wall window and the wooden shouldered mantel piece

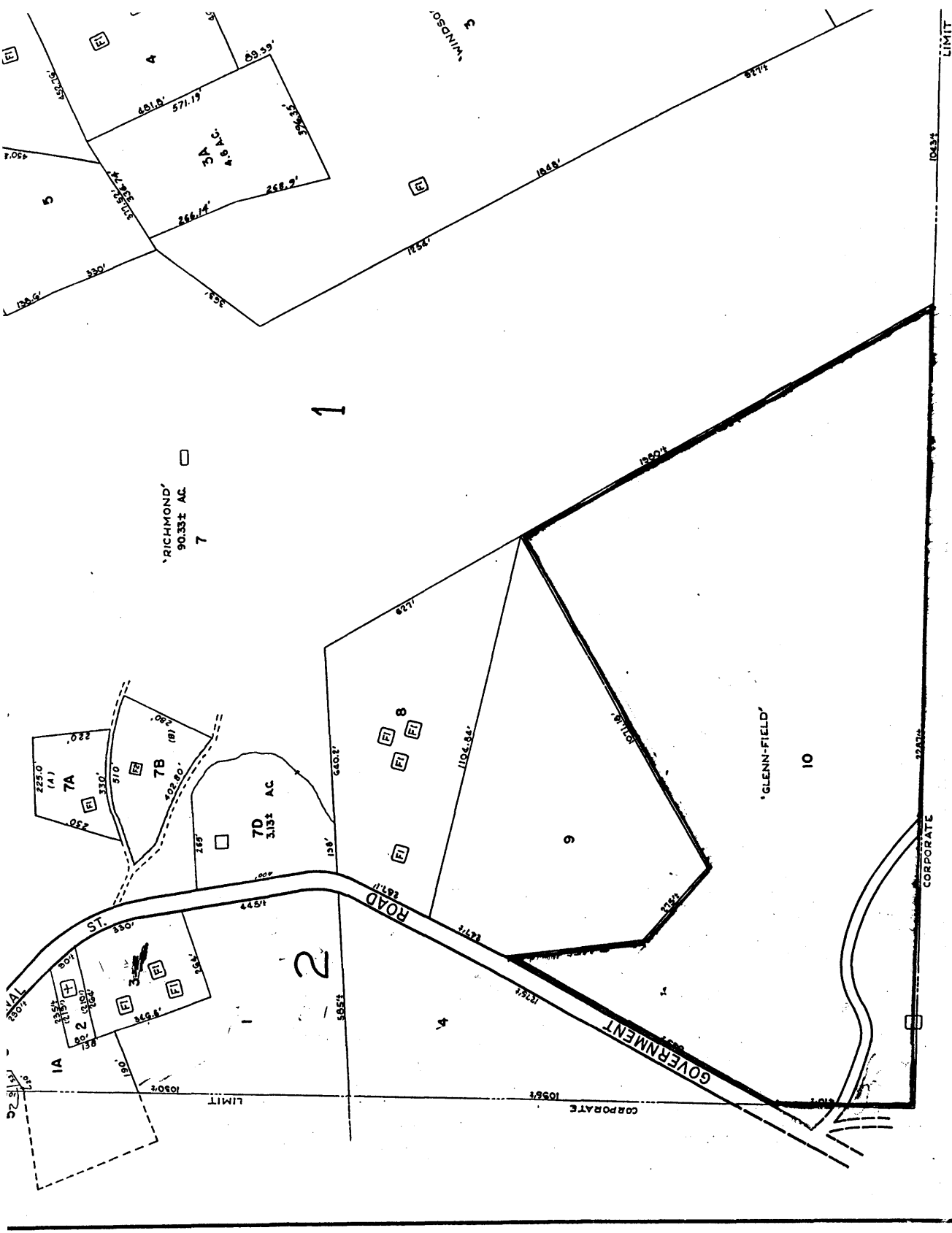
Photo 5--(6) Looking southeasterly, the dining room with its marble mantel piece and floor-length windows opening onto the rear gallery

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Adams County Tax Map 217, block 1, parcel 14 (111.25 acres)

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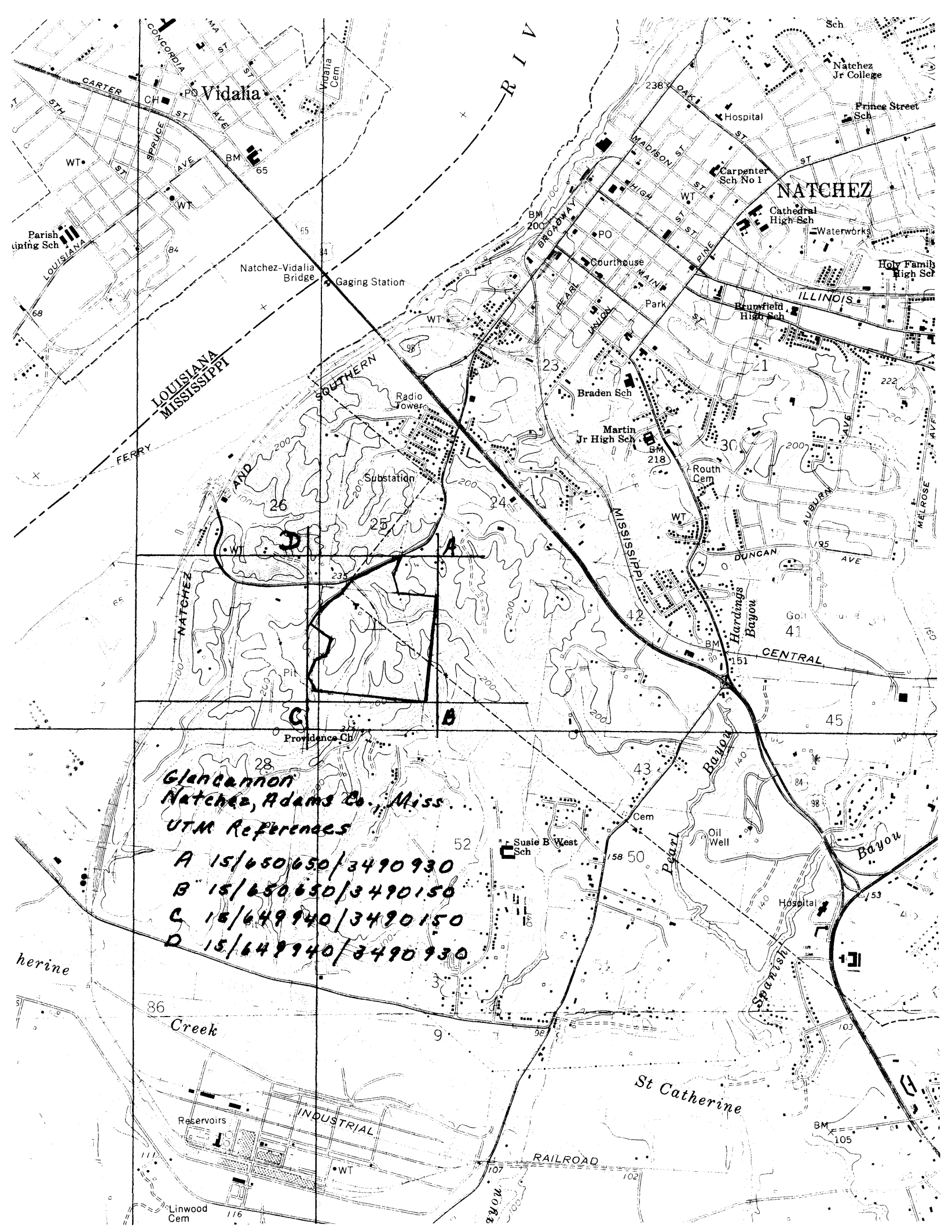


City of Natchez Tax Map 67, block 1, parcel 10 (36.9 acres)
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LEGEND: NUMBER IN () INDICATES ORIGINAL SUBDIVISION LOT NO.
 OTHER NUMBER INDICATES TAX MAP LOT NUMBER.
 --- (DASHED LINE) IS ORIGINAL SUBDIVISION LOT LINE.
 --- (DASHED LINE) IS ORIGINAL SUBDIVISION LOT LINE.
 □ RESURVEYED CORNER
 □ CORNER
 P. FRAME, S. SPRING, ETC.
 NUMBER IN SQUARE INDICATES NUMBER OF FLOORS.

ATLANTA, GEORGIA

COLE - LAYER - TRUMBULL CO.



*Glencannon
Natchez, Adams Co., Miss.
UTM References*

- A 15/650650/3490930*
- B 15/650650/3490150*
- C 15/649940/3490150*
- D 15/649940/3490930*

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