HISTORIC NAME: Wesley O. Conner House

MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. Box 68

NO. 15 .

IDENTIFICATION

HISTORY

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ORGANIZATION: Historic Preservation Section Ga. Dept. of Natural Resources

Ga.

REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS: Historic Structures Field Survey: Floyd Co. Ga.

PROPERTY NAME: Hewitt House

CITY: Cave Spring

STREET ADDRESS: Cedartown Street

PRESENT OWNER: Martha J. Walker

STATE: Georgia

ZIP CODE: 30124

CITY: Cave Spring

CURRENT USE: Residence

ACREAGE: 41 (est.)

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U.S.G.S. QUADRANGLE Cedartown West, Ga.

U.T.M. REFERENCE: 15B Z.16 E654290 N3774310

15C Z.16 E654120 N3774170

V.B.D. OR TAX MAP NUMBER: 822-51

15D Z.16 E653450 N3774270 15E Z.16 E653455 N3774465

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT CONDITION: Gothic/Romanesque Revival-style farmhouse; essentially rectangular in plan, 1-1/2 stories high, jerkin-headed gable roof, two tall interior chimneys, front dormers and porch, extensions to sides and rear; constructed of wood-frame, board-and-batten siding, seamed-metal roof; front facade features projecting center bay with large jerkin-headed dormer and triple-round-arched windows, flanked by smaller jerkin-headed dormers and single-round-arched windows; molded battens, label molding over first-story windows and doors, tall articulated chimneys; situated on gentle slope slope between hills to east and floodplains to west; grounds feature large trees, broad laws: two wood-framed board-and-batten barns to the east: [cont.]

ORIGINAL OWNER: Wesley O. Conner

ORIGINAL USE: Residence

ARCHITECT/BUILDER:

HISTORIC ACREAGE:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1869

DATE(S) OF ALTERATIONS:

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (FROM ORIGINS TO PRESENT) (OPTIONAL): The Wesley O. Conner House was built ca. 1869 shortly after Conner purchased the nominated property. The house remained in the Conner family until 1947.

N.R. AREA(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE: Architecture, landscape architec-LEVEL: State ture, education

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL): Architecturally, this house is significant as an unusual example of mid-19th-century eclectic residential architecture combining features of the Gothic and Greek Revival styles. Its overall form, proportions, arrangement, materials, and details are generally Gothic Revival; its roundarched windows are clearly Romanesque. Both styles are relatively rare in Georgia, although the Gothic Revival is well represented in Cave Spring, and their successful integration in one building is extraordinary. This design reflects the carpenter/builder architectural tradition where design originates from the combination of experience, pattern books, and the latest fashions. [cont.]

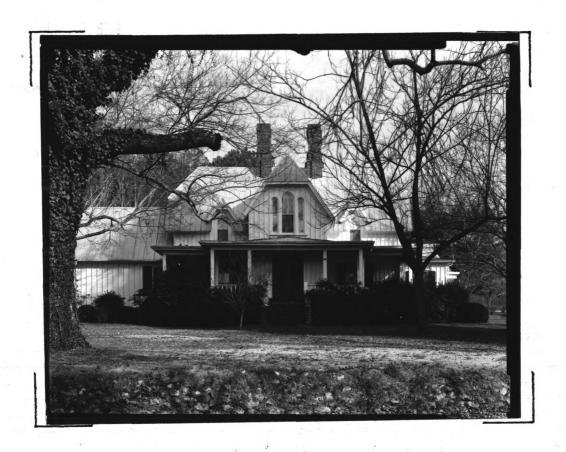
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SOURCES OF INFORMATION: Preliminary survey forms by Diane Dawson, Cave Spring; see bibliography (section 9) for general sources.

SOURCES



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DIRECTION PHOTOGRAPHER FACING: east

USE SPACE BELOW FOR CONTINUATION FROM FRONT, SKETCH PLANS OR MAPS, ADDITIONAL COMMENTS, ETC.

II. cont.: surrounded by fields, farms, and residences along Cedartown Road; good condition.

IV. cont.: In terms of <u>landscape</u> <u>architecture</u>, this property is significant for its setting, which is characteristic of the small farms lining the major country roads near small towns in this part of the state.

In terms of <u>education</u>, this house is significant as the home of Wesley O. Conner, superintendent of the Georgia School for the Deaf in Cave Spring from 1867 to 1916.