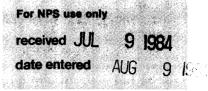
United States Department of the Interior National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form



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7. Description

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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Located on College Street in Gleason, Tennessee (pop, 1314), the Bandy House (1907) is a two-story, brick building basically Four Square in style with some Colonial Revival elements. A major feature of the house is a one-story porch supported by Ionic columns which wraps around the northeast corner of the building. The interior of the Bandy House is relatively unaltered and has oak mantels and a winding staircase with turned balusters. The building retains its architectural integrity to a high degree,

The house and porch are supported by a full brick foundation with projecting brick watertable. The exterior walls are laid in American bond. The brick chimney has two flues which service corner fireplaces. The multi-planed roof is covered with asphalt shingles.

There is a variety of window treatments found in the house. Wide window openings on the facade feature a single pane of plate glass in the lower sash and a multiple-paned upper sash. Other styles include; single plate glass panes in both upper and lower sash; triple-paned upper sash, single-paned lower; four-paned upper sash, singlepaned lower; and small, deep-set single pane windows. Both wooden and cut-stone lintels and sills are found in the house.

Projecting two-story bays are located on the north (front) and east elevations. The corners of these bays consist of a series of projecting bricks with spaces between the bricks, thus resembling the Norman molding, square billet.

Other exterior architectural features include: oversized sidelights and transom, wide eaves on the main structure and porch, and slender Ionic columns which support the deep entablature of the porch,

Interior features include: dark-stained oak mantels and woodwork, panelled sliding doors, and an elaborate corner stairway.

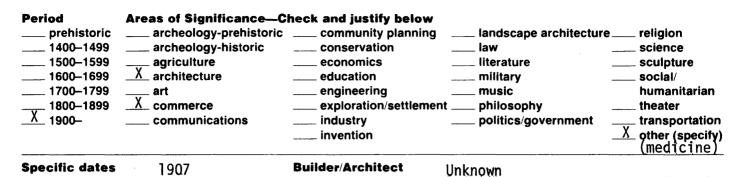
A unique construction feature of the house is the presence of plate glass between the sub-floor and the finished floor. It was Dr. Bandy's request that the glass be placed between the floors for both insulation and the prevention of insect damage to the finished flooring.

Alterations to the house include the enclosure of a southeast corner porch (ca, 1925); the enclosure of a rear upstairs porch (ca, 1940) now covered with Masonite shingles; the installation of a heating/cooling system (ca. 1940); and the renovation of the kitchen (ca. 1970).

The property is informally landscaped with mature trees. The only outbuilding is a recent one-story, gable-roofed garage. and the state of the

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8. Significance



Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Constructed in 1907, the Dr. Robert W, Bandy House is nominated under National Register criteria B and C for its significance to Gleason, Tennessee, through its architectural importance and its association with Dr. Robert W. Bandy (1861-1936), a prominent local physician and businessman. The local architectural distinction of the Four Square style house is shown in its excellent craftsmanship and its creative combination of asymmetry and classicism. Dr. Bandy was one of the leading figures in the small town of Gleason during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries as the chief physician in the surrounding area and as a banker and entrepeneur.

Robert W. Bandy was born in Gleason, Tennessee, August 12, 1861, to J. W. and Lou Dunlap Bandy. He was educated at local schools before entering Vanderbilt University in Nashville where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1879. Five years later, in 1884, he received his medical degree from Vanderbilt.

In November, 1884, Bandy married Ellen Whitworth and settled in Gleason to practice medicine. By 1901, Dr. Bandy had become a prominent physician in Gleason and the surrounding area. It was during this time that Dr. Bandy, along with six Gleason businessmen, formed a corporation in order to organize and charter the Bank of Gleason. In February, 1901, the Bank of Gleason, with an authorized capital of \$25,000, was certified by Secretary of State Jonathan Morton. In addition to being a member of the Board of Directors, Dr. Bandy was appointed cashier in 1905--a position he held for twenty-three years. On June 30, 1931, Dr. Bandy became president of the bank and remained at that position until his death in 1936.

In 1907, during the midst of his prominent career, Dr. Bandy purchased a town lot from G. W. Lasater and proceeded to have a fashionable brick home constructed. Soon afterward, Dr. Bandy became very active in many civic organizations and functions. By 1911 he was a member of the Gleason Masonic Lodge and the Knights of Pythias and served on the boards of directors of the Gleason Hardware Company, the Gleason Water Plant, and Bynum-Alexander cooperage operation which made oil, pork, and whiskey barrels. During World War I, he and his son, Joe, owned and operated a flour mill within the town of Gleason. The Bandys contracted with the United States government to provide flour for the armed forces. The mill was closed at the end of the war.

In 1941, Bandy's daughter, Imogene, and her husband, Robert Jeter, putchased the house from the Bandy estate. Dr. Jeter, who had graduated with a medical degree from Vanderbilt in 1937, began using the first floor as a doctor's office and examining rooms; the second floor was used as living quarters for the family. Dr. Jeter continued to practice medicine in the family home until his retirement in 1978.

Architecturally, the Bandy House is representative of the vernacular interpretation of classical styles. Constructed of brick, it is composed of distinctive features, such as the Ionic columns, wide eaves, and large windows. Much of the original exterior architectural elements and interior woodwork has been retained. The present owners are developing plans for the restoration of the exterior and interior. The house is one of the most architecturally distinctive residences in Gleason.

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Who's Who in Tennessee, Memphis: Paul & Douglas Co., 1911, p. 153. Bank of Gleason Charter of Incorporation, 1901. Interview with Dr. Robert Jeter, August 18, 1983.

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