

MULTIPLE RESOURCES OF ANNISTON
CALHOUN COUNTY, ALABAMA

Historic name: Henry Burt Glover House Owner: Goodgame and Bennett, Partnership
Common name: Glover-Goodgame House P. O. Box 1149
Anniston, Alabama 36202
Address: 1119 Leighton Avenue
Acreage: less than one acre UTM: 16/608980/3724750
Verbal Boundary: Lot 10, Block 34, as shown on the map of the city of Anniston,
measuring 70 feet along Leighton Avenue and running back equidistant
190 feet to an alley.

Architectural Design: Transitional Victorian

Date of Construction: 1906

Statement of Significance:

Criteria A & B - Politics and Government:

The Henry Burt Glover House is significant for its association with Henry Burt Glover. Glover, who served as county treasurer and a leader in Calhoun County government at the turn of the century, built this house a few years after the removal of the county seat from Jacksonville to Anniston. The house also represents the section along Leighton Avenue which was developed by county officials after the move of the county seat to Anniston and is one of the few remaining examples of the house-building boom that resulted from Anniston's triumph in the battle for the county seat.

Criterion C - Architecture:

The Henry Burt Glover House is significant architecturally as one of the best examples, in Anniston, of the transition from the asymmetrical Victorian house styles to the more symmetrical forms that were becoming popular in the city during the early twentieth century. The house displays Victorian elements such as wall treatment and roof slope yet exhibits an overall symmetry of design particularly in the front facade with its central emphasis.

Description:

The two-story, wood frame house has narrow clapboard siding, a brick foundation, and a high hipped roof with subordinate cross gables. The main part of the house is symmetrical, clearly organized by its three-bay facade, yet the extension of the porch to the south and a one-story projecting bay on the north elevation give an asymmetrical Victorian flavor to the overall mass of the house. The tympanum in each of the gables is faced with decorative butt-cut shingles set in an undulating pattern. The front gable has a central round vent while the side gables have squared, louvered vents.

The distinguishing features of the house include the porch, with Ionic columns interspersed with turned balustrades, and a pedimented porch entry; the trabeated door with transom and sidelights, repeated at the second floor where it leads to a small balustraded porch (the balusters are not shown in the accompanying photographs as they were removed for repair); and the chimneys with a Queen Anne splay at the top. The windows on the ground floor are double-hung one-over-one sashing, while the

same second-story windows are narrower. Two side windows on the second floor have a more distinctive lattice pattern glass with leaded muntins.

The interior floor plan features a center hall arrangement with the stairs at the rear; the foyer is distinguished by freestanding fluted columns with Scamozzi capitals. The closed stringer stairs ascent in three stages with landings, squared newel posts and turned balusters. There is also a back staircase.

The parlor is to the right and the formal rooms to the left of the hall--a sitting room and dining room--are separated by large paneled sliding pocket doors. All rooms in the house have mantels, most with columns and applied designs, all with tile hearths, and the ceilings are ten feet high throughout. The second floor essentially repeats the first floor layout and there is a full attic above.

Aside from an enclosed side porch, the house is largely unaltered with no major changes. The exterior is deteriorating, but the interior is remarkably sound.

Historical Summary:

The house symbolizes, and is one of the few remaining examples of, the house-building boom that resulted from Anniston's triumph in the battle for the county seat. Henry Burt Glover, county treasurer and a leader in both the county government and the Presbyterian Church, moved his family from Jacksonville to Anniston after the election of 1900, and constructed the house a few years later. Other county officials, including the probate judge, built houses in close proximity along Leighton Avenue. After Glover's death in 1910, the family continued to occupy the house until the 1940s when it was sold. It remained the residence of various families until 1983, then after a year's vacancy it was purchased for commercial use in 1984.

The house remains today a distinctive structure in a neighborhood that was once solidly residential, but which has slowly eroded until now the block is almost totally commercial. Though the size of the house seems to overpower the lot, it is the original setting.

Photo No. 121



Photographer:
J. Hugh Goodgame
August 1984

26 Glover-Goodgame House, Anniston, AL west elevation during renovation

Photo No. 122



Photo
No. 123



Photo No.
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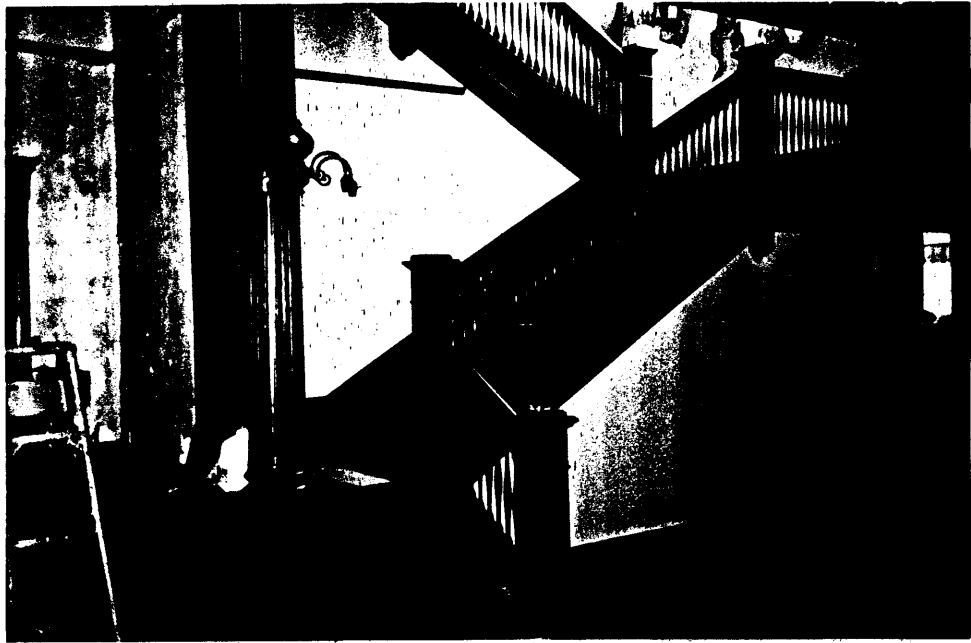
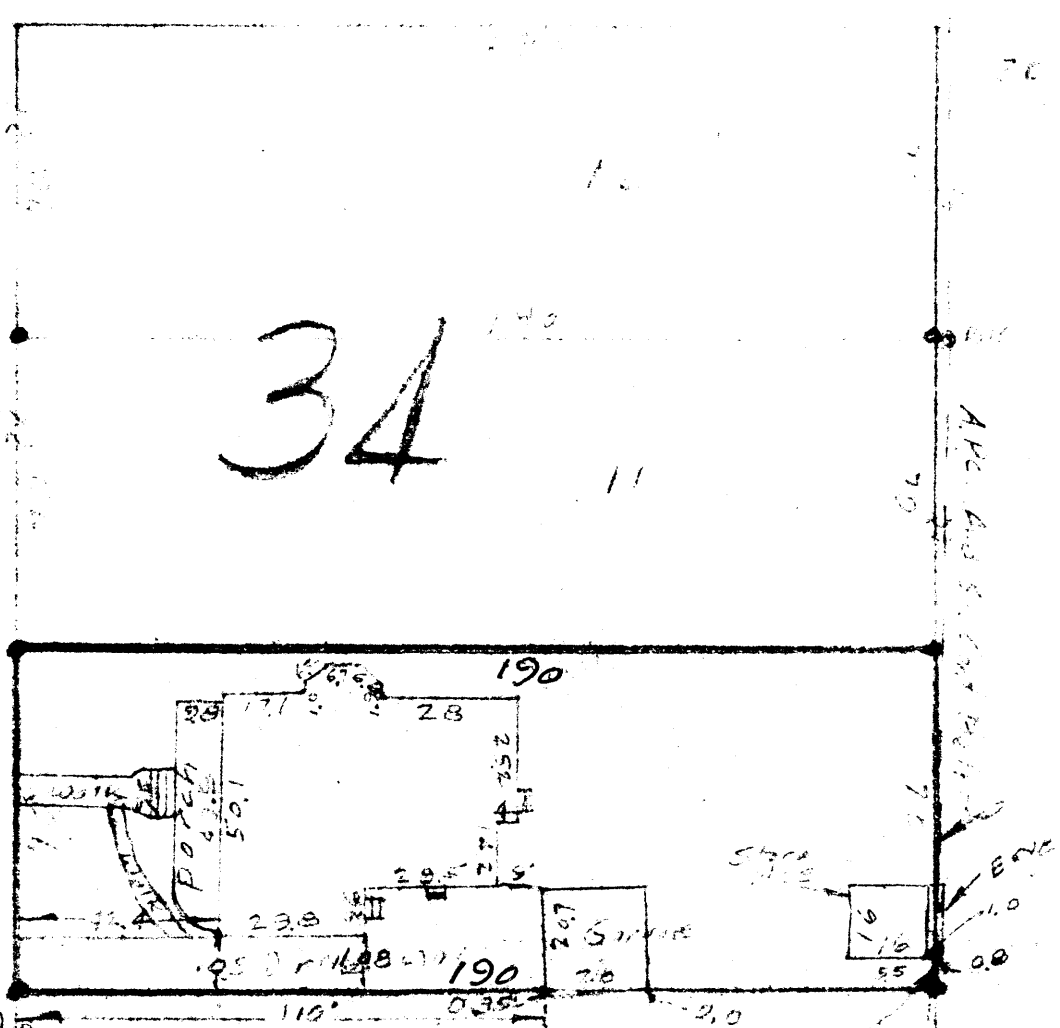


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STATE OF ALABAMA)
 COUNTY OF CALHOUN)

TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

I, A. J. SAKS, A REGISTERED SURVEYOR OF ANNISTON, AL., HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A TRUE AND CORRECT MAP OF LOT #10, BLK. #34 AS SHOWN ON THE MAP OF THE CITY OF ANNISTON, ALABAMA; THAT THE BUILDINGS NOW ERECTED ON SAID PROPERTY ARE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF SAME EXCEPT GARAGE AS SHOWN; THAT THERE ARE NO ENCROACHMENTS BY BUILDINGS ON ADJOINING PROPERTY; THAT THERE ARE NO RIGHTS OF WAY, EASEMENTS OR JOINT DRIVEWAYS OVER OR ACROSS SAID LAND VISIBLE ON THE SURFACE EXCEPT AS SHOWN; THAT THERE ARE NO ELECTRIC OR TELEPHONE WIRES (EXCLUDING WIRES WHICH SERVE THE PREMISES ONLY) OR STRUCTURES OR SUPPORTS THEREFOR, INCLUDING POLES, ANCHORS AND GUY WIRES, ON OR OVER SAID PREMISES EXCEPT AS SHOWN; THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I HAVE CONSULTED THE FEDERAL INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION FLOOD HAZARD BOUNDARY MAP AND FOUND THAT THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY IS NOT IN A SPECIFIED FLOOD HAZARD AREA; THAT THE CORRECT ADDRESS IS 1119 LEIGHTON AVENUE, ANNISTON, ALABAMA 36201.

ACCORDING TO MY SURVEY THIS THE 26TH DAY OF JULY, 1984.



A. J. Saks
 A. J. SAKS, REG. SURVEYOR #752, AL.