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National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

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This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Broadhead, Lucas, House

other names/site number WD 266

2. Location

street & number S.W. corner of Midway Pike and Aiken Road not for publication N/A

city or town Versailles vicinity

state Kentucky code KY county Woodford code 239 zip code 40383

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, 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. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

David M. Mays
Signature of certifying official/Title

SHPO/Ex. Director/11/18/93

Date

State Historic Preservation Office/Kentucky Heritage Council

State of Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the 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:)

for Signature of the Keeper

Guy M. Dapsley

Entered in the Date of Action
National Register 11/27/94

Broadhead, Lucas, House

Name of Property

Woodford, Kentucky

County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property

(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1		buildings
		sites
1		structures
		objects
2	0	Total

Name of related multiple property listing

(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)
Historic and Architectural Resources of
North West Woodford County, Kentucky

Number of contributing resources previously listed
in the National Register

0

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)

LATE 19TH AND EARLY 20TH CENTURY REVIVALS /

Colonial Revival

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation STONE / Limestone

walls WOOD / weatherboard

roof ASPHALT

other BRICK

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

Broadhead, Lucas, House
Name of Property

Woodford, Kentucky
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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

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 # _____

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

AGRICULTURE

Period of Significance

c. 1903 - 1914

Significant Dates

c. 1903

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

Broadhead, Lucas

Cultural Affiliation

na

Architect/Builder

unknown

(Lacefield, R.W.; possible builder)

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository:

Kentucky Heritage Council

Broadhead, Lucas, House
Name of Property

Woodford, Kentucky
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of Property 14 acres

UTM References Versailles, KY. 7.5 min. quad MAY 2
(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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4

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Zone	Easting			Northing										

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description
(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification
(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name E. Randle Company

street & number No. 1 Mill Creek Pike telephone _____

city or town Versailles state Kentucky zip code 40605

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Narrative Description

The property is a turn-of-the-century, grandly-scaled, Colonial Revival residence located at the end of a 1/4 mile tree-lined drive on the west side of the Midway Pike, locally known as "Millionaire's Row" since the late 19th century. The property is a two-and-one-half-story, frame, single family residence with random coursed limestone ashlar foundation, asphalt shingled hip roof with flared eave and hip dormers with 6/6 sash and flared eaves in the east (front), south and north roof planes. The house features wide wood weatherboard siding, extended boxed eaves, oversized sash windows (8/8 up and 8/1 down) with wide board trim, generous cornices and original, wood louvered shutters. The five bay front is dominated by a 10' wide porch that extends across the front and beyond, with a port cochere on the north side and an extra bay to the south side of the facade. Single, paired and triple corner Tuscan columns on rusticated limestone piers support the porch. The south side of the residence is asymmetrical with two projecting polygonal bays. A rear, two-story ell with exterior stairs and a second floor gallery has a square railing and banister.

The interior of the house is in excellent condition and has very good design and material integrity, having been sensitively renovated by the owners in recent years. It features both oak and possibly walnut trim, the latter wood used in some of the upstairs rooms and pocket doors in the center hall. Rooms are very large with oak strip flooring, oak 6-panel doors with egg-and-dart cornice mold trim. Four period mantles include two of unpainted oak and two painted Classical Revival mantles. The wide front hall opens with double pocket doors to each side accessing the dining room and living room (with polygonal bay facing south). The entry hall walls feature paneled wainscoting beneath hand painted French wall papers depicting a panorama of Eurasian garden-city scenes with minarets, turrets and other fanciful buildings, gardens and canals, etc. The hall is divided midway in depth by columns on piers with the staircase placed in the rear 1/2 of the hall. The upper central front hall is as spacious as the downstairs hall and is used for a sitting room adjoining two large bedrooms.

Contributing to the integrity and setting of the house is the entry drive corridor, slightly over 1/4 mile long and 400 feet across, vegetated with a variety of trees, many planted about the time of the house, while others are ancient specimens of oak and walnut. A dry laid rock fence fronts the Midway Road for the full, road-frontage length of the farm. It is built in the manner of the dated, 1864 fence fronting Stonewall to the

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north on the opposite side of the road (see Big Sink Rural Historic District National Register nomination, also part of this MPL). The fence features very fine, dry laid masonry with coping stones, battered walls with 32" base tapering to 22" at top, with an average height of 40". The wall breaks into a serpentine line on either side of the residential entry drive and terminates in 5' high ashlar piers with slab caps. The nominated property contains one contributing building and one contributing structure within a 14 acre parcel that includes the entry corridor and the domestic yard area surrounding the house.

8. Narrative Statement of Significance

The Broadhead house is historically significant on a local level under criteria B for its primary association with Lucas Broadhead, an individual important in the development of the late 19th and early 20th century national equine industry, an historic context developed in the North West Woodford County Multiple Property Form.

The Lucas Broadhead House was the home of, and is the primary historic resource associated with nationally prominent horseman, Lucas Broadhead. It is an excellent and well preserved example of Colonial Revival residential architecture in Woodford County on a grand scale. The house was built for Lucas Broadhead, the successful business manager / agent of A.J. Alexander's Woodburn Farm from 1869 until his retirement in 1902, when he had this home built. Broadhead's achievements in the 1870s and 1880s gained him national recognition as the orchestrator of Woodburn's distinguished stables of Thoroughbred and Standardbred horses. Born and educated in Frankfort, Kentucky, Broadhead attended college in Toronto and was involved in flour milling prior to becoming the sole agent for Woodburn following the leave of Daniel Swigert, his brother-in-law. In 1878, Racing in America (Vosburgh, Vol III.) identified 78 Thoroughbreds as being "celebrated" or pivotal to the breed between 1865 and 1880. Of those, 34 or 44% were bred at Woodburn during Broadhead's tenure. At Woodburn, Broadhead built two trotting tracks and is attributed with establishing the system of time trials, a cornerstone practice of standardbred racing today. During his over 20 year tenure at Woodburn, Broadhead lived on the premises, so this residence that he had built as his retirement home is the only historic resource directly related to him and is a sign of his outstanding work in the blooded horse industry.

Broadhead purchased the 211 acres upon which this house is built in 1903 from James Blagrave for \$27,000.00. He named the farm "Okalee" (perhaps pronounced Oak Alley?) and lived here with

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his wife, Sallie, until his death on October 1, 1914. Broadhead was remembered fondly in the local press and national sporting pages as "tall, handsome and knightly" (Bowman:1915). His local philanthropic interests included the Y.M.C.A., county hospital and Presbyterian church.

The Broadhead House is an impressive example of the Classical Revival style in north Woodford County. Although the architect and builder are not known, it is probable that the house was not built from nationally available plans, but was designed specifically for Broadhead. It is possible that the house was built by R.W. Lacefield and Sons, builders from Midway, (who built grand scaled residences in this vicinity for W.E. Simms at Airdrie, for the Parrish family at Parrish Hill Farm, and for the Hicks family at their farm, (all listed or nominated to the National Register) but this has not been verified. The house is an impressive example of architectural trends at the turn-of-the-century. The solid massing with somewhat asymmetrical fenestration presented a fashionable Revival facade while the interior interpreted the traditional center hall plan with unequally sized, flanking rooms and a variety period details and materials.

9. Bibliography

Bowmar, Aitcheson Alexander, ed. The New York Genealogical and Biographical Record. April, 1915. Vol XLVI, p.101-105.

Woodford County Clerk and Records Office. DB 15-521; Will Book 9-127, 16-603.

Woodford Sun. October 8, 1914. Versailles, Kentucky.

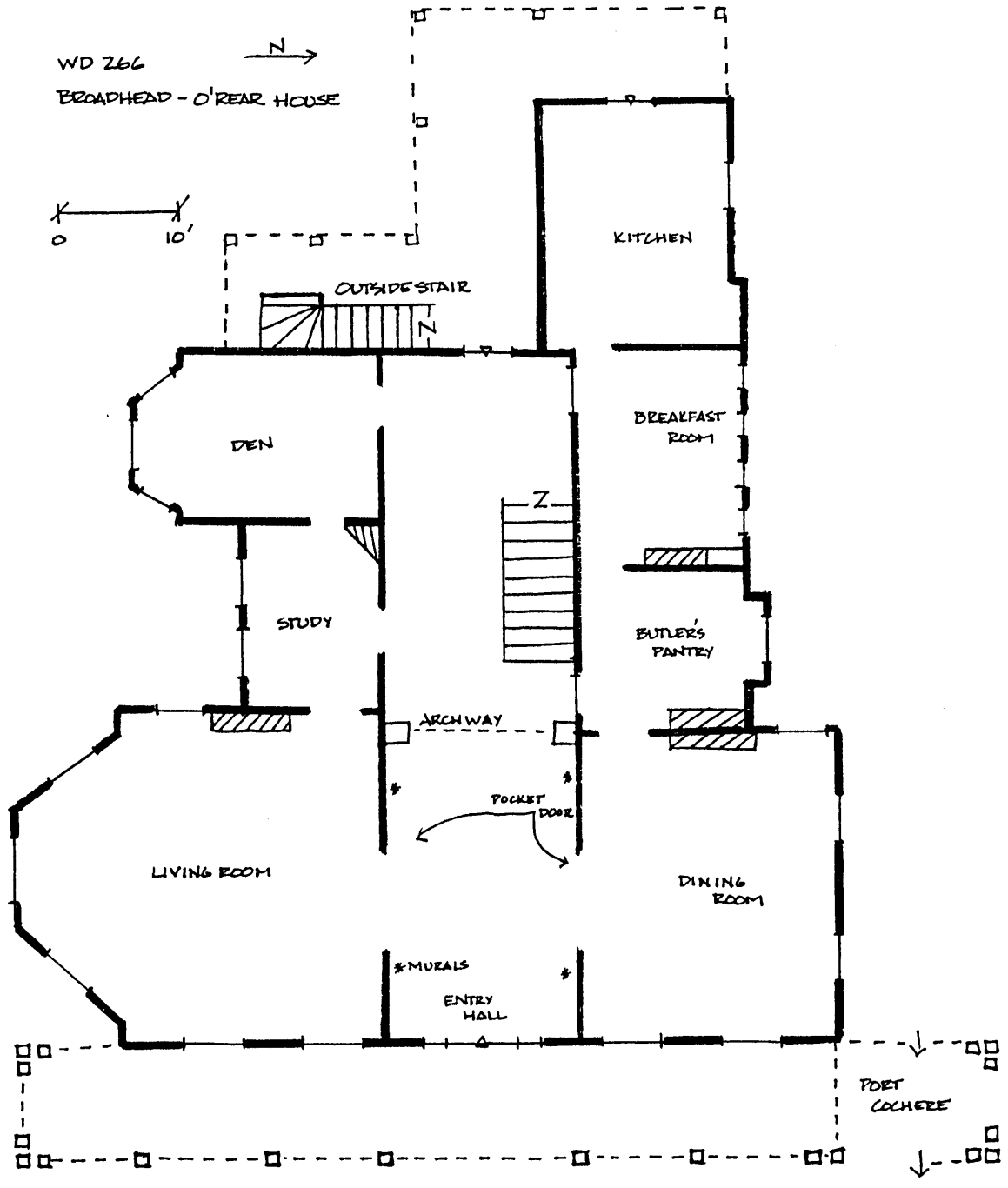
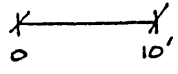
10. Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary of the nominated property is delineated by the rectangle whose vertices are marked by the reference points on the Versailles, Kentucky Quad map included with this nomination. That boundary is found within the area depicted on Woodford County Property Valuation

Boundary Justification Assessor map 29, parcel #3.

The boundary includes the landscaped entry corridor, the rock fence, the residence and the domestic yard area immediately surrounding the house, all defined by a wood fence. This area is an important historical setting for the residence and includes only the portion of the farm that contributes to understanding of the property's integrity and significance.

WD 266
BROADHEAD - O'REAR HOUSE



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STUDY

LIVING ROOM

ARCHWAY

*MURALS

ENTRY HALL

POCKET DOOR

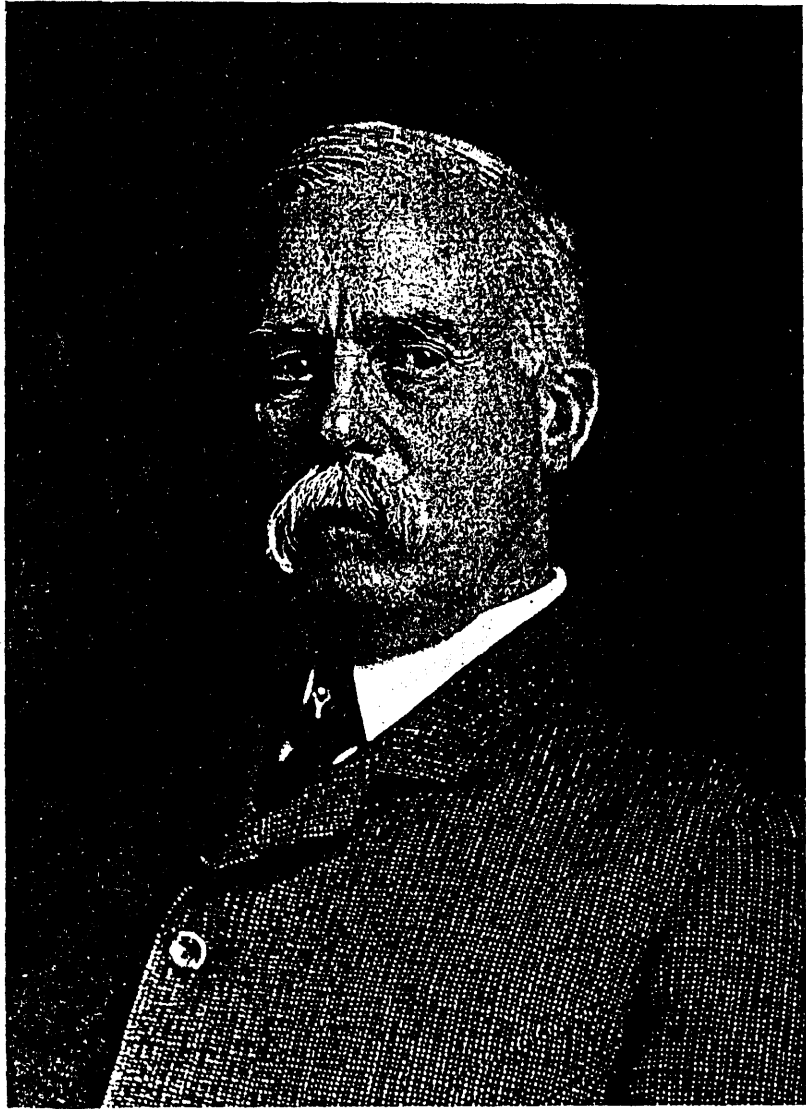
KITCHEN

BREAKFAST ROOM

BUTLER'S PANTRY

DINING ROOM

PORT COCHERE



Lucas Brothers



Front Elevation of Residence.

THE residence of Mr. Lucas Brodhead, situated on the famous Versailles and Midway Pike, is one of the most imposing in this section of Woodford County, noted as it is for its beautiful homes. The residence is built on modern lines, but with an idea of retaining all the features that go to make the old colonial residence so attractive. One very pretty departure from established lines is the row of flower boxes at the top of the piazza. These make a convenient border at the top of the house and present a most pleasing effect. The farm contains something over two hundred acres and is devoted to general farming.

PHOTO LOG: Lucas Broadhead House (WD 266)

Property location: Woodford County, Kentucky.

Photographer: Christine Amos

Date of photograph: 1992

Location of original negative: Kentucky Heritage Council,
Frankfort, Kentucky

1. Looking southwest to front (east) and north side of residence.
2. Looking northwest to south side and front of residence.
3. Interior of front entry hall with staircase in rear half of center hall.
4. Detail of hand painted paper mural in front entry hall, detail of door trim.