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SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS 1 NAME HISTORIC Stanley Reed House AND/OR COMMON Newdigate-Reed House Use the 2 LOCATION STREET & NUMBER Junction of old Route 68 and new Route 68 NOT FOR PUBLICATION CITY, TOWN CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT Maysville VICINITY OF 07 COUNTY CODE STATE CODE Kentucky 021 Mason 161 CLASSIFICATION **CATEGORY** OWNERSHIP **STATUS PRESENT USE** __DISTRICT __PUBLIC X_OCCUPIED __AGRICULTURE __MUSEUM XBUILDING(S) X.PRIVATE _UNOCCUPIED __COMMERCIAL ...PARK __STRUCTURE _BOTH _WORK IN PROGRESS __EDUCATIONAL X.PRIVATE RESIDENCE __SITE **PUBLIC ACQUISITION ACCESSIBLE** __ENTERTAINMENT ---RELIGIOUS OBJECT __IN PROCESS X.YES: RESTRICTED __GOVERNMENT __SCIENTIFICBEING CONSIDERED __YES: UNRESTRICTED __INDUSTRIAL _TRANSPORTATION __NO __MILITARY _OTHER: **4** OWNER OF PROPERTY NAME Stanley Reed STREET & NUMBER Mayflower Hotel CITY, TOWN STATE Washington District of Columbia LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION COURTHOUSE. REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Mason County Courthouse STREET & NUMBER STATE CITY, TOWN Maysville Kentucky 6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS TITLE Survey of Historic Sites in Kentucky DATE _FEDERAL XSTATE _COUNTY _LOCAL 1971 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS Kentucky Heritage Commission CITY, TOWN STATE

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DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Newdigate-Reed House is located near the junction of the old U.S. Highway 68 and the new Highway 68 on the outskirts of Maysville. Facing the old road, the house sits on a knoll in a wooded residential area.

It is a two-story log house, clapboarded in the 1930s with additions attached to the rear. The structure is asymmetrical with four windows on the left side upper story, one on the right side second story, and one to the right of the entrance on the first floor. The doorway with its one-story portico is slightly off-center. The stone chimneys on either end of the house are original.

At the left rear (southeast) of the house is a modern one-story frame addition. Adjacent to it is a two-story stone wing with a large chimney with an outside fireplace. The age of the stone addition is unknown. There is presently a second-story entrance to the stone wing on the east end.

Extensive alterations have been made over the years, particularly when the upper and lower floors were made into separate apartments. The downstairs walls have been completely paneled with only the plain primitive mantels visible to indicate the house's early construction. There are four rooms on the ground floor with an enclosed stairway in the left rear corner of the far east room.

The upstairs front section contains three rooms, two of approximately equal size at the front, one large room behind extending the full length of the building.

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Newdigate-Reed House, a two-story log dwelling, is most likely one of the oldest residences on the west end of Maysville. More importantly it was the residence of Stanley F. Reed, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States from 1938 until his retirement in 1957. The property is still owned by the Reeds and presently serves as their summer house.

The house is located in one of the oldest towns in the State of Kentucky. Situated on the Ohio at the mouth of Limestone Creek and sixty-five miles northeast of Lexington, Maysville until 1793 was known as Limestone. It was the point at which thousands of immigrants began their journey into the interior of Kentucky in the latter part of the 18th century. The town remained small, however, and the population in 1849, around the time the house was perhaps built, was 4,569.

Constructed by the Newdigate family, the house was situated at the top of the hill on the Lexington-Maysville Turnpike and thus served as a convenient stopping place for merchants and wagon masters. When merchandise was unloaded from the Ohio River flatboats and supply boats, it had to be hauled up the hills overlooking the flood plain on which Maysville is built. Wagon teams would struggle to the top of the hill, taking a rest at the Newdigate house where the men would congregate and socialize

Little is known about the Newdigates except the belief that they were farmers. (A John and William Newdigate are present in Maysville in the 1832-1848 period when, it is recorded, "they used to flatboat to New Orleans....") John Newdigate is mentioned in another source as owning the land in 1854. By 1890 the property had been sold to the Bierbower family.³

In 1910 Stanley Reed, a native of Mason County, bought the house. Reed received his B.A. degree from Kentucky Wesleyan College in 1902 and his A.B. from Yale in 1906, studying law at the University of Virginia during the period 1906-1907, at Columbia in 1908, and at the University of Paris from 1909 to 1910.

¹'O. B. 's'' Reminiscences, p. 36. ²Clift, p. 204.

³ Difficulty has been encountered in tracing the deed, resulting in the inability to obtain dates of the property's sale as well as determine the probable date of construction.

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Justice Reed began his practice of law in Maysville in 1910, becoming a member of the firm of Worthington, Browning and Reed, later of Browning, Reed and Zeigler.

During 1912-1916 Reed served as a member of the State House of Representatives where he sponsored child labor and workman's compensation bills, both of which became laws despite considerable opposition.

Reed was also interested in the plight of the farmer and aided in the organization of co-operatives which resulted in boosting farm prices.

In 1929 Reed, although a Democrat, was appointed by President Herbert Hoover general counsel of the Federal Farm Board. His vast legal knowledge, the thoroughness with which he researched and prepared his cases won himrespect within the Republican administration and in 1932 Hoover made him general counsel of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. When Franklin Roosevelt became President, Reed was continued in that office. While serving as general counsel, he handled the government's side of the "gold clause" litigation and finally, with Attorney General Cummings, argued the case in the Supreme Court of the United States.

In March 1935 President Roosevelt appointed Reed solicitor-general of the United States. In this capacity he was called upon to defend in the Supreme Court most of the Roosevelt "New Deal" laws whose constitutionality had been challenged in pending litigation. These included the National Recovery and Agricultural Adjustment Acts, both of which were held invalid by the Court, the railway labor, Wagner labor and TVA acts, all of which he won. ¹

In 1938 Reed was nominated as a member of the United States Supreme Court to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Justice George Sutherland. The choice received universal approval and was confirmed by the Senate unanimously. As to his political views it has been written that Reed was a New Dealer in the evolutionary, not revolutionary, sense in that he frequently urged that the Constitution be const rued in light of the need of a new day.

l''He was generally regarded in Washington as the best lawyer in the government service, a lawyer's lawyer with a correct knowledge of just what will or will not meet the supreme court's approval' (National Cyclopaedia of American Biography, p. 62).

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