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### <sup>\*</sup>HISTORIC RESOURCES OF LAVONIA, FRANKLIN COUNTY, GEORGIA GEORGIA ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORIC PROPERTIES SURVEY-INVENTORY FORM

### I. IDENTIFICATION

PROPERTY NAME:	Cannon-McDaniel-Maret House	HISTORIC	NAME: Car	nnon-McDaniel House
STREET ADDRESS: -	126 West Ave <del>nue</del>	CITY: La	vonia	a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a a
PRESENT OWNER: CITY:	Ms. Sara Maret 280 Stanton Way, Athens	STATE:	Georgia	ZIP CODE: 30606
CURRENT USE:	Rental	ACREAGE: 1 acre (nominated) of the 10 acres owned by Maret.		
U.S.G.S. QUADRANGLE Lavonia, GaS.C.		U.T.M. RE	FERENCE:	Z17 E 305520 N381207
V.B.D. OR TAX MAP NUMBER: 310-04-07				

#### **II. DESCRIPTION**

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT CONDITION:

One-story frame Victorian-inspired residence built on a central hall plan. Structure has high hipped, metal roof topped with an octangular-shaped cupola which contains small square windows set in pairs. Multiple gables project from the roof forming bays on the first floor. These gabled bays contain two one over one windows set in pairs and topped with dentil molding. Gables on the front facade are symmetrically placed on each side of the entrance. These gables contain the more elaborate feature of oval-shaped attic windows. The gable on the east side of the structure contains three small attic windows. The front door, a period door of half glass, is topped by a rectangular-shaped glass transom. The side door is also original. A one-story porch originally extended across the front facade and wrapped around the east side of the structure. Today, portions of this former porch define the front and side entrances. The structure contains two interior chimneys. The foundation of the house is brick piers which have been filled in with concrete block.

The interior of the house contains wooden floors, plastered walls, and acoustical tile ceilings. These tiles appear to have been added directly over the original ceiling surface and have not significantly lowered the heighth of the ceiling. Doors throughout the interior are original five-paneled, topped with glass transoms. Period mantels, some with columns, are located in four rooms of the structure, with the mantels in the two front rooms being the most elaborate. The division of the house into a duplex was accomplished with minor alterations. Two baths were added within the central hall and existing doors were blocked to divide the units. The house is in fair condition.

The structure is sited at an angle to the road and is surrounded by hardwoods. The area to be nominated includes only the immediate land surrounding the house since the remainder of the property appears to have always remained largely unused and wooded. The house is set on a small hill with the Stovall residence visible to the east and the 1950's rental structure visible on the west.

#### III. HISTORY

ORIGINAL OWNER: J. F. Cannon

ORIGINAL USE:

Residence

## III. HISTORY (Continued)

10 acres (?)

age

ARCHITECT/BUILDER: Unknown

#### HISTORIC ACREAGE:

DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: 1900 (approximate)

DATE(S) OF ALTERATIONS: 1950's addition of baths, conversion to duplex

# HISTORICAL NARRATIVE (FROM ORIGINS TO PRESENT):

This structure was built on land formerly owned by W. J. Patrick as the residence of J. F. Cannon in the early 1900's. Cannon was a farmer and livestock salesman who apparently moved to Lavonia from a former residence in the county. It appears that he continued to farm the land he owned in the county but had chosen the city location as his home to be close to schools and other conveniences. It does not appear that the 10 acres associated with this structure were ever used as farmland. In 1914 the Cannon property was acquired by James McDaniel. McDaniel was a partner in the hardware business with Frank Keese and also served as the Clerk of Franklin County. According to McDaniel's step daughter, Sara Maret, the present owner of the property, the house and 10 acres were sold for taxes. The house became a rental, a use which has continued into the present. In 1928 Sara Maret was deeded the property. In the 1950's the house was divided into two units and another structure was built on the property for use as a rental. The Cannon-McDaniel House is vacant at the present time.

# IV. SIGNIFICANCE

N. R. AREA(S) OF SIGNIFICANCE: Architecture, Local History LEVEL: Local

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL):

The Cannon-McDaniel House is architecturally significant as a relatively elaborate and intact example of local Victorian-era design. This style of house is the most common in the multiple resource area and gives Lavonia much of its distinctive character and appearance; this particular example of the style is among the most elaborately detailed in Lavonia. The use of oval-shaped windows in the two front gables and the use of glass transoms within the interior are a feature not found on any other houses within the multiple resource area. The octangular cupola which tops the high hipped roof is a detailed shared with only one other residence in Lavonia. Historically the house is significant as the home of J. F. Cannon, a local farmer and livestock merchant, and J. McDaniel, part owner of a local hardware store and a Clerk of Franklin County. These occupations are typical of those found historically in the multiple resource area.

V. SOURCES

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**REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS: None** 

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