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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

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NATIONAL REGISTER

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Warren, Marcus, House
other names/site number Warren, Marcus, House (BL-2389)

2. Location

street & number On Miser Station Road, two-tenths of a mile south of N/A not for publication
city, town the intersection of Middle Settlement Road - Louisville X vicinity
state Tennessee code TN county Blount code 009 zip code 37777

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: X private, public-local, public-State, public-Federal
Category of Property: X building(s), district, site, structure, object
Number of Resources within Property: Contributing 1, Noncontributing 1 buildings, 1 sites, 1 structures, 1 objects, Total 1

Name of related multiple property listing: Hist. & Arch. Resources of Blount Co.
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this X 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 X meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.
Signature of certifying official: Herbert L. Hager, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, Tennessee Historical Commission
Date: 6/13/89
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.
Signature of commenting or other official
Date
State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:
X 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:)
Signature of the Keeper
Date of Action

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)

OTHER/Front-Gable

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Stonewalls Weatherboard

roof Tinother Wood

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Marcus Warren House is a two-and-one-half-story frame, 3 bay, rectangular plan, front-gable residence built 1874-77. The house has a deck roof of metal standing seam, weatherboard siding, stone foundation and two interior brick chimneys. On the main (west) and north facades is a one-story porch built ca. 1920 with square Doric motif columns and a railing with square balusters. The main entrance is located in a canted bay and displays an original wood door with two arched raised panels. Windows are original two-over-two sash with label hood molding. In the half-story on the main facade is a large attic window with hood molding and paired three light fixed windows. At the roofline is attached stick decoration with drop pendants.

On the north facade is a one-story porch with a solid wood railing and screen panels added ca. 1940. At the rear or east facade is a one-story frame addition built on a large concrete block foundation ca. 1970. This addition has a gable roof and weatherboard siding. The half-story of the rear facade has an original four-over-four sash window and label hood molding. The interior floor plan has been retained and features four rooms on each floor with a central staircase. This staircase opens onto the front two rooms on the first floor and has a round handrail. The interior retains original mantles with rectangular raised panels, and two paneled doors.

At the rear of the house are several outbuildings. These include: a ca. 1910 gable roof, frame grainery with weatherboard siding, stone foundation and six-over-six sash windows (NC); and a ca. 1980 concrete block garage (NC). The property is located in a rural section of the county and is surrounded by open fields and woodlands.

8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) A B C D E F G N/A

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1874-1877

Significant Dates

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The Marcus Warren House is significant under criterion C for its architectural design. Its front-gable plan with a deck roof is unique in the county and it retains the majority of its original interior and exterior detailing. Tradition states that the house was built by Warren in imitation of New England residences and its plan is unmatched in Blount County. The house was built between 1874 and 1877 and was described in the book Our Mission in East Tennessee published in 1879. With the exception of the addition of new porch columns ca. 1920 and a rear addition, no other alterations have occurred to the house.

According to deed records, Marcus B. Warren purchased several hundred acres from Barton L. Warren in March, 1870 for \$3,000. Construction began on this house in 1874 and it was completed in 1877. The house was designed in a front-gable plan with a deck roof and four room floor plan. No other similar plan house is known to have been built in Blount County. The house was later willed to his descendants and members of the Warren family have owned the house to the present.

See continuation sheet

9. Major Bibliographical References

Blount County Deed Records. 1800 - 1989. Blount County Courthouse, Maryville, Tennessee.

Burns, Inez E. History of Blount County, Tennessee: From War Trail to Landing Strip. Tennessee Historical Commission, Mary Blount Chapter DAR, 1957.

Morgan, John. Blount County Cultural Resource Survey. Tennessee Historical Commission, Nashville, Tennessee.

Previous documentation on file (NPS): N/A

- 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 # _____

See continuation sheet

Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of property Less than 1 acre.

UTM References

A 16 765940 3965080
 Zone Easting Northing

C _____ _____ _____
 Zone Easting Northing

B _____ _____ _____
 Zone Easting Northing

D _____ _____ _____
 Zone Easting Northing

Louisville Quad

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundary for the Marcus Warren House is illustrated on accompanying Blount County tax map 35, lot 6, which is drawn at a scale of 1" = 400'. The property is bounded on the north, east, and south by a fence line which encompasses the house and two adjacent outbuildings, and on the west by the right-of-way of the Miser Station Road.

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Boundary Justification

The boundary of the Marcus Warren House includes the house, adjacent yard, and adjacent outbuildings which are encompassed within a fence line extending on three sides of the property. The boundary is drawn to exclude non-contributing farm buildings to the west and south.

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**National Register of Historic Places
Continuation Sheet**

Section number _____ Photographs Page 1 Hist. and Arch. Resources of Blount Co.

Marcus Warren House
Miser Station Rd., Louisville vic., Blount County, TN
Photographs By: Thomason and Assoc.
Date: Fall, 1988
Location of Neg: THC

View: West and south facades.
Photo # 1

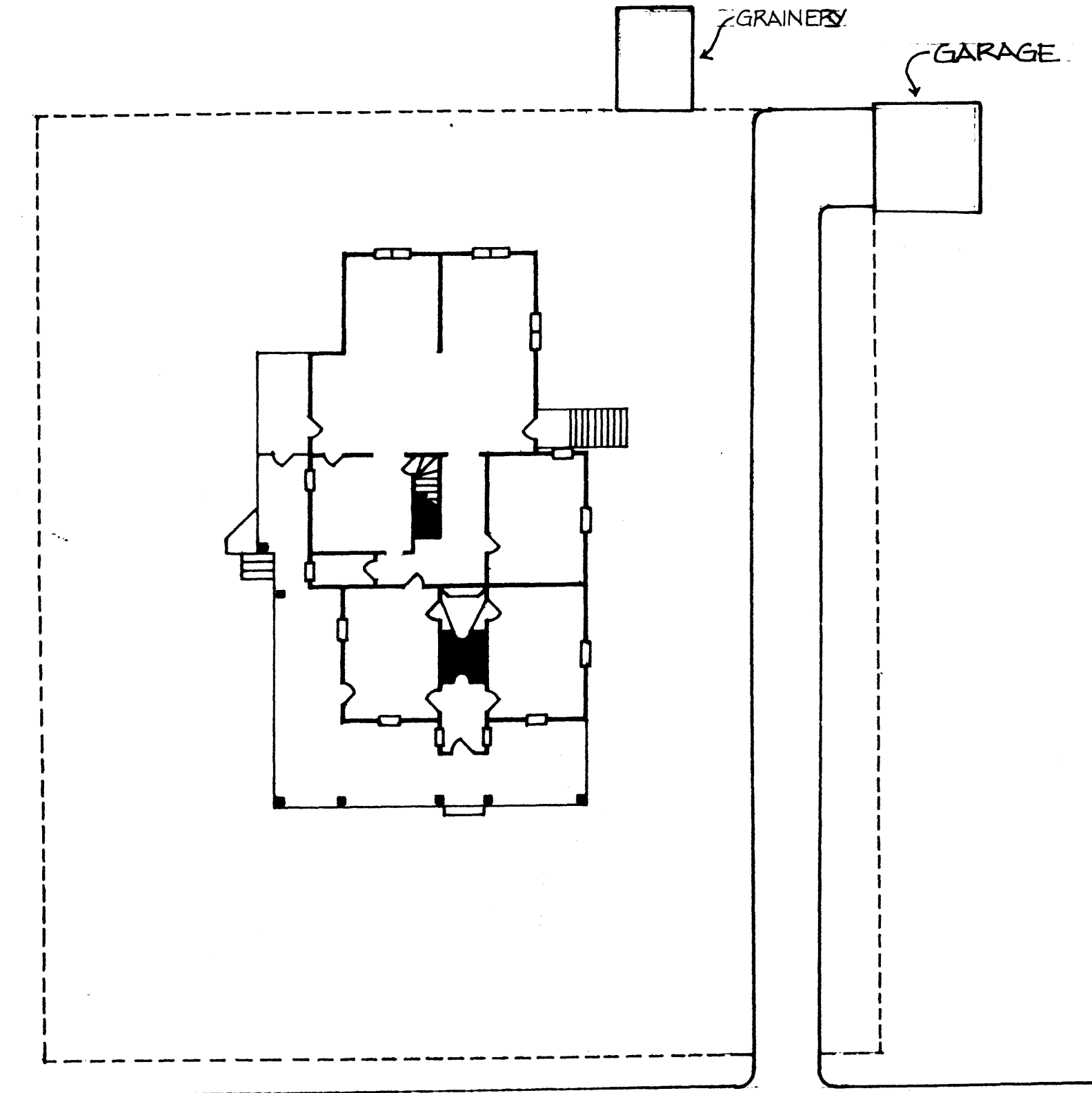
View: West and north facades.
Photo # 2

View: East facade.
Photo # 3

View: Interior, mantle.
Photo # 4

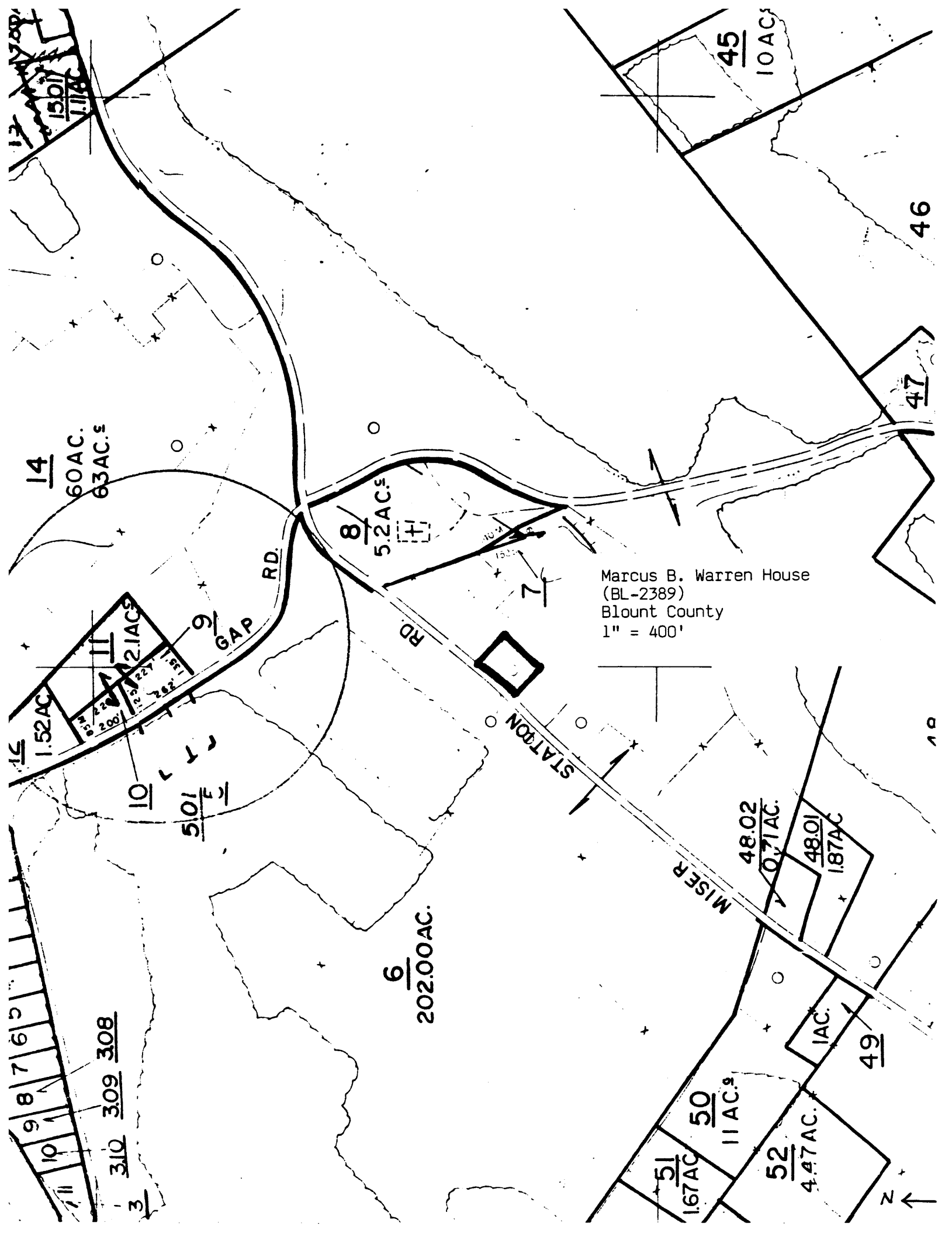
View: Shed.
Photo # 5

View: Garage.
Photo # 6



#2389 - MARCUS B. WARREN HOUSE





14
60 AC.
63 AC.±

8
5.2 AC.±

45
10 AC.±

46

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Marcus B. Warren House
(BL-2389)
Blount County
1" = 400'

15

1.52 AC.

2.1 AC.±

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GAP RD.

RD.

STATION

10

501 AC

6
202.00 AC.

MISER

48.02
0.71 AC.

48.01
1.87 AC.

48

3 310 309 308
9 8 7 6 5
10 11

50
11 AC.±

51
1.67 AC.

52
4.47 AC.

1 AC.

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