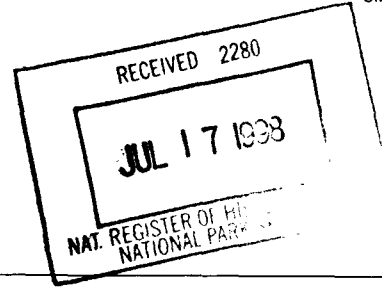


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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Manges Cabin

other name/site number: (Old) Elbo Ranch Homestead Cabin; Taggart Creek Barn; Mangus Cabin/Smithsonian #48TE0921

2. Location

street & number: South end of Grand Teton National Park, southeast of Taggart Lake

not for publication: n/a
vicinity: X

city/town: Moose

state: Wyoming code: WY

county: code: 039

zip code: 83012

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, 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 meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide X locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Ronald M Greenberg

7-9-98

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

Department of Interior, National Park Service

State or Federal agency or bureau

In my opinion, the property X meets does not meet the National Register criteria.

Michelle Brickerwald

5-15-98

Signature of commenting or other official

Date

Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby certify that this property is:

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

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
 see continuation sheet

 removed from the National Register
 see continuation sheet

 other (explain)

Sandra McClelland

5/19/98

Name of Property

County and State

Ownership of Property: Public-Federal Category of Property: Building Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: N/A Name of related multiple property listing: Grand Teton National Park Multiple Property Listing	Number of Resources within Property		
	Contributing	Noncontributing	
	<u>1</u>	—	building(s)
	—	—	sites
	—	—	structures
	—	—	objects
	<u>1</u>	—	Total

6. Function or Use

Historic Function:
Domestic/single dwelling

Current Function:
Agriculture/agricultural outbuilding

7. Description

Architectural Classification:
Other: vernacular

Materials:
foundation: stone
walls: log
roof: asphalt
other: metal

Narrative Description

Jim Manges's distinctive two-story log cabin is located southeast of Taggart Lake, just west of Cottonwood Creek, on an open terrace adjacent to the first upward surge of the Teton Range. An irrigated hay meadow lies to the east and a collusion of pine and aspen flank the property to the west. A modern corral system to the south testifies to the cabin's current use as a park service barn. A two-track dirt road provides access from Teton Park Road near the Cottonwood Creek turnout.

Impacts to physical integrity are limited to minor changes in fenestration patterns and to the application of a second board-and-batten roof. The historic homestead and dude-ranch settings have been altered by removal of a historic barn and numerous tourist cabins and by construction of the modern corral system and a tack room.

Manges Cabin (Building #684), constructed 1911.

The Manges cabin is a one and one-half story log building with a rectangular footprint. The building is constructed on a dry stone foundation. The steep gable roof features very wide eaves, which hang five feet over the cabin walls and are supported by large log brackets. Hewn, square-notched wall logs are daubed with a mixture of mud and sand, and secured with small poles.

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria: C**Criteria Considerations (Exceptions):** N/A**Significant Person(s):** N/A**Cultural Affiliation:** N/A**Areas of Significance:** Architecture**Period(s) of Significance:** 1911**Significant Dates:** N/A**Architect/Builder:** James Manges

Narrative Statement of Significance

Manges cabin is eligible for inclusion in the NRHP under criterion C for its association with vernacular architecture. Although constructed as part of a homestead and later used as part of a tourist facility -- a locally significant historical theme -- the building retains little integrity of setting or association, does not meet the registration requirements established in the GRTE MPS for homestead properties or dude ranches, and is not recommended for listing under criterion A. The cabin's period of significance is limited to 1911, the year of construction. Although now used for hay and equipment storage, the interior floorplan and dominant finishes appear to date to the historic period and contribute to the building's significance.

On August 11, 1911, James H. Manges filed a claim to 160 acres along Cottonwood Creek, under the terms of the Forest Homestead Act of 1906 (SWNE, W2SE Section 11, NWNE Section 14, T43N R116W). By 1927, Manges had developed the Elbo Ranch at the southern end of his claim.¹

In 1942, the Snake River Land Company (SRLC) hired A.E. Kendrew to conduct a survey of historic properties within Jackson Hole, on land being acquired by the company for ultimate donation to the federal government and incorporation within an expanded Grand Teton National Park. This survey included Manges's Elbo Ranch, of which Kendrew reported:

Jim Mangus [sic] ... built a very small shack on the place, then worked for Mr. Wort in the woods during the winter. He said that by running to work and 'chopping wood all winter' he could keep warm in his summer clothes. . . . During the winter he was also able to get out the logs for a new cabin on his homestead claim and in the following year, 1911, he built the cabin which is still standing on the Elbo Ranch. . . . The wide overhanging eaves and gable as well as the unusually steep roof were to prevent snow and ice gathering on the roof and walls of the buildings. . . . Mr. Mangus said that the scuttle in the first floor gave access to a pit about 9' square and 5' deep which was used for the winter storage of root vegetables. . . .

He said that the barn now non-existent was built soon after the cabin and to the northeast of it. It had a hipped roof of logs with no other covering

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¹ "Dude Ranches Out West," ca. 1927, S. N. Leek Collection, 3138, University of Wyoming Archives, as cited in Daugherty, "A Place Called Jackson Hole," chapter: The Dude Wranglers, pp. 8, 15. Daugherty reports that although included in the Union Pacific guide to Jackson Hole dude ranches, "whether [the Elbo] qualified as [an] actual dude ranch is doubtful." The brochure estimated the valley's dude-ranch pillow count at 394, and estimated the pillow count at the Elbo, Flagg Ranch, Jackson Lake Lodge, Sheffield's Teton Lodge, and Leek's Camp -- distinguished from dude ranches -- at 325 (Ibid).

Name of Property

County and State

9. Major Bibliographic References

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Historic American Building Survey (HABS), "Manges Cabin, Grand Teton National Park," HABS No. WY-22, 1969.

Kendrew, A. E. "Mangus Cabin at Elbo Ranch, Wyoming," August, 1942, folder, "Kendrew Reports," GRTE file, Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Kendrew, A. E. to Harold P. Fabian, "re: Jackson Hole Project - Mangus Cabin," September 23, 1942, folder, "Kendrew Reports," GRTE file, Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

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 # WY-22

recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

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 one acre

UTM References:

Zone
A 12

Easting
521503

Northing
4838199

Verbal Boundary Description

The boundaries parallel the foundation line, 10' beyond the eave overhang.

Boundary Justification

These boundaries conform to National Register guidelines for architecturally significant properties where integrity of the adjacent (and historically associated) land base has been compromised.

11. Form Prepared By

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organization: Historical Research Associates, Inc. date: 1997

street & number: P.O. Box 7086 telephone: 406 721-1958

city or town: Missoula state: MT zip code: 59807-7086

Property Owner

name/title: National Park Service

street & number: Grand Teton National Park Headquarters telephone: 307 739-3300

city or town: Moose state: WY zip code: 83012

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7. Narrative Description, continued

Although the window openings no longer contain glass, the 5" board frames remain intact. A vertical plank door strengthened by a Z-brace is centered on the east elevation, and provides entry to the main floor. An exterior wooden ladder, nailed to the wall immediately left of the main door, leads to the large, shuttered window opening of the second story. The shutters are functional and made of vertical planks. The east elevation also features a small metal stovepipe above the window opening.

An opening, which could accommodate a double-hung window, is located on the east side of the south elevation. The north elevation features a similar opening, immediately west of center. The window frame is centered in the west elevation, below a vertical plank entry door to the half-story.

The unusual front gable roof was constructed from a double layer of random width (6" - 12") boards applied over log purlins. The large eaves are open, exposing the purlins and roof boards. The purlin ends are also exposed.

Interior

The ground floor of Manges cabin consists of one open room. Unfinished logs, chinked with split poles, form the walls. Tongue and groove hardwood covers the floor. The window openings are trimmed with four- and five-inch unfinished boards. The open ceiling exposes log floor joists and the six to eight inch rough-cut floor boards of the half-story area. Access to the loft is gained from the exterior only.

8. Statement of Significance, continued.

He seems to be quite prosperous on this present place consisting of 4.9 acres and twelve tourist cabins for he found time to go fishing at anytime provided his mother who lives with him would "let him off."²

In a private letter to SRLC attorney Harold Fabian, Kendrew noted: "The fact that it has a second floor is unusual, and it is highly probable that this is one of the first homesteaders' cabins in the Jackson Hole country that provided second floor space."³

In a later description of the wide overhanging eaves, neighbor and fellow Jackson Hole pioneer Marvel Leshner described the unique roof and eave design as the result of "a lot of native intelligence." Secondary outbuildings at the Elbo Ranch also attested to Manges's skill:

We had a man come in here that was an engineer and he took pictures of the old bridge that Uncle Jim built over to the double story cabin He says, "For anyone that didn't study engineering, it was the best bridge that he ever saw." . . . [Uncle Jim] was very good [at building things].

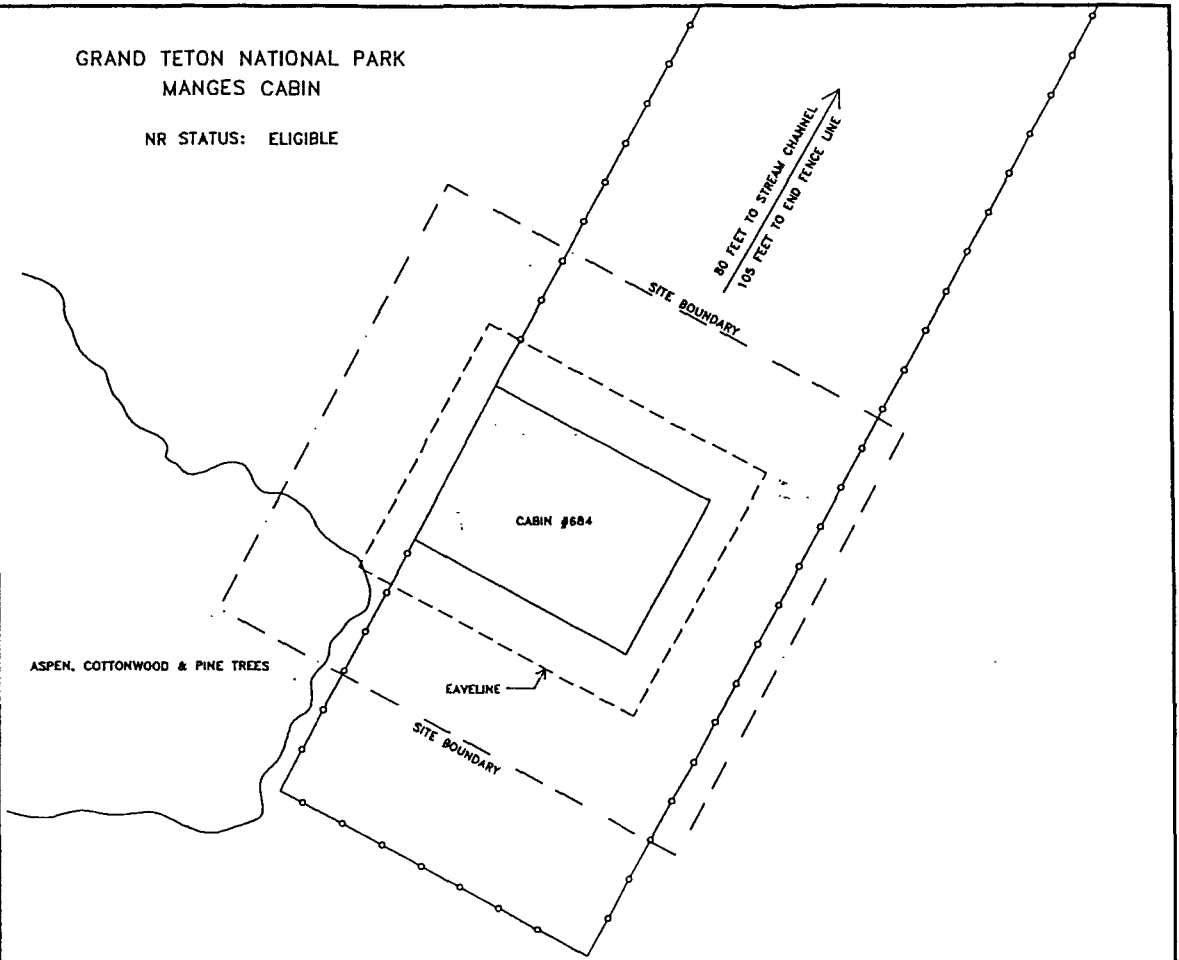
Ca. 1956, the National Park Service, heir to the Elbo Ranch, converted the ranch to employee housing. Ca. 1973, upon NPS acquisition of The Highlands, Manges's barn, the Cottonwood Creek bridge, and the twelve guest cabins were removed from the site and the Manges cabin was converted to a barn.

² A. E. Kendrew, "Mangus Cabin at Elbo Ranch, Wyoming," August, 1942, folder, "Kendrew Reports," GRTE file, Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

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MANGES CABIN

NR STATUS: ELIGIBLE



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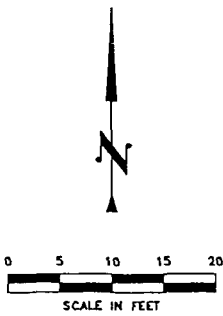
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EAVELINE

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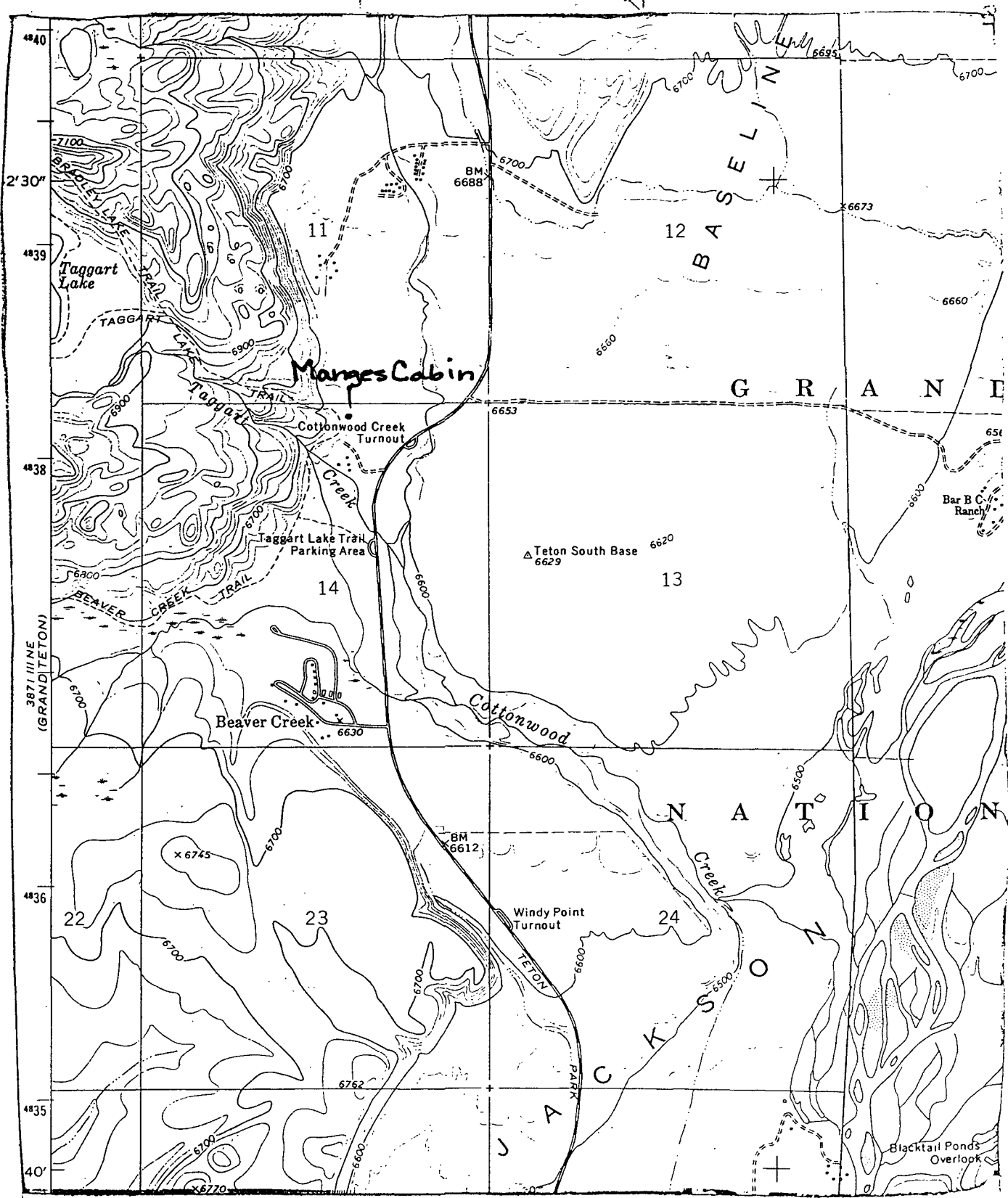
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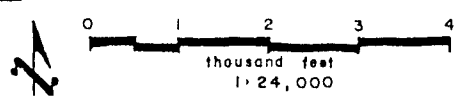


LEGEND

- FENCE LINE
- POST AND WIRE FENCE
- - - - - FIELD LATERAL
- - - - - SITE BOUNDARY



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 County Teton County, WY

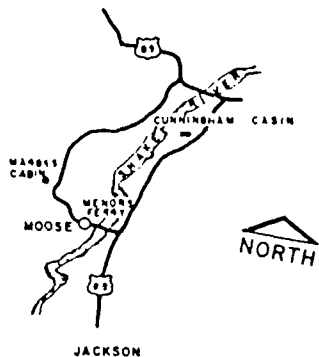
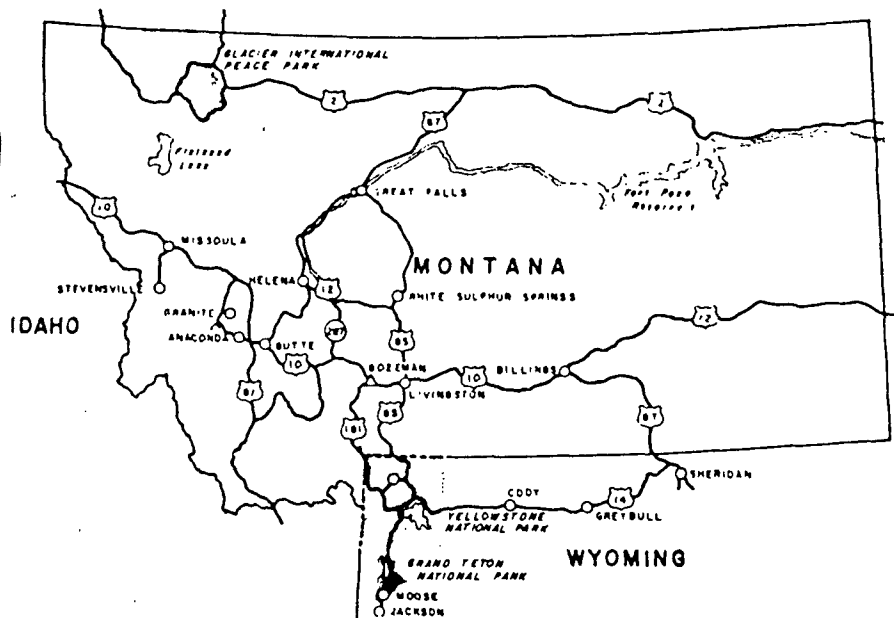


MANGES

GRAND TETON
MOOSE,

CABIN

NATIONAL PARK
WYOMING



JOHN MANGES RODE INTO THE JACKSON HOLE COUNTRY IN THE FALL OF 1910 HAVING LEFT HIS HOME IN KANSAS. HE FILED A HOMESTEAD CLAIM IN 1911 ON LAND LATER KNOWN AS THE (OLD) ELBO RANCH, NOW PART OF THE GRAND TETON NATIONAL PARK.

A PRESENT RANCH EAST OF THE SNAKE RIVER BEARS THE ELBO RANCH NAME.

THE TWO STORY LOG STRUCTURE IS ONE OF THE FIRST HOMESTEADERS' CABINS IN THE JACKSON HOLE COUNTRY THAT PROVIDED SECOND FLOOR SPACE. IT IS ALSO BELIEVED TO BE ONE OF THE FIRST STRUCTURES CONSTRUCTED WEST OF THE SNAKE RIVER.

THE CABIN'S UNIQUE DESIGN OF A STEEP PITCHED ROOF, WIDE OVERHANGING OF THE EAVES AND GABLES SERVED A REAL PURPOSE IN PREVENTING SNOW AND ICE GATHERING ON THE ROOF AND WALLS OF THE BUILDING.

THE FIRST ROOF WAS CONSTRUCTED OF A SINGLE LAYER OF BOARDS WITH THE JOINTS COVERED WITH SLABS. LATER, BUILDING FELT COVERED THE BOARDS AND ANOTHER LAYER OF BOARDS WITH BATTENED JOINTS WAS ADDED.

THE BUILDING TODAY IS STRUCTURALLY SOUND AND NOW SERVES AS A STORAGE BUILDING.

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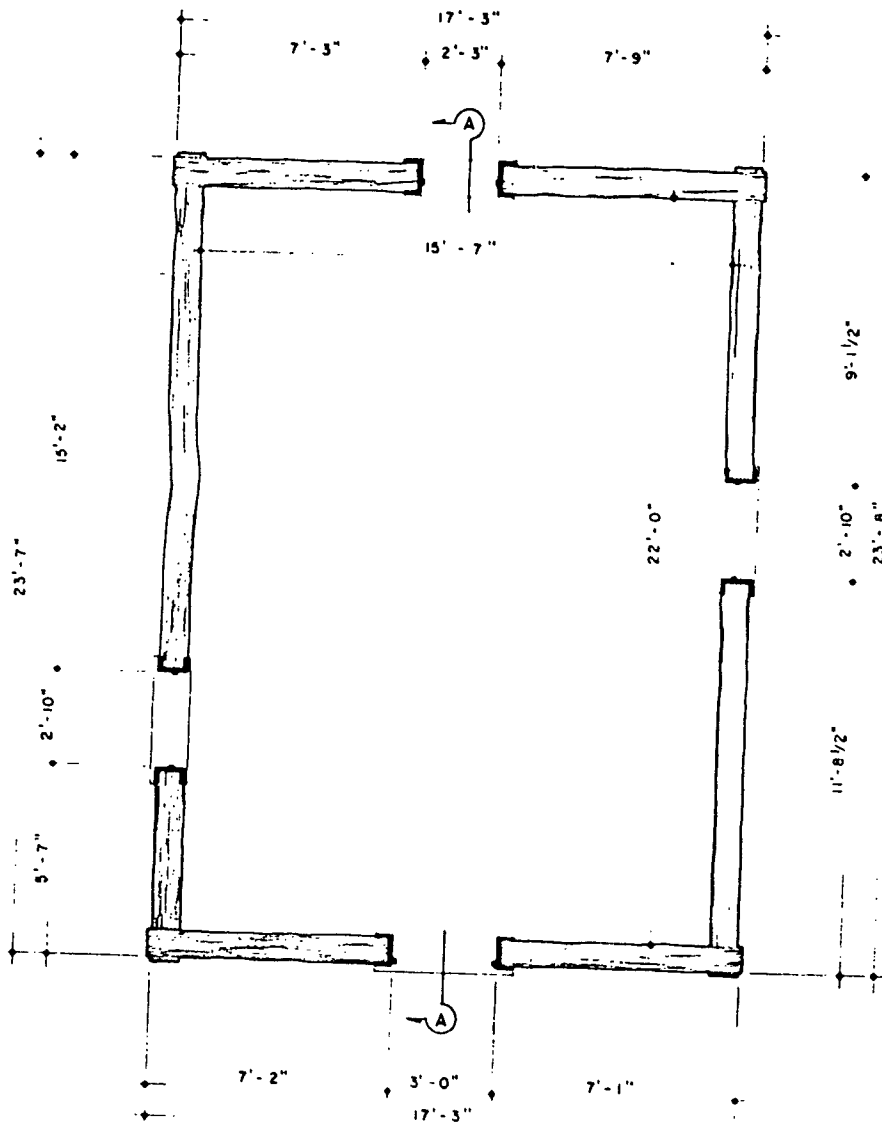
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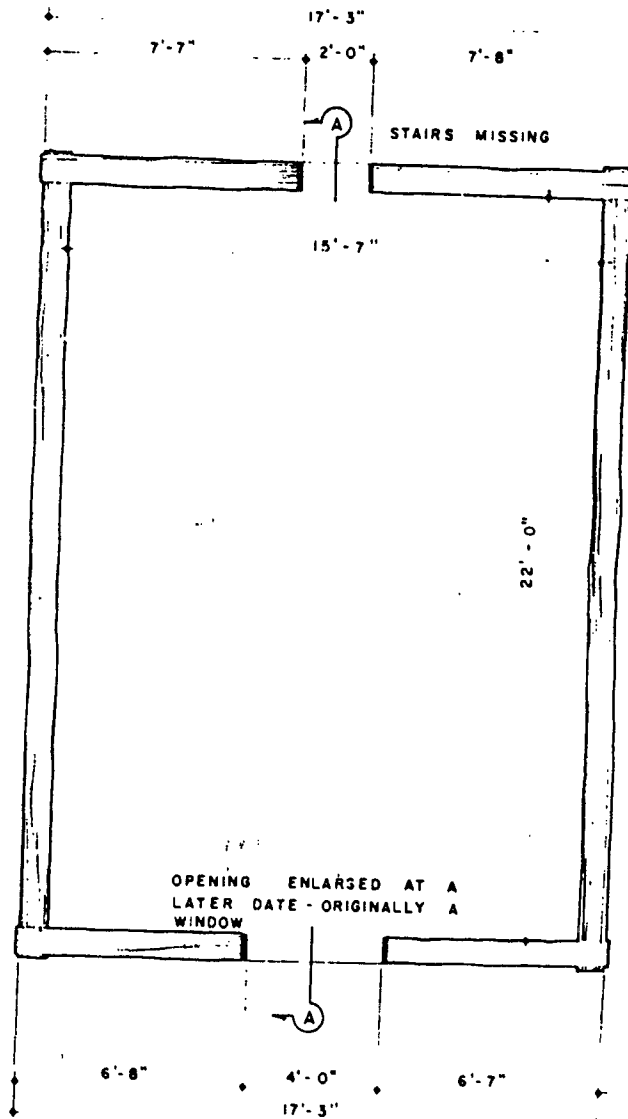
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FIRST FLOOR PLAN



SECOND FLOOR PLAN



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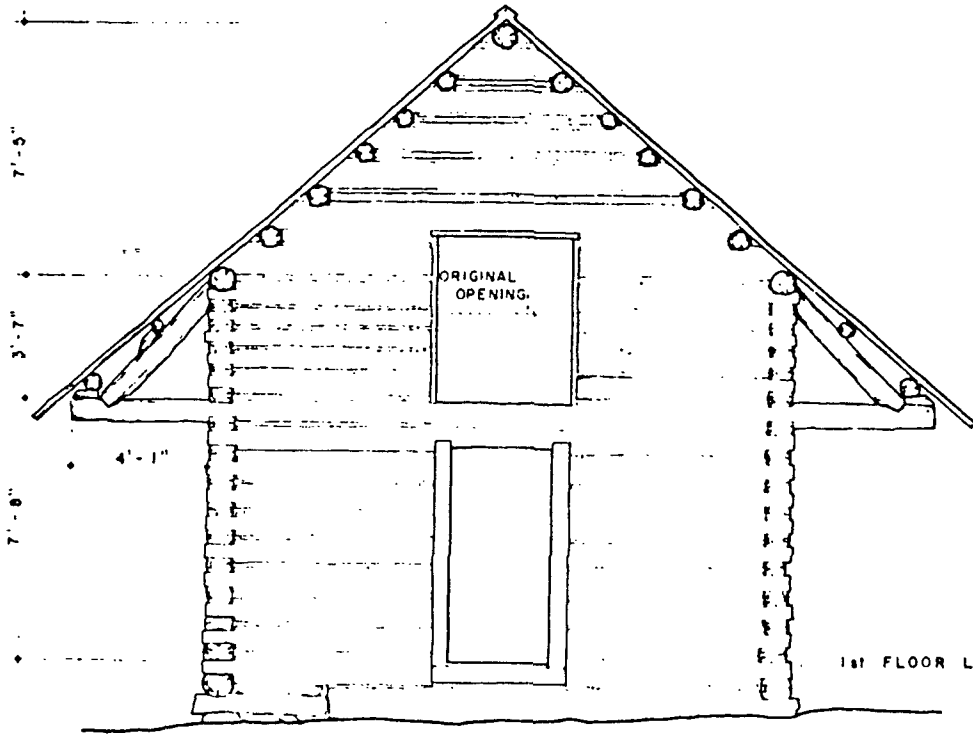
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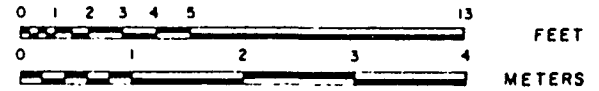
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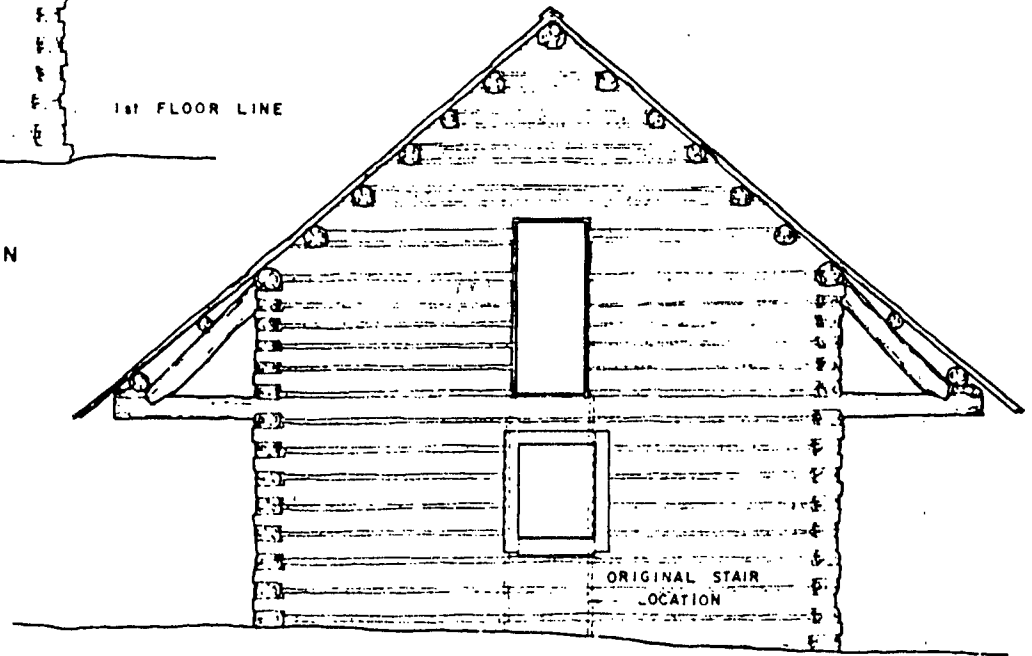


EAST ELEVATION



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WEST ELEVATION

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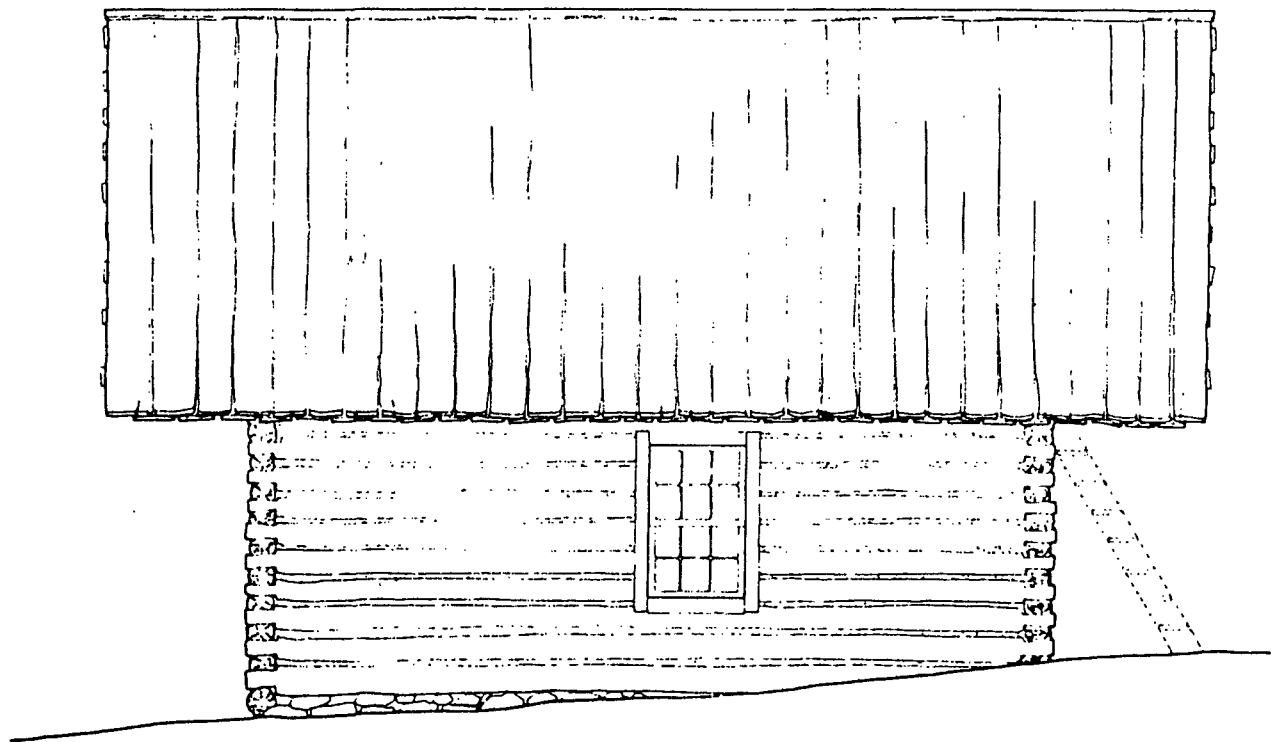
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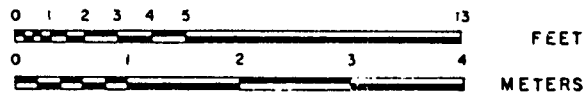
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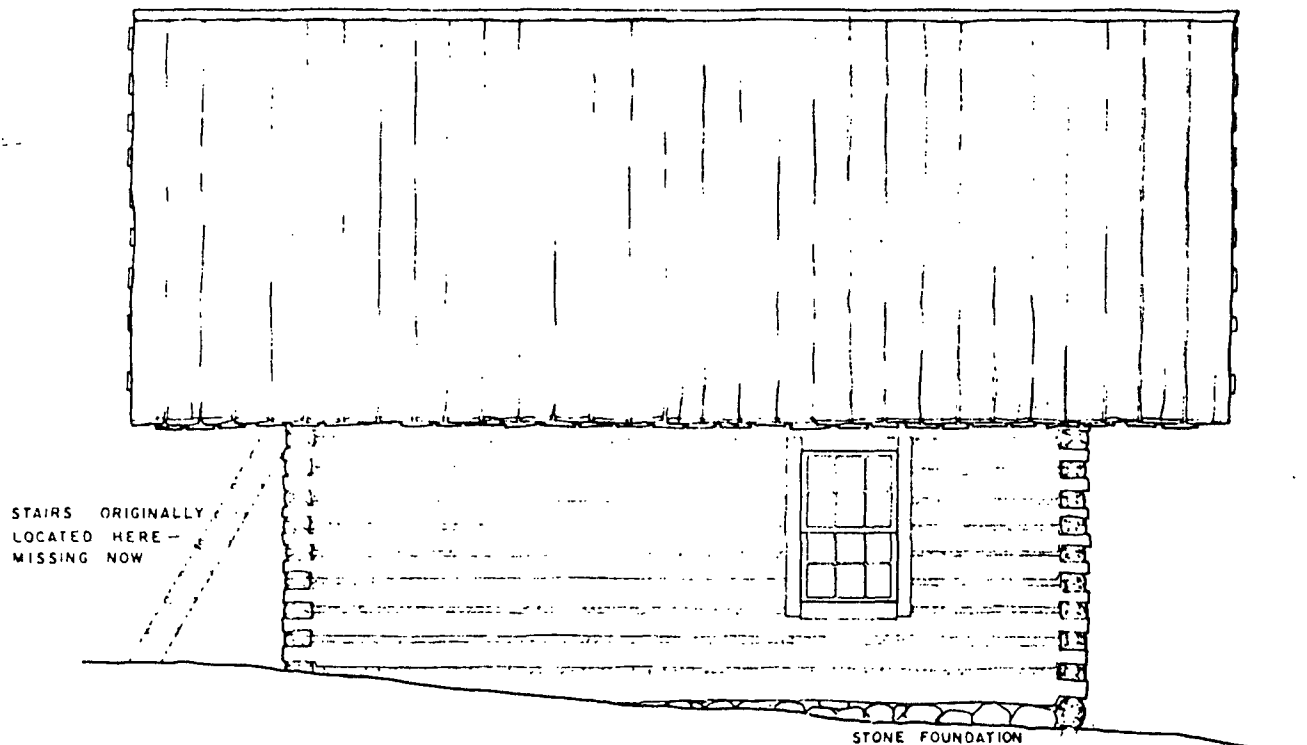
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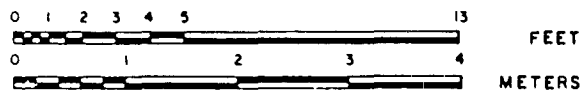
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 NOTE-2: WINDOWS ARE MISSING - ORIGINAL WINDOWS WERE 12 LIGHT DOUBLE HUNG WINDOWS.



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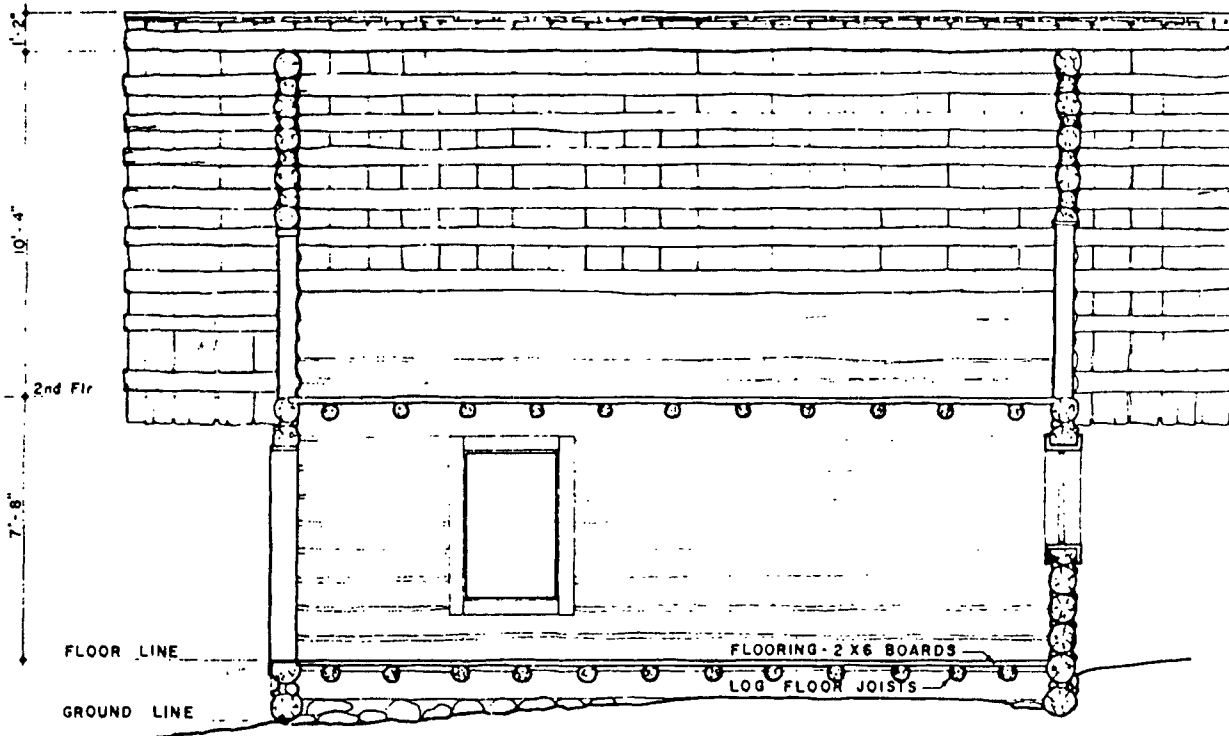
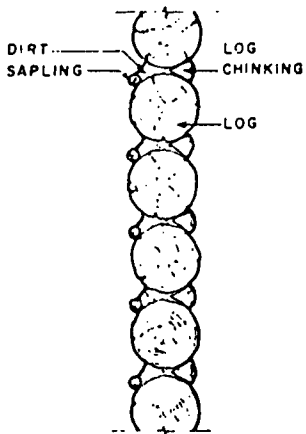
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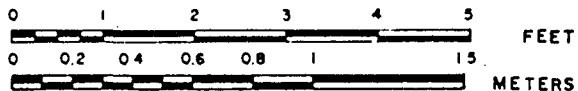
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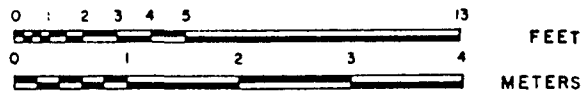
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SECTION



SECTION A - A



NOTE

FLOOR JOISTS & FLOORING ARE SAME FOR FIRST & SECOND FLOOR.

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