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HISTORIC Wycough-Jones House
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facade (southwest elevation)

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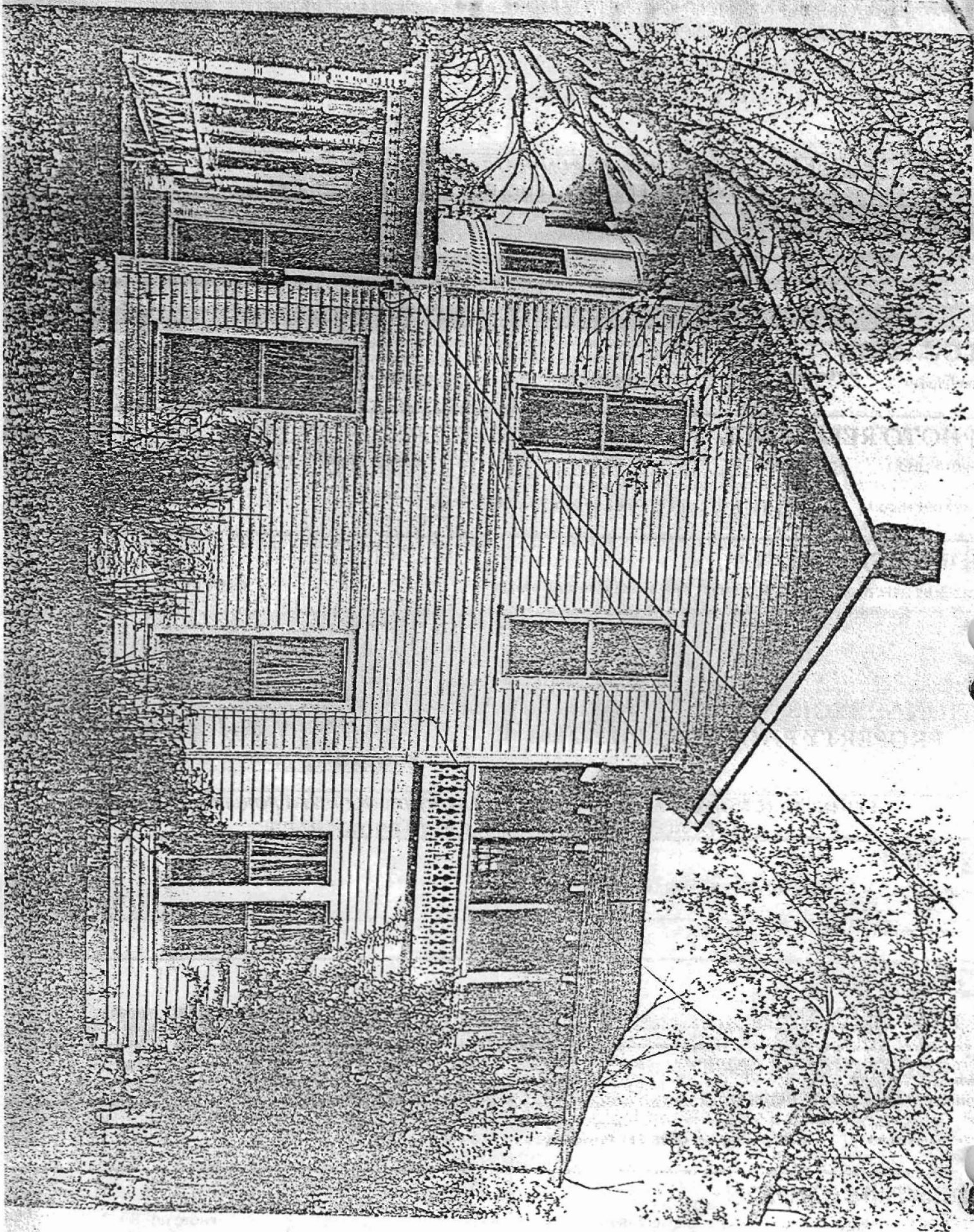
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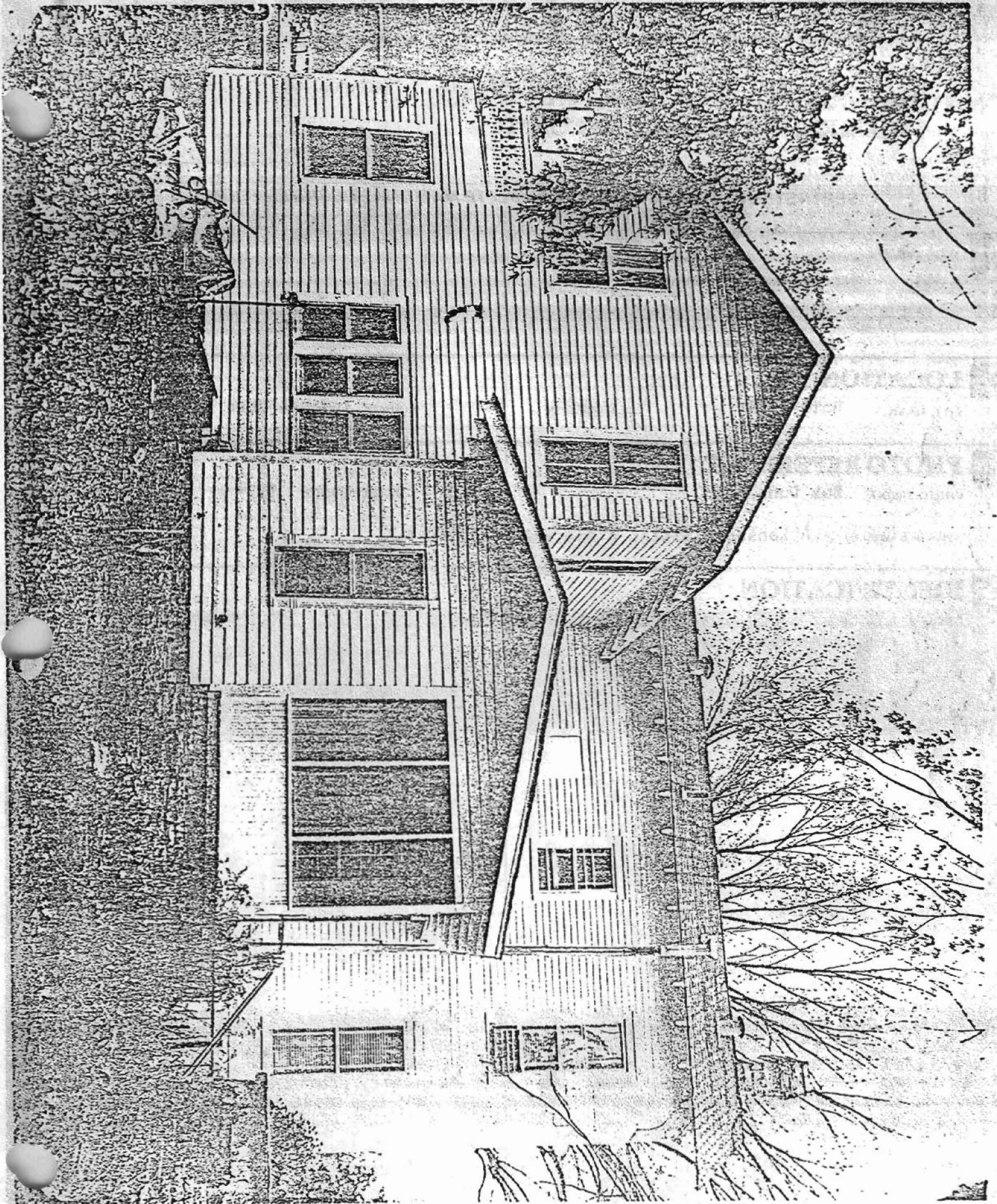
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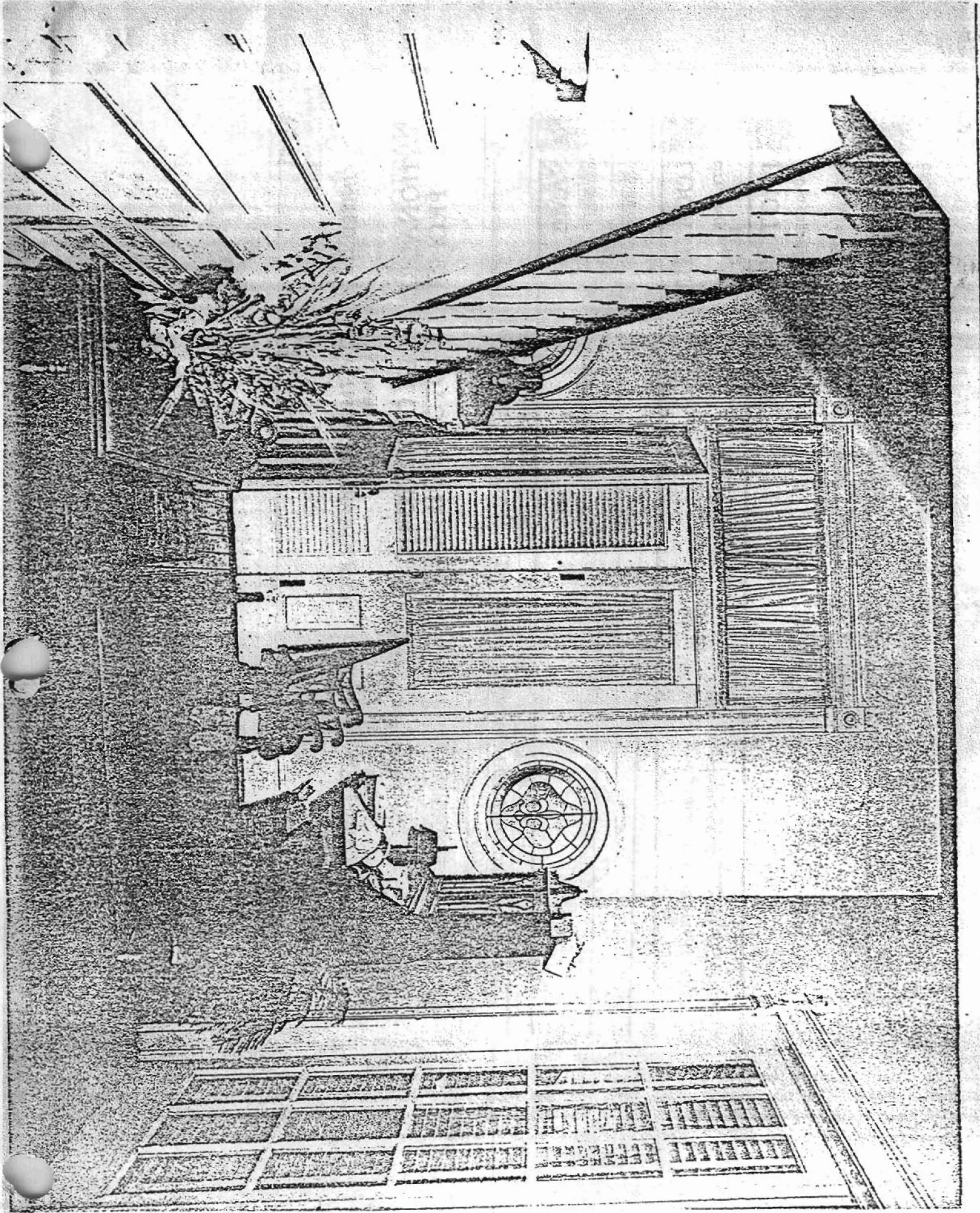
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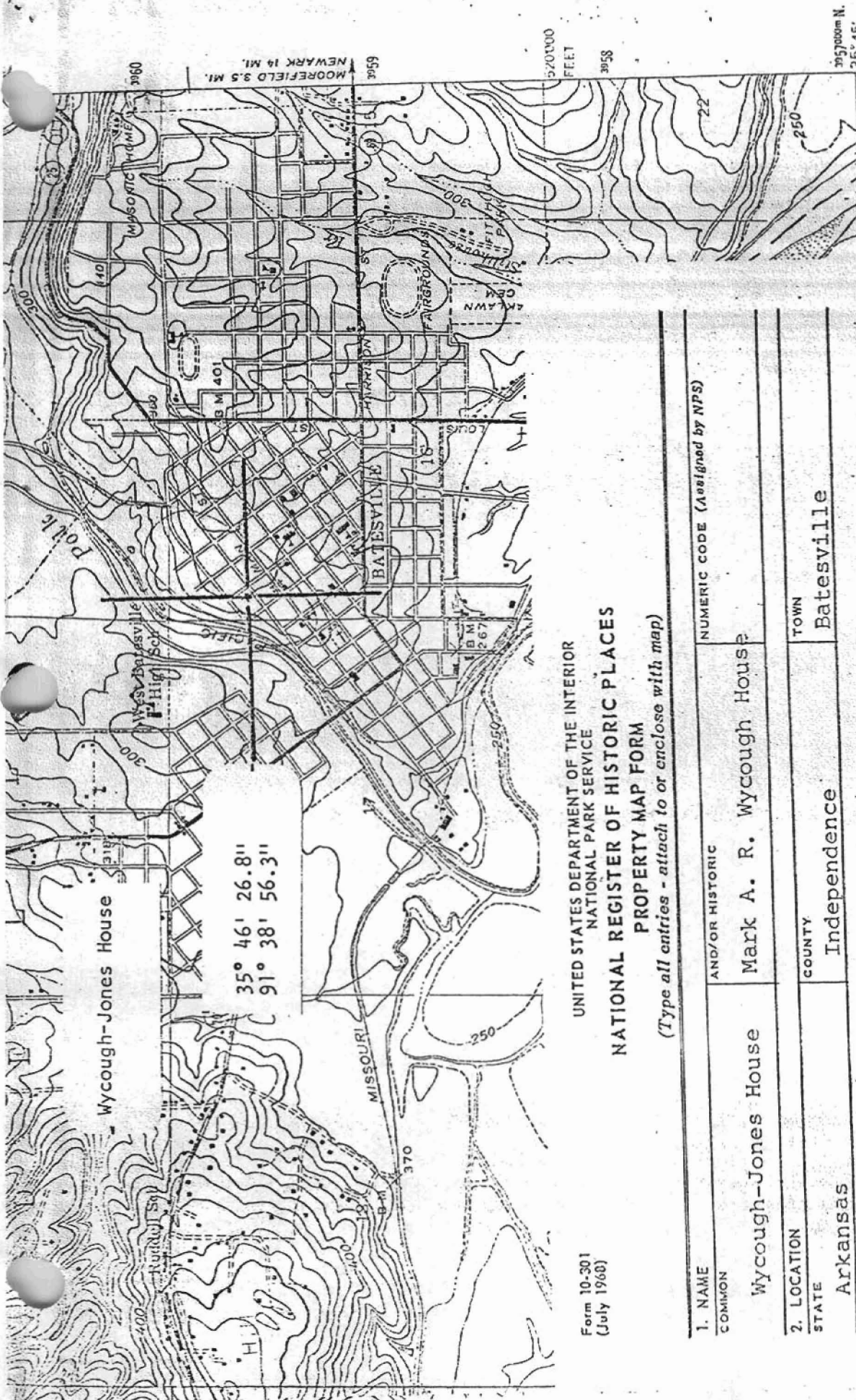
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(July 1968)

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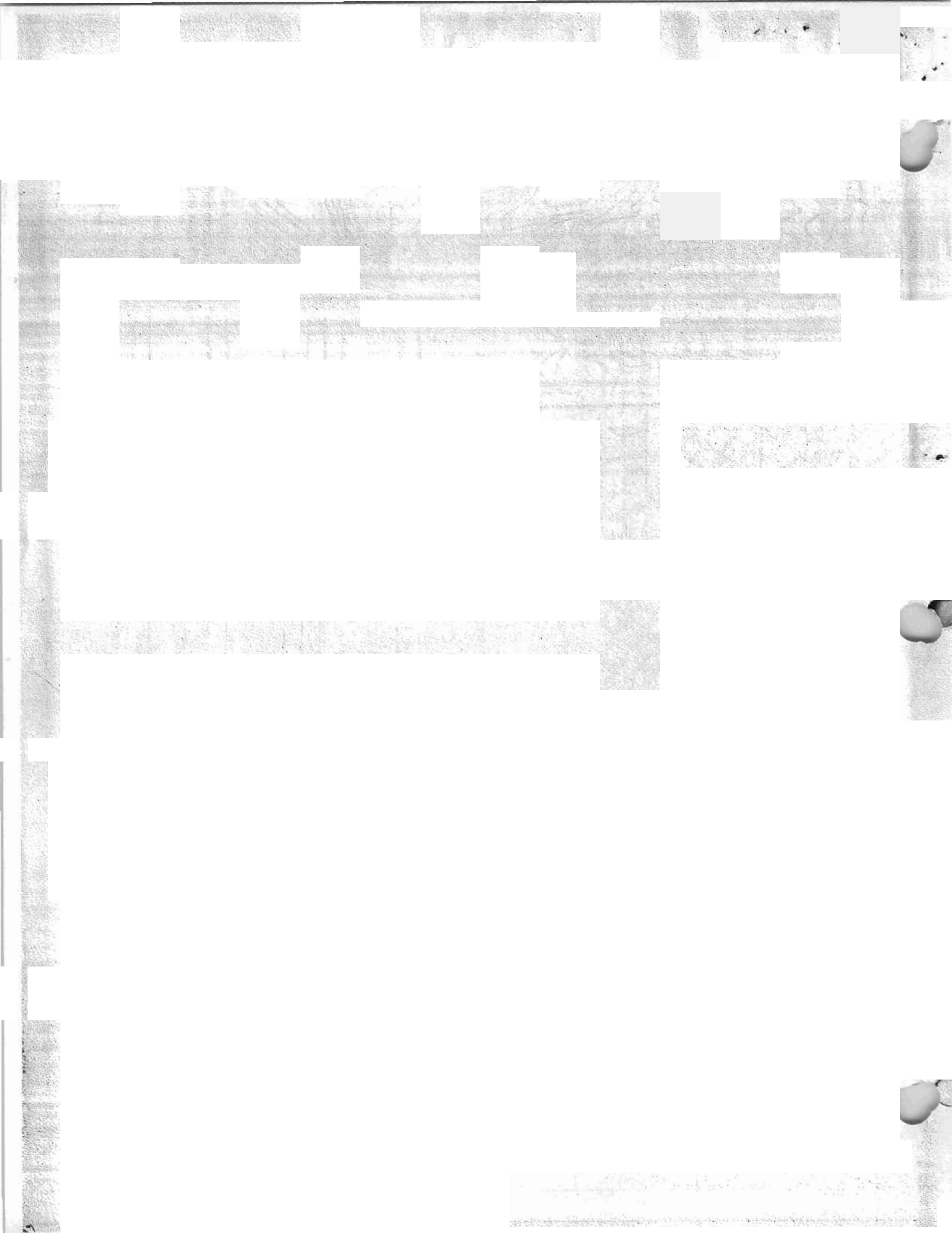
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| 1. NAME COMMON | | AND/OR HISTORIC | | NUMERIC CODE (Assigned by NPS) | |
| Wycough-Jones House | | Mark A. R. Wycough House | | | |
| 2. LOCATION STATE | | COUNTY | | TOWN | |
| Arkansas | | Independence | | Batesville | |
| STREET AND NUMBER | | DATE | | SCALE | |
| 683 Water Street | | 1943 | | 1/24000 | |
| 3. MAP REFERENCE SOURCE | | | | | |
| U.S.G.S. 7.5 Minute Batesville Quadrangle | | | | | |

REQUIREMENTS: PROPERTY BOUNDARIES, WHERE REQUIRED, AND NORTH ARROW.

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Form 10-300 (Rev. 6-72)

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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Arkansas

COUNTY: Independence

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1. NAME

COMMON: Wycough-Jones House

AND/OR HISTORIC: Mark A. R. Wycough House

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: 683 Water Street

CITY OR TOWN: Batesville CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: First

STATE: Arkansas CODE: 05 COUNTY: Independence CODE: 063

3. CLASSIFICATION

| CATEGORY (Check One) | OWNERSHIP | STATUS | ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC |
|---|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress | Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No |

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural | <input type="checkbox"/> Government | <input type="checkbox"/> Park | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | <input type="checkbox"/> Comments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial | <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Educational | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment | <input type="checkbox"/> Museum | <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific | | |

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: Dr. and Mrs. O. E. Jones, III

STREET AND NUMBER: 683 Water Street

CITY OR TOWN: Batesville STATE: Arkansas CODE: 05

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Circuit Clerk's Office

STREET AND NUMBER: Independence County Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN: Batesville STATE: Arkansas CODE: 05

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:

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COUNTY: _____

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7. DESCRIPTION

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| CONDITION | (Check One) | | | | | |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> Good | <input type="checkbox"/> Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated | <input type="checkbox"/> Ruins | <input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed |
| | (Check One) | | | (Check One) | | |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered | <input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered | | <input type="checkbox"/> Moved | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site | |

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (If known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Built circa 1878, the Wycough-Jones House is a two storey house of wood frame construction. A wide, one storey veranda extends across the entire facade of the house, with a centered second storey porch located over the front entry. In relation to the mass of the house, this front veranda is of delicate proportions. Slender, elongated turned posts are topped by small brackets, and a narrow band of intricate scrollwork represents the architrave. The railing between the posts has an oriental character with its geometric designed balusters.

Four, uniquely different bay windows are located on the front elevation. These bay windows are Victorian in the use of colored glass and scrollwork panels. Semicircular, semihexagon, and rectangular shapes emphasize their differences. First and second storey bays are symmetrically located on each side of the front entry elevation. A hipped roof caps one of the second storey bays, with a shed roof dormer centered over the other second storey bay. A circular colored light window is located on each side of the front entry.

The original part of the house has windows with one over one lights. A decorative trim with fluted molding and corner blocks is used about most windows. Similar wood details are used in the corner boards of the original part of the house.

Several additions have been made to the rear of the house, though the dates cannot be determined. The principal addition was a two storey wing that was built at the north corner of the house, thus changing its rectilinear plan to a basic ell-shape. A recessed, second storey porch is located on the northeast face of the addition, and is noteworthy for its scrollwork balusters. This addition makes use of windows with two over two lights and does not have the decorative corner boards of the original part of the house. A small one storey room with outside porch was added at the elbow of the ell-shaped plan. Just after the turn of the century a fire destroyed the roof of the house. It was replaced with a gable roof with exposed rafter ends.

The interior of the Wycough-Jones House is a basic central hallway with one room to each side. However, the additions have, on one side, added a dining room and kitchen on the first floor, and bedroom on the second floor. A pantry area, storage and side porch are located in the one storey addition behind the central hallway. Ceilings throughout the two storey areas are approximately twelve feet high.

Symmetrically molded trim with frequent use of corner blocks is an interesting feature of the interior of the house. Tri-pronged crowns are located above the corner blocks at the upper part of door and window trim. A wide baseboard and four inch wide pine flooring are found throughout the house. In the central hallway the delicately turned balusters of the stair railing terminate in a heavy decorative newel post.

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7. Description (Wycough-Jones House - Page 2)

The Wycough-Jones House, with its simple floor plan but very ornate trim, is one of the few Victorian era houses still standing in Batesville. When Dr. and Mrs. O. E. Jones purchased the house in 1962, they began restoring and refurnishing it as a comfortable home for their large family. Their interest in historic preservation led the Jones' to purchase the vacant lot next door, thus preventing the commercialization of the block. The Jones family has preserved this historic and architecturally interesting structure, and continues to keep it in excellent condition.

SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Wycough-Jones House is one of several architecturally significant houses in the historic Batesville community in northeast Arkansas. It is of two-storey frame construction in a simple ell floor plan. Built in the late 1870's the house has features of the Victorian era which make it especially interesting.

Ornate trim on both the exterior and interior of the house contrasts with its simple floor plan. A one-storey porch across the facade has slender turned columns and a narrow but highly decorative barge-board trim. The most interesting features of the house are the four bay windows. Though evenly spaced on either side of the first and second storey, each is shaped and styled in a different and distinctive manner. An unusual interior feature is the use of tri-pronged crowns above the cornerblocks of the trim over doors and windows.

This architecturally interesting house was built by one of Batesville's earliest native born sons. Mark A. R. Wycough was born in November, 1839, four years after his parents emigrated to Batesville from North Carolina. He grew up and was educated in Batesville, where in 1860 he was working as a clerk.

At the outbreak of the Civil War Wycough traveled some 200 miles to Fort Smith, Arkansas, where he enlisted in a Confederate mounted rifle regiment. After a furlough in 1863 he returned to service with Crabtree's 46th Regiment, Arkansas Cavalry. While on a Confederate raid in Cole County, Missouri, Wycough was captured in October, 1864. After incarceration for several months in St. Louis, Wycough was transferred to the war prison at Point Lookout, Maryland. When the war ended he was paroled and returned to his home town.

During the next thirty years M. A. R. Wycough was active and prominent in the Batesville business and political community. In the late 1860's he began farming and operated a keel boat run between Jacksonport and Batesville, two important White River ports in the nineteenth century. In the 1870's Wycough was elected deputy sheriff, collector and clerk. After twelve years in that office he worked for a short time in the U. S. Revenue office. Though he held several other jobs Wycough continually maintained his farming operations, and by 1890 had under

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8. Significance (Wycough-Jones House - Page 2)

cultivation over one-third of his 2,000 acres of land.

In the early 1870's Wycough bought the city lots on which the Wycough-Jones House now stands. Though no exact date is available, written evidence indicates that the present structure was probably built about 1878. One very significant alteration to the house occurred just after the turn of the century when a second storey fire completely destroyed the roof. The new gable roof with its exposed support rafters is more in vogue with styles of the early twentieth century than the late 1870's.

The Wycough-Jones House, still occupied and in very good condition, is a significant local landmark. Its builder, Mark A. R. Wycough, was one of Batesville's most prominent native-born sons. He spent most of his lifetime in this old Arkansas community, and took an active part in both political and commercial affairs. Architecturally, the house expresses a simple plan, but with ornate trim of the Victorian era. It is one of the few houses of this era still standing in Batesville.

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: less than one acre

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
 Anthony S. Riddle and Dianna Kirk, Historian

ORGANIZATION: Arkansas Historic Preservation Program DATE: 12-10-74

STREET AND NUMBER:
 "The Old State House" 300 West Markham

CITY OR TOWN: Little Rock STATE: Arkansas CODE: 05

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name William E. Henderson
 William E. Henderson

Title State Historic Preservation Officer

Date December 10, 1974

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST: _____

Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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