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United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form

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 18). 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 Caldwell House
other names/site number Resource #WH1699

2. Location

street & number East 2nd and Smith Streets not for publication N/A
city, town McRae vicinity N/A
state Arkansas code AR county White code 145 zip code 72102

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<u> </u>	<u> </u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<u> </u>	<u> </u> structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u> </u>	<u> </u> objects
		<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing:
Historic and Architectural Resources of White County, Arkansas

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register N/A

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this 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. See continuation sheet.

Cathryn A. Buford 5-13-90
Signature of certifying official Date

Arkansas Historic Preservation Program
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:

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)

Late 19th and Early 20th Century

American Movements/ Craftsman

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation brick

walls weatherboard

roof asphalt shingle

other _____

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

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

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

c. 1925

Significant Dates

c. 1925

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Mr. Caldwell

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

9. Major Bibliographical References

See "Historic and Architectural Resources of White County, Arkansas," Section H.

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 # _____
- 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 _____

UTM References

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Zone	Easting	Northing
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B

Zone	Easting	Northing
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C

Zone	Easting	Northing
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D

Zone	Easting	Northing
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See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

See continuation sheet

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The Caldwell House is a single story, wood frame Craftsman residence. Its highly unusual combination of gabled, hipped and disjointed roof elements indicates an irregular floor plan. One exterior brick chimney rises from the east elevation of the house, just inside the end of the wrap-around chimney, and the other rises from the center of the western slope of the main gable roof section. The roof is covered with composition shingles, the walls are weatherboarded, and the continuous foundation is constructed of brick.

The western or front elevation is composed of the main gable end portion of the house in the center with a projecting, smaller gable end to the north and a perpendicular gable roof porch abutting the south wall of the north gable and extending south. Both gable end pediments are decorated with imbricated shingles and the porch is supported on short, panelled, slanted wood columns set on slanted brick piers. The northern gable end is fenestrated with a tripartite group of wood sash windows consisting of a large, central twelve-over-one window flanked by two narrower windows of the same pane configuration. Beneath the porch, a single twelve-over-one wood sash window lights the wall between the side wall of the gable and the entrance, and another lights the wall to the south of the entrance.

The southern elevation is composed of the gable end of the porch to the west and another, smaller gable end at the eastern end of the elevation with a section of connecting wall plane between them. The porch gable end is decorated with the same imbricated shingles in the pediment and the same squat columns on piers. The wall to the east contains one fixed twelve-pane window and a modern sliding aluminum and glass door. The eastern projecting gable bay is fenestrated with a pair of twelve-over-one wood sash windows in the center and is also lighted with a single wood sash window in its western side wall. The northern elevation is a continuous wall plane and is fenestrated with two single twelve-over-one wood sash windows symmetrically-placed to either side of a pair of identical sash windows.

The eastern elevation features yet another gable bay in the center and the side wall of the southern gable bay. A single twelve-over-one wood sash window lights the center of the gable end and a pair of identical windows light the side wall of the southern gable.

The Caldwell House has suffered few alterations. The addition of the sliding door on the southern elevation constitutes the only noticeable change to the design. The Caldwell House is in good condition.

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Criterion C, local significance

The Caldwell House (Part E, Historic Context #4) is the best example in McRae of a single story, wood frame Craftsman bungalow. The design is remarkably successful not by virtue of its detail but rather by the proportion of the essential components to each other and their placement. The size of the two front, flanking multi-pane sash windows relative to the entrance and the use of wider and narrower twelve-pane windows in the tripartite window designs is especially noteworthy. The geometric, almost Japanese decorative brackets are also an example of the simple yet appropriate decoration which frequently appeared on Craftsman homes.

Probably the most remarkable feature of the Caldwell House, however, is the fact that the abundance of intersecting roof forms and the irregular roofline they produce shelter a relatively contained and balanced floor plan. The front porch projects beyond the wall only slightly, and the southern gable ends, though quite irregular in elevation, do not extend so far from the main house block that they radically alter the fundamentally square plan. As such the Caldwell House is typical of the second phase in the evolution of the Craftsman house designs in White County, in which the wings and appendages tend to be placed more symmetrically around the house block and beneath a single, all-inclusive roof form, despite the continuing tendency for the elevations to exhibit an asymmetrical, picturesque aspect.

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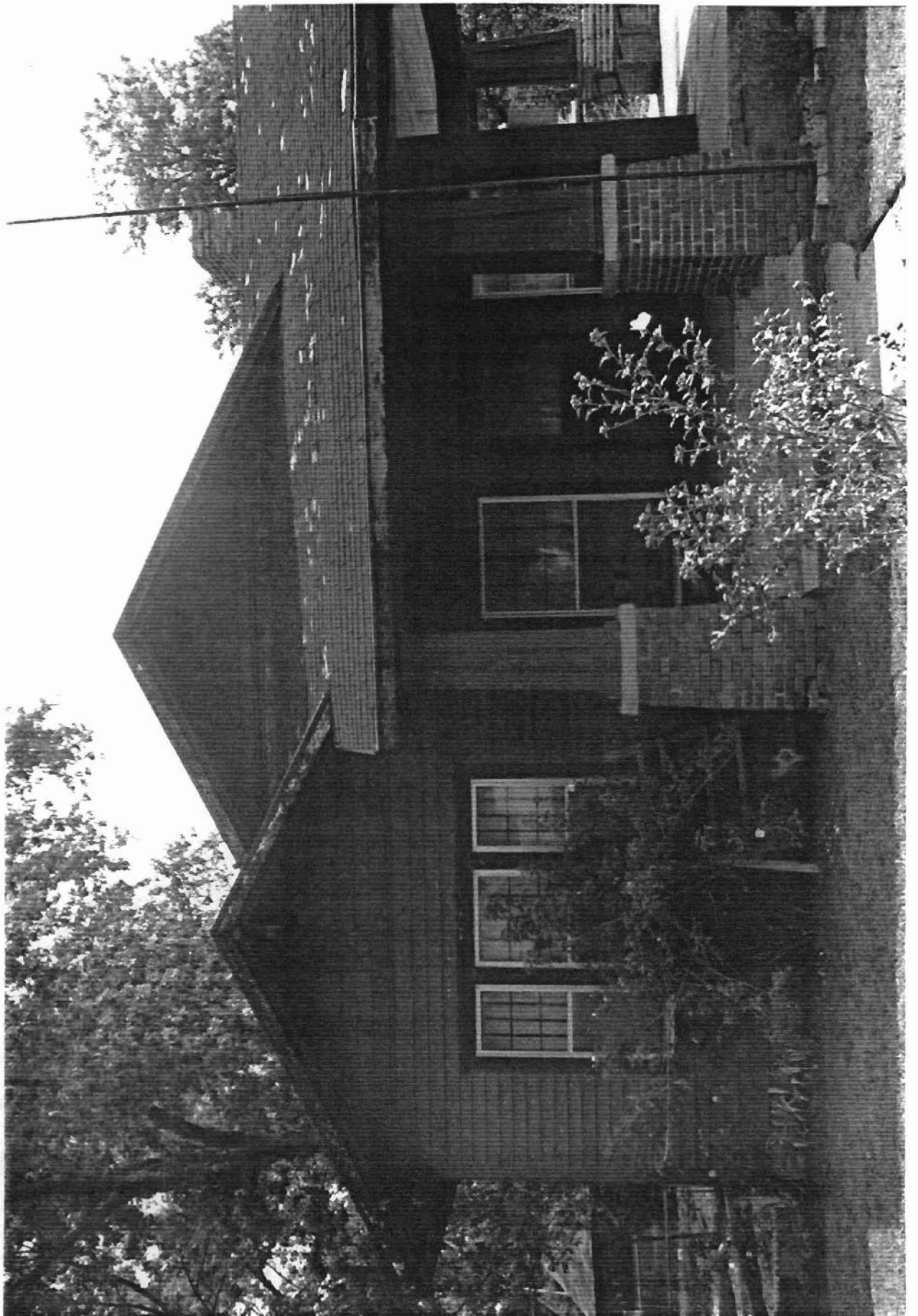
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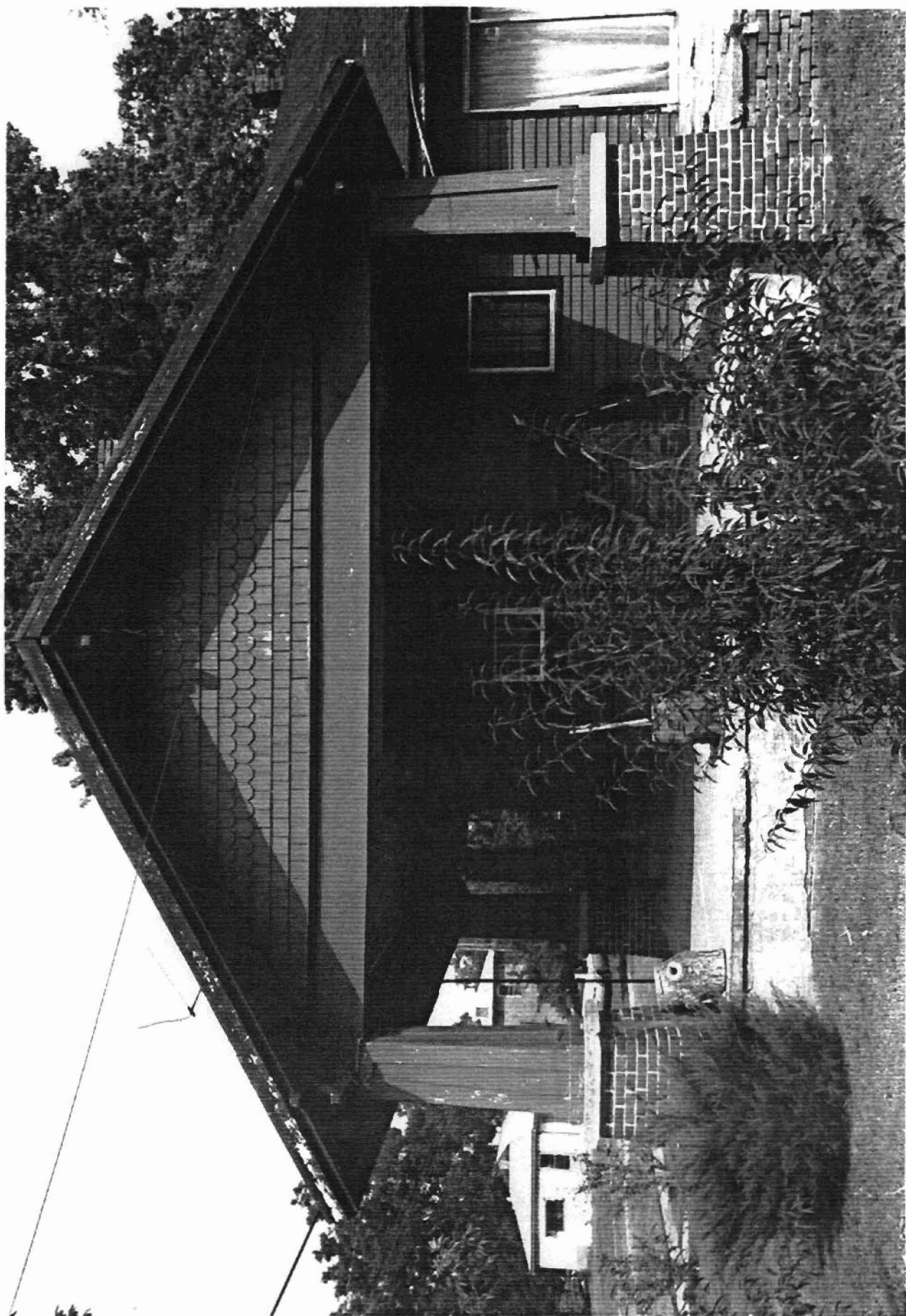
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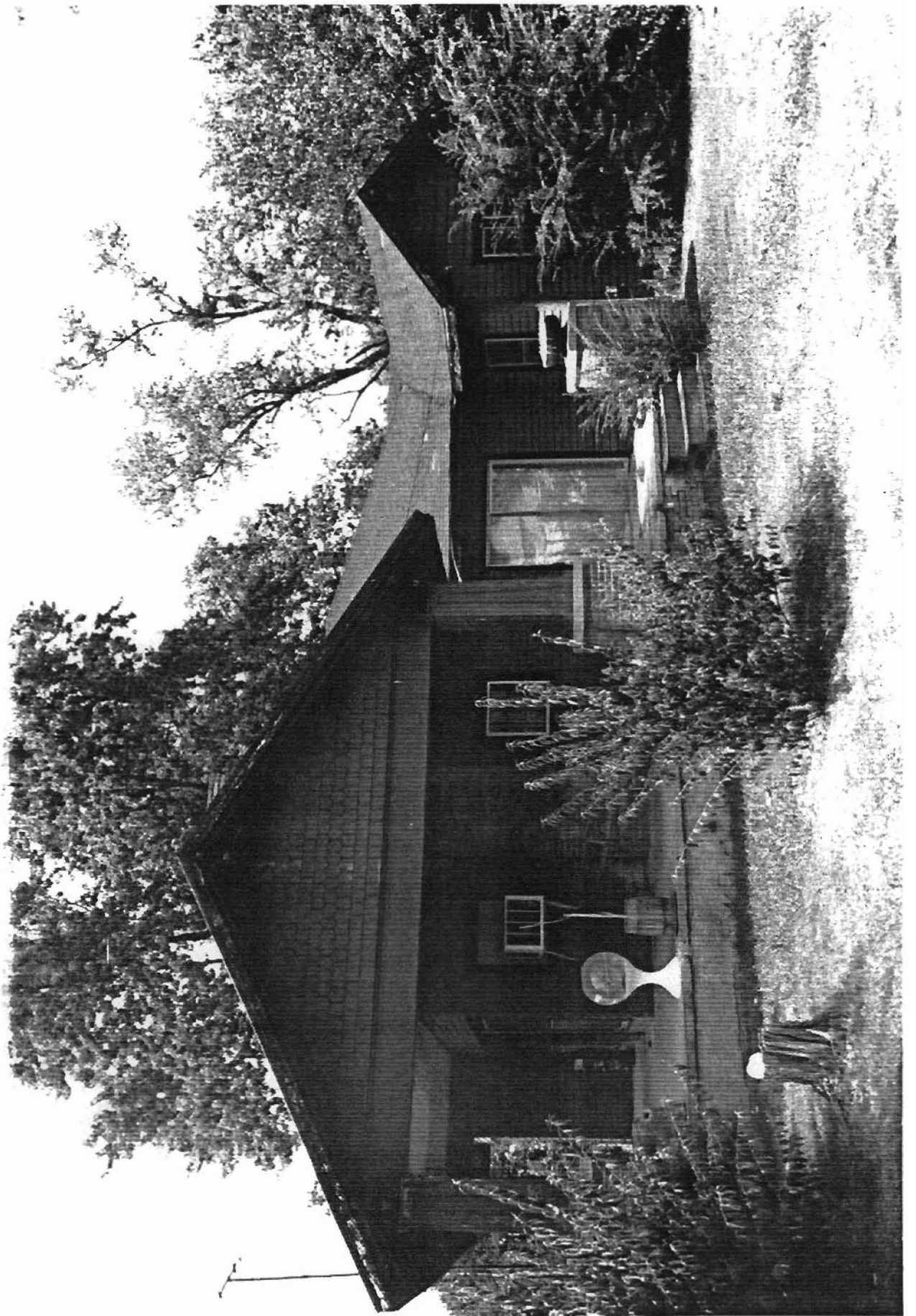
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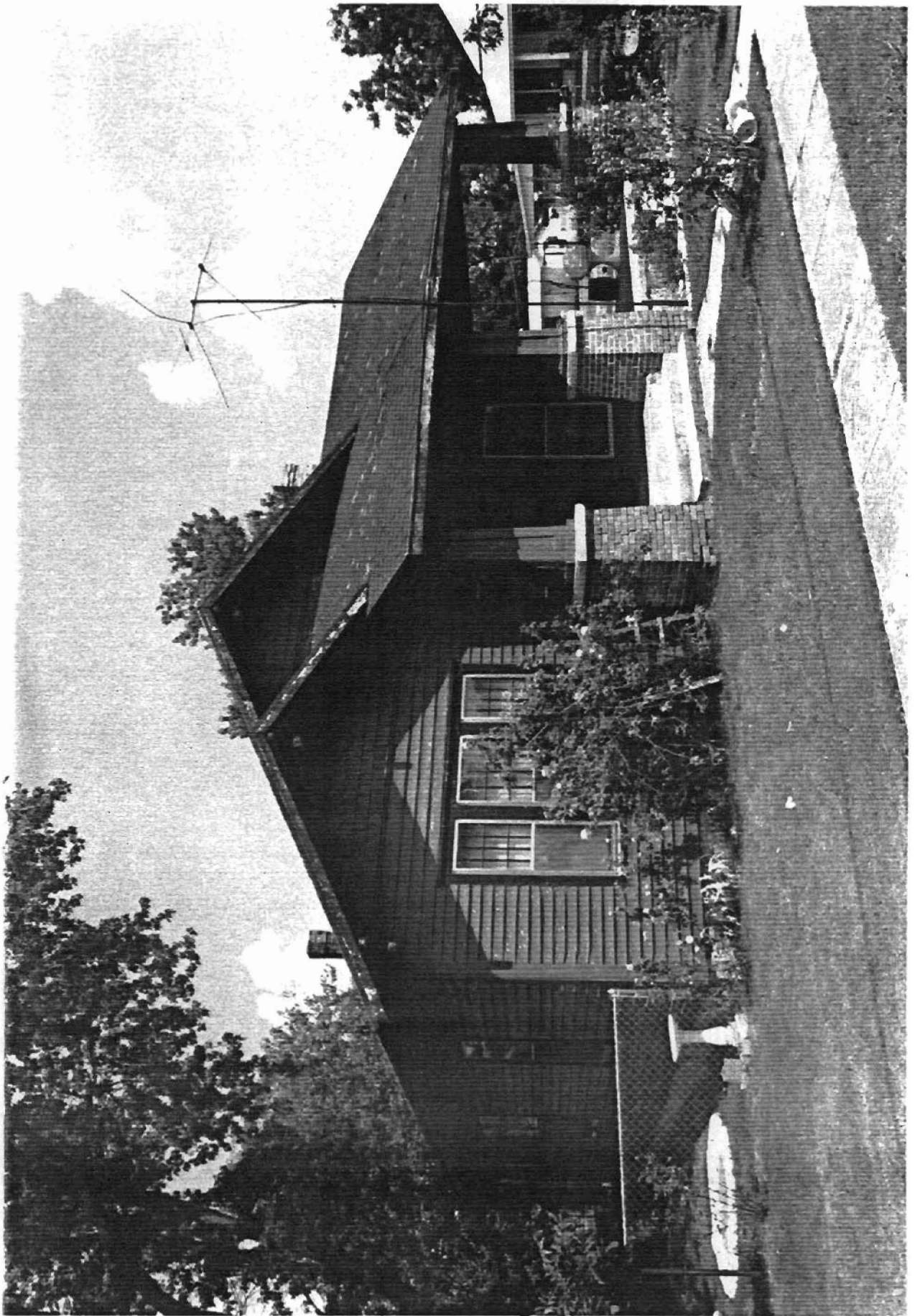
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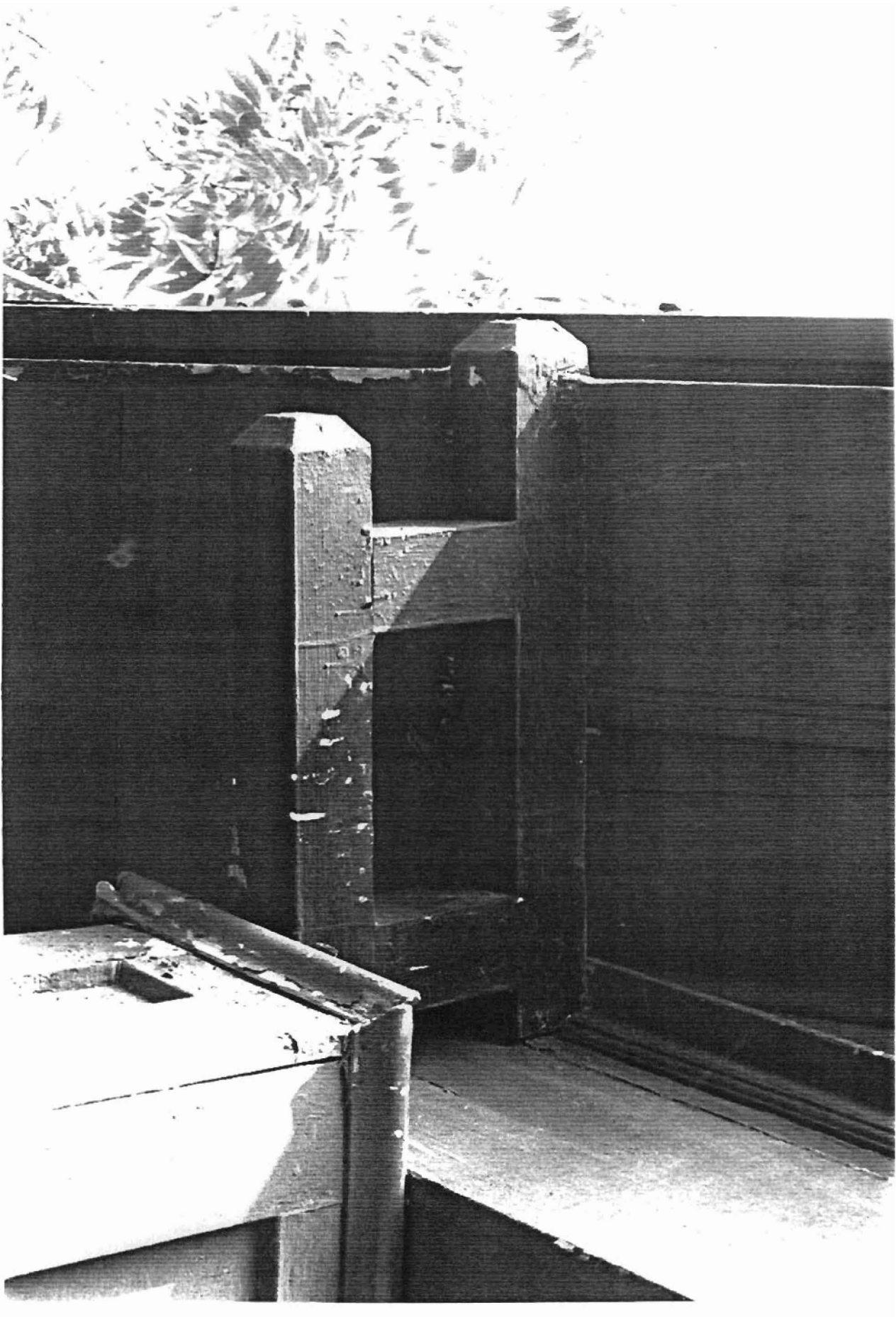
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Historic and Architectural Resources
of White County, Arkansas

White County, Arkansas

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WH1631: 15/606880/3883890
WH0013: 15/607280/3885900
WH1699: 15/607360/3885880
WH0016: 15/607980/3886770
WH1719: 15/607430/3886040
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McRae Quadrangle
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