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Historic Sites Survey

State of Mississippi
Department of Archives & History
P. O. Box 571, Jackson, MS. 39205

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: The Vancleave cottage is a one-story, wood frame, L-shaped building which rests on low brick piers and has a cross-gable roof. The facade consists of a projecting chamfered bay flanked by a shed-roofed porch which features turned posts, sawn brackets and a spindle frieze. The gables are clad in imbricated shingles. The two-over-two double-hung sash windows are set in simple architraves as is the transomed door which has a large glazed panel.

ALTERATIONS: Rear porch enclosure, iron railings added to porch, and vertical board sheathing attached to some interior wall surfaces. Possibly missing the brackets for the chamfered bay and some porch brackets.

OUTBUILDINGS:

None

LANDSCAPE FEATURES:

Crushed shell parking lot on the west side of the house, otherwise an open lawn with large trees.

NAME: Vancleave Cottage

STREET NO: 1302 Government Street

TOWN/VIC: Ocean Springs

COUNTY: Jackson

BLOCK/LOT:

PRESENT OWNER: Davidson Realty

ADDRESS 110 Iberville Ave., Ocean Springs, MS

PRESENT USE: Health Food Store

FORMER USE: Residence

DATE: ca. 1900

STYLE: Queen Anne

ARCH/BUILDER: unknown

SOURCE OF DATE: Estimated by surveyor on the basis of architectural character

ENVIRONMENT: Commercial

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE

NEIGHBORHOOD

LOCAL X

STATE

NATIONAL

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: The Vancleave cottage is architecturally significant in the context of Ocean Springs as the most representative example of a residential building form which experienced pronounced and prolonged popularity in Mississippi during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, the Queen Anne Cottage. In its most compact form, as it is reflected by the Vancleave building, the Queen Anne Cottage consists of a one story rectangular block from the facade of which an asymmetrically-placed chamfered bay projects. The body of the building is covered by a cross gable roof and the porch which flanks the bay is shed or flat-roofed. The extent of the ornamentation varies but includes turned posts, sawn brackets and spindle friezes as porch decoration and imbricated shingles on the faces of the gables. The Vancleave cottage has retained all of these quintessentially Queen Anne Style features. Similar buildings have survived in Ocean Springs, however, they have lost significant

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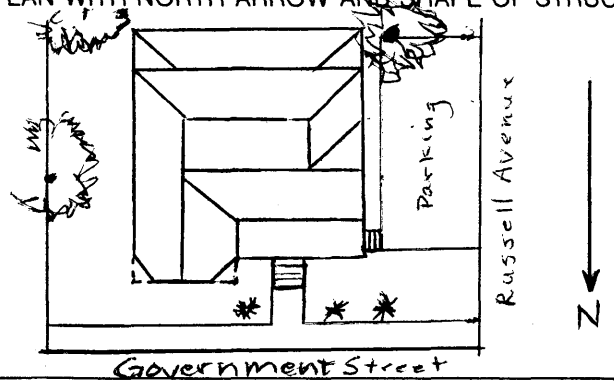
PHOTOS

NEG. # 1660 - 22A, 23A

SITE OR AREA PLAN WITH NORTH ARROW AND SHAPE OF STRUCTURE:



PHYSICAL CONDITION:

Good

THREATS:

Increased commercial activity along Government Street.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

Lot 11 of Blick 160, page 14 of the City of Ocean Springs Map adopted by the Board of Aldermen.

ACREAGE: less than one acre

UTM REF:

	ZONE	EASTING	NORTHING
A	16	324710	3365700
C			
B			
D			

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CONTINUATION:

Statement of Significance - continued

amounts of ornamentation (209, 1203 Washington Avenue) or have a complexity of design that was not typical of the majority of such cottages (1201 Washington Avenue).

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Herbs & Teas
Nutrition & Vitamins
Nuts, Seeds & Grains

Vancleave cottage, 1302 Government Street
Facade, View to south
Individual nomination
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