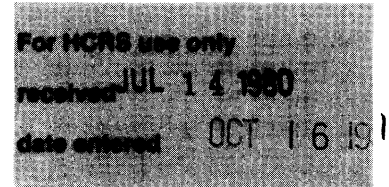


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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic W. J. Quarles House and Cottage

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 120 and 122 East Railroad Street not for publication

city, town Long Beach vicinity of congressional district Fifth

state Mississippi code 28 county Harrison code 47

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
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<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
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	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name William F. Watrous

street & number 130 East Railroad Street

city, town Long Beach vicinity of state Mississippi 39560

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Office of the Chancery Clerk
Harrison County Courthouse

street & number P. O. Box CC

city, town Gulfport state Mississippi

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		date <u>Cottage moved in 1937</u>

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

Located at 120 Railroad Street in Long Beach (pop. 6,170), the W. J. Quarles House was built in 1892 across from the Louisville and Nashville Railroad tracks. The building faces south on a wooded and relatively flat site. Evidence of the early informal landscaping around the house includes varieties of roses, magnolia, and pecan.

The two-story five-by-two-bay clapboard residence is built on an open foundation of brick piers. The house is in sound condition despite its somewhat battered appearance as a result of recent hurricanes. In style the building is basically vernacular, although it originally had a two-story Eastlake porch with turned posts and jig-saw cut balustrade, which gave the house a distinctive architectural character (see early photo). The porch was removed after it was damaged by Hurricane Camille in 1969, but the current owner plans to soon reconstruct the porch from several fragments which were saved.

The house has a standing-seam metal roof with gable ends and a central gable on the south (front) facade. The front gable has a decorative apex treatment and is covered with wooden shingles in a three band design. The two-over-two double-hung sash windows remain taped from the time of Hurricane Frederick in 1979. Although the main entrance on the first floor has been boarded for protection against vandals, the house still retains its original exterior doors.

The interior of the Quarles House consists of a center hall plan, two rooms deep. All of the original architrave millwork and four-paneled doors are intact. The walls and ceilings are papered over canvass and horizontal boards. All the mantelpieces are original or date from the early twentieth century and are relatively simple in design. There is one interior chimney. The only alteration to the house is a one-story shed addition to the rear which dates from 1937.

The one-story two-room clapboard cottage (122 Railroad Street) to the east of the Quarles House is a section of an early building on the site. The one-story house which it was taken from originally stood behind and was attached to the Quarles House (see pre-1937 floor plan). W. J. Quarles bought the one-story house in 1884 and lived there until constructing the current two-story house next to it in 1892. The one-story house was torn down in the 1930s and the cottage section removed. The enclosing of the cottage's gallery was done after 1937.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
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Specific dates Quarles House - 1892 **Builder/Architect** Quarles House - H.Y. Quarles & C.B. Gates
Cottage - late 19th century Cottage - unknown

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

William James Quarles had been a rural school teacher in Middle Tennessee before moving with his family to the little village of Long Beach in January, 1884. There were only thirteen other families living there when the Quarles family arrived; there was no store, no post office, and no school. Settlers went to Pass Christian to buy supplies and claim their mail. That spring he built a store in his front yard and in September was appointed the town's first postmaster. The post office was housed in the store building (now demolished). Jeff Davis Avenue, the town's main street, began as a path to Quarles' store made by settlers who lived on the beach.

Quarles and a friend, Jim Thomas, started the Long Beach truck farming industry in 1884, which was responsible in large measure for the rapid growth of the settlement in the 1890s and early 1900s. Farmers moved in, joined the vegetable producers' associations which Quarles had organized, and by the early 1900s Long Beach was a leading trucking center and the Radish Capital of the South. The town was incorporated in 1905 with 900 residents inside the city limits and about half that number living north of the town. Quarles was called the "Dean of Truckers" in an article which appeared in the Woman's Daily Herald on October 12, 1911. Growers at Long Beach shipped 330 carloads of radishes and other vegetables to northern markets in 1921 for a record season. Quarles also pioneered in the growing of pecans in the area. In the words of M. James Stevens, a Mississippi Gulf Coast historian, "Quarles crystallized Long Beach and was the catalyst responsible for its early growth."

Quarles was also the father of the Long Beach school system, for in 1884 and again in 1885 he taught the eleven school-age children of the community in the front room of his home. In 1886 a one-room school was erected on the site of the present Jeff Davis Avenue Elementary School. Vitally interested in education, he gave land and lumber for a school to be built in North Long Beach so that children of farmers in that area might have a school easily accessible. The school was later named in his honor. Today the school district offices are in the W. J. Quarles Elementary School, the third Quarles School to serve that area. A school trustee for most of his active years, he and his wife boarded the teachers in their home, and, together with two or three other patrons, paid the teachers' salaries. Business man, postmaster, educator, and farmer--his home, the oldest remaining structure in Long Beach today, might well be called the birthplace of the town.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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UTM NOT VERIFIED

10. Geographical Data

ACREAGE NOT VERIFIED

Acreeage of nominated property less than one acre

Quadrangle name Pass Christian, Miss.

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UMT References

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Only enough original property is included to preserve the immediate surroundings of the buildings. See Continuation Sheet for description.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state code county code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Mrs. Frank W. Alexander

organization

date May 1980

street & number 200 Second St.

telephone 601-863-2387

city or town Long Beach

state Ms. 39560

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

Elmer R. Hilliard

title State Historic Preservation Officer

date July 2, 1980

For HCRS use only

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

for fact
W. Ray Luce
Keeper of the National Register

date 10/16/80

Attest: *Cecil Dabie*
Chief of Registration

date 10/16/80

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As the residence of William James Quarles from 1884 until 1924, the nominated property is locally significant to the settlement period of Long Beach, Mississippi. Quarles made a number of substantial contributions to the infant community which, largely through his initiative, was transformed from an unorganized settlement into an incorporated town noted for its prosperous truck farming industry. On this site Quarles established the town's public school system, served as its first postmaster, established the first store, and, with a business partner, began the shipment of local produce to Northern markets. These contributions were vital to the development of Long Beach in its earliest period.

William C. Allen
Chief Architectural Historian
Miss. Dept. of Archives and History

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10 - GEOGRAPHICAL DATA (Verbal Boundary Description and Justification)

Beginning at a point in the north boundary line of the L&N Railroad's right of way fifty (50) feet east of a stake in the southeastern corner of land owned by Charles Wendell Lahey and/or Lucille B. Lahey and running easterly with said right of way north boundary line a distance of one hundred fifty-five (155) feet to a point, thence north 19° 45' west (and parallel to Charles Lahey's and/or Lucille Lahey's east boundary line) a distance of one hundred sixty (160) feet to a point, thence westerly parallel to the north boundary line of the L&N Railroad's right of way a distance of one hundred fifty five (155) feet to a point, thence southerly parallel to Charles Lahey's and/or Lucille Lahey's east property line to point of beginning, said parcel of property containing 24,800 square feet.

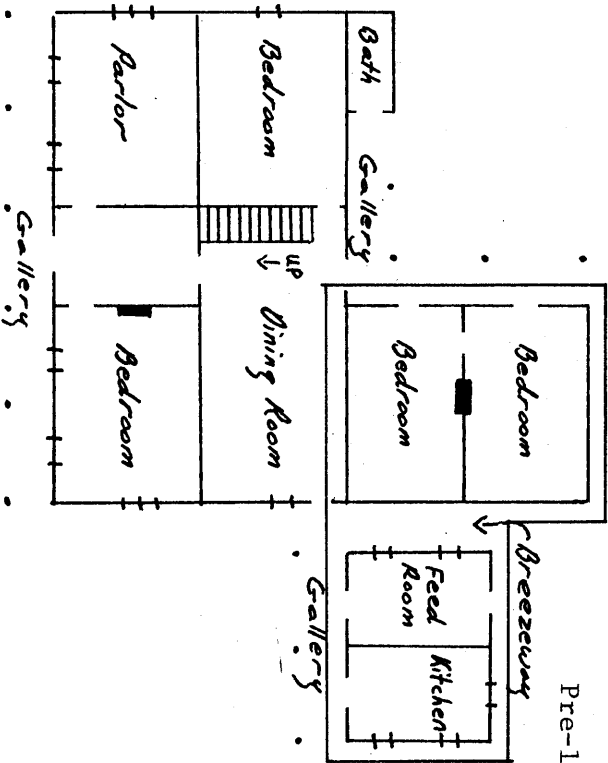
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Lloyd Ostby, Architectural Historian
Mississippi Department of Archives and History
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Jackson, Mississippi 39205

May, 1980

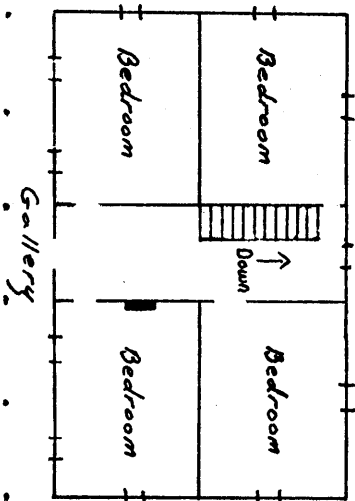
W.J. Quarles House and Cottage Floor Plan Pre-1937
 Long Beach, Harrison County, Mississippi

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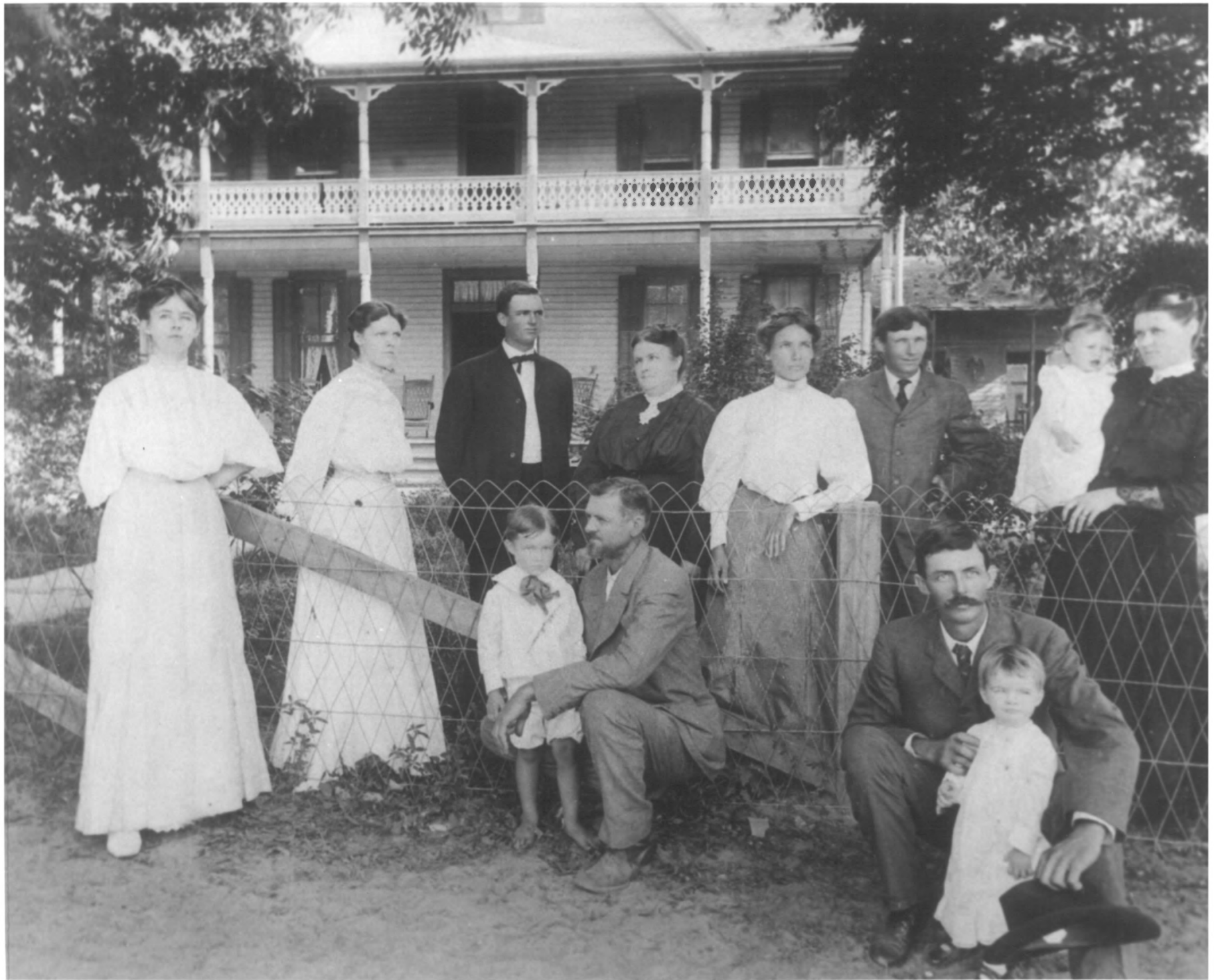


First Story

Pre-1884 House (removed ca. 1937, the kitchen/feed room section was moved and became the present cottage)



Second Story



W. J. Quarles House and Cottage
Long Beach, Harrison County, Mississippi
Lloyd Ostby, Mississippi Department of
Archives and History

March, 1980

South facade, view to north,

W. J. Quarles family

Photo No. 8/8

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H.T. Holmes, Director

December 21, 2011

Mr. James Gabbert
Historian, National Register of Historic Places
National Park Service
1849 C Street NW
Washington, D.C. 2020

Re: W. J. Quarles House, Long Beach, Harrison County, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Gabbert:

The W. J. Quarles House and Cottage was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on October 6, 1980. The house was located on Railroad Street in Long Beach, Mississippi. Although Railroad Street was originally a residential street, over the past few decades the area has become increasingly commercial. The surrounding property was zoned commercial and the Master Plan for Long Beach adopted after Hurricane Katrina plans for further development. In October 2010 the owner sought approval to move the house approximately 400 feet to the northwest onto a lot historically associated with the Quarles family. On December 6, 2010, the Keeper approved the move by statute. The purpose of this letter is to complete the documentation regarding the move.

The 1980 nomination included a one-story two-room frame cottage located to the east of the Quarles House as a contributing resource. When the current owner proposed to move the house in 2010 they did not intend to move the cottage. However, after the move was underway the owners decided to move the cottage as well. The cottage was moved and is now located approximately 160 feet south of the house. The cottage continues to contribute to the significance of the Quarles House and should still be considered a contributing resource.

Date of Move

The W. J. Quarles House was moved beginning on April 2, 2011 and set on a new foundation on April 18, 2011.

New Verbal Boundary Description

A Parcel of Land in the Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Northwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 13, Township 8 South, Range 12 West, City of Long Beach, Harrison County, Mississippi, being more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at a fence corner found at the Northwest corner of the Quarles Cemetery Parcel as previously surveyed for the City of Long Beach, by A. Garner Russell, P.E./P.L.S. on February 18, 2004, said point lying 744' South and 237' East, more or less from the Northwest corner of Section 13 and lying on the South margin of East Old Pass Road; Thence along South margin along a curve to the left having a radius of 1,211.54' and arc length of 219.91' to a fence corner being N 41° 23' 36" E 219.61", said fence corner being the point of beginning and also being the

Northeast corner of the previously surveyed Quarles Cemetery Parcel; Thence along the South margin of East Old Pass Road, following a curve to the right having a radius of 1,211.54' and an arc length of 95.53' to an iron rod set being S 41° 23' 36" W 95.51'; Thence S 21° 28' 45" E 293.33 to an iron rod set; Thence N 68° 49' 02" E 85.00' to a fence corner post found at the Southeast corner of the Quarles Cemetery Parcel; Thence along the East line of said Parcel; Thence along the East line of said Parcel, N 21° 28' 45" W 337.31' to the point of beginning, said Parcel containing 6.614 acre, being the same property as that described in Deed Book 1637, on Page 497 and previously being known as Lot 133, per City of Long Beach Tax maps

New Acreage

0.614 acres

New UTM

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Photographs

Jeff Rosenberg, MDAH Preservation Specialist, took the following photographs of the Quarles House and Cottage in the new location on June 8, 2011.

Photograph 0001	Quarles House, North elevation, camera facing south
Photograph 0002	Quarles House, South elevation, camera facing north
Photograph 0003	Quarles House, West elevation, camera facing east
Photograph 0004	Cottage, North elevation, camera facing south

A new USGS map is enclosed.

Summary

The State Historic Preservation Office and the Owners request that the Keeper issue final approval of the move and that the Quarles House and Cottage remain listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Sincerely,



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State Historic Preservation Officer

Cc: Dr. Jim Alexander

Ms. Janet Griffin

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NORTH
1" = 60'

ZONING INFORMATION

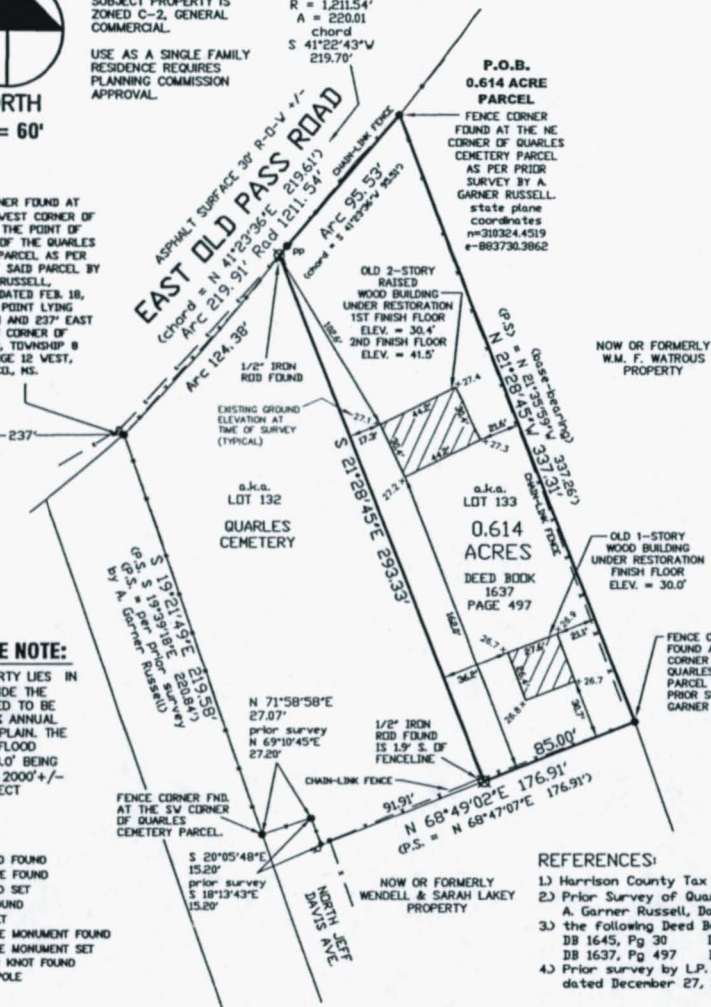
SUBJECT PROPERTY IS ZONED C-2, GENERAL COMMERCIAL.

USE AS A SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE REQUIRES PLANNING COMMISSION APPROVAL.

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P.O.C.

FENCE CORNER FOUND AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF AND BEING THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE QUARLES CEMETERY PARCEL AS PER SURVEY OF SAID PARCEL BY A. GARNER RUSSELL, P.E./P.L.S., DATED FEB. 18, 2004. SAID POINT LYING 744' SOUTH AND 237' EAST OF THE NW CORNER OF SECTION 13, TOWNSHIP 8 SOUTH, RANGE 12 WEST, HARRISON CO., MS.



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GRAPHIC SCALE - FEET

QUITCLAIM DEED, BOOK 1637, PAGE 497

One(1) lot Eighty Five (85) feet on Old Pass Road by Two Hundred Seventy-five (275) feet, more or less, South by Lakey, East by Watrous, North by Old Pass Road, and West by Cemetery, being in and a part of Lot Fifty-Five (55) of the Henderson-Shipman-Hughes Survey, Harrison County, Mississippi.

0.614 Acre Parcel, Survey Description:

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ELEVATION BASIS:

ELEVATIONS SHOWN HEREON ARE BASED ON ONSITE G.P.S. OBSERVATION USING TRIMBLE VRS NETWORK AND NATIONAL GEODETIC SURVEY ON-LINE POSITIONING USER SERVICE (OPUS) SOLUTIONS REPORTS. (GEOID09 NAVD88) HAVING AN ESTIMATED VERTICAL PRECISION = 0.033M (0.11' +/-) TIES WERE MADE TO CITY OF GULFPORT BENCHMARK "S-302-07" HAVING A PUBLISHED ELEVATION OF 23.99' (NAVD 88 DATUM).

FLOOD ZONE NOTE:

SUBJECT PROPERTY LIES IN ZONE "X", OUTSIDE THE AREA DETERMINED TO BE WITHIN THE 0.2% ANNUAL CHANCE FLOODPLAIN. THE NEAREST BASE FLOOD ELEVATION IS 18.0' BEING APPROXIMATELY 2000' +/- SOUTH OF SUBJECT PROPERTY.

LEGEND:

- ⊗ --- IRON ROD FOUND
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REFERENCES:

- 1.) Harrison County Tax Maps sheet 0612B.
- 2.) Prior Survey of Quarles Cemetery by A. Garner Russell, Dated Feb. 18, 2004.
- 3.) the following Deed Book and pages
DB 1645, Pg 30 DB 1431, Pg 535
DB 1637, Pg 497 DB 1541, Pg 527
- 4.) Prior survey by L.P. Stenum & Assoc. dated December 27, 2010.

NOTE: THIS SURVEY WAS PREPARED FROM INFORMATION PROVIDED BY CLIENT, WITHOUT THE BENEFIT OF A CURRENT TITLE REPORT.

THIS PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN F.L.R.M. ZONE "X" (see note), ACCORDING TO MAP NUMBER 28047003570, DATED JUNE 16, 2009.

SURVEY CLASS - "B"		FOR: WILLIAM JAMES ALEXANDER	
SCALE: 1" = 60'		BEARINGS SHOWN HEREON ARE DERIVED BY: G.P.S. OBSERVATION	
LUGENE P. STENUM & ASSOCIATES PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYORS 8593 OAKLAWN ROAD BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI 39532 PHONE: 228-392-5552 FAX: 228-392-6106		DATE: SEPTEMBER 29, 2011	PARTY CHIEF: WMG
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THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I HAVE MADE A SURVEY OF THE PROPERTY SHOWN HEREON AND THAT ALL DIMENSIONS AND OTHER DATA SHOWN ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF.

GENE PAUL STENUM, P.L.S. #2752

SEPTEMBER 27, 2011
DATE OF FIELD SURVEY

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W.J. Quarles House
Name of Property
Harrison County, Mississippi
County and State
Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Section number ____ Page ____

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MS - Harrison County - W.J. Quarks House and Cottage - 0003



MS - Harrison County - W. J. Quarles House and Cottage - 0004



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H.T. Holmes, Director

October 19, 2010

Mr. Jim Gabbert
Historian, National Register of Historic Places
1201 Eye Street NW
Washington, DC 20005

Re: Quarles House, Long Beach, Jackson County

Dear Jim:

We briefly discussed this by email. The current owner of the Quarles House wishes to move the house to an adjacent lot. The owner does wish to maintain the National Register listing for the house. A brief statement of the reasons for the move, a description of the house, some photographs of the current location and the proposed location and a drawing showing the route of the move are attached.

Please let me know if this is sufficient to determine whether the Keeper will approve the move. If there is additional material you need, please let me know.

If the move is approved we will submit a formal amendment to the nomination with corrected boundary description, maps and photographs.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William M. Gatlin", is written over the typed name.

William M. Gatlin
National Register Coordinator

Cc: Jim Alexander, Owner
Jeff Rosenberg, MDAH Gulf Coast Field Office

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Quarles, W. J. House and Cottage

Name of Property

Harrison County, Mississippi

County and State

Name of multiple listing (if applicable)

Section number ____ Page ____

Approval to Move an Individually Listed House

The W. J. Quarles House and Cottage, Long Beach, Harrison County, Mississippi, was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on October 6, 1980. The nomination form lists the Areas of Significance as agriculture, commerce, communications and education. The house was the home of W. J. Quarles from the time it was constructed in 1892 until his death in 1924. Quarles settled in Long Beach in 1884, when there were only thirteen families. He operated a store which housed the city's post office and was the city's first postmaster. He was influential in organizing the truck farming industry in Long Beach, which was a major catalyst for the growth of the community. Quarles organized and taught in the first school in the Long Beach community. Quarles was considered the leading citizen and is responsible for the development of Long Beach.

The Quarles House is located on Railroad Street in Long Beach. Although Railroad Street was originally a residential street, over the past few decades the area is increasingly commercial. The surrounding property is zoned commercial and the Master Site Plan for Long Beach developed after Hurricane Katrina plans for further development.

The owners desire to move the house to a site they own approximately 400 feet to the northwest. The site is adjacent to the Quarles family cemetery and is part of the 40 acre plot W. J. Quarles bought in 1884 when he arrived in Long Beach. The new site is undeveloped but was a part of Quarles' truck farm. The only historic resource is the family cemetery where Quarles, his wife, his brother and six of his children are buried. The house will be sufficiently distant from the cemetery that it will not affect the cemetery.

The house will sit on a four acre lot, adjacent to the one acre cemetery. The new lot will still be in the city, but has a border of mature vegetation. Although the house originally had large grounds, over time the lot at the current location has been reduced to about ¼ acre. The house will face Old Pass Road. The house can be moved across open land and should not require any significant demolition. The house currently sits close to the road but will be set back further on the new site. The house currently faces south but would face north at the new location. The move will not adversely affect the integrity or significance of the property. The new setting is appropriate and the house will remain on property historically associated with W.J. Quarles.

The move would benefit preservation of the house by moving it away from encroaching commercial development. The house will be in a setting with grounds closer to its historic condition. The house suffered damage, including foundation damage, from Hurricane Katrina. The house is eligible for grants through the MDAH Hurricane Katrina Historic Preservation grant program that will fund foundation and stabilization work. The cost of the move will be borne by the owners. By unifying the cemetery and the house, the opportunities for civic use and interpretation of the role Quarles played in Long Beach history will be enhanced.

Description

Exterior

The Quarles House is a two-story frame house with a side-gable roof covered with 5-V-crimp galvanized metal. The primary elevation is south. There is a prominent intersecting gable front dormer with paired 1/1 windows. The dormer has lattice at the apex and the gable front is clad in fish scale shingles. The south façade is five bays. On the second floor, two 2/2 windows flank a center door with two-light transom that opened to a two-level full width gallery. The gallery was lost to Hurricane Camille in 1968 and never reconstructed. The posts had lattice

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details and the rail consisted of pierced slats. The first floor gallery had no rail and simpler posts. (Photographs of the gallery exist and the current owners intend to replace the gallery after the house is moved.) The center double-leaf doors sit under a multi-light transom and are flanked by tall 2/4 windows. The exterior walls are clad in clapboards.

The west elevation shows simpler gable returns with a 1/1 window in the gable apex. There are two 2/2 windows on the second floor and a single and paired 2/2 windows on the first floor. A one-story shed roof wing projects to the north. The wing has paired 6/6 windows.

The east elevation is similar. However, there is single-leaf door with two-light transom offset to the north on the ground floor.

On the second floor of the north elevation there are three 6/6 windows. Additionally there is a set of small paired windows offset to the east near the center window. A single leaf door is centered in the north face of the wing. It is flanked by two small horizontal windows, each with two lights. These are in turn flanked by two 6/6 windows.

Interior

The house is two rooms deep and three rooms wide, including the center halls. The lower hall is divided to form a front and a rear hall but the upper hall is undivided. A staircase ascends from the rear hall. The interior finish throughout is tongue-and-groove pine boards applied horizontally. The boards were originally papered, except for the vertical bead-board wainscot on the first floor in the halls and the northeast room. A single chimney provides fireplaces for the southeast rooms and the halls. The attic is an unfinished space, accessible by a staircase from the second floor hall. During the 1930's, when the house was converted to apartments, a bathroom was added to the rear of the upper hall and the staircases were enclosed on the second floor with vertical tongue-and-groove bead-board.

The most elaborately finished rooms are in the first floor halls and eastern rooms. Each leaf of the double-leaf front door bears an arched-top upper glass panel set over a single lower wooden panel. Both elements are surrounded by bold bolection moldings. In the lower southern rooms and the halls, the interior doors have four panels with fielded centers and ogee-molded edges and are set into openings with simple unmolded casings but with corner blocks decorated with incised geometric designs and a turned bullseye center. The front hall mantelpiece is elaborated with a molded-edge shelf and with inlaid geometric designs in the frieze and the chamfered pilasters. In the lower halls and the northeast back room, the wainscot is framed with heavy moldings to create panels. The stair has a heavy, turned newel, turned balusters, and a shaped handrail. Where the staircase protrudes into the front hall as it rises to the upper floor, the side of the staircase is decorated like a quarter fan with radiating panels. The original doors throughout the house are four panel doors with a raised field. The doors installed in the 1930's renovation are five panel doors.

The door and window trim in the lower northern rooms and upstairs is elaborated with multiple beadings run up the center and the casings, making a right angle turn at the upper corners.

Cottage

A two-room frame cottage is located to the east of the house. The rear porch was enclosed to accommodate bathrooms and kitchens. The gabled cottage has a corner undercut gallery with a half-glazed door. The formerly

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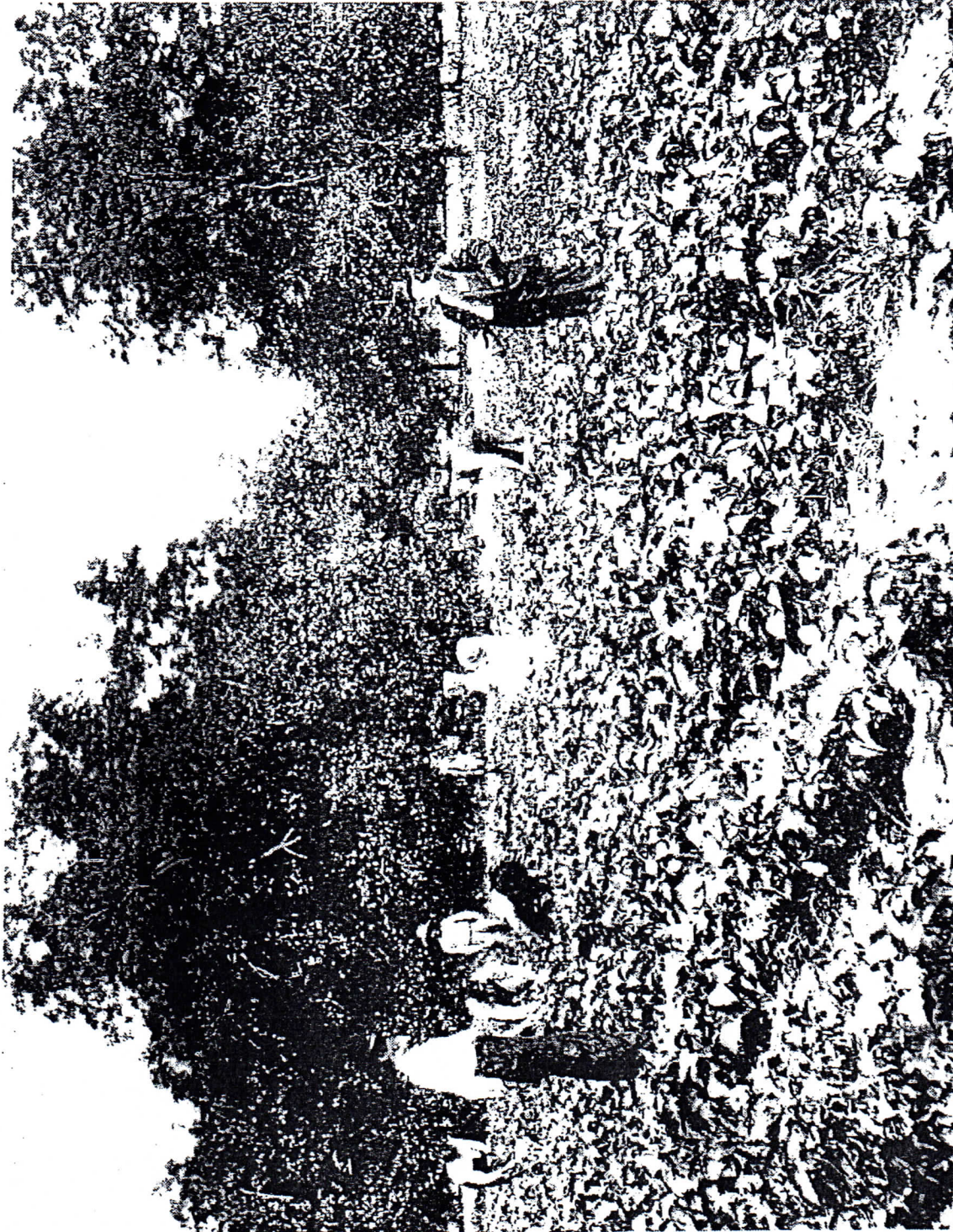
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full undercut gallery is enclosed with four 6/6 windows. Each side has two 6/6 windows. The rear elevation has a single-leaf half-glazed door and a single 6/6 window. Prior to 1937, the cottage was attached to the rear of the Quarles House. The cottage was moved after renovations to the Quarles House in the 1930s. Although the cottage is considered a contributing resource, the current owners do not plan to move the cottage. Its current condition is poor due to long-term deferred maintenance.

FIGURE 1.



Mr. W. J. Quarles, (left foreground) and Mr. W. H. Bouslog (right foreground) inspecting beans grown on a part of the Quarles Farm, now site of North Burke Avenue.

FIGURE 2

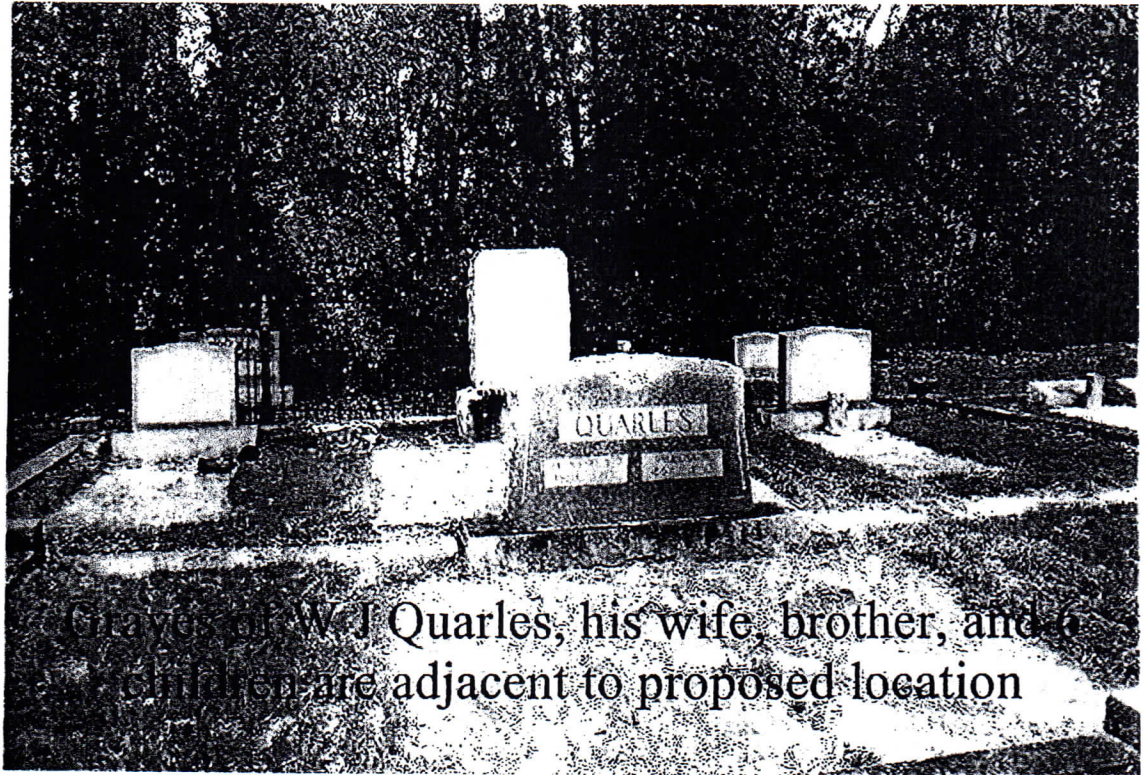


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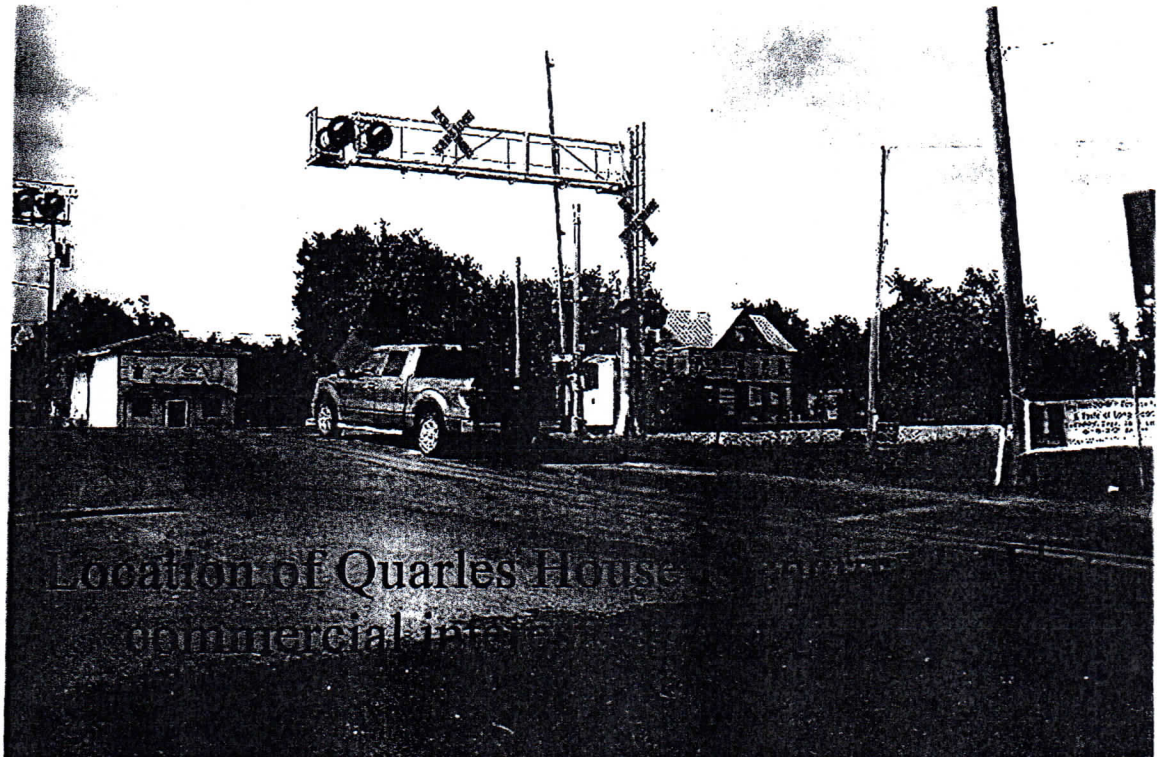


FIGURE 4

Quarles House (red circle) is encroached by commercial interests



FIGURE 5

**Current location restricts potential uses of
Quarles House when renovated**

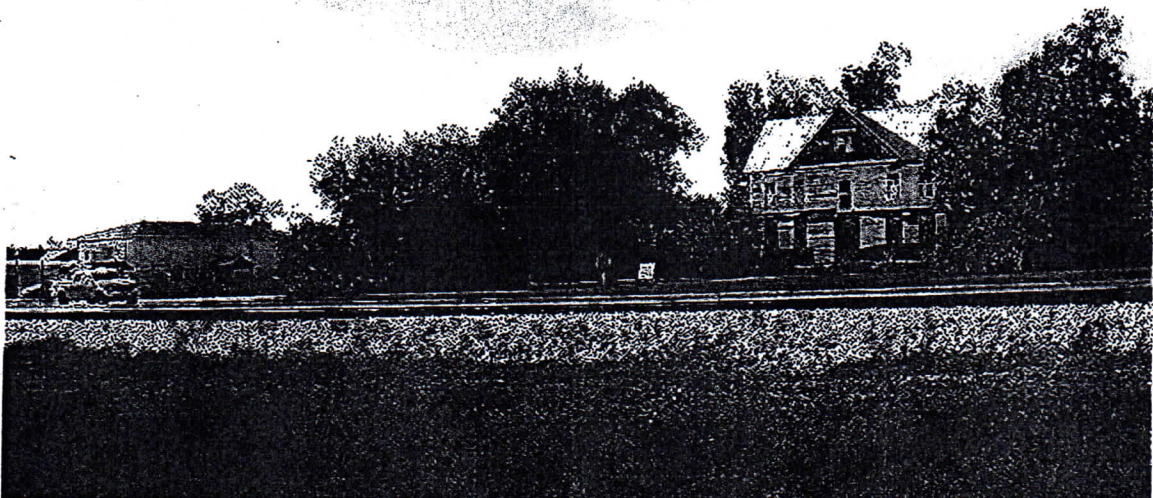


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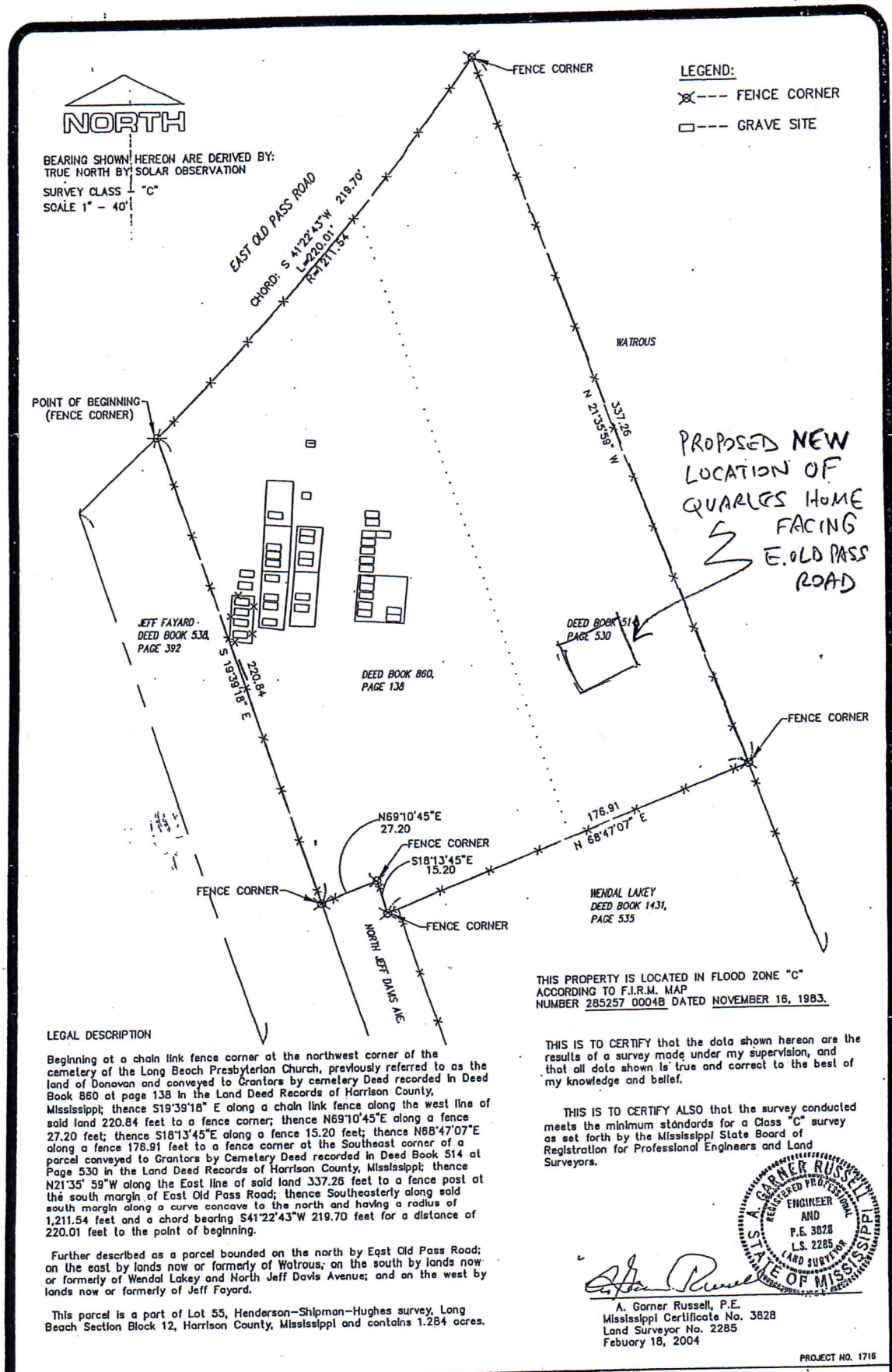
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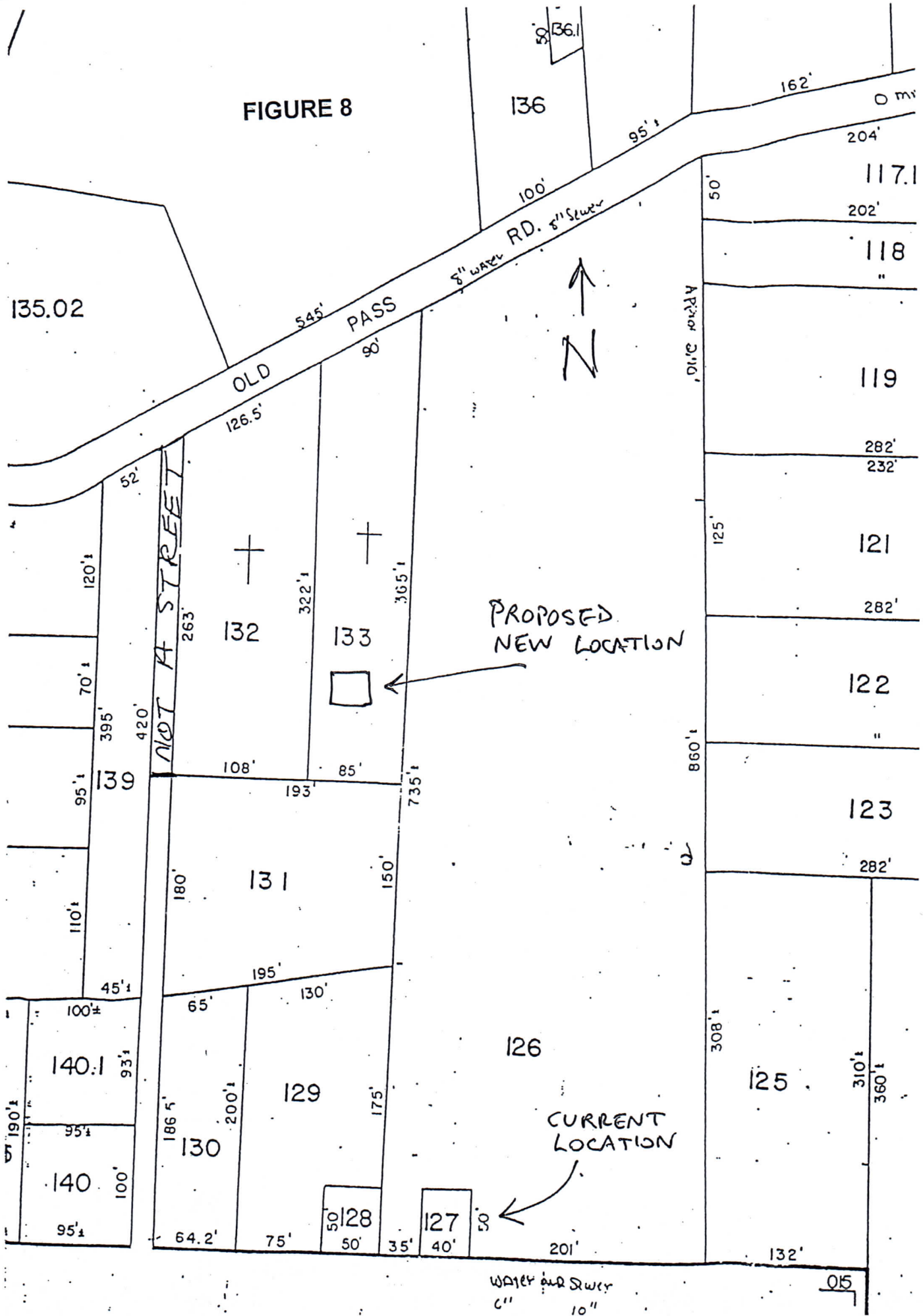


FIGURE 9

Stakes show proposed corners of relocated Quarles
House to face North

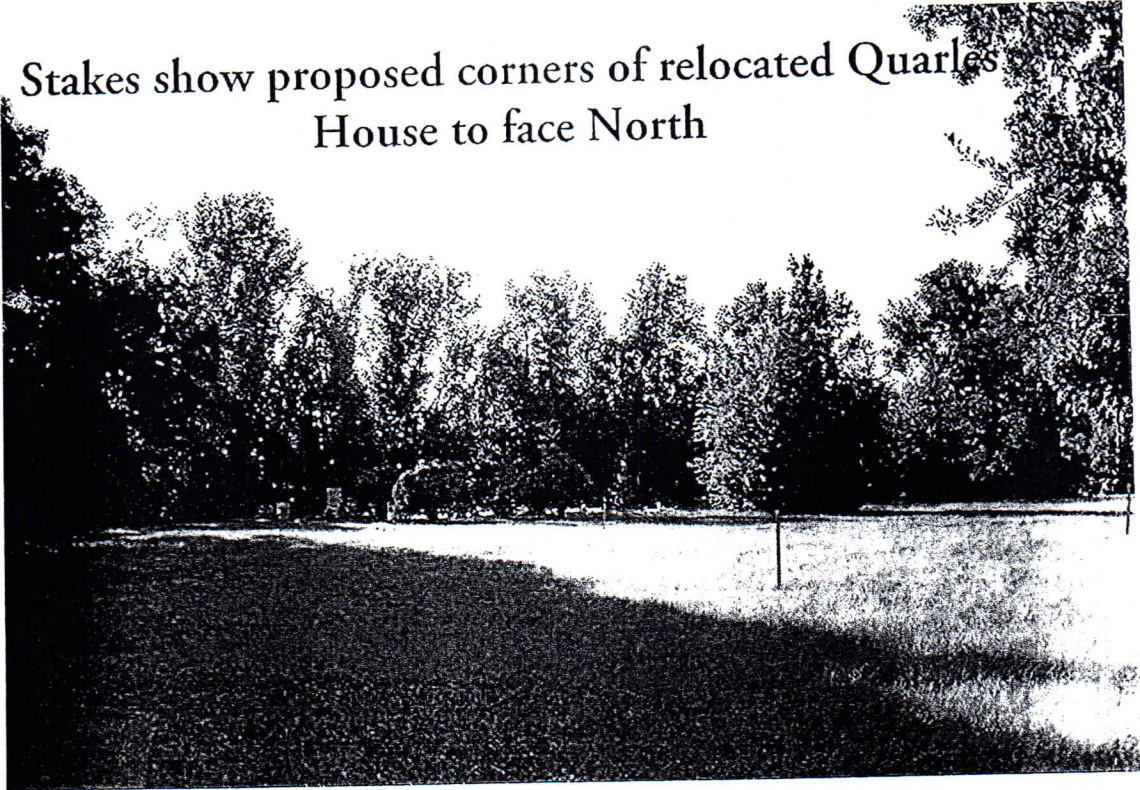


FIGURE 10

View of proposed location from gravesites looking
East

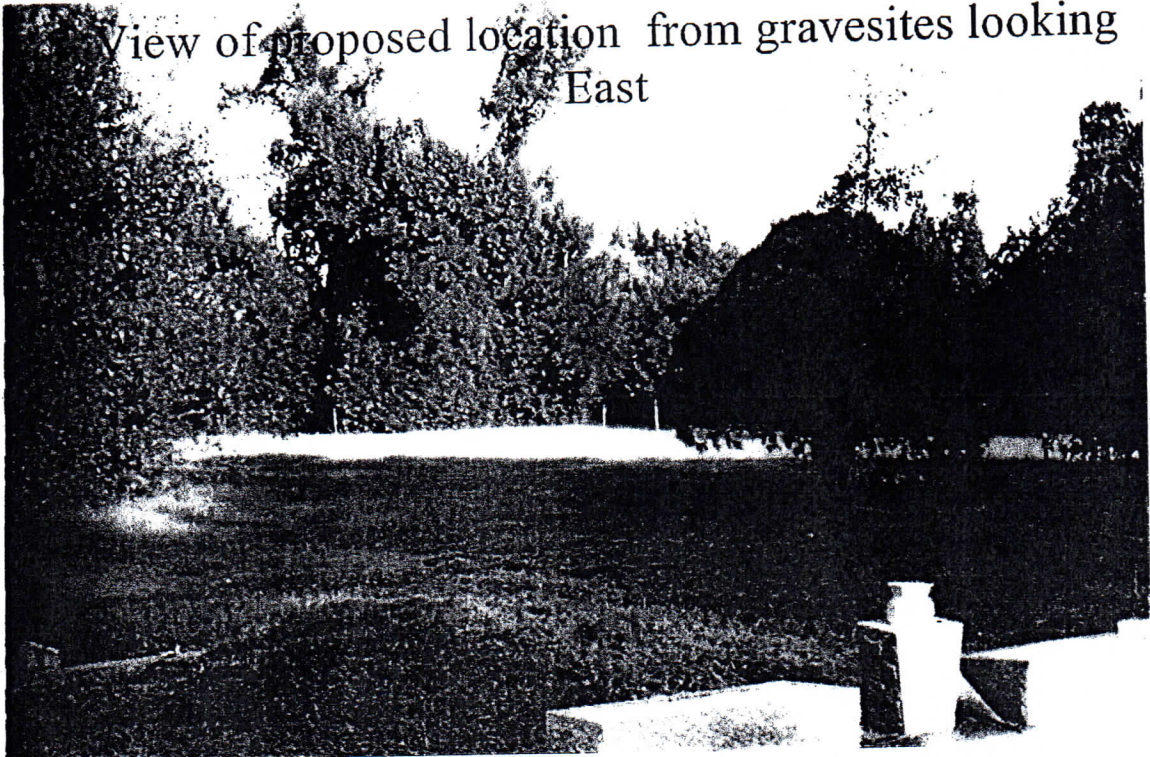
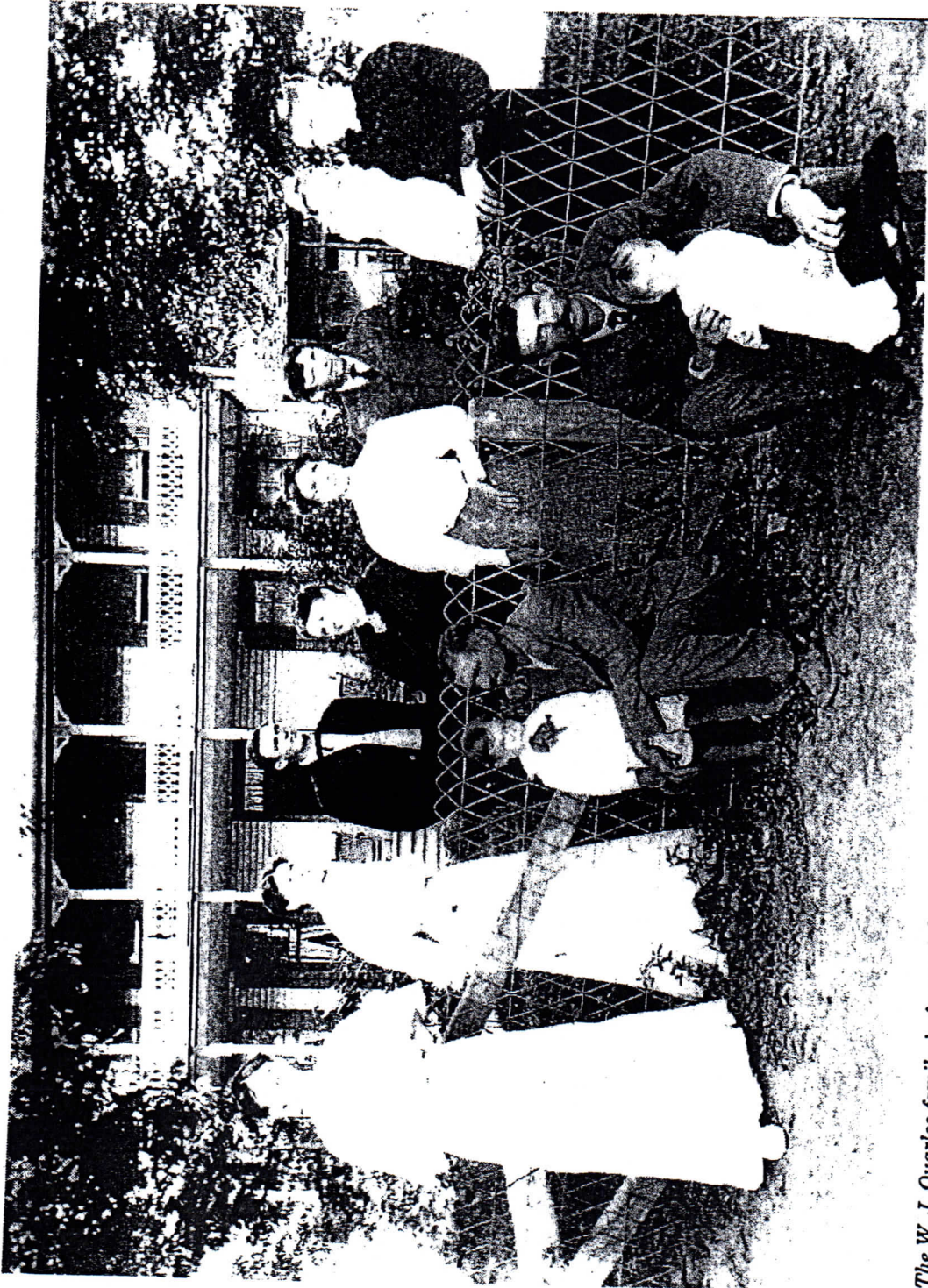


FIGURE 11



The W. J. Quarles family in front of the family home in 1906. Standing left to right, May (Mrs. G. S. Watrous); Winnie (Mrs. F. Z. Goss); Ben Tarver; Mrs. Quarles; Mrs. H. Y. Quarles (Mamie & Lou Toomer); I. D. Toomer; and Allie (Mrs. I. D. Toomer) holding daughter Eleanor. In front center Mr. W. J. Quarles with grandson, Herschel Eugene, and H. Y. Quarles with daughter, Alice.

FIGURE 12

**Quarles House is structurally sound and would be moved
400 yards north to face East Old Pass Road**

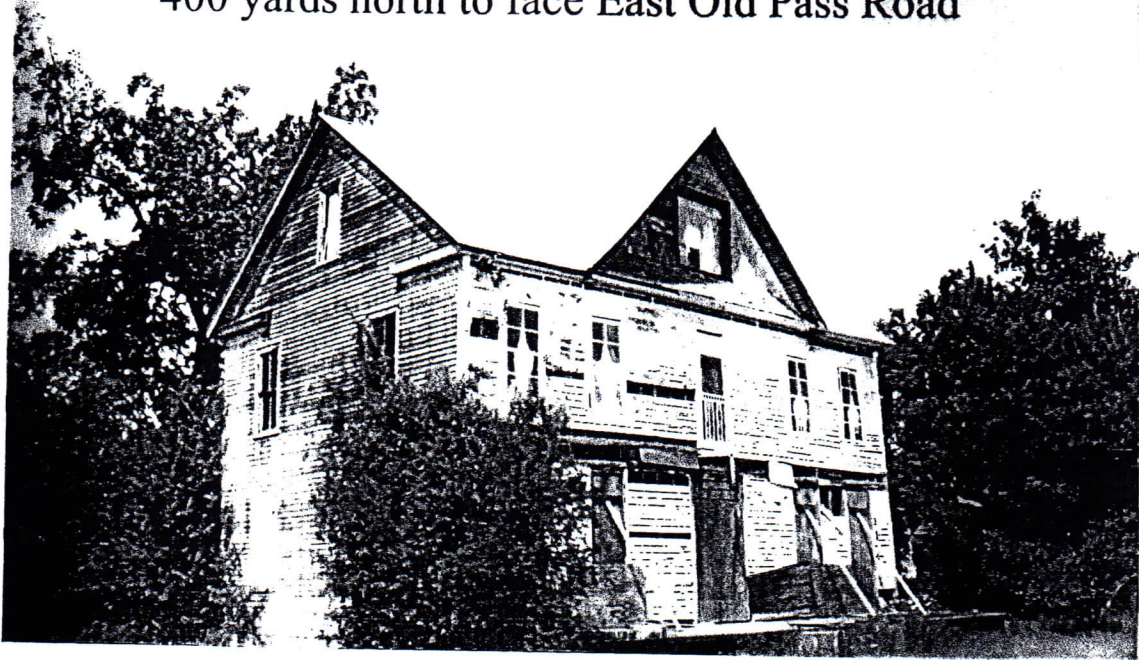


FIGURE 13



**Kitchens and Bathrooms added in 1930s were
removed in 2005**



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Dear Mr. P'Pool:

Thank you for the letter of October 21, 2010, regarding the proposed move of the W. J. Quarles House, Harrison County, Mississippi, a property listed in the National Register of Historic Places. The house is being moved from an area of commercial development along the street to a location on the tract of land historically associated with the W. J. Quarles House. You have included documentation justifying the move and describing the new site.

On December 6, 2010, the proposed move was approved by statute. The documentation was reviewed by me, and the proposed move would have been given formal approval. The house will remain listed in the National Register during and after the move. Final approval of continued listing of the house on its new site will be issued after the move. After the house has been relocated, please provide a letter notifying us of the date of the move, along with photographs of the depot in its new location, a new verbal boundary description, acreage figure, UTM point, and an original USGS map. Once we have received this documentation we will issue a final approval of the house's continued listing in the National Register.

We appreciate the interest of the house's owners in preserving this historic building and look forward to hearing of the successful move.

Sincerely,

Jim Gabbert, Historian
National Register of Historic Places

cc: Janet Griffin