



# Historic Sites Survey

Inventory No. 16

**ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:** The Taylor-Falls House is a one-story, gable-roofed, picturesquely massed and irregularly fenestrated frame house on a residential lot facing east. The steeply-pitched multi-gable roof is pierced by three prominent plain chimneys. Across the facade is a three-bay flat roofed porch supported by slender chamfered posts which are embellished with bull's-eyes and carved brackets. The entrance is single-leaf door with upper, square, glass panel, and multi-pane sidelights and transom. The remaining facade fenestration, to the south of the entrance, consists of two two-over-four segmental-arched floor-to-ceiling windows. The gabled, front pavilion, projecting at the northeast corner, features square-cornered bay window with four segmental-arched, four-over-four windows (which are separated by engaged and embellished pilasters), a bracketed cornice and decorative panels. Specific Johnson details include the steeply-pitched, L-shaped gable roof, the chamfered posts with bull's-eyes, the square-cut bay window, and the high degree of ornamentation.

**ALTERATIONS:** Moved to site from southeast corner of Sycamore and Sledge Streets in 1919. Kitchen and Bathrooms added.

**OUTBUILDINGS:** None

**LANDSCAPE FEATURES:** N/A

**STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:**

The Taylor-Falls House is another of Andrew Johnson's well-proportioned superbly ornamented, L-shaped cottages. This is the only Johnson cottage in Como.

**NAME:** Taylor-Falls House  
**STREET NO:** Pointer Avenue  
**TOWN/VIC:** Como  
**COUNTY:** Panola  
**BLOCK/LOT:** See Verbal Boundary Description  
**PRESENT OWNER:** Mr. and Mrs. Garrett Falls  
**ADDRESS** Pointer Avenue, Como, Mississippi 38619  
**PRESENT USE:** Private residence  
**FORMER USE:** Private residence  
**DATE:** 1880s  
**STYLE:** Johnson's embellished L-shaped cottage  
**ARCH/BUILDER:** Andrew Johnson  
**SOURCE OF DATE:** Stylistic deduction  
**ENVIRONMENT:** Residential  
**LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE**  
 NEIGHBORHOOD  
 LOCAL  
 STATE X  
 NATIONAL

**PHOTOS**

NEG. #

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

CONTINUATION:

PHYSICAL CONDITION:

Good

THREATS:

None

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

Walter S. Davis Survey March 8, 1888, Town of Como  
Fraction Lots 3 & 4, Block 1

ACREAGE: less than one

UTM REF:

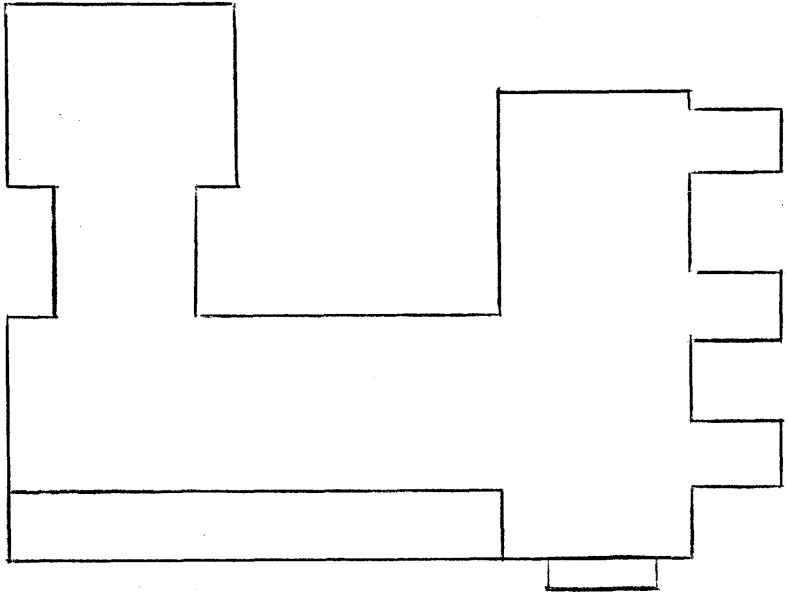
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Taylor-Falls House (#16), view to the northwest  
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Taylor-Falls House (#16), window detail  
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