



Historic Sites Survey Inventory No. 5

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION: The Crenshaw House is a two-and-a-half story, picturesquely massed and fenestrated, frame Queen Anne residence. The multi-gable-on-hip roof is pierced by one large central chimney. The main entrance consists of a single-leaf door with upper square, glass panel surmounted by a rectangular transom with plain surrounds. Picturesquely placed windows are regularly of one-over-one configuration. Window treatments include two-story bay window (result of two-story chamfered-corner pavilion), a Palladian window in the tympanum of the front pediment, and paired windows with art glass in the upper sash. The major focus of the residence is a highly decorated, one-story porch which wraps around three sides of residence. Porch is distinguished by Eastlake ornamentation, including heavy turned posts, spindled friezes, partially paneled and partially cut balustrades, and a carved tympanum in the pediment over the porch entrance. The residence has a one-story, gable-roofed, one-car garage attached at the rear. Elements of the Crenshaw House which exhibit Andrew Johnson's later style are the individual and collective aspects of the exuberantly Eastlake porch.

ALTERATIONS: One-story, gable-roofed, one-car garage constructed onto house mid-twentieth century.

OUTBUILDINGS: Two gable-roofed, one-bay outbuildings.

LANDSCAPE FEATURES: N/A

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE: Along with the Kyle-Spencer House in Sardis, the Crenshaw House is one of Andrew Johnson's most exuberant Queen Anne residences. The design elements of the one-story gallery show a lively adaptation of Johnson's interpretation of Eastlake Style.

NAME: Crenshaw House ✓
STREET NO: N/A
TOWN/VIC: Crenshaw
COUNTY: Panola
BLOCK/LOT: See Verbal Boundary Description

PRESENT OWNER: Ms. Mossie C. Appleton
ADDRESS: Crenshaw, Mississippi 38621

PRESENT USE: Residence

FORMER USE: Residence

DATE: Ca. 1904

STYLE: Queen Anne

ARCH/BUILDER: Andrew Johnson

SOURCE OF DATE: Anna Mary Tate and Edith Smith,
 granddaughters of Andrew Johnson

ENVIRONMENT: Village

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE

NEIGHBORHOOD

LOCAL

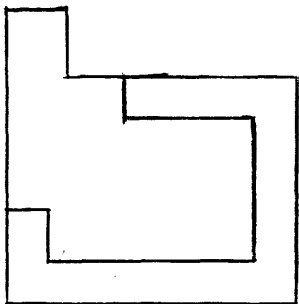
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SITE OR AREA PLAN WITH NORTH ARROW AND SHAPE OF STRUCTURE:



CONTINUATION:

PHYSICAL CONDITION:

Good

THREATS:

None

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

Fraction lots 3-4-5 Blk N and Fraction lot 1
Map of Crenshaw by Robert Ruffin, September 1, 1903

ACREAGE: less than one

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Crenshaw House (#5), view to the west
The Architecture of Andrew Johnson in
North Mississippi

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