

United States Department of the Interior
National Park ServiceNational Register of Historic Places
Registration FormNATIONAL
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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 16). 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 Knox, Dr. Isaac Cecil, House

other names/site number _____

2. Location

street & number 2823 Confederate Avenue

N/A not for publication

city, town Vicksburg

N/A vicinity

state Mississippi

code

MScounty Warren

code

149zip code 39180

3. Classification

Ownership of Property

- ☒ private
☐ public-local
☐ public-State
☐ public-Federal

Category of Property

- ☒ building(s)
☐ district
☐ site
☐ structure
☐ object

Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
<u> </u>	<u> </u> sites
<u> </u>	<u>1</u> structures
<u> </u>	<u> </u> objects
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing:

N/ANumber of contributing resources previously
listed in the National Register 0

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.

Signature of certifying official
MS Deputy State Historic Preservation OfficerAugust 15, 1990
Date

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:)

Entered in the
National Register9/18/90

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)

Tudor Revival

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation brickwalls stonestuccoroof ceramic tileother other: half-timbering

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Dr. Knox House is a magnificent Tudor Revival mansion, facing west, located on a two acre site off of Confederate Avenue. This area of Vicksburg was a part of the Vicksburg National Military Park and still retains its monuments, plaques and markers.

The two-story asymmetrical house is built with a variety of materials. The ground floor and two-story bay window are constructed of rough-cut limestone blocks except for the arcaded gallery which is made of smooth limestone blocks. The second story is superficial half-timbering in geometric patterns. The tile-covered gable roof has varying eave-line heights. The main facade is dominated by a two-story projecting bay with a gable roof and massive exterior chimney. The projecting stone-covered gable has a large two-story stained-glass window enhanced by stone trim and a small, narrow three-part window in the peak of the gable end. The large patterned-brick chimney is topped with a six-sided and a square chimney pot. Between the projection and the chimney the roof falls to the first floor where it flares over a Tudor arched stone gallery with buttresses on the ends. There is a diamond-paned casement window with stone trim on the wall behind the portico. There is a hipped dormer with a six-light window in the second floor of this section of the roof.

To the south of the chimney the second floor half-timbered room overhangs the stone first floor and is supported by plain brackets. A narrow shed roof projects from the eave to shelter a pair of four-over-four double-hung sash. On the south end of the house is a one story room with a stone parapet on the gable end and a three-part diamond-paned casement window.

To the north of the large projecting gable the half-timbered second floor also overhangs the stone first floor. There are four bays on the second floor: three four-over-four double-hung sash and a small six-light fixed sash. The four bays on the first floor are four-over-four double-hung windows with stone trim. The main entrance is under the gallery in the south end of the large projecting bay and is a plain vertical board door with two lights.

On the south end (side) of the house the one-story room forms a gable end of rough stone with a smooth stone parapet. There is a diamond-paned fixed sash with stone trim in the peak of the gable end. The only bay is a set of three multi-paned doors with a Tudor arched three-part transom. Behind this room is the two-story half-timbered end of the main gable. There are two four-over-four double-hung sash.

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The east (back) facade is a series of thirteen four-over-four double-hung sash on the half-timbered second floor. A three-part diamond-paned casement window and a three-part bay window dominate this facade.

Added to the house in 1928 was a one story garage which has been enclosed for a den. The two bays are large Tudor arch plate glass windows. There is a half-timbered dormer window in the side of the tiled hip roof over these bays. There is a corner portico protecting an entrance in the main house.

The interior maintains its original mantel pieces, chandeliers, and sconces.

The lot of the Dr. Knox House is not formally landscaped but has large live oak trees, camellias, and azaleas. There are no outbuildings, however, there is a non-historic swimming pool added in the rear yard.

Nominated Properties

1 individual property

Contributing Elements

1 building

Noncontributing Elements

1 swimming pool

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. 1926

Significant Dates

c. 1926

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

N/A

Architect/Builder

Architect: Smith, J. Frazer

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

The Knox House (c. 1926) is one of the most academically correct expressions of the Tudor Revival style in Mississippi and as such is eligible for the National Register under Criterion C. Tudor Revival was a popular style in Mississippi for residences in the early twentieth century. The Dr. Knox House is one of only ten high style Tudor Revival style houses identified by the Mississippi state-wide survey. The other nine are the C.C. Day House (1926), Aberdeen; the Scott-Ricks-Hester-Brown House (1928), Jackson; Castle Crest (1930), Jackson; Craig-Flowers House (1904), Vicksburg; Harding-Johnston House (1904), Vicksburg; 1703 23rd Avenue (1925), Meridian; 2405 Poplar Springs Drive (1903), Meridian; 1102 Grand Boulevard (1920), Greenwood; and the Virden House (1925), Greenville.

While the majority of these residences display classical and other design elements, the Dr. Knox House is most consistent in its display of Tudor Revival elements. The Tudor-arched porch, pattern-brick chimney, elaborate chimney pots, overhanging second stories, and half-timbering make the Knox House one of the best examples of Tudor Revival in Mississippi.

The Dr. Knox House was designed by J. Frazer Smith, an architect from Memphis, Tennessee, who is best known in Mississippi for his book White Pillars (1941). Although Smith's area of expertise was commercial, industrial and health facilities, he also designed a number of notable houses, including several of Mississippi's finest Tudor Revival houses. The Scott-Ricks-Hester-Bowman House and Castle Crest in Jackson and the Virden House in Greenville are among his designs. He received the Hospital of the Year award in 1952 from the Modern Hospital Magazine for his design of Le Bon Heur Children's Hospital in Memphis. He also designed the Jackson/Madison Hospital in Jackson, Tennessee (1950-53).

Dr. Isaac Cecil Knox was a physician born in Pittsboro, Mississippi and educated at Vanderbilt (1911). His undergraduate degree was from the University of Mississippi where he was captain of the football team and helped organize the first Ole Miss basketball team. In 1919 Dr. Knox, Dr. W.H. Parsons and Dr. G. P. Sanderson founded the Vicksburg Hospital on Monroe Street in Vicksburg, Mississippi.

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This hospital was the first in Mississippi to be approved for graduate training in surgery. Dr. Knox was the president of the hospital for twenty-nine years. He was also active in the community serving as president of the Warren County Medical Society, chairman of the physical committee of the YMCA, member of the Vicksburg Board of Trade and Chamber of Commerce and president of the Vicksburg Rotary Club.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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Rowland, Dunbar. History of Mississippi, Heart of the South, Vol. IV. Jackson: The S.J. Clarke Publishing Co., 1925.
Vicksburg Evening Post. Vicksburg Hospital Supplement. February 25, 1979.
American Institute of Architects. American Architect's Directory. New York: R.R. Bowker, 1955.

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 2 acres

UTM References

A 15 699205 3577740
Zone Easting Northing
C _____

B _____
Zone Easting Northing
D _____

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Verbal Boundary Description

Parcel Number 75-J11-L0-29-52-29-16-3 as recorded in the Numerical Index located in the Chancery Clerk's Office.

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Boundary Justification

The boundary includes the lot historically associated with the building.

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11. Form Prepared By

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organization Vicksburg Foundation for Historic Preservation date 15 August 1989
street & number P.O. Box 254 telephone (601) 636-5010
city or town Vicksburg state Mississippi zip code 39181

Owners: Mr. & Mrs. O. E. Bradway III

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Vicksburg, MS 39180 (601) 636-0965

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The following information is the same for all photographs:

- (1) Knox, Dr. Isaac Cecil, House
- (2) Vicksburg, Warren County, Mississippi
- (5) Mississippi Department of Archives and History

Photo 1--(3) Nancy Bell
(4) August 1989
(6) Main (west) facade, view to east

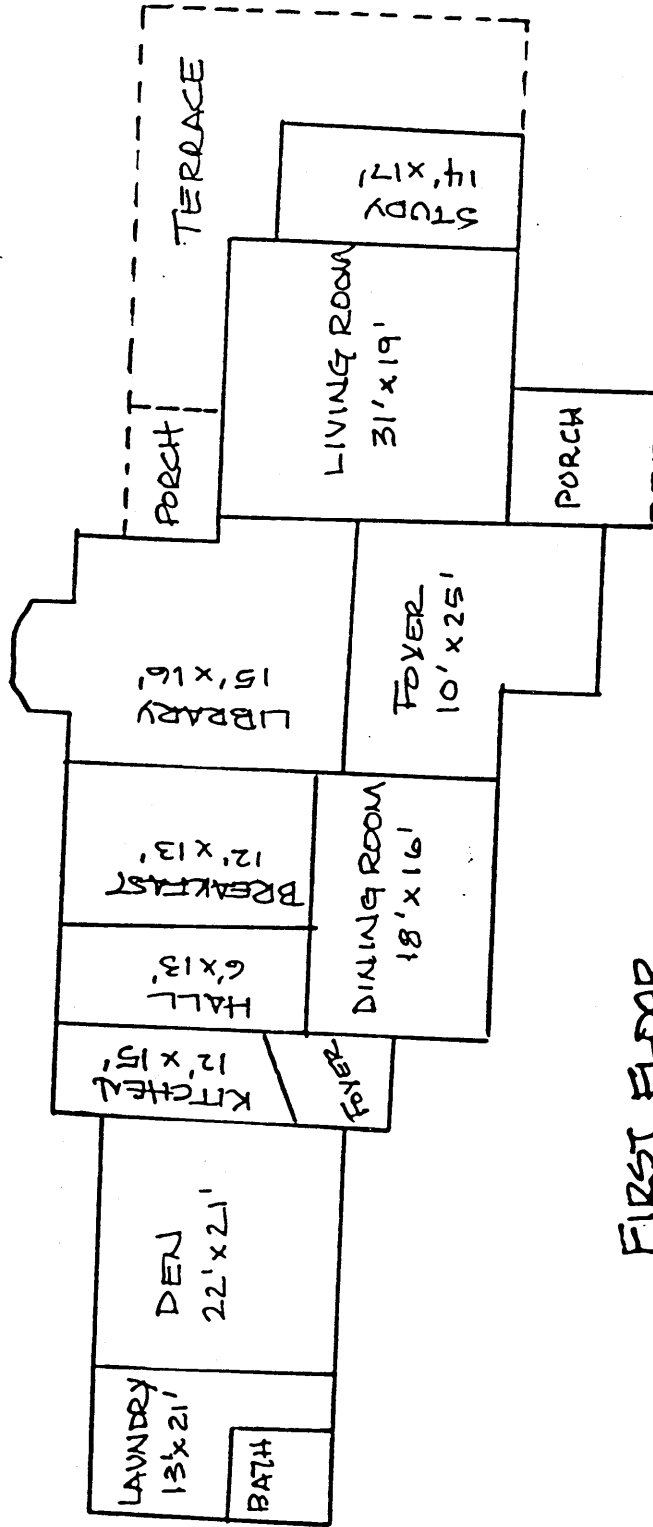
Photo 2--(3) Nancy Bell
(4) August 1989
(6) South elevation, view to north

Photo 3--(3) Nancy Bell
(4) August 1989
(6) Rear (east) elevation, view to northwest

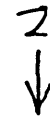
Photo 4--(3) Brenda Rubach
(4) August 1990
(6) Stair hall, view to northwest

Photo 5--(3) Brenda Rubach
(4) August 1990
(6) Living room, view to southwest

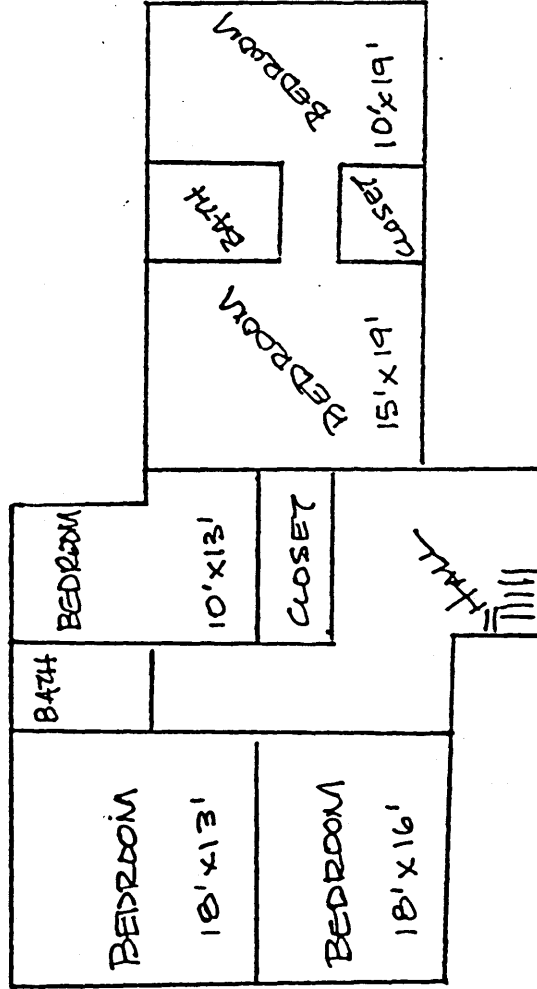
Photo 6--(3) Brenda Rubach
(4) August 1990
(6) Dining room, view to southeast



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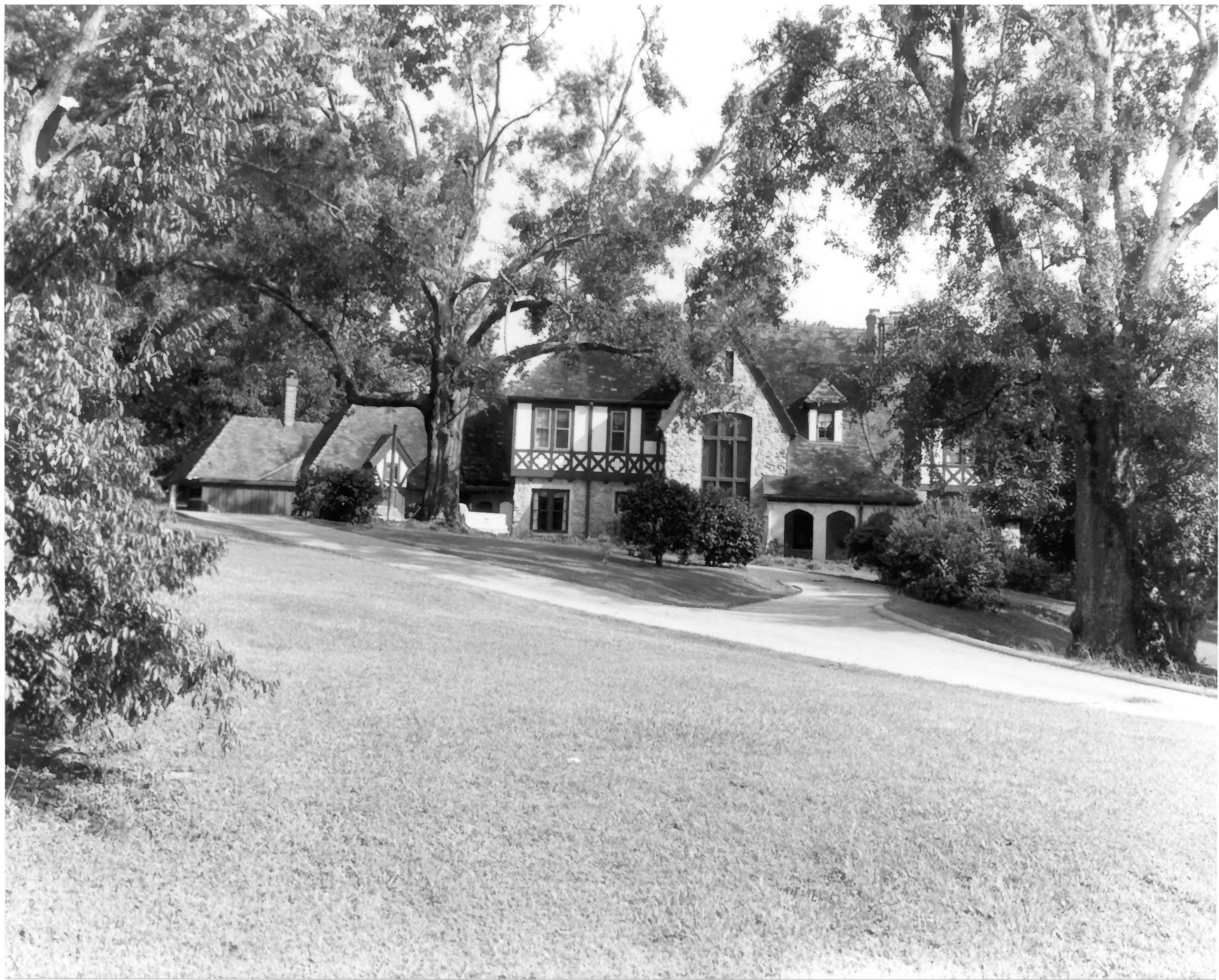
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2023 CONFEDERATE AVENUE
VICKSBURG, WARREN COUNTY, MS



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