

United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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

1. Name

historic Given Owens Home

and/or common Donald Hughes Home

2. Location

street & number Route 1 ___ not for publication

city, town Campbell vicinity of congressional district 154-Hon. Bill Burlison

state Missouri code 029 county Dunklin code 069

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NA	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Donald Hughes

street & number Route 1

city, town Campbell vicinity of state Missouri 63933

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Dunklin County Courthouse

street & number

city, town Kennett state Missouri 63857

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Missouri State Historic Survey has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1981 federal state county local

depository for survey records Department of Natural Resources
Historic Preservation Program, P.O. Box 176

city, town Jefferson City state Missouri 65201

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Given Owens House was built in 1860 by Leander J. Taylor a local merchant and sheriff in what was then called "Possum Trot" Missouri. It is of Louisiana Tidewater Architectural styling and constructed of native cyprus and poplar lumber. The former shake-shingle saddle-back roof is at present covered with asphalt shingles.

Exterior

A veranda porch runs the length of the front of the house. The deck is constructed of six to eight inch boards which run adjacent to the front of the house. The overhand is supported by six four-by-four posts at 10'-9" centers. The deck is elevated 3'-0" above the ground level with two concrete steps leading up to the center of the porch. The front face contains six six-over-six sash windows measuring 5'-0" x 2'-6". These windows are covered by aluminum storm windows. The front entrance was formerly composed of a double door (which are now in use in the interior). The doors were replaced in the 1970's with a single door with a transom light and two sidelights. The door is a solid wood exterior door which opens into the foyer.

Except for the southeast corner which is covered by white aluminum siding the entire exterior facings are covered with weathered clapboard siding.

A chair rail or Dado runs the length of the front and is broken only at the door opening (for details on exterior see attached photograph and floor plans).

The chimney on the south has been removed at an unspecified date while a brick chimney was reconstructed on the north face in the late 1970's.

A walk-out basement was dug in 1970 and occupies the north half of the structure and is constructed of concrete block.

Interior

The interior has been renovated and modestly modernized to accomodate a contemporary living style. However, many of the distinguishing characteristics are still quite visable of its original state.

The dado and kick-board are still intact throughout much of the interior and especially on the front three rooms. These boards still bear the knicks and gashes of spurs and tools inflicted in its earlier years as a hospital and post office.

All ceilings, except for the kitchen, are 13'-0" in height and are covered with fiber-board blocks.

The kitchen has undergone extensive remodeling however the original dimensions remain unaltered.

The mantels of the two former chimneys remain intact in the livingroom and front bedroom. These mantels have been painted over with several coats of interior paint but still remain a distinguishing characteristic of both rooms.

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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
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A transom hangs over the entryway between the diningroom and the foyer. This transom is reputed to be the original transom that was above the former double-door entrance into the enclosed dining area (formerly Dr. Given Owens' office and reception area.)

A 15" x 8" hand-hewn beam provides the support for the first floor and is clearly visible from the basement. Wooden pegs are visible in the support beams while rose-head nails can be seen in the first floor rooms.

All but the kitchen were paneled in 1970 above the Dado.

See attached photographs and scaled floor plan for further details.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1860 **Builder/Architect** Leander J. Taylor

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Given Owens House and adjacent barn are all that remain of the town of Four-Mile, Missouri. The house is of the Louisiana-Tidewater architectural style and county records refer to it as "the most imposing house in the district." The architectural style of the house clearly demonstrates the cultural background of its builder, Leander J. Taylor, and the early residents of Four-Mile (formerly Possum Trot), Missouri, as originating in the southeastern United States. The areas economic ties also were with the south of the Mississippi Valley. Trade in the area was linked closer to Memphis, and New Orleans than St. Louis. Although slavery was not widely practiced in the Ridge Country in the Bootheel the area was sympathetic to the Confederacy during the Civil War.

The builder, Leander J. Taylor, was a prominent businessman and sheriff in Four-Mile and played a significant role in the early growth of the town. It was due, in part, to his efforts that Four-Mile became a way-stop on a stage-coach Line and thus gained a post office which was established in the house. Under Taylor's ownership the house served as a post office and hotel for travelers on the Old Military Road which ran between Cape Girardeau, Missouri and Jonesboro, Arkansas prior to the Civil War.

At the outbreak of the Civil War Taylor formed a company of the Secessionist Missouri State Guard with the house being used as the local headquarters. In May of 1863 the house was used as a field hospital by Confederate Troops who were entrenched around the town in an attempt to hold off Union generals McNeil and Van Derventer from crossing the St. Francis River at Chalks Bluff. For two days (May 1 and 2) Confederate Generals Marmaduke and Price held off the Union advances while constructing a bridge across the river. After crossing the river and destroying the bridge the Confederates retreated into Arkansas leaving the Union Army encamped at Four-Mile.

In 1865 Dr. Given Owens purchased the house from Leander J. Taylor and set up his residence and medical practice in the house. Dr. Owens also served as a Judge of Dunklin County in Probate and Common Pleas Court. During his stay at Four-Mile the house continued to function as the community's post office.

In 1876 Dr. Owens became a business partner with Louis McCutchen. The house took on another role as that of a general merchandizing store until 1882.

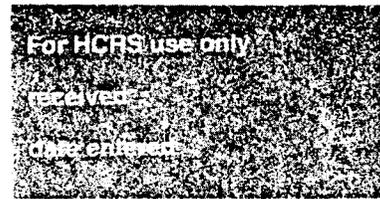
Dr. Louis McCutchen married Dr. Owens' daughter in 1877 and eventually moved his business to Campbell, Missouri after the railroad passed Four-Mile in lieu of a less elevated area.

As Campbell grew Four-Mile declined. But the Given Owens' Home still remains a landmark and a memorial of the early pioneers and the Civil War activity in northwest Dunklin County.

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North 25⁰ East 877 feet to the Southwest boundary line of old Missouri Highway #53, thence in a Northwesterly direction along the Southwest boundary line of said highway to the North boundary line of said Southeast quarter of Northwest quarter, thence West 790 feet to the Northwest corner of said Southeast quarter of Northwest quarter, thence South along sub-division line 540 feet to the point of beginning; A part of the Northeast quarter of the Northwest quarter described as beginning at the Southwest corner of said Northeast quarter of Northwest quarter, running thence East on sub-division line 790 feet to the Southwest boundary line of old Missouri Highway #53 to the sub-division line running North and South between said Northeast quarter of Northwest quarter and the Northwest quarter of the Northwest quarter, thence South on said sub-division line to point of beginning. All in Section Thirty-three (33), Township Twenty-two (22) North, Range Nine (9) East. And the Northeast quarter of Northeast quarter of Section Thirty-two (32), Township Twenty-two (22) North, Range Nine (9) East.

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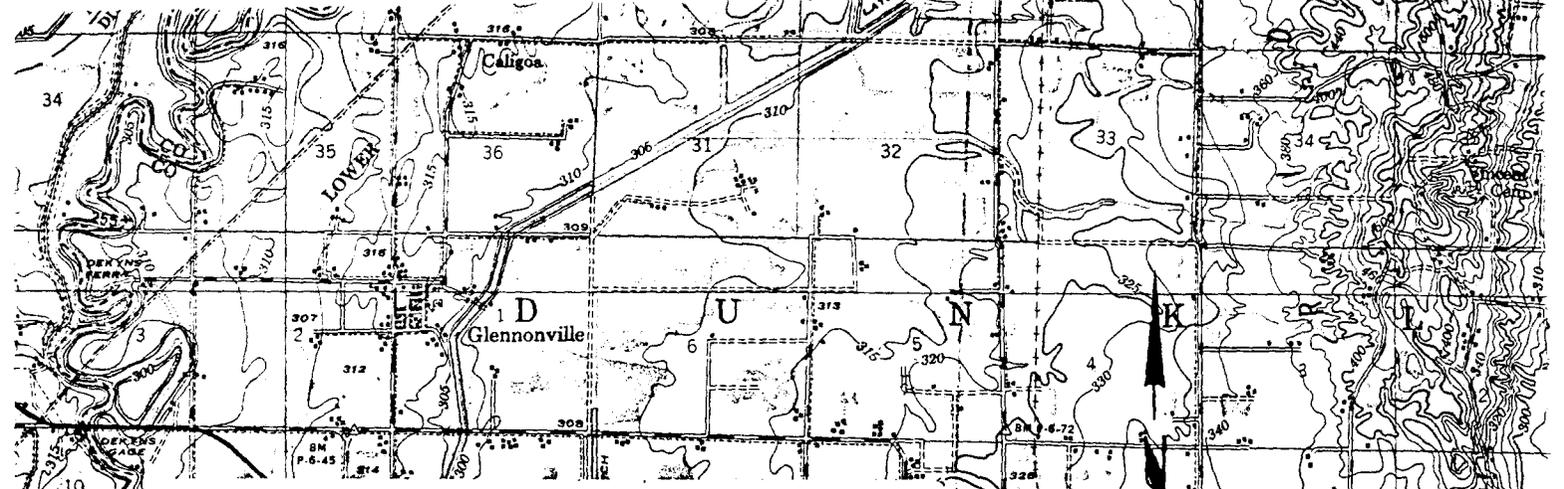
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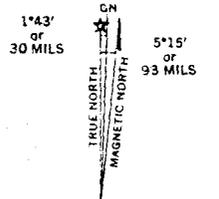
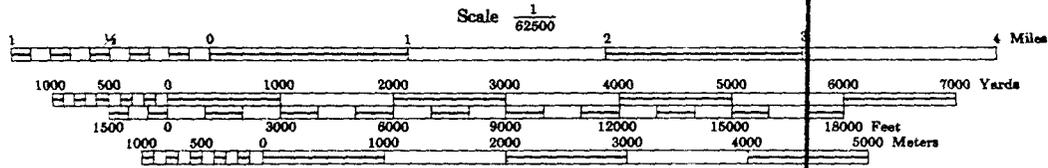
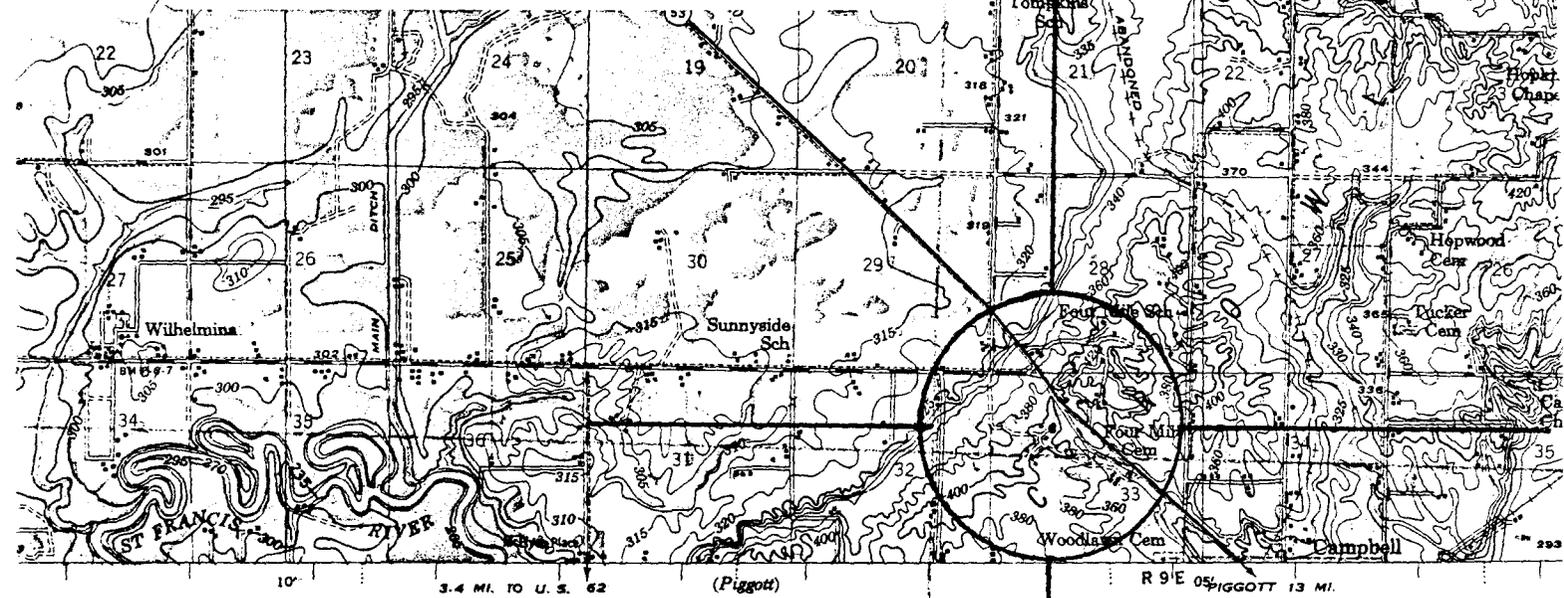


GIVEN OWENS HOUSE
Four-Mile, Missouri

U.S.G.S. 7.5'
"Valley Ridge, Mo."
Scale: 1:62,500

Quadrangle
(1956)

UTM REFERENCE:
15/759100/4044025



Contour interval 5 and 20 feet changing on the 340 foot contour

DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

ONE THOUSAND METER UNIVERSAL TRANSVERSE MERCATOR GRID. ZONE 15 IS INDICATED BY TICKS OUTSIDE THE HEATLINE

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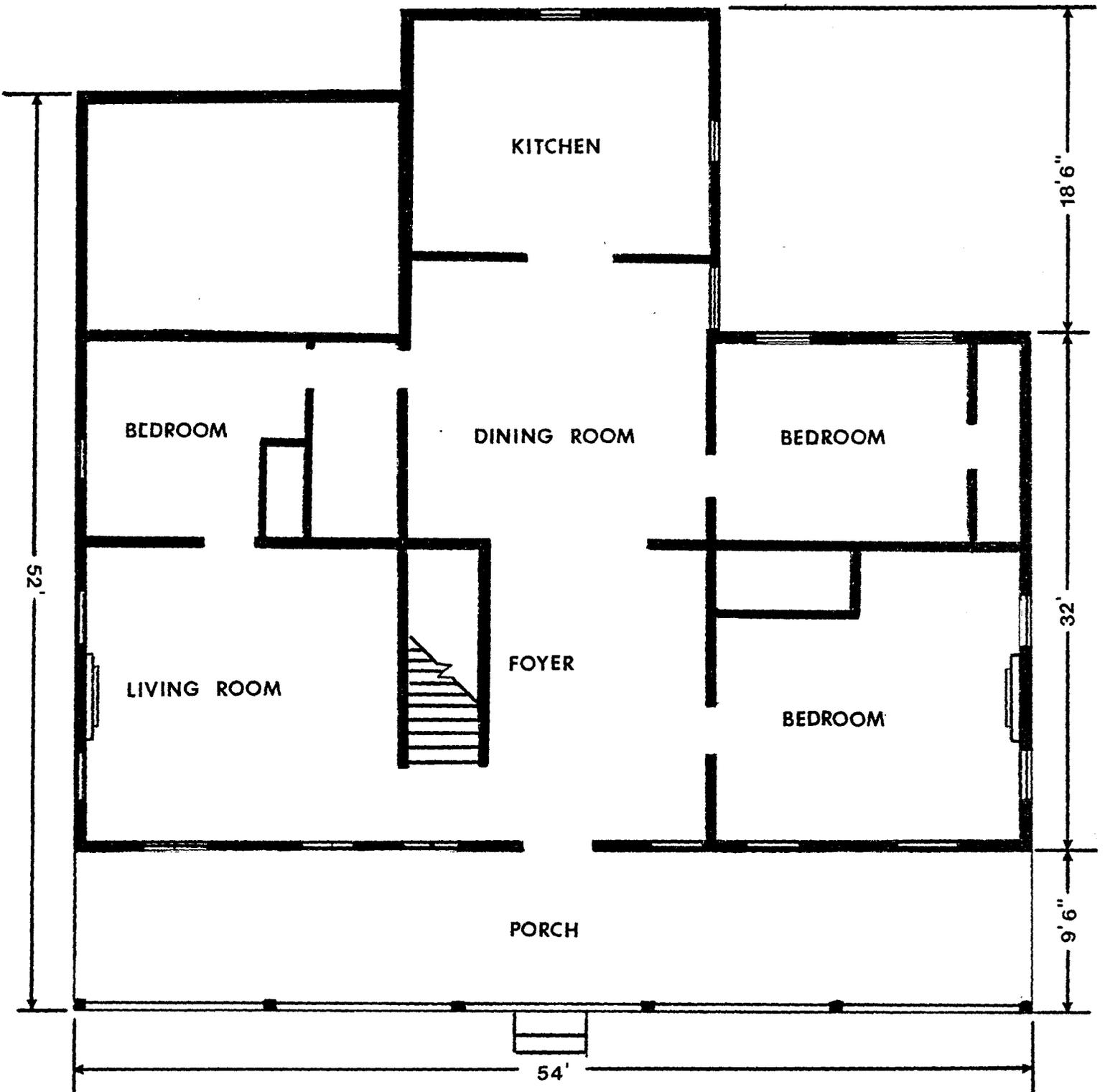
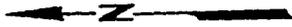
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The President, Mississippi River Commission
Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army
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Distances on St Francis River above mouth are shown at 5 mile intervals

GIVEN OWENS HOUSE

Four Mile, Missouri

scale: 1'=1/8"



#603

OWENS, GIVEN, HOUSE

COUNTY:

Dunklin

LOCATION:

Campbell vicinity

OWNER:
ADDRESS:

Donald Hughes
Rt. 1, Campbell, Mo.

DATE APPROVED BY A.C.:

October 1, 1982

DATE SENT TO D.C.:

February 14, 1983

DATE OF REC. IN D.C.:

February 21, 1983

DATE PLACED ON NATIONAL REGISTER:

March 29, 1983

DATE CERTIFICATE AWARDED
(AND PRESENTOR):

DATE FILE REVIEWED:

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Four-Mile, Missouri

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Photographer: Dennis L. Kellogg

February 5, 1981

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Malden Industrial Park
Malden, Missouri

General view of primary facade from northwest.



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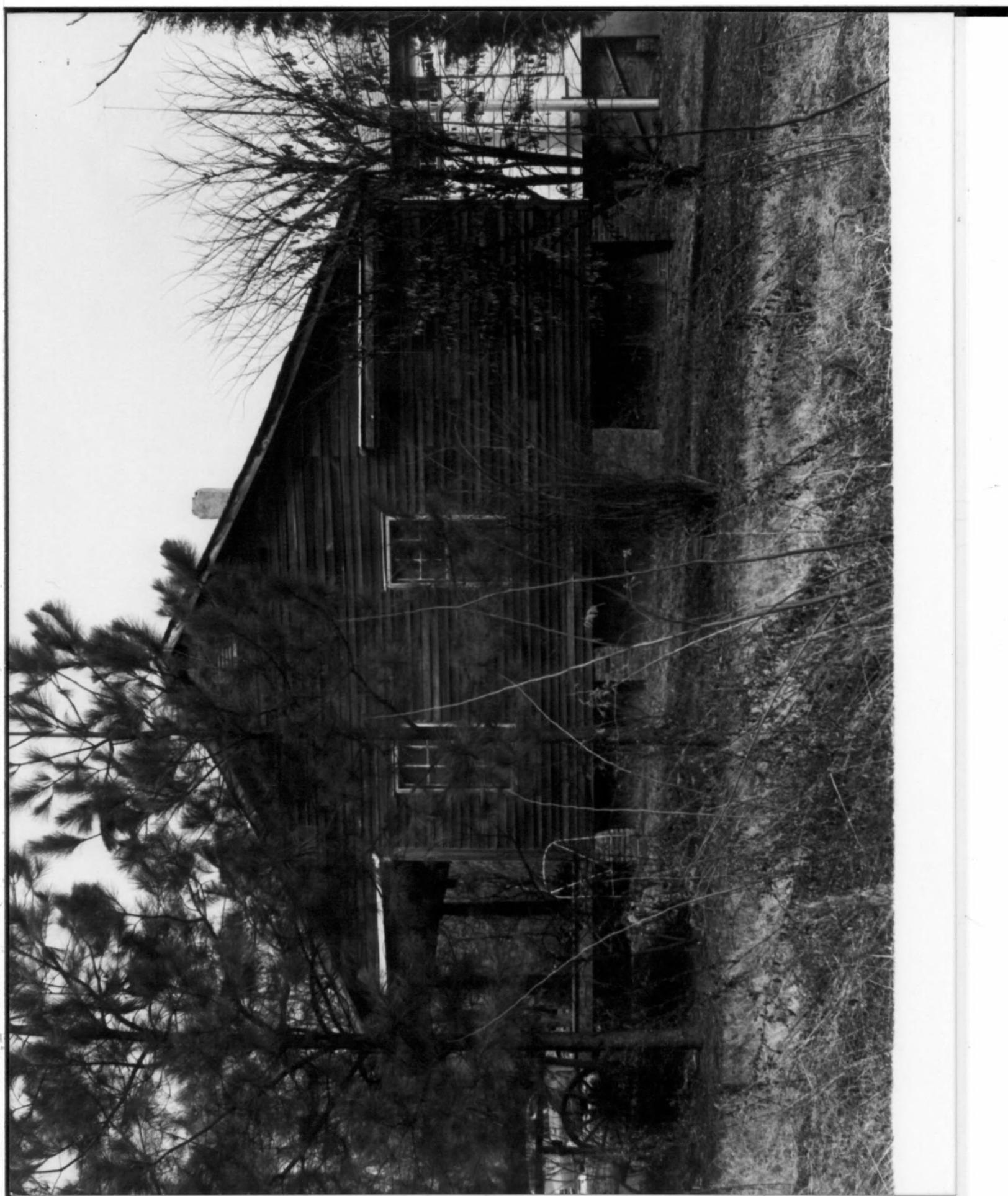
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General view from the south.



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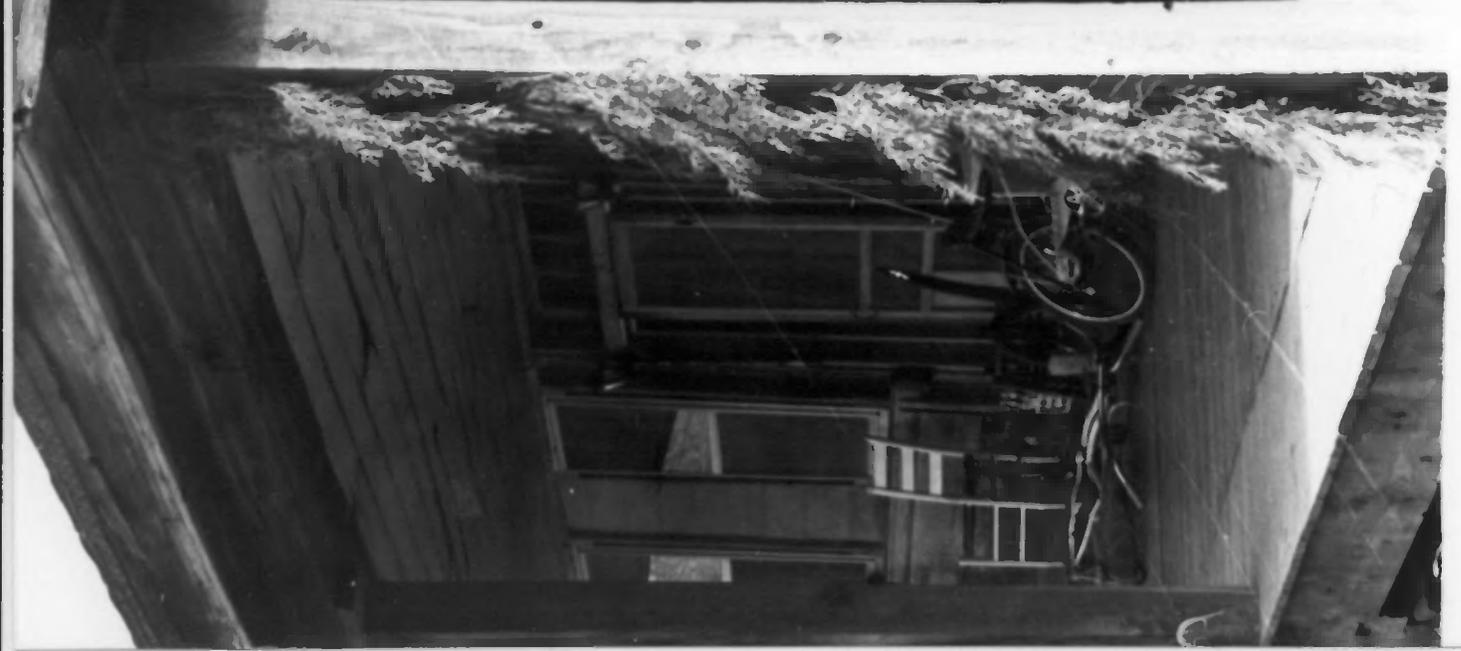
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Detail view of primary facade from southwest.



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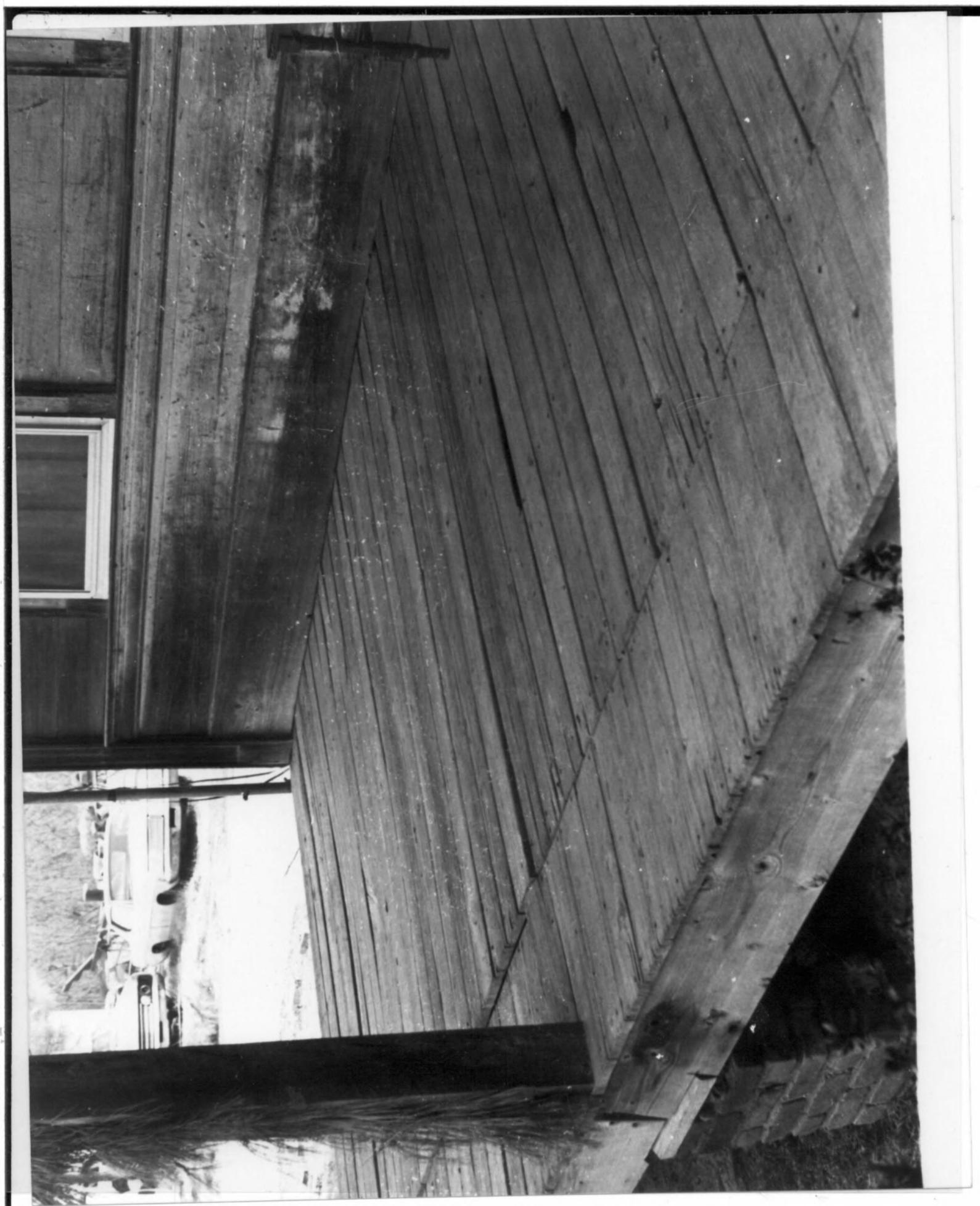
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View from the southwest of porch flooring.



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Interior view of foyer.



THIS AWARD
is presented to
Mrs. Beulah Hughes
for her
contribution to
the
Campbell Book Store
May 17, 1951

E. WORD
GOOD
STAND
ER.

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GIVEN OWENS HOUSE

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Mantel of Front Bedroom.



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View of door to kitchen.

