

LANDMARK



SURVEY

UTM: 17/720240/4212500

IDENTIFICATION

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Map and Parcel: 31-244
Census Tract & Block: 2-207
Present Owner: John Seay, Jr., et al
Address: 809 Anderson Street
Present Use: Residence
Original Owner: E.E. Purvis
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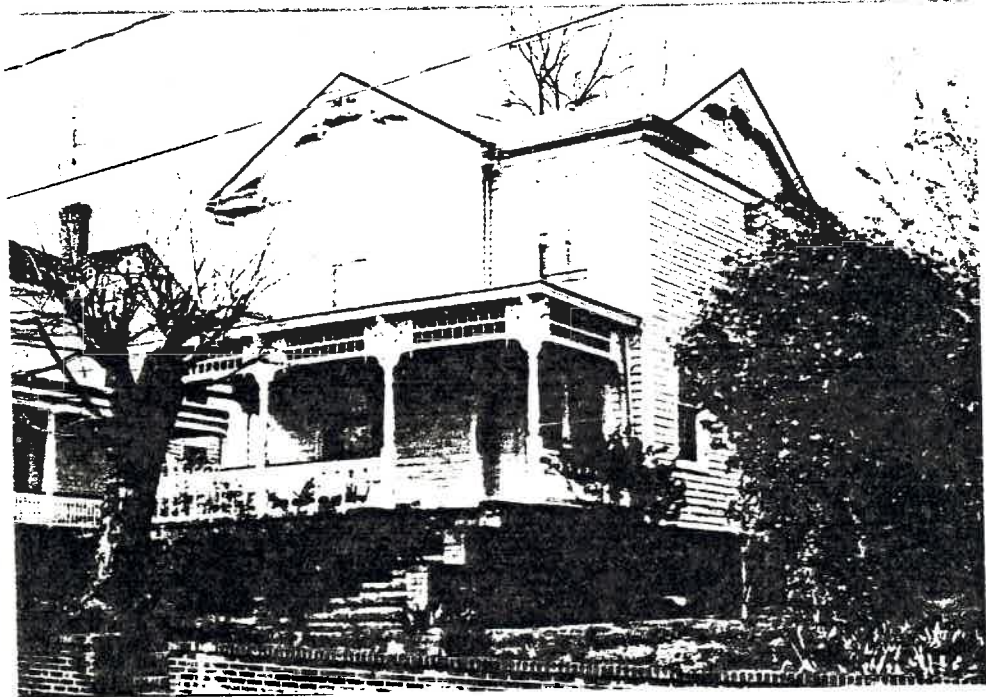
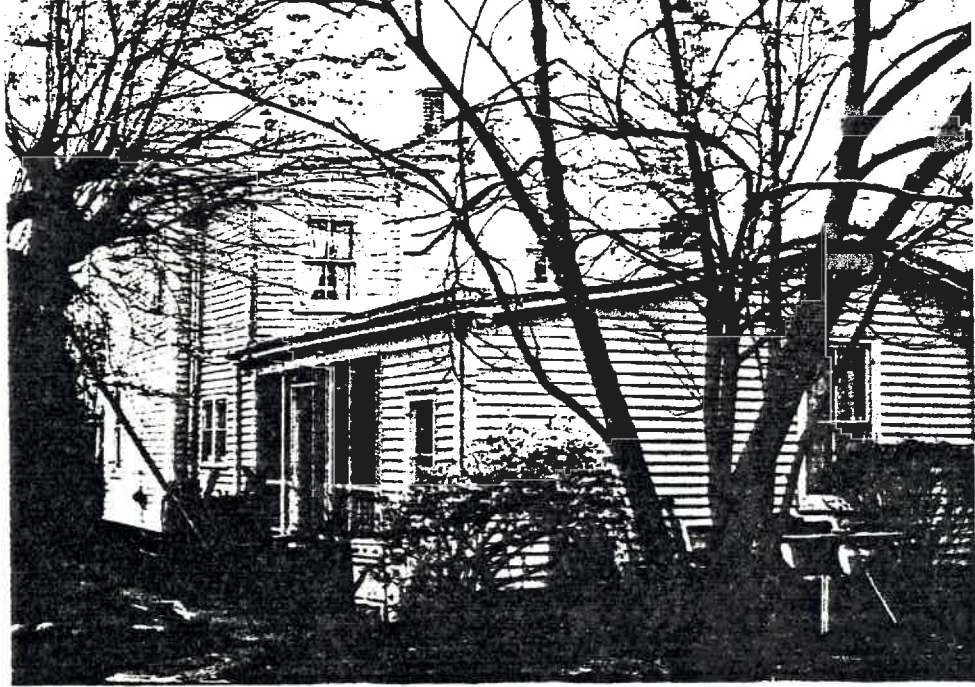
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City Tax assessors
809 Anderson St

15 min tax

WB 20-89 John Seay Jr, et al 12/30/75
128-127 Beatrice Seay 1946
101-169 Henrietta A. Dabney
96-487

plat 19-470

2-family res (1-storey frame, 2-room + bath)
built 1920

8 rooms, 2 baths

brick found., wood, comp shingle roof
softwood + plaster

Prowis 1896-1919 = 23 yrs

Taylor 1919-1938 = 19 "

Dabney 1938-1946 = 7 "

Seay 1946-21978 = 332 yrs

809 Anderson St

- 101-169
~~96-487~~ EO Mc Cue, spec comm in chancery suit Henrietta A Dabney
 12/30/39 vs Wm N, Bernard J, & Ruth R Dabney
 → Henrietta A Dabney \$575
 undivided $\frac{1}{2}$ int in 56' lot on Anderson St,
 #8 in Anderson Addition
 same as 96-487
- 96-487 Lucy C Taylor, wid → Henrietta A & W D Dabney \$3150
 12/5/38 809 Anderson St, subdiv by R D Anderson & wife, 56' x 140'
 same as acquired by 2 deeds
 32-446, 1919, $\frac{1}{2}$ int for Nora L Purvis Mays
 76-91, 1932, " " EO Mc Cue Comm
- 76-91 EO Mc Cue, comm in chancery bet Lucy C Taylor & (heir of H N Taylor)
 1932 house & lot at 809 Anderson St
- 32-446 Mrs Nora L Mays (wid of E E Purvis) & husb Z E Mays
 4/16/19 → H N & Lucy Taylor \$2500
 same as 4-403
 "being the property in which the late E E Purvis resided"
- 4-403 D J & M E Purvis → E E Purvis \$240
 5/15/1894 a portion of the Wade addition, known as #8 in subdiv
 by R D Anderson, 56' on Anderson St
 same as 4-226
- 4-226 R D & M Lavinie Anderson → D J Purvis \$215
 1/9/1892 to 8

Anderson St

Tax

1896, '95	^{1st} E.E. Pomeroy	48 Wade rd	150 + 0 = 150	E.E. Pomeroy to go
1898, '99 4th > 1902	E.E. Pomeroy (w)	24 1/2 W side Alphonse St	100 + 900 = 1000	fr. E.E. Pomeroy
1906, '08	"	N " Anderson "	200 + " = 1100	
1911	"	"	" + 1000 = 1300	
1916	"	est	700 + " = 1300	
1921, '22	H N Taylor	"	" + 900 = 1200	
1926	"	"	400 + 1000 = 1400	
1931	"	"	" + 1200 = 1600	

summary

1895-96	E.E. Pomeroy	150 + 0 = 150
1897-1902	E.E. "	100 + 900 = 1000

1-67
1888

Payson Massie lot

Payson Ave

West St

Alphano Road

Anderson St

R. D. Anderson

W. Water Ave

(5th St)

R. D. Anderson

Page Ave



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2-story, squarish, white weather-boarded
2-bay, double-pile, side hall
+ mid ~~the~~ gable roof + ⊕ lt green asphalt shing
board cornice w/ return, proj eaves + verges
gables - shaped wooden shingles, attic vent
snow work in peak

2/2 windows, oak, 1 plain on side

veranda - full width

flat? tin roof, shing; board cornice
double spool fringe w/ pendant
Eastlake posts w/ brackets
brustrade sawn & turned

double ent doors, 2-light rect transom
sing pane w/ 4 stained glass top & bottom
Panel w/ moulded rail

high brick found,

2-flight, open ~~walk~~, Eastlake stair
space as ^{side} ent hall, Fr doors into parlor
0 fireplaces

sl projecting side bay on facade

Chim

short 2-story rear wing w/ proj bay & under gable
C.B. found,

no seam W wall, but east corner later?

1-story wing

flat tin roof ^{3 doors}
porch, formerly screened, w/ posts & turned balustrade
2/2 + (6/6) windows, arch beam
→ west half - low pitched gable, east east as shed roof
over porch & 1 room at end of porch; boxed cornice inflections
on interior



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SIGNIFICANCE

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